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## Senior Party

The Northville High School Senior All Night Party takes place on Sunday, June 6 from 9 p.m. to 3 a.m. at Northville High School. The hallways are transformed into a magical setting, created by parents who have been working for several months at making their vision become a reality.

Tickets are \$75 and include a T-shirt, entertainment, food, casino, and many other activities. Turn in ticket form along with the SANP liability form and cash or check payable to SANP into the office or mail to SANP, PO Box 470, Novi, MI 48376.

The Senior All Night Party Community Walk Through will take place on Sunday, June 6 from 3-6 p.m. Families, neighbors, and friends are invited to walk through the halls of Northville High School to get a sneak peak PRIOR to the Class of 2010 graduation ceremony.

Decorative Mustang Signs are available for pick-up. Please call Mary Jo Blasius to arrange a time at (248) 349-0101 or (248) 444-2771 at her home at 18101 Sheldon Road (1/4 mile north of Six Mile on the west side of Sheldon across the street from the Ravines of Northville subdivision).

The Class of 2011 requests many volunteers to Clean-Up after the All Night Party on Sunday, June 6. The Clean Up actually starts Sunday night/Monday morning from 3:30 a.m. until school starts at 7:30 a.m.

Please contact Jennifer Stuart at [shuartje@northville.k12.mi.us](mailto:shuartje@northville.k12.mi.us) if you can assist the Class of 2011 in this event.

## Maybury Camp

Maybury Farm will now offer a Day Camp for children age 7 to 12 years beginning in July. Children will learn many facets of farm life and will have a hands-on farm experience including barns, caring for the animals, grooming, recycling, etc. They may also help with barn and garden duties. Their day is complete with traditional day camp offerings such as team-building activities, games, and good old fashioned 'farm fun'.

The Day Camp begins at 9 a.m. and ends at 12:30 p.m. and is held on Wednesday and/or Thursday throughout July and August. The first camp day will be Wednesday, July 7. Children may be signed up for either one or two days in the same week.

Camp is limited to 10 children per day. Dates are July 7, 8, 14, 15, 21, 22, 28, and 29; August 4, 5, 11, 12, 18, 19, 25, and 26.

Tuition fees are \$25 per day per person (must be paid in full to register); includes a mid-morning snack.

To register or for more information, call (248) 374-0200.

## \$10,500 awarded for business improvements

## No requests for technical assistance

BY PAM FLEMING  
STAFF WRITER

The Northville Downtown Development Authority board and city council recently agreed to reimburse \$10,500 in physical improvements to their businesses.

The funding is part of the ongoing

Business Assistance Program. Although budgeted at \$2,500, no requests were made during this cycle for Technical Assistance Grants. These grants are for such items as website creation or improvements, consulting fees, marketing or other non-physical improvements.

Merchants and property owners were notified of the current Business

Assistance Program cycle in a letter dated March 15. Deadline for grant applications was April 30, and the BAP Advisory Group met May 13 to review grant applications and determine which ones should receive funding and the extent of the funding.

## GRANT APPLICATIONS

The current budget for Commercial Improvement Grants as approved as part of the 2009-10

first-quarter budget amendments approved by the DDA board at the Oct. 20, 2009, meeting is \$12,000. Seven applications were received for a total request of funds of \$13,487.88. Six applications were accepted, with a total of \$10,575.28 to be awarded.

## BUCKMINSTER'S

Committee members recom-

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## Talent for the Title



The rock band The Breaks, comprised of Patrick Kornmeyer, guitar; Mike Dause, drums; and Aaron Zalewski, bass, are also among finalists in the local talent competition. The band played their song "Standing Alone in the Dark" at Thursday night's preliminaries at Genitti's Restaurant.

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## Main event slated next Friday

BY PAM FLEMING  
STAFF WRITER

Finalists were selected in the second annual Talent for the Title Contest music and dance competition in Northville last Thursday night.

Artists performed at Genitti's Restaurant on E. Main Street with three judges evaluating the performers.

The winner will be named at

the main event at 6 p.m. tomorrow at Town Square. If it rains, the contest will take place at Northville Square. The event should last about three hours.

The second annual contest was organized by the Broughton Music & Art Center for Music in Old Church Square on N. Center Street.

Laurie Jarski, owner, said besides the center, sponsors include Starring "The Gallery,"

Poole's Tavern, Flagstar Bank and Bob and Margene Buckhave. Additional sponsors are still being sought.

Members of the community are encouraged to bring their own chairs and vote for their favorite performers next Friday night. Twenty-five percent of the vote will come from the audience ballots.

## JUDGES AWARDS

At the end of Thursday's preliminaries, judges awards were presented. The judges included

Ken Haas from Reverend Guitar; Diane Winder, professor of cello and an associate dean at Eastern Michigan University; and Elinor Marsh, executive director of the Battle Creek Symphony.

Musical entries included the rock band Juice (Allen Wu, vocals; Ben Thomas, guitar; Michael Truong, bass; Jessica Mizzi, drums); the junior soloist Brooklyn Stack; solo pianist Jason Lerner; singer and gui-

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Local school board  
takes action to lay off47 teachers marked for  
2010-11 school year

The Northville Board of Education took action to layoff 47 of the school district's teachers for the 2010-11 school year at a Special Call Meeting on May 26, 2010. The layoffs are the result of severe cuts in school funding from the state for the current 2009-10 school year that will carry over into 2010-11, as well as possible additional funding cuts.

Though the board took action on teacher layoff notices now, the number of actual staff layoffs for 2010-11 could be smaller

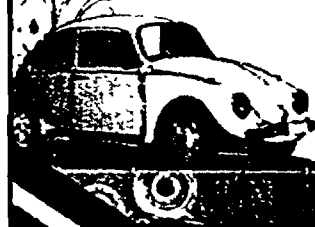
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## NEXT

The Northville Board of Education and district administrators are in the process of developing a balanced budget for the 2010-11 school year. A budget hearing is scheduled for the June 8 Board of Education meeting at 7:30 p.m. at Cooke School, 21200 Taft Road, just north of Eight Mile Road. The board is expected to approve the final 2010-11 budget at its June 22 meeting. "These are trying times for our state, our schools and our community," Rezmierski said. "Working together I am confident we can meet these challenges and continue to provide the best educational experience possible for all our students."

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# First Friday Walk to display photos from dentist's collection

Ohio artist's work to be exhibited, too

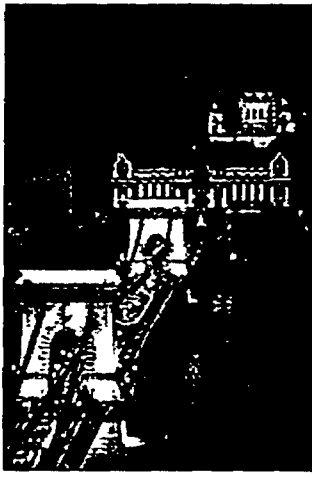
The June First Friday Art & Fashion Walk will provide photos from local dentist Dr. William Demray's collection at the Northville Art House and more.

The event will take place in downtown Northville from 6-9 p.m. tomorrow.

Dr. Demray's exhibit is titled "Retrospective: A Select Photo Exhibit from the Library of William S. Demray" and will be on display at the Art House, 215 W. Cady Street, from tomorrow through June 24 in the Lower Gallery.

Demray, founder of Preservation Dental, has lived and worked in Northville for more than three decades. He has traveled to exotic locations throughout the world and has had the privilege of experiencing many once-in-a-lifetime opportunities, always with a camera in hand.

He has been interested in photography since he was a boy when he first experimented with a Brownie camera. Family photographs were taken with a Kodak 2 by 2 Negative Box Camera. Today, his choice of equipment is a Canon 400, which allows him to capture motion in fractions of seconds.



"Buda-to-Pest", the view from Buda to Pest, once two cities separated by the Danube River

His love of photography helps him to remember the beautiful moments that may get lost in a busy life. His photos always reflect a favorite quote of his: "How things look depends on your point of view."

Sometimes where a photo is taken is as interesting as the shot itself, and Demray has journeyed widely to obtain an interesting point of view.

The Retrospective exhibit features shots from the Canadian cities of Banff,



"Grabbing for Gold," Apolo Anton Ohno with his gold-plated blades skates to an Olympic milestone becoming the most decorated American Winter Olympic athlete of all time with this race.



"Still Life" by Michelle Strong is another piece in the West of Center exhibit.

Vancouver and Tofino; the European cities of Prague, Ravello, Budapest and Paris; as well as special places in the U. S., including Key West, San Francisco, and, of course, Northville.

## WEST OF CENTER EXHIBIT

In addition to this new exhibit opening tomorrow, the Art House's Upper Gallery features the contemporary annual all-media show West of Center. Both exhibits will open with an artists' reception from 6-9 p.m. tomorrow.

Juried by Master Sculptor, and former College For Creative Studies Sculpture Department Director, Jay Holland, "West of Center" is

a take on the location of the Northville Art House as well as its philosophy of bringing the community something different. This year's West of Center Show has attracted a wide range of eclectic works from more than 60 artists.

Featured Artists are Dale Alcocer, Alice Antonioti, Ellen Bennett, Robert Bielat, Jess Bournay, Mark Chatterley, Jeff Cancelosi, Dominique Chastenot de Ge'ry, David Congdon, Barbara Demgen, Tom Des Jardin, Regina Dunne, Ann Dzeroogian-Conners, Barbara Eko-Murphy, Todd Erickson, Jeri Fellwock, Joe Fugate, Andrew Fuller, Marcia Hovland, Fran

Imonen, Suzanne Jones, Ken Kaminsky, Peggy Kerwan, Wan Chuan Kesler, Dorothy Koliba, Jackie Lams, Adrienne Lesperance, Lucia Lucas, Janis Madias, Sue Mallick, Kurt Menhart, Paul Nilsson, Bill Oliver, Liz Oliver, Vickie Peterson Michalak, Judi Richards, Connie Schlegel, Lin Schorr, Eric Simmons, Ann Smith, Emily Stokes, Michelle Strong, Ann Marie Wallace and Shadia Zayed.

For additional information, call (248) 344-0497 or visit [www.northvillearts.org](http://www.northvillearts.org). The Art House is located at 215 W. Cady Street and is a facility of the Northville Arts Commission. Admission to Art House shows is always free and open to the public.

## STARRING "THE GALLERY"

At Starring "The Gallery," 118 W. Main Street, the First Friday display will feature the work of artist Amy Flowers, of Columbus, Ohio.

A self-taught artist, Flowers has had the privilege of having several gifted mentors throughout her career. She is primarily a painter, starting with watercolor in her teens. Her early work was created in a traditional, realist style, working with pastels, charcoal, pen and ink. About 15 years ago she began experi-

menting with alternative art media, including rubber stamping, letter forms, collage, book making, and three-dimensional forms. This led to the use of acrylic paint and inks and the development of a more abstract vision. Her recent paintings involve acrylic paint used as a fluid, calligraphic wash for the underpainting, with brush strokes worked over the top to reflect an abstract movement or expression.

Rather than using a traditional canvas surface, she works on heavy-weight watercolor paper with a gesso primer. The way the paintings appear to float on the surface of the paper enhances the overall effect of the work once framed.

Her work is energetic and vibrant, and she paints using many thin layers of acrylic to achieve the glow and depth that her pieces are known for. Scraping back through layers of wet paint allow her to incorporate calligraphic lines and letter forms throughout the work, providing yet more energy and interest.

Flowers has also begun to add collage and more dimensional object to her paintings, working on a substrate of wood or sewn watercolor paper. Acrylic is worked under and over the collage elements.

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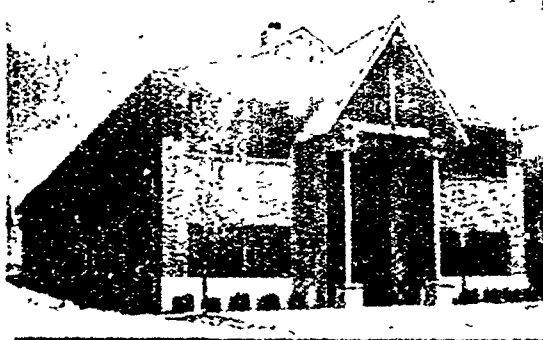
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# Record columnist works on furthering China connection

BY PAM FLEMING  
STAFF WRITER

Tom Watkins believes U.S. students should learn Chinese rather than some of the other languages taught.

As an American who has visited China numerous times, he thinks U.S. citizens have much to gain by establishing a global connection with the Chinese.

"China has one-fifth of the world's population with 300 million people," Watkins said. "Chinese is the most spoken language in the world, and it's the fastest-growing large economy in the world. They've had more than a quarter of a century of 10 percent economic growth or more each year."

A regular guest columnist for the *Northville Record*, as well as other newspapers in the area, the Northville resident just returned from a March 22 to April 10 trip to China.

He's been to China more than 20 times. Why the fascination with the country?

"I had a fourth-grade teacher growing up in Washington, D.C., who got

以迎美国密歇根州教育署Thomas D. Watkins



Northville Record columnist Tom Watkins with some students from Mianyang University in Mianyang, China.

me interested in China," Watkins said. "Something she said sparked an interest in the country."

He's always liked to read about China. "My brother said once I only read books about China, history and

politics. My family kids me because I have over 300 books on China. They say it's like a Chinese museum."

He was the state's mental health representative when he first went to China. "We organized an international

mental health conference in 1988, and a Chinese expert at the University of Michigan invited some Chinese experts in psychology and psychiatry. Then they invited us back."

So, his first trip to China was in 1989.

## IT'S THE PEOPLE

Watkins, who became school superintendent for the state in 2001, said it's the people, however, who draw him back to China. They're very friendly toward Americans, love the U.S., and he loves their history and culture.

The work he is trying to achieve in China is to build bridges — to try to make sure that China's rise doesn't come at the U.S.'s demise.

He's working on this educationally, scientifically, culturally, academically, economically on how to build bridges between the two countries. "It's about business education and cultural exchanges," Watkins said.

"We live in a global society. All languages are good, but Chinese is spoken by about 1.7 billion people."

He's an honorary professor in China and said they need more Americans to teach there.

Watkins is working with the three Southeast Michigan county executives/officials on getting these points across to Americans.

"I feel an obligation to build bridges," he said. "It's the right thing to do for our

kids to prepare them for that new world economy that's out there. And, it will make Southeast Michigan an economic magnet for Chinese investment in the future. What we need is an overall state plan."

For more information, read "China Bridge," in the September 2009 issue of *Dome* magazine at [www.domemagazine.com](http://www.domemagazine.com).

Watkins also encourages people to go to the \$44 billion Expo 2010 Shanghai in China that just opened on May 1 and runs through the end of October. He can assist any area citizens who might be interested in traveling to this international event.

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## A chance to tour the ideal location for your business!

For those in the market for an ideal location to set up their business or office, the opportunity to tour a variety of properties available in the centrally-located setting of downtown Northville is taking place.

## "Tour the Town"

hosted by the Northville Downtown Development Authority will be held on

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## NORTHVILLE COMMUNITY BRIEFS

## Cancer survivors

In recognition of National Cancer Survivors Day, St. Mary Mercy Hospital is hosting its annual Cancer Survivors' Celebration on Thursday, June 3, from 6-8 p.m. This special event celebrates all of those touched by cancer - survivors, those currently in treatment for cancer, caregivers, healthcare providers, and family and friends who have lost a loved one to cancer. This year, Lila Lazarus is the key note speaker.

This event is free. For more information or to RSVP, please call (734) 655-2632.

## Evening of Arts and Crafts

New Hope Center for Grief Support is offering an evening of arts and crafts at The Bee's Knees in downtown Northville on June 22. Recently widowed men and women with young children are welcome to attend.

The evening will begin at 6 p.m. for dinner at the Bee's Knees, located at 149 East Main Street. Arts and crafts will follow dinner.

Thanks to funding by The Northville Optimist Club, there is no charge for this event, but registration is requested by June 14. To register, please call New Hope at (248) 348-0115.

## Munfakh fund-raiser

A fund-raiser for Abe Munfakh, candidate for district 7 State Senator, will be held from 7:30-9 a.m. Friday, June 11 at Deadwood Bar & Grill, 18730 Northville Road, Northville.

Special guests include Mike Cox, Michigan attorney general, and Sen. Bruce Patterson (R-Canton).

Cost is \$100 per person. Contact Martha Snow at (248) 767-8661 for more information.

## Buy Michigan, Northville partnering

Buy Michigan Now has announced they will again partner with Downtown Northville to host an upbeat celebration of Michigan, Aug. 6-8. The family-friendly Buy Michigan Now Festival will showcase various Michigan entertainers, businesses, products, and educational opportunities.

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

The weekend celebration is designed to coincide with "Buy Michigan Week," which focuses extra attention on Michigan-based businesses and locally-produced merchandise to help stimulate the economy. This is also the second year for Buy Michigan Week, which will run Monday, Aug. 2-Sunday, Aug. 8.

The Buy Michigan Now Festival will run from 10 a.m.-10 p.m. on Aug. 6 and 7 and noon-5 p.m. on Sunday Aug. 8. More than 100 vendors and merchants are expected to participate and the festival is free to the public.

For information on vendor or sponsorship opportunities, contact Buy Michigan Now 248-390-0974 or info@BuyMichiganNow.com. A full list of events for the weekend of August 6-August 8 will be announced soon.

## Looking for Great Homes

American Association of University Women Northville-Nov is looking for a few great Northville homes to feature in its 15th annual AAUW Home Tour. A highlight of the Northville

Victorian Festival, the tour will be held for 10 a.m.-4 p.m. on Sept. 18.

Typically homes featured are widely different in architecture and interior design, span three centuries of construction and reflect how families have adapted to 21st century living in a community with a Victorian village at its heart. Joe Gagnon, the Appliance Doctor, will be answering questions at one home this year.

The home tour is a signature fund-raising event of AAUW which directs its support to advance education in the local, national and international community.

One of the ongoing local commitments is annual scholarship contributions to Schoolcraft and Oakland County Community College in addition to established endowments.

If you would like to discuss having your home on the AAUW Home Tour 2010 or would like to be a Home Tour volunteer, please contact event Chair Dianne McCulloch at dimccl@comcast.net.

## Got talent?

Spring forward and reach for the stars in the 2nd annual music performance competition: Talent for the Title hosted by Broughton Music & Art Center, and Starring, The Gallery.

Judges will select finalists to compete in a series of public performances throughout the historic city of Northville. The final showcase will take place on Friday to help kick off the Friday Night Concert Series in Town Square, located on Main Street in downtown Northville (between Center Street and Griswold).

Laurie Jarski of Broughton Music & Art Center, and Mary Starring of Starring, The Gallery will serve as the co-chairs of this event.

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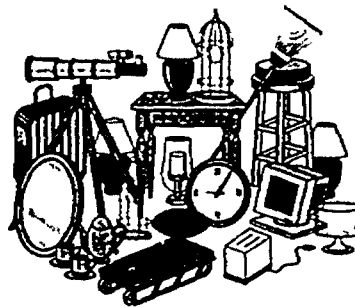
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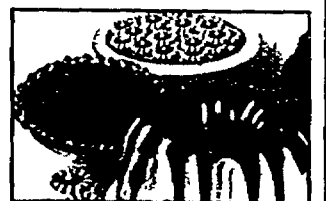
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# EDUCATION

## Five decades, three service branches, two conflicts and one flag

BY SGT. 1ST CLASS KELLY MCCARGO  
TASK FORCE MARINE PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICE

The Air Force officer said the friendship started during Operation Iraqi Freedom, when a random care package, addressed specifically to him, arrived in the mail.

The package was from a Jennifer Anne Lawson and her students from the Hillside Middle School, Northville.

"She sent a package to me addressed from the school when I arrived to Forward Operating Base Kalsu with 2nd 'Spartan' Brigade, 3rd Infantry Division, in December 2007," said Air Force Lt. Col. Bruce Munger, commander of the 72nd Expeditionary Air Support Operations Squadron throughout Iraq.

The relationship between the school and Airmen developed. The students organized collection drives and sent care packages to military personnel more than 6,000 miles away.

Spartan's Soldiers frequently distributed the candy and toys throughout Iraqi neighborhoods and orphanages which helped build trust in the communities.

Three years later, Lt. Col. Munger is back in Iraq serving as the Task Force Marine Air Liaisons Officer at Contingency Operating Base Speicher in Tikrit, Iraq. He and his 40 Airmen link the U.S. Army with all of the Air Force's attack aircraft—like the F-16 Fighting Falcon—that operate in the airspace north of Baghdad.

Albeit different students, his friendship with the middle school 6th grade class, continued.

"I told her I was coming up on another deployment, and she said they were looking to sponsor more Soldiers and Airmen," Lt. Col. Munger said. "I did it because I have a young child myself, and I thought it would be really motivating for the young students to hear about what Airmen and Soldiers do in Iraq. It's really rewarding because the students are excited to get feedback into these letters and cards that they put a lot of time into. They have a lot of questions about what it's like to be a Soldier—even though I'm an Airman."

As Lt. Col. Munger's tour was coming to a close, Jennifer Lawson, the Hillside Middle School, Mathematics department head, came up with one final "patriotic" project.

"I do have one last favor to ask," Lawson wrote in an email. "I have an American Flag that my dad was given when he left the Navy in 1966. He was in charge of raising, lowering and changing the Flag when they were at sea or in port. The Flag was last flown on Memorial Day weekend in 1993 when my dad became Commodore of a boat club. Before that it was flown on the Naval ship he served on in Vietnam—U.S.S. Inflict. I was wondering if I could send the Flag to you to fly in Iraq and then send back."

Lieutenant Colonel Munger said he was more than happy to assist.

"Initially she said 'she had this Flag, would you mind flying it over there,' I said 'yeah that's a nice touch.' She and her students have been sending us lots of care packages, they do school toy drives for toys and packages for the Iraqi children—sure I can do that for you. Then she tells me the history behind it, and I was like this is really cool."

Lawson's father, Ken Smith, wrote a brief letter about the



The Personal Security Detachment for the Task Force Marine Command Sergeant Major, raised and lowered Seaman Ken Smith's Ensign, at the Task Force Marine Division Main Headquarters on Contingency Operating Base Speicher, April 25. Pictured are (l to r) the halyard puller Spc. Eric Hamrick, of Des Moines, Iowa; the flag detail NCOIC, Sgt. Shelby Misher, of Statesville, N.C.; and Spc. Jesse Harper, of Anniston, Ala., applied the customs and courtesies to the Colors.

particular Flag his daughter possessed.

From 1962 to 1966, during the Vietnam War, one of Seaman Smith's daily responsibilities was to care, raise and lower the Ensign. An Ensign is a mariners' term for a standard, or a flag, that indicates the ships' nationality—in this case the American Flag.

Seaman Smith was assigned to the United States Ship Inflict, an ocean mine sweeper which patrolled the southern coast of Vietnam for supply ships trying to equip and reinforce enemy combatants.

"The flag that you have was flying from the mast of the USS Inflict on patrol in the waters of the then South Vietnam and when we returned to the Philippines in 1966," Smith wrote in the letter. "I borrowed it from the ship when it and I returned to the United States in November 1966 for discharge."

So we have a retired Sailor, a current Airman who received a lot help from the students, and the students who are learning about the military, Lt. Col. Munger said.

"It is really nice to have someone reaching forward like this, and saying they're still thinking about you," Lt. Col. Munger said. "I don't know if people really stop to think about how much effort goes into making a care package, and all these things that people back at home are volunteering for, and knowing these sixth grade students are doing this too..."

On April 25, 2010 the personal security detachment for the Task Force Marine and 3rd Infantry Division's command sergeant major raised Seaman Smith's Ensign one more time during OIF.

"Conducting this event was of a great honor for my soldiers and myself," said Sgt. Shelby Misher, the noncommissioned

officer in charge of the detail that raised Seaman Smith's Ensign. "For us to take a little time out our schedules for the benefit of the people we serve is a great feeling."

Sergeant Misher's responsibility filled him with both a sense of pride and humility.

"I hope that (knowing the Flag was raised yet again) gives them the same feeling that it gave us, and that they know that this Flag has been on many journeys and has reached us here in Iraq to be flown" he said. "Thank you for giving myself and the Soldiers from Task Force Marine the opportunity to be a part of history."

"This is twice that the Hillside Middle school has supported the 3rd Infantry Division Soldiers while deployed," said Lt. Col. Munger. "I want to thank them so much for what they have been doing for us here and thank Ken Smith for his service."



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

### Prom

Northville High School seniors Alexandra Roach and Patrick Cowher prepare to go into their prom on May 27 at the Rock Financial Showplace. Be sure to see more promo photos in next week's special Graduation section.

### NORTHVILLE SCHOOL BRIEFS

#### Honor educators through NEF

The Northville Educational Foundation (NEF) is again offering a unique way to thank Northville Public Schools staff members for a great school year. By making a contribution to the Northville Educational Foundation in honor of a Northville Public Schools teacher(s) or staff member(s), you will be expressing to them that you recognize and appreciate their dedication to enhancing educational excellence.

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#### 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).

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O KILLERS (PG-13)  
12:10, 2:45, 5:15, 7:30, 9:45  
FRI/SAT LS 11:55  
O GET HIM TO THE GREEK (R)  
11:50, 2:15, 4:50, 7:15, 9:40  
FRI/SAT LS 12:00  
O PRINCE OF PERSIA: THE SANDS OF TIME (PG-13)  
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FRI/SAT LS 11:50  
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12:30, 3:30, 6:30, 9:30  
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# Northville's Memorial Day Parade



Parade watchers applaud as service members walk past during Monday's Memorial Day parade.

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**DONALD ALVIN DUROCHER**  
Age 80, May 7, 2010. Memorial Service 10:30 AM June 4 at Holy Family Church, Novi. Interment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield. Memorials to Novi Lions Club or Alzheimer's. Online condolences [www.obriensullivanfuneralhome.com](http://www.obriensullivanfuneralhome.com)

**ELTRYM VANVALKENBURG**  
Of Mesa, AZ, former longtime resident of South Lyon passed away on May 21, 2010. She was 90 years old. Eltrym is survived by her son Gary (Virginia) VanValkenburg, granddaughters Michele VanValkenburg and Cheryl (Will) Hayes, great-grandchildren Nick and Shannon Hayes and sister-in-law Dorothy Sarvis. She was preceded in death by her husband Fred. Interment at Rural Hill Cemetery in Northville.

**TRUDY KLEISMIT**  
Age 41, of White Lake, passed peacefully in the care of her family on May 24, 2010. Funeral Mass was held at St. Patrick Catholic Church, White Lake, May 29. Burial Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. For info call 248-684-6645 [www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com](http://www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com)

**DOUGLAS J. VANWORMER**  
Age 60, passed away May 27, 2010. Survived by his wife Janice. A private family service was held. Arrangements by Phillips Funeral Home, South Lyon. Online guest-book [www.phillipsfuneral.com](http://www.phillipsfuneral.com)

**JOHN PAUL VEZINA**  
Age 85, May 27, 2010. Beloved husband of the late Virginia. Dear father of Jeffrey. Funeral was June 1, 2010 Memorials to American Cancer Society. Online condolences [www.obriensullivanfuneralhome.com](http://www.obriensullivanfuneralhome.com)

**PATRICIA MCMILLAN ROBINSON (NEE RICE)**  
A twenty-year resident of White Lake Twp. died at home in the care of her husband, George, on May 23, 2010 after a valiant battle with lung cancer. She was 56 years old. She is survived by her beloved husband, George Robinson; sons, Jeffrey and Steven Robinson, brothers, Matt Rice of Chagrin Falls, OH, Edward (Donna) Rice of Houston, TX; sister, Janet (Paul) Reins of Harrisville, MI; nephews and nieces, Chelsea, Lindsey, Haley, Mattie, Matthew, Kristine, and Kimberly Rice, and Dominic and Joseph Magliocco; her mother-in-law, Mary Ellen Robinson, and many dear friends. Patricia's family would like to offer a special thank you to Nancy Peter for all of the love and care given to her best friend of forty-five years, and to thank all of the employees of the Red Dog for their abundant support. Patricia had retired from EDS, where she worked as a Director of sales for many years, and for the past four years has enjoyed operating the Red Dog Saloon in Milford with her husband. A Memorial Service will be held at the family home, 2950 Ford Road in White Lake Twp., on Sunday, June 6, from 2-3PM (casual attire please). A celebration of her life will follow from 3-5PM. Memorials may be made in her name to the Michigan Animal Rescue at [michigananimalrescueleague.org/](http://michigananimalrescueleague.org/) For further information please phone 248-684-6645 or visit [www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com](http://www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com)

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**Deadline: Tues. Jan at 10 am for Thursday**  
Obituaries received after these deadlines will be placed in the next available issue.

Hazel Munro of Northville, holds a sign in remembrance of her uncle Albert Salmonson - before the start of Northville's Memorial Day parade - who was shot down during WWII in the Pacific.



Michigan State Representative Marc Couriveau marches in the Memorial day parade.



Kids and adults wave to marchers during Monday's Memorial Day parade in downtown Northville.



Luke Mason, 3, holds an American Flag as the Northville Memorial Day parade begins on Monday.



Liam Friest, 2, clutches an American Flag as he and his mom Amy waits for the start of Monday's parade.



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Northville High marching band's color guard walks along Main St. during the parade.



Members of Northville's VFW Post 4012 lead off Monday's Memorial Day parade, marching west down Main Street, carrying the United States flag and their ceremonial armaments.

## 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 [holyfamilynovi.org](http://holyfamilynovi.org)

## Mass Schedule

TIME/DAY: 7:30, 9, 10:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. Sunday; 9 a.m. Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday; 6:30 a.m. Tuesday, Thursday, Friday; 7 p.m. Tuesday; 5 p.m. (English), 6:30 p.m. (Spanish) Saturday  
Holy Days: 9 a.m., 5:30 and 7:30 p.m.  
Reconciliation: beginning 9 a.m. Saturdays

or by appointment

## Crosspointe Meadows Church

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

## Sunday Worship: 11:15 a.m.

Bible study classes: 10 a.m. for all ages  
Details: Nursery and older children programs available. Worship blends traditional and contemporary elements resulting in a multi-sensory worship experience.

## Detroit First Church of the Nazarene

Location: 21260 Haggerty Road, north of Eight Mile Road  
Contact: (248) 348-7600 or visit [dncnaza-rene.org](http://dncnaza-rene.org)

Sunday Schedule: 9:15 a.m. Worship service with Praise Band, children's Sunday School and Adult Bible Fellowship; 10:15 a.m. Fellowship and refreshments; 11 a.m. Traditional worship service, Children's Church, Youth Sunday School and Adult Bible Fellowship; 6 p.m. Evening Service, Children's program, Youth Worship Service  
Tuesday Schedule: Tuesday 9:30-11:15 a.m. Women of the Word Bible Study with childcare available for through age 5; 6:45 p.m. Ladies Evening Bible Study; 7 p.m. Men's Evening Bible Study  
Wednesday Schedule: 5:30 p.m. Family Meal, \$4 per person, \$12 per family; 7 p.m. Children's Caravan, Club 56 Bible Study, Quilting, Adult Classes, Youth Bible Study  
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.newhope-center.org](http://www.newhope-center.org)

## 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.  
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.)  
Vacation Bible School  
Date: June 21-25

## First Baptist Church of Northville

Location: 217 N. Wing  
Contact: (248) 348-1020  
Sunday Worship: 10:45 a.m. and 5:45 p.m.  
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.  
Ladies Bible Study: 9:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Tuesdays  
Men's Bible Study: 9 a.m. first Saturday of every month

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• Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.  
• Bible Study Wed. 7:00 p.m.  
Pastor: Danny Maltin  
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Mass Schedule: Saturday 5 p.m.  
Sunday, 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.; Monday-Friday 9 a.m.  
Holy Days, 9 a.m. & 7 p.m.; First Saturday 9 a.m.  
Confessions - Saturdays 11 a.m. & 8:15 p.m.  
or by appointment

## Livonia

**FELLOWSHIP PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
Services held at:  
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16360 Hubbard Road - Livonia  
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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.  
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Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m.  
Bible Ministries 11:00 a.m.  
Wednesday All Ages: 7:00 p.m.

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248-348-9030

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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.  
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**OUR LADY OF VICTORY CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
133 Orchard Dr., Northville  
WEEKEND LITURGIES Saturday 5:00 p.m.  
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Church 349-2621, School 349-3610  
Religious Education 349-2559  
Rev. Denis Theroux, Pastor

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WORSHIP AND SUNDAY SCHOOL - 10 AM  
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**MEADOWBROOK CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**  
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Sunday Worship 10 a.m.  
Rev. Arthur Ritter, Senior Minister

## South Lyon

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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.southlyoncc.org](http://www.southlyoncc.org)  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School,  
10:30 a.m. Praise and Worship  
Wednesday Midweek Ministries 7 p.m.  
Rob Callcott, Pastor

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10774 Nine Mile Road  
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## TALENT

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tarist Michael Stefaniak. Others were the rock/pop/blues band Affection Cent (Alexandria Lintner, voice; Jourdan Fletcher, guitar; Dylan McWilliam, guitar; Killian Pauls, drums); singer Cynthia Nabozny accompanied by pianist Xander Green; the string trio String Beans (Emma Dietrich, violin; Mary Grace Sinkovich, violin; Aria Thakore, cello); singer Kaley Moore accompanied by guitarist Tom Mariotti. Additional entries were the rock band InVirtuous (Jason Grewell, bass; Dave Tonch, Paul Cundiff and Jim Carroll); ukulele player Calvin Garbacik; singer/guitarist Nick Grochowicz; melodic death metal band Malevolent Awakening (Tobias Pace, drums; Sean Phillips, lead guitar; Evan Ross); rock band Airlift (Noah Barba, guitar; Marc Ellis, Frank Williams, Joey Molloy). More performers were singer/guitarist Kelli Cannon; pianist Sophia Sdao; singer/guitarist Emma Noble; rock band The Breaks (Patrick Kornmeyer, guitar; Mike Dause, drums; Aaron Zalewski, bass); and singer/



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guitarist Melissa Crowley. Winder picked two to receive her judge's award — Emma Noble and Malevolent Awakening. Marsh selected the band InVirtuous. Haas chose Grochowicz. Jarski said the competition had 22 applicants this year — 18 musical entries and four dance entries. Since there were only four dance entries, all four of those will go to the finals.

### FINALISTS ANNOUNCED

Categories include Junior Music Band, Junior Music Solo, Senior Music Singer/

Songwriter, Senior Music Solo and Senior Music Band. Finalists are Calvin Garbacik, Kelli Cannon, Jason Lerner, Brooklyn Stack, Melissa Crowley, Cynthia Nabozny, Sophia Sdao, Emma Noble, String Beans, Airlift, Juice, Affection Cent, The Breaks, Kaley Moore, Michael Stefaniak, Nick Grochowicz, InVirtuous and Malevolent Awakening. The second highest score went to Noble, with the top score going to Grochowicz. As far as the talent, "I'm

Emma Noble was one of the finalists in the preliminaries Thursday night at Genitti's Restaurant in Northville in the second annual Talent for the Title music and dance competition. Noble will compete in the Junior Music Singer/Songwriter category in the finals at 6 p.m. June 4 at Town Square.

really impressed so far with what we have this year," Jarski said. "It's very comparable to last year's entries." Soloists and singer/songwriters pay a \$60 entry fee to perform; bands pay \$90 for three members or \$25 per person if there are more than three, according to Lynn Bielecki, store manager at Broughton Music. The overall winner will receive \$500, a photo shoot and another prize yet to be announced.

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## AWARDED

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mended denying approval of Kim Guenther's application at Buckminster's at 102 E. Main Street because the application fee was not received, the applicant has not applied for a city business license and there was an outstanding water bill. The restaurant opened May 7. The application was to repair brick pavers in the rear of the building. Long term, the area may be used for customer seating. Total estimated project cost was \$5,300.

### GARDENVIEWS

Bill Richardson, property owner of the new location of Gardenviews at 117 E. Main Street, applied for fund for the following: Repairs to rear east brick work and tuck pointing, \$1,250; paint the east side of building, \$550; paint the lower building rear to include overhang, metal roof and lattice over the door, \$580; replace two exterior rear doors; \$1,625; stain or paint new rear doors, \$360; hard-scape, \$550.

The property owner applied for funds in a previous cycle, receiving an award for both front and rear facade improvements. Funds for rear facade improvements, as listed above, were applied for in Cycle 2, but the work was not done at that time. Richardson applied now to do the work he was not able to complete in 2008. A quote was also received by the tenant to install brick pavers at the rear entrance. Total estimated project cost was \$4,915.

The BAP Advisory Committee recommended full approval of this application with an award of \$2,457.50.

### LE GEORGE RESTAURANT

At the new Mediterranean restaurant, Le George, scheduled to open soon at 124 E. Main Street, applicant George Farah asked for funds for a projecting sign for the front of the restaurant. Total estimated project cost was \$2,850. The BAP Advisory Committee recommended full approval of this application for an award of \$1,425.

### SECOND STREETS SALON

At Second Streets Salon, 355 E. Main Street, applicant Gene Overstreet requested funds to replace the front door, \$621; the front screen door, \$330; power wash, stain and seal the side entrance decking, \$525; replace the free-standing front sign with a duplicate sign, \$733.25; and replace the front porch and railing, \$4,700. The

total estimated project cost was \$6,909.25.

The BAP Advisory Committee recommended partial approval of this application, suggesting that Overstreet reapply in a future grant cycle for more extensive redesign/repairs to the side porch area.

Although the BAP guidelines indicate only projecting signage will be considered, such signage is not appropriate in this case. The salon operates out of a free-standing historic house removed from the immediate downtown area. Total recommended award was \$3,192.13.

### VIOLETS ARE PURPLE

At Violets Are Purple, 112 W. Main Street, tenant Collette Cook requested funds for an awning, \$2,600; to strip and paint the entry door, \$500; for a total estimated project cost of \$3,100. The committee recommended full approval of this application for an award of \$1,550.

### CENTER STREET WEALTH STRATEGIES

At Center Street Wealth Strategies, 134 Main Centre, tenant Nicholas Bonn requested funds for two signs on the front of the building. The projecting sign, \$244.30 and a hanging sign at the edge of the overhang, \$1,537.50, excludes installation and Historic District Commission fees. All of the Main Centre tenants have hanging signs.

Total estimated project cost for the project is \$1,781.80, with the committee recommending full approval of this application for an award of \$890.90.

### BROUGHTON MUSIC

Finally Laurie Jarski, owner of Broughton Music at 141 N. Center, Suite 102, in Old Church Square, requested a projecting sign costing \$2,119.50. The group recommended full approval of this application for an award of \$1,059.75.

The current budget for Commercial Improvement Grants as approved as part of the 2009-10 first quarter budget amendments approved by the DDA Board at the Oct. 20, 2009, meeting is \$12,000. An additional \$2,500 in unallocated Technical Assistance Grant funds will be used, for a total of \$14,500.

The unallocated \$3,924.72 remaining in Cycle 4 of the Business Assistance Program will carry over to the next cycle of awards.

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## LAYOFFS

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depending on wage and benefit concessions and the number of teachers who take advantage of a Separation Incentive Package being offered by the district and/or the retirement incentive from the state.

The Separation Incentive Package, negotiated by the district and the Northville Education Association, and agreed to in a May 6 Letter of Understanding, allows teachers who have reached the top of the salary scale to leave the district and receive a separation incentive of \$25,000 paid over three years. In return, the district received the right to reduce staff at the middle and high schools by changing the teaching schedules at those levels. The number of teachers who opt to leave under the Separation Incentive Package or the state retirement incentive will not be known until mid-June.

"We recognize what a tremendous loss this is for Northville Public Schools," said Board of Education President Dr. Marilyn Price. "It is a loss

in terms of the wisdom, experience and expertise of those leaving us after many years of service, as well as the potential loss of the energy, innovation, and talent of our newest teachers."

The Board also announced on Wednesday the reduction of one Cabinet level Central Office Administrator position for the 2010-11 school year. The positions of Assistant Superintendent for Administrative Services and Director of Business and Finance will be combined into the single position of Assistant Superintendent of Finance and Operations. This reorganization will bring responsibility for custodial, maintenance and transportation services along with the budget, accounting and finance functions of the district together under one umbrella and will result in approximately \$140,000 in savings.

Northville Public Schools has faced a budget deficit of just over \$2 million for the current 2009-10 school year with an additional several million dollar anticipated budget shortfall for 2010-11.

At its May 21 Revenue

Conference, the State of Michigan Budget Office reported better than expected revenue for the in School Aid Fund (which Michigan public schools rely on for 90 percent of their funding), and less than expected revenue for the state's General Fund.

"While this may mean that public school funding may not be cut as much as originally anticipated for 2010-11, the state has in no way signaled that it will restore funding to 2008-09 levels, nor has there been any significant move to make structural changes in how public schools are funded in Michigan," said Northville Superintendent Dr. Leonard R. Rezmierski. "We remain hopeful that the state funding picture will improve. However, it is unlikely that the final outcome will be known until well after the district is required to adopt a balanced budget for the 2010-11 school year."

Michigan public schools are required by state law to adopt a balanced budget by June 30 of each year, while the state is not required to adopt a balanced budget until Sept. 30.

Even with the savings from these staff reductions, it will be

very challenging to address the severe budget shortfall anticipated by the district for 2010-11 without additional wage and benefit concessions from all of the district's employee groups.

The alternative is unprecedented staff layoffs (potentially beyond 47), class size increases, and program and service reductions beginning in 2010-11.

The Board of Education has requested that all of district's union and non-union groups meet with district administrators as soon as possible to discuss further wage and benefit concessions in hopes of avoiding additional devastating cuts and protecting the outstanding educational programs that Northville school families, staff and the community value.

"We recognize the financial impact on employees who have already agreed to concessions and understand how difficult it will be for staff to make additional sacrifices," Price said. "The district is striving for concession equity from all of its employee groups, with the goal of maintaining the integrity and quality of the educational opportunities and experiences we are able to offer our students during the state funding crisis."

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## CHURCH

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**Location:** 45301 W. 11 Mile Road  
**Contact:** (248) 349-3647 or firstbaptist-churchofnovi.org

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

**Bible Study:** 11 a.m.

**Family Worship:** 6 p.m.

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

### First Presbyterian Church of Northville

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

**Contact:** (248) 349-0911 or visit firstpres-nv.org

#### Sunday Worship

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

#### Walking in the Park

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

**Location:** Meet at the Visitor's Center of Heritage Park (Farmington Road between 10 and 11 Mile roads)

**Details:** Group meal for lunch afterwards.

**Contact:** Sue (734) 459-0016

#### Single Place Ministries

**Time/Date:** 7:30 p.m. social time; 7:45 p.m. opening; 8-9 p.m. program, every Thursday.

**Details:** Informative and entertaining programs of interest to singles; \$5 per person. Check Web site for details single-place.org.

### First United Methodist

#### Church of Northville

#### A Stephen Ministry Church

**Location:** 777 W. 8 Mile Road at Taft Rd.

**Contact:** 248-349-1144 or www.fumcnorthville.org

#### SUNDAY WORSHIP

**Times:** 8, 9:15 and 11 a.m. Sept.-May; 8:30 and 10 a.m. Memorial Day-Labor Day

**Pastors:** Rev. Dr. Steven J. Buck, Senior Pastor; Rev. Jeff Sturgeon, Associate Pastor

**Coffee Hour:** 10:15 a.m. Sunday Sept.-May; 9:30 a.m. Memorial Day-Labor Day

**Healing Service:** 4 p.m. first Mondays of every month

**Logo Youth Club:** 5 p.m. Wednesday for fourth-12th grade Oct.-April

**Men's Club:** 8 a.m. second Saturdays

**Career Ministry:** 7 p.m. first and third Mondays

### Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

**Location:** 41415 Nine Mile Road, corner of Meadowbrook Road, Novi

**Contact:** (248) 349-0565

#### Sundays

**Time:** 8:45 a.m. Sunday School and Bible Study; 10 a.m. Worship

### Lakes Baptist Church

**Location:** 309 Decker Road, Walled Lake

### Livonia Church of Christ

**Location:** 15431 Merriman Road, Livonia

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

### Meadowbrook Congregational

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

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

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

**Sermon:** Having a Plan

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

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

**Merry Widows Luncheon**

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

#### Pilgrim Fellowship

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

**Asking Questions adult education class**

**Time/Date:** 10 a.m. Tuesdays

### Northville Christian Assembly

**Location:** 41355 Six Mile Road

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

#### Sundays

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

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

**10-11 a.m.:** Contemporary service in worship center; children's super church on the second level (208/210)

**Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Study**

**8:45-10:30 a.m. (café)**

#### Wednesday Family Night

**7 p.m.:** Adult elective classes; jr. and sr. high student ministries; children's programs (M-Pact Girls Club & Royal Rangers Boys Club) Nursery and Preschool Program on Sundays and Wednesdays Home of Northville Christian School (day care; preschool through eighth grade) - contact (248) 348-9031

#### Summer Vespers

**Time/Dates:** 7:30 p.m. June 20, July 18 and August 22

### Novi - Northville Center

#### for Jewish Life

**Details:** A Jewish center with events, pro-

grams and activities for all ages throughout the year - children's programs, Sunday school, adult Jewish classes, youth clubs, holiday services and programs, community social events.

**Contact:** Rabbi Avrohom & Leah Susskind at (248) 790-6075 or rabbi@novijewishcenter.com; www.novijewishcenter.com

### Novi United Methodist

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

**Contact:** (248) 349-2652 or visit umcnovi.com

#### Sunday Worship

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

#### Healing Service and Holy Communion

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

#### Peace Vigil

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

**Location:** In front of the church

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

#### Advent Service

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

### Oak Pointe Church

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

**Contact:** (248) 912-0043 or visit oak-pointe.org

**Worship Services:** 5:15 p.m. Saturday; 9:15 and 11:15 a.m. Sunday

#### ReNew Life Group Ministries

**Time/Date:** 7:15-9 p.m. every Monday

**Details:** Ongoing Life Groups that support and facilitate personal growth, healing, learning, change from a Christian perspective.

#### Women's Life Groups Ministries

**Time/Date:** 7 p.m. every Tuesday 9:30 a.m. every Wednesday

#### Men's Life Groups Ministries

**Time/Date:** 6 a.m. every Friday morning at various locations For both Women's and Men's Life Groups Ministries, please contact the church office.

### Orchard Hills Baptist Church

**Location:** 23455 Novi Road

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

#### Preschool/Kids Choir

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

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

### Our Lady of Good

#### Counsel Catholic Church

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

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

### Our Lady of Victory

#### Catholic Church

**Location:** 770 Thayer, Northville

**Contact:** (248) 349-2621 or olvnorthville.org

#### Saturday Worship

**Time:** 5 p.m.

#### Sunday Worship

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

### Our Shepherd

#### Presbyterian Church

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

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

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

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

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

### St. James Catholic

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

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

#### Mass Schedule

**TIME/DAY:** 8, 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. Sunday; 9 a.m. Monday-Tuesday; 7 p.m. Wednesday; 5 p.m. Saturday

### St. John's Episcopal Church

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

### St. John Lutheran

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

**Contact:** (248) 474-0584 or visit stjoh-lutheran.com

#### Saturday Worship

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

#### Sunday Worship

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

#### Sunday School

**Time:** 10:15 a.m.

### St. Paul's Lutheran Church

**Location:** 201 Elm St., Northville

**Contact:** (248) 349-3140

**Sunday Worship:** 8:30 a.m. Blended; 11 a.m. Contemporary; 11:30 a.m. Traditional

### Unitarian Universalist

#### Church of Farmington

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

**Contact:** www.uufarmington.org

#### Youth Interfaith Journey

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

**Details:** This religious education program is open to the public and currently enrolling new students. The UUFC Interfaith Journey curriculum encompasses the Unitarian Universalism philosophy of individual worth and the power of community

with a study of the World Religions that are practiced around the globe. This program compliments the mission of UUFC Religious Education of teaching youth inclusion, compassion and peace and provides the environment to live and learn in a culturally diverse community. Classes are grouped into grades K-5, 6-8 and 9-12 with age specific education materials for all.

**Contact:** Jennifer Teed at 248/478-7272 or dre@uufarmington.org

### Lifelong Learning Forum

**Time/Date:** 7:30-9:30 p.m. Thursdays

**Details:** Six weeks exploring different topics like religion, philosophy, science, health, social and political issues. No advance registration necessary; a \$5 donation suggested. Drop in and pick the class that interests you most.

**Contact:** (248) 478-7272 or uufarmington.org/uucf/life-span

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

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**Time:** 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.

**Traditional:** 9:30 and 11 a.m. Contemporary, Nursery and Sunday School during the 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. services.

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**Details:** 11 a.m. every Sunday on WRDT-AM 560, The WMUZ Word Station.

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**Time/Date:** 11 a.m. Sunday for fellowship and Bible study.

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**Time/Date:** 11 a.m. Sunday in the Chapel for singing, Bible study, and fellowship

**Details:** For single adults. Active ministry offering various Bible study classes, volleyball, bicycling group, tennis group, support groups, support group for widowed over age 50, fellowship, friendships and more. Contact the number below for more information.

**Contact:** (248) 374-5920

#### Learner's Bible Study

**Time/Date:** 7 p.m. Mondays Room A101

#### Men's Bible Study

**Time/Date:** 6:30 a.m. Wednesday Single Adult Ministries office

#### Single's Bible Study

**Time/Date:** 7 p.m. second and fourth Mondays, Room C309

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

## OUR VIEWS

### Road work slows with few options

There is good news and bad this summer. First, road construction has begun. Second, road construction has not begun — enough.

Anywhere you travel in this region, roads are in deplorable condition, whether they be local, county or state-owned. Road commissions everywhere are saying that there just isn't enough money to do what must be done eventually. Then the topic of taxes comes up, with some suggesting gasoline tax increases or other subsidies.

Certainly goods roads attract businesses to the state, but high gasoline taxes could be a deterrent to businesses that move goods or for people looking to relocate here.

is hurting because of lost tax revenue. Every local government unit and every school district can make an excellent case for increasing taxes.

And those who pay the taxes can make an equally compelling case for not raising them, given the poor economy and continuing loss of jobs. Certainly goods roads attract businesses to the state, but high gasoline taxes could be a deterrent to businesses that move goods or for people looking to relocate here.

So what's to be done? There are no easy or obvious answers to that one. We may have to just bump along for the short term.

And long-range? Doing correctly at the outset road repair and reconstruction will allow cost savings that will translate into more money available for other road work.

One group recently said that it would take a doubling of gasoline taxes to garner enough money to fix the roads. It added that Michigan's economy would not recover until the roads were fixed.

No one really argues with the need, but the idea of increasing taxes has few publicly embracing the idea at a time when every function of government and school districts

## What's your favorite flower?

We asked this question at downtown Northville's Flower Days sale on May 28.



"Black-eyed Susan is what I'm looking for. It attracts butterflies."

April Mollanen  
Northville



"I have a lot of favorites, but the tiger lily — that was my dad's favorite."

Kendra Polack (with her mom, Barb Cicero of Northville)  
Canton



"The red geranium. The colors are spectacular, and they last all summer."

Kathy (and Rudy) Abbosh  
Milford



"I'm looking for snapdragon — it's a favorite cutting flower of my wife."

Mick Fee  
Novi

## Awards provide a look at future of our state

Today I'm going to tell you about one of the best and most exciting things happening in Michigan.

It's called the Great Lakes Entrepreneur's Quest awards — and on June 10, some of the smartest, most entrepreneurial people in our state will be gathered in one room in East Lansing, waiting to see who's going to take home how much of a total in \$250,000 in prizes.

In a state still struggling to find ways to grow and diversify its economy, the success of the Great Lakes Entrepreneur's Quest — the sponsor of the GLEQ Awards — is cause for admiration and hope.



Phil Power

The Quest is an engine designed to help form new, high-tech, high-growth companies in Michigan. The GLEQ awards are a statewide competition to pick the best business plans prepared by high tech and life science startup companies.

And the prizes aren't shabby. The winner of the SmartZone Award will take home \$100,000, while winners of the Best of Biotech Entrepreneurship Awards will win cash prizes of up to \$40,000.

The idea is to connect early-stage, high-technology ventures with the capital they need to move forward. The competition helps entrepreneurs to get themselves and their business plans in front of venture capitalists and potential "angel investors."

This has been going on for a few years now. I spoke at the GLEQ awards event a couple of years ago, and the buzz of smart people pitching their ideas and companies to other smart people with money to invest was mind-numbing.

The person responsible for running GLEQ, Executive Director Diane Durance, is a 51-year-old powerhouse of high energy and enthusiasm. She's a one-woman band pushing entrepreneurs forward, grabbing the attention of investors and helping shove the state into the 21st century.

I reached her over the weekend, just after she dropped her daughter off for a volleyball tournament in Ann Arbor. "I love what I'm doing, and I really believe GLEQ can play a big part in revitalizing our state," she says. Durance is a serial entrepreneur herself, having started several businesses, including one designing long-distance telephone networks. After living elsewhere for a while, she moved back to Michigan to help take care of her father, started yet another company, and then was hired to run GLEQ in 2008.

A spin-off from the University of Michigan, GLEQ was founded a decade ago and managed for a time through the Zell-Lurie Institute for Entrepreneurial Studies at U-M. A year ago, it got a terrific shot in the arm from the Southeastern Michigan Community Foundation and the state's 21st Century Jobs Fund.

Additionally, GLEQ was given a Strategic Service Provider grant from the Michigan Economic Development Corporation of \$250,000 a year for two years. That's the money being used to provide the big cash prizes that brighten the eyes of entrepreneurs and provoke a frenzy of competition and investor interest.

Here's how it works: Companies interested in competing prepare a draft business plan. GLEQ puts each in touch with a business coach who specializes in their particular field and can help hone the plan into shape to present precisely and compellingly to investors. Revised plans are then submitted to panels of professional investors for more feedback and improvement before being

competitively scored. A total of 10 plans are presented live — "elevator pitches" — by company founders at the Awards Event.

"We've got a total of 90 investors who volunteer their time to serve on the panels, and it's their involvement that's so crucial for the success of the program," says Durance. "It's not some abstract activity like a term paper in college. It's real business plans being critically reviewed and improved by real investors who put their money where their mouths are."

Durance says something like 300 people volunteer their time to make GLEQ work.

The program is growing rapidly, in part because the prospect of a \$100,000 investment in your company turns on any entrepreneur worthy of the name. Last year, 175 firms registered to compete; this year, it's 302. About 70 percent of those that register actually get a business plan written and enter the competition, Durance said.

GLEQ already has resulted in a fair number of successful startups. Among them are TJ Technology, a company recently acquired by A123, a leader in the hot field of designing batteries for electric automobile power trains, and Adaptive Materials, an Ann Arbor startup that makes portable fuel cells.

So — anyone interested in this year's Awards Event — which will be held on the afternoon of June 10 at the MSU Faculty Club — should contact GLEQ's website or call Diane Durance at (734) 527-9151.

Phil Power is also the founder and president of The Center for Michigan, a bipartisan centrist think-and-do tank which is sponsoring Michigan's Defining Moment, a public engagement outreach campaign for citizens. He welcomes your comments at ppower@thecenterformichigan.net.

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## Michigan's public schools need to innovate, change or die

This is the second of a two-part column by Tom Watkins.

Change is avoided until it can't be any longer. We are reaching that point in Michigan and our schools today.

The governor, legislators and state Board of Education made some needed changes late last year.

The initial legislative changes to qualify for the federal Department of Education, "Race to the Top" funding will expand the number of high-quality charter schools, begin to tie teacher evaluations to student performance, raise the dropout age from 16 to 18, give authority to the state superintendent to take over 5 percent of the state's worst failing schools and create two new "cyber schools."

The changes Race to the Top enabled are a good start on what must be an ever-rolling wave of reforms our schools need to adopt to remain relevant.

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One of the most promising reforms the federal competition has created is in the area of cyber schools and e-learning. While Michigan has the second largest virtual education program after Florida, there is much more we can and should do to tap this exciting, progressive educational modality.

Elizabeth Bauer is a member of the state Board of Education who chaired the board's Embracing the Information Age Task Force, a job she took over from Michael Warren when he was appointed by Gov. John Engler to fill a vacancy on the Oakland County Circuit Court. She said, "E-learning liberates educators and learners from the industrial model that chains the teacher and students to a six-hour day that is structured within the confines of the four walls of a classroom and the two covers of a textbook." Bauer went on to say, "Learning has become multidimensional with music, sound, visuals and can and does happen 24/7 at any time and any place."

Youth of today, who have grown up on the Internet and learning mobility, see the world differently and learn differently than a generation ago. Mark Prensky, in his book *Digital Natives, Digital Immigrants*, argues: "Our students have changed radically. Today's students are no longer the people our educational system was designed to teach."

Jamey Fitzpatrick, president of Michigan's Virtual University ([www.mivu.org](http://www.mivu.org)), Michigan's leading provider of online learning solutions, explains the power of e-learning and cyber schools this way: "Fortunately, online learning is no longer viewed as an experimental way to deliver educational services to K-12 students. We have provided 70,000 online course enrollments to middle and high school students in Michigan since 2000. During the next five years the use of online learning will continue to grow dramatically for all Michigan school districts, regardless of their size or location."

Dan Redford ([www.shanghai-exposed.com](http://www.shanghai-exposed.com)), currently a James Madison College senior

in International Relations and Chinese at Michigan State University, will be spending the last two months of his undergraduate studies in Shanghai, China, representing the United States at the Shanghai World Expo ([www.en.expo2010.cn](http://www.en.expo2010.cn)). He and his MSU professors understand that education and knowledge are not chained to a "place" — they are seamless and can happen any time, anywhere, globally. Redford will be educated a world away using the Internet/e-learning as his tether to MSU.

On the national and international level, Susan Patrick, president of the International Association of K-12 Online Learning ([www.inacol.org](http://www.inacol.org)), a Washington, D.C.-based nonprofit advocacy organization with more than 3,400 members, notes that online learning has the power to support personalization in ways never before possible.

Have the majority of our schools kept pace with these changes? In far too many cases, the answer is no.

Budget cuts from the state are forcing districts to become more creative and innovative in how they deliver instruction.

The tragedy is that the debate about online instruction is being wrapped around budget cutting and "savings," rather than the quality alternative it has demonstrated to be.

Yet, it is the budget squeeze that is the catalyst to achieve the necessary changes in public education. To pursue change we need to keep this question in mind: "What if the impossible isn't?"

What would a 21st century school environment (not necessarily a brick-and-mortar building) look like? Using imagination, innovation, technology and creativity, might we imagine:

- Gaining knowledge not just in a local school classroom but using a network of learners connected around the world.

- Senior year outside the confines of a classroom, where a student volunteers in a local nursing home, works in a team helping to design alternative energy solutions or a new car, and travels around the world connected via technology, developing a portfolio of knowledge in the real world.

- A time when all parents and students are not trapped

in underperforming schools but have access to the best learning in the world.

- Actually living in a Tom Friedman "flattened" world rather than just talking about it.

- Michigan transforming itself from the automotive capital of the world to the brain bank of the world — a place where anyone might tap into it for knowledge deposits and withdrawals.

- Laws, policies and regulations related to education are measured against how they "help teachers teach and children learn" vs. protecting the "system, adults and the status quo."

- A technology infrastructure that trumps new buildings. Prior to any major renovation or new school being built, a technology impact statement must be prepared assessing how technology optimizes learning and reduces the need for brick-and-mortar, place-specific learning.

Tom Watkins is an education and business consultant in the U.S. and China and served as Michigan's state superintendent of schools from 2001-05. He can be reached at: [tdwatkins@aol.com](mailto:tdwatkins@aol.com).



# 'Southern Comforts' poignant love story about older couple

Bit of sass, humor, too

BY PAM FLEMING  
STAFF WRITER

"Southern Comforts," the Tipping Point Theatre's latest play, operates on the premise that it's never too late for love.

The romantic comedy runs at the theatre at 361 E. Cady Street through June 13 and is the last play in the 2009-2010 Series called "Laugh."

After a chance meeting draws a widow, feisty Amanda Cross (played by Ruth Crawford,) and a widower, Gus Klingman (played by Thomas Mahard), together, Cupid takes aim.

This second chance at love for both of them proves to be somewhat challenging, however, like many relationships.

But, in the end, the moral of the story is that love conquers all.

## OPPOSITES ATTRACT

Love stories must appeal to Northville audiences, as last Saturday's opening night performance appeared to be a sell-out. And Gus and Amanda seem to be a perfect example of a couple that represents the "opposites attract" phenomenon.

She's a Southern belle from Tennessee. He's a set-in-his-ways Yankee living in New Jersey.

Their paths cross when Cross comes to visit her daughter, Nell, and her grandchildren and runs into Gus doing some volunteer work for a local church.

They do have a few things in common - baseball, enjoying going out to eat and church.

Who knew that romance would bloom just because a gal didn't want to go out in the rain in her new shoes?

The play has a lot of humor in it, as well as some serious moments. Crawford and Mahard do have some

chemistry on stage, although, with all the bickering in the script, it's hard sometimes to remember that they actually like each other.

## SET DESIGN MEMORABLE

The set was wonderfully designed by Dennis Crawley and features a real glass storm window that's used in an entire scene plus a wooden staircase.

Crew members making set changes are cleverly dressed in moving company uniforms, with one of them even toting a cigar.

Written by Kathleen Clark and directed by Joseph Albright, "Southern Comforts" reminds us that even people in love get irritated by their partner.

## CLASSES, MURDER STORY

The Tipping Point Theatre staff reminds area residents that summer acting classes for children begin soon, with sessions slated for June 21-July 2 (School House Rock Live Jr.) and July 19-30 (Alice in Wonderland Jr.).

The theatre will offer "Murder at the Broken Skull," written by Michigan native Carole Ann Ashley at 6:30 p.m. on June 18. Tickets are \$75 per person. The evening will include a barbecue and drinks.

Tickets for "Southern Comforts" range from \$23-27. Those age 62 and older and groups of 15 or more receive \$2 off for each ticket. Performances are at 8 p.m. on Thursday, Friday, 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. on Saturday, and 2 p.m. on Sunday.

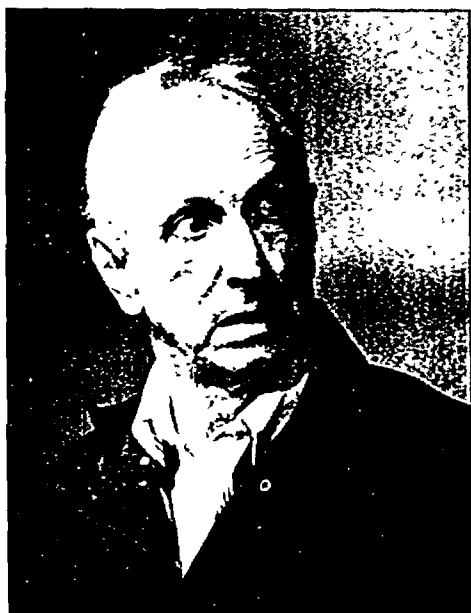
To purchase tickets, call (248) 347-2003 or to go [www.tippingpointtheatre.com](http://www.tippingpointtheatre.com). The box office is open from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday-Friday and 90 minutes prior to each performance.

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Thomas Mahard plays Gus Klingman and Ruth Crawford plays Amanda Cross in the Tipping Point Theatre's current production, "Southern Comforts," a romantic comedy. The play runs through June 13. For tickets, call (248) 347-0003 or go to [www.tippingpointtheatre.com](http://www.tippingpointtheatre.com).



Thomas Mahard plays Gus Klingman, a set-in-his-ways widower in "Southern Comforts."



Ruth Crawford as Amanda Cross, a feisty widow from Tennessee in "Southern Comforts."

## ABOUT THE TWO ACTORS

Crawford, a native of Ann Arbor, studied theatre in London, New York City and Los Angeles. This past year she played Christopher Walken's wife in the upcoming film, "The Irishman." Mahard is the son of an Emmy-award-winning set designer and grew up in the business. He performed in the movies "Hoffa," with Danny DeVito and Jack Nicholson; "Word of Honor," with Karl Malden and John Malkovich; "Gran Torino" with Clint Eastwood and more. Mahard teaches acting at Oakland University and is a sculptor.

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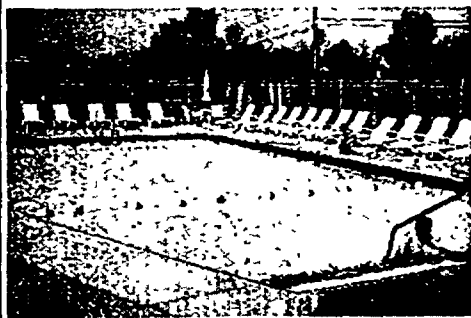
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## MEETINGS

### Northville Public Schools BOARD OF EDUCATION

Date: Second and fourth Tuesday of the month

Time: 7:30 p.m.

Location: Old Village School

### City of Northville CITY COUNCIL

Date: First and third Monday of the month

Time: 7:30 p.m.

Location: City Hall, 215 W. Main St.

### DOWNTOWN Development AUTHORITY MEETING

Date: Third Tuesday of each month

Time: 8 a.m.

Location: City Hall Meeting Room A, on lower level, 215 W. Main St.

Contact: [downtownnorthville.com](mailto:downtownnorthville.com)

### PLANNING COMMISSION

Date: First and third Tuesday of month

Time: 7:30 p.m.

Location: City Hall

### HOUSING COMMISSION

Date: Second Wednesday of every month

Time: 3 p.m.

Location: Allen Terrace, 401 High St.

### HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

Date: Third Wednesday of month

Time: 7 p.m.

Location: City Hall

### ARTS COMMISSION

Date: Second Wednesday of every month

Time: 7:30 p.m.

Location: Art House, 215 W. Cady St.

### BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION

Date: First Monday of every month

Time: 8 a.m.

Details: Individuals and organizations invited to attend.

Location: Northville City Hall, Meeting Room B

### Northville Township PLANNING COMMISSION

Date: Last Tuesday of month

Time: 7:30 p.m.

Location: Township Hall, 44405 West Six Mile

### BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Date: Third Thursday of month

Time: 7:30 p.m.

Location: Township Hall

### ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Date: Third Wednesday of month

Time: 7:30 p.m.

Location: Township Hall

### BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION

Date: Third Monday of month

Time: 7:30 p.m.

Location: Township Hall

### YOUTH ASSISTANCE

Date: Second Tuesday of every month

Time: 8 a.m.

Location: Northville Township Hall, 44405 Six Mile Road

Contact: Sue Campbell (248) 344-1618



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## General store donation

Members of the disbanding "Waterford Bend Questers Chap 1013" gather at Northville's Mill Race Village to donate more than \$900 to the effort to finish the village's General Store to a few of those Northville Historical Society members who are working on it. From left is: Mariel Griema, (president) Marianne Heaton, Keith Patterson, Betty Greenlee, Ruth Jacobs, Mark Chester, Lillian Roller, Joanne Dewey, Alva Holk, Fran Mattison, and Larry Last.

## SENIOR EVENTS

### Senior Community Center

Location: 303 W. Main St.

Contact: (248) 349-4140

### THURSDAY

8 a.m.: Walking Club

9 a.m.: TOPS; Massage by appt.

10:30 a.m.: Yoga

11 a.m.: Cribbage

Noon: Walking Club

12:30 p.m.: Pinochle

### FRIDAY

8 a.m.: Walking Club

11 a.m.: Poker

11:30 a.m.: Walking Club

Noon: Walking Club

1 p.m.: Movie

### MONDAY

8 a.m.: Walking Club

9:30 a.m.: Mah Jongg

10 a.m.: Beginning Line Dance; Oxygise

11 a.m.: Adv. Line Dance

Noon: Walking Club

12:30 p.m.: Pinochle/Euchre

### TUESDAY

8 a.m.: Walking Club

10:30 a.m.: Yoga

11:30 a.m.: Walking Club

Noon: Walking Club

12:30 p.m.: Pinochle

### WEDNESDAY

8 a.m.: Walking Club

9 a.m.: Foot Reflexology by appt.

10 a.m.: Oxygise

11 a.m.: Strength Training

11:30 a.m.: Walking Club

Noon: Bridge; Walking Club

1 p.m.: Cribbage

7 p.m.: Bridge

### CO-ED ADULT 50+ OPEN VOLLEYBALL

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

Wednesday, Friday

Location: Recreation Center at Hillside

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

Contact: Northville Parks and Recreation

(248) 449-9947

### HEALTH WALKING

Date: Monday-Friday

Time: 8-10 a.m.

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

### PILATES CLASS

Time/Date: 6 p.m. each Tuesday

### BUNCO

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

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

### FRIDAY FLICKS

Time: 1 p.m. every Friday

Details: Cost is \$1.

## LIBRARY LINES

### Northville District Library

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

Time/Day: 10 a.m.-9 p.m., Monday-Thursday,

10 a.m.-5 p.m., Friday-Saturday; 1-5 p.m. Sunday.

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

### All About Dyslexia

Junior Books, Chat & Chow for fourth, fifth and sixth graders

Time/Date: 4:15 p.m., Wednesday, May 28

DETAILS: Make friends, have treats and enjoy a lively book discussion of Swindle by Gordon Korman.

The Library will be closed Friday, June 11 for a staff-in service day.

### Make a Splash! Read! Youth Summer Reading Program

Time/Date: June 18-July 31

Details: Dive into summer fun at the Library with exciting activities, storytimes, reading incentive games, weekly prize drawings and more! Register at the Library to receive your Summer Reading Program Activity Guide starting Friday, June 18. Registration continues through July. Due to space limitations, summer library activities cannot accommodate preschool groups, day care groups, or summer day camps.

### Adult Summer Reading Program

Time/Date: Tuesday, June 1

Details: Adults can read, relax and enjoy with the Library's summer reading program.

Registration begins Tuesday, June 1. Receive reading logs for the chance to earn coffee coupons and the chance to enter our grand prize drawing.

### Make Waves @ Your Library! Teen Summer Reading Program

Time/Date: June 18-Aug. 20

Details: Teens can register for the Teen Summer Reading Program beginning Friday, June 18. Receive a summer reading log and registration packet with summer teen activities and events.

### Parks and Rec

### Northville Parks and Recreation

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

Contact: (248) 349-0203 or visit website at [northvilleparksandrec.org](http://northvilleparksandrec.org).

### PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

Meeting Date/Time: 6:30 p.m. fourth Wednesday every other month beginning in January

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

### DROP IN ADULT VOLLEYBALL

Time/Date: 7:45-9 p.m. Thursday

Location: Community Senior Center, 303 W. Main

9 a.m.-noon every Saturday Sept.-April

Location: Recreation Center at Hillside

Details: \$4 per person

### DROP IN BADMINTON

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

Location: Recreation Center at Hillside

Details: \$9 per person, includes birds.

### COMPETITIVE STYLE BADMINTON

DROP IN PICKLEBALL

Time/Date: noon-3 p.m. Wednesday; 10 a.m.-noon Friday; 6-8 p.m. Saturday; 1-3 p.m. Sunday

Location: Recreation Center at Hillside

Details: \$3 per person Wednesday and Sunday; \$4 per person Saturday; \$2 per person Friday

Time/Date: 1-3 p.m. Monday; 1-4 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. Tuesday; 9:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Wednesday/

### Thursday

Location: Community Senior Center 303 West Main

Details: \$2 per person except \$3 Tuesday evenings

### DROP IN TABLE TENNIS

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

Location: Recreation Center at Hillside

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Time/Date: 10 a.m.-noon every Monday, Wednesday and Friday

Location: Recreation Center at Hillside

Details: \$1 per person, all skill levels welcome. Bring your friends.

## GOLF OUTINGS

### Northville Newcomers & Neighbors Wine Tasting Annual Golf Outing

Time/Date: noon Saturday, June 19

Location: Links of Novi

Details: 18-hole round scramble. This is a non-pressure event designed for fun. All NNN members and guests are invited; all levels are welcome to play. Cost is \$80 per golfer (includes steak dinner and wine); \$30 dinner only (includes steak dinner and wine); \$50 for golf only

Contact: Pete Manschot, (248) 347-4609 or [pmanschot@aol.com](mailto:pmanschot@aol.com)

### St. Mary Mercy Hospital

### 15th Annual Tee It Up Golf Classic

Time/Date: 7:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. Monday, June 21

Location: Meadowbrook Country Club, 40941 W. Eight Mile Road, Northville

Details: Proceeds from the event will support a new initiative at St. Mary Mercy Hospital - a new Senior Emergency Center. This funding will assist in providing special equipment, staff training and create a healing environment to accommodate the multifaceted needs of our elderly patients. The event is presented by Phillips Services Industries, Inc. The 18-hole scramble features two shotgun starts, one at 7:30 a.m. and an afternoon round at 1 p.m. Individual Par Golf Package is \$350 per person for 18 holes of golf and a cart. The package includes beverages and refreshments at the turn; breakfast and lunch for morning golfers and the afternoon golfers will receive lunch prior to golf, followed by cocktails and dinner after the turn around.

Contact: For more information or to register, call the St. Mary Hospital Foundation (734) 655-2980 or visit [www.stmarymercy.org](http://www.stmarymercy.org).

### Northville Township Police Officers

Date: 8 a.m. (breakfast/registration) July 26;

10 a.m. shotgun start

Location: Meadowbrook Country Club, 40941 W. Eight Mile Road, Northville

Details: 10th annual outing with proceeds benefitting the Police Benevolent Fund.

Contact: Jerome Jackman at (248) 349-9400

### Northville Mustang Boosters Club, Inc.

Date: Saturday, Aug. 28

Location: Links of Novi, Ten Mile Road

Details: Golf scramble and dinner auction. Cost is \$100 per golfer for golf, lunch at the turn, dinner, open bar and auction; \$50 for dinner, open bar and auction; \$75 for student golfers. Deadline to register is June 17. Make checks payable to Northville Mustang Boosters Club, Inc. (a 501(c)(3) organization), and mail to Tricia Combe DuQuet, P.O. Box 312, Northville, MI 48167

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PUBLIC HEARING**

The Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) has scheduled a public hearing for Wednesday, June 16, 2010, at the Northville Township Municipal Office Building, located at 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48168. The ZBA will consider a request for a resident at 46950 Six Mile Road (Expansion of a Nonconforming Residential Building). Written comments regarding this request will be received by the ZBA at 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48168. The meeting will begin at 7:30 P.M.

Paul Slatin, Chair  
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**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE  
CODE OF ORDINANCE ADOPTION  
AMENDMENT TO  
CHAPTER 142 - SEWER USE**

The following ordinance amendments were adopted at the May 20, 2010 Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees.

The Sewer Use summaries of amendments are as follows:

Article 142-1 Applicability of article

Article 142-2 Definitions and word usage

• New definitions

Article 142 - 17 Enforcement Process

• Updated references to federal regulations

Article 142-24 Funding /Fees

Article 142-41 Prohibited concentrations of certain pollutants and mercury reduction plan.

• Changes to some pollutant levels

• Development of compliance plan

ARTICLE 142-8 Additional reporting required and periodic report requirements

• Slug control and miscellaneous changes

Complete copies of the changes are available in the Clerk's office at Township Hall during regular business hours, 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M., Monday through Friday and on the Township Website [www.twp.northville.mi.us](http://www.twp.northville.mi.us).

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More: For a complete listing of local and regional events, see the Northville Calendar online at [www.hometownlife.com](http://www.hometownlife.com).

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

## LOCAL EVENTS

### Rouge Rescue

**Time/Date:** 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, June 5  
**Location:** Fish Hatchery Park  
**Details:** Family friendly event with kids crafts and games

### Peak Performance Workshop

**Time/Date:** 7-8:30 p.m. June 10  
**Location:** Northville Public Library, Room A  
**Details:** Free workshop presented by Dr. Kenneth Stopa Jr., board certified sports physician. Learn how to get into the best shape of your life.  
**Contact:** (248) 735-9800

### Northville-Novi Garden Walk

**Time/Date:** 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday, June 26  
**Details:** The Gardeners of Northville & Novi (No-No's) present "Beauty and Bounty", a self-guided tour of seven exceptional gardens in Novi; rain or shine. Tickets are \$10 (cash



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## Flower Days

Downtown Northville's Main Street was closed off May 28-29 for the annual Flower Days sale. Novi resident Dianne Gryglewski gets some tips from Herb Alvord, who was selling flowers for Oakville Greenhouse, of Milan, Mich.

or check) and will be available on the day of the tour at the main venue, Novi Civic Center, 45000 W. 10 Mile Road. This year's gardens were selected for their outstanding blend of flowers, shrubs and water features combined with a section devoted to vegetables and/or herbs. The gardens featured will also participate in the state-wide "Yellow Ribbon Garden" program to honor

and support our military men and women - a tradition dating back to 1945 to pay tribute for their service and sacrifice to our country.  
**Contact:** For advance ticket purchase information see [www.gardenersnorthville-novi.org](http://www.gardenersnorthville-novi.org).

**The Seventeenth Annual Garden Walk**  
**Time/Date:** 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Wednesday, July 7

**Details:** Sponsored by the Country Garden Club of Northville, Woman's National Farm and Garden Association. The Country Garden Club of Northville invites you to attend its 17th annual garden walk featuring six gardens in charming Northville. Other unique attractions include a garden market, live music, and refreshments at historic Mill Race Village. Proceeds from the

event support charitable contributions to local and national horticultural causes. Advance tickets (\$10) are available at Gardenviews, 117 E. Main, Northville. Limited tickets (\$12) will be sold only at Mill Race Village, 215 Griswold Avenue, Northville.  
**Contact:** Kathryn Novak, Garden Walk chair, at (248) 348-3263; or Juliana Cerra, Garden Walk publicity, at [juliana\\_cerra@comcast.net](mailto:juliana_cerra@comcast.net).

### American Legion

**Location:** Northville American Legion  
Lloyd H. Green Post 147, 100 W. Dunlap  
**Contact:** [www.americanlegionpost147.org](http://www.americanlegionpost147.org).

### Slider Nite

**Time/Date:** 5:30-8 p.m. Wednesdays  
**Details:** Open to the public (including children); \$1 each for a slide or fries.

### Northville Community Chamber of Commerce

**Contact:** (248) 349-7640

### Farmers' Market

**Time/Date:** 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Thursdays  
**Location:** Parking lot on the northwest corner of Seven Mile Road and Center Street (across from Northville Downs).

### Golf Outing

**Time/Date:** 9:30 a.m. (shotgun start) Tuesday, June 8  
**Location:** Western Golf & Country Club, Redford  
**Details:** Scramble format. Cost is \$150 for members; \$175 for non-members (price includes 18 holes of golf; a continental breakfast, lunch, dinner, awards, silent auc-

tion, raffle); cash bar. Sponsorship opportunities available; raffle items / goodie bag items sought.

### The Art House

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**Location:** 215 W. Cady St., Northville  
**Details:** Admission to Art House exhibits are always free and open to the public.  
**Contact:** Northville Art House (248) 344-0497 or [www.northvillearts.org](http://www.northvillearts.org) for on-going art classes, lectures, events, rentals, volunteering.  
**2nd Annual West of Center All Media Show**  
**Time/Date:** Opening reception will be 6-9 p.m. June 4; exhibit continues through June 26 during regular hours.

### Mill Race Historical Village

**Location:** 215 Griswold Ave., north of Main Street near Ford Field  
**Details:** Office open 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Monday-Friday. Village buildings open 1-4 p.m. Sundays, mid-June to mid-October  
**Contact:** (248) 348-1845  
(\*Grounds closed to public)  
**Thursday:** 9 a.m. Archives Open; 9:30 a.m. School Tour; 1 p.m. AAUW Meeting; 6:30 p.m. Girl Scouts #1548 on Bridge; 7 p.m. Girl Scouts #473  
**Friday:** 9 a.m. Archives Open  
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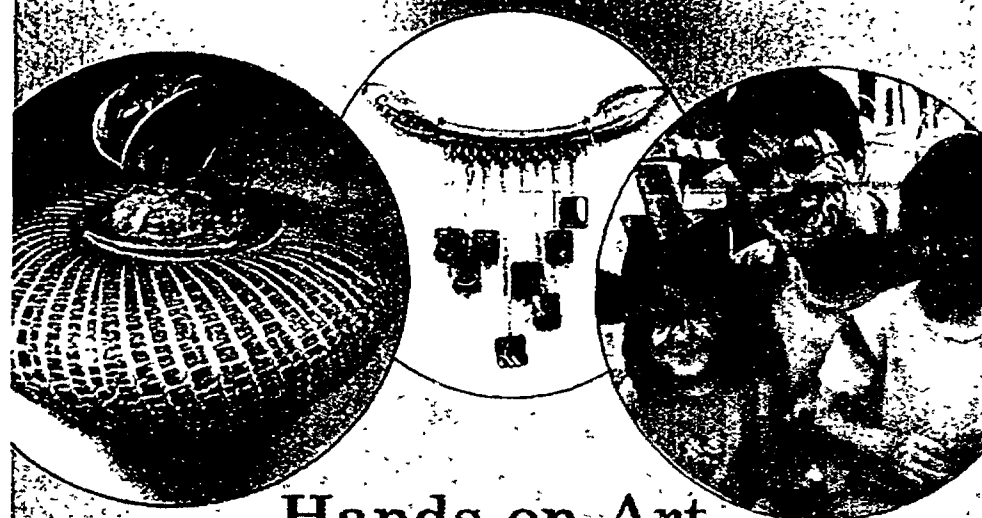
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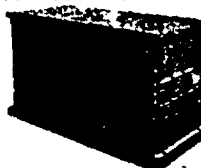
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# Resident's website highlights young people in metro area

## She's heavily into networking

BY PAM FLEMING  
STAFF WRITER

Margarita Barry said she was an introvert growing up in Detroit.

But, now the Web-savvy young lady has created a website that highlights young people in Detroit, [www.IAMYoungDetroit.com](http://www.IAMYoungDetroit.com), and she is networking all the time.

Barry of Northville graduated in 2003 from Southfield High School at started at Bowling Green State University in Bowling Green, Ohio, where she studied graphic design.

She moved back to Michigan after her sophomore year and is now studying computer graphics technology at Schoolcraft College in Livonia.

"My mom (Leslie Crawford) got me a computer when I was 13," Barry said. "I got into Web design and was blogging back before it was called blogging. I've always been interested in technology. Then I got into 'zines,' which are independently published magazines."

### TINT MAGAZINE

Her most popular "zine" was *Tint* magazine, a multicultural young women's magazine she started when she was only 19.

"It dealt with news, fashion, politics — all kinds of stuff," Barry said. She was also published in national magazines that cater to young people.

"I spent a lot of time on my computer in my room," she said.

Today, she's more business-minded.

"It's not just for fun anymore," Barry said. "I've been meeting all kinds of people, going to networking events, and I was impressed with the passion and inspiration these young people have. I thought one day, 'Wouldn't it be cool if there was a website that highlighted these people?'"

So, she created the new website.

"It (the new website) was also a response to hearing negative things about Detroit," Barry said. "There are smart, creative, intelligent and driven people doing incredible things in Detroit," and she wanted

them to be known.

### WHO'S FEATURED?

The website features local people in their early 20s to mid 30s. People nominate other people to be on the website, then Barry follows up.

"We haven't rejected anyone yet," she said. "People are really deserving, so far. We've only been around for four months, but we get an average of 5,000 unique visits a month."

Photos of the people are included, and the website doesn't just have profiles.

"We feature issues, news, events and all types of things that young people care about," Barry said.

Barry said the response to her website has been overwhelming. She's been featured in *Time* magazine that has a special feature about Detroit called "Assignment Detroit."

### OPRAH CALLED

Talk show host Oprah Winfrey even called Lauren Henrickson, one of the people featured on Barry's website. Henrickson's organization, Free Change, provides free items to the underprivileged.

Barry meets people through Fusion, the Detroit Chamber of

Commerce's young professional group, as well as through Detroit Young Professionals.

"Wherever I go I meet people," Barry said. "It's almost like I'm exploring the city for the first time," she said.

She works as a web and social media designer at Fussman Sikes & Associates, an advertising firm whose clients include Art Van and Weight Watchers.

"I'd like to publish more stories," she said. "The goal is to attract and retain young people in Detroit."

Right now, she's looking for bloggers and feature writers. She's also publishing a book, "The Big Book of Young Detroit," that's an expanded version of her website. "It's almost like a Who's Who of Young Detroit," Barry said.

In her spare time, Barry loves interior design, sewing and exploring issues, news and people. She recently won money to start an online business and opened a boutique, Bohomodern.com.

"Eventually, I would like to buy a house in Detroit and open a boutique downtown," Barry said.

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Northville resident Margarita Barry created a website about four months ago, [www.IAMYoungDetroit.com](http://www.IAMYoungDetroit.com) that highlights young people in the city. She has one paid blogger, and she's currently looking for feature writers and more bloggers to assist her. To contact her, go to her website.



### ENGAGEMENT

#### Scott & Kandah

Domian and Carol Kandah of Northville announce the engagement of their son Jeremy Daneil Kandah to Jordan Leigh Scott, daughter of Richard and Annette Scott of Naples, Fla.

The bride-to-be has a bachelor of arts degree in anthropology from The College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, Va.; a master of education with an emphasis in special education from University of Virginia, Falls Church, Va.; and is a special needs middle school teacher at Oakwood School, Annandale, Va.

The groom-elect has a bachelor of science degree in computer graphics technology from Purdue University, West Lafayette, Ind.; a master of business administration degree from The College of William and Mary; and is a strategy consultant at Booz Allen Hamilton, Washington, D.C.

The couple are planning a June 26 wedding in Washington, D.C.

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# Violets Are Purple now open on West Main Street in Northville

Soy candles, antiques, gifts

BY PAM FLEMING  
STAFF WRITER

Collette Cook of Northville said everyone used to tell her she made such great candles that she should open a shop.

Well, she finally took their advice and opened Violets Are Purple, a candle and gift shop at 112 W. Main St. in downtown Northville. Her husband, John, is also involved in the business.

With bright lavender walls and an array of interesting display cases she gleaned from the store Ribbons that went out of business in Birmingham, Cook offers a variety of hand-painted, porcelain antiques, gifts and decorative home accessories.

Hours of operation are 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday. The store is open Mondays and Tuesdays by appointment by calling (734) 972-6542 or e-mailing her at [collette@violetsarepurple.com](mailto:collette@violetsarepurple.com).

Their website, [www.violetsarepurple.com](http://www.violetsarepurple.com), is under development.

Cook said she came up with the name for the store because purple is her favorite color.

"I know it's silly, but then I took that poem, 'Roses are red, violets are blue.' Violets aren't blue, they're purple. I recrafted the poem," Cook said. John works in advertising and marketing for a company out of St. Louis, Mo.

## FULL OF SCENTS CANDLES

Violets Are Purple manufactures and sells Full of Scents candles that are 100 percent soy wax, triple-scented and hand-poured. Collette will also fill any existing container a customer may want to use for a candle.

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"The advantages of soy-based candles are that they are not made from petroleum like paraffin candles, which put off toxins, so they are better for the environment," Collette said. "Our candles are also made in America, so we're supporting the national economy."

John said soy wax burns cleaner and longer, too, and are better for children and pets. Violets Are Purple also has soy-based wax buttons.

The store carries items by MacKenzie-Childs items, as well as Limoges antiques.



A tiny plaster cherub holds a candle inside Violets are Purple at 112 W. Main Street.

## HOURS OF OPERATION

Violets Are Purple is open from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday and by appointment on Monday and Tuesday. For more information, call (734) 972-6542 or e-mail Collette Cook at [collette@violetsarepurple.com](mailto:collette@violetsarepurple.com).

The Cooks are also authorized dealers of Christopher Radko Christmas ornaments. And, she sells Once a Bra Now a Purse purses or Bra-cketbooks that benefit breast cancer research. Cook finds many of her items at trade shows in Atlanta and Las Vegas.

Cook was a stay-at-home mom before opening Violets Are Purple. She has a son, Greyson, 12, and two stepdaughters — Analisa, 15, and Caroline, 13.

The store's grand opening will be June 3.

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John and Collette Cook stand in Collette's new 112 W. Main Street shop Violets Are Purple in downtown Northville. The shop features soy-based, triple-scented, hand-poured candles; antiques; gifts and decorative items for the home.

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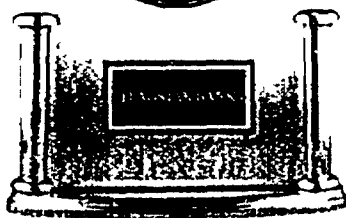
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## 6 Job Market Trends to Watch

Matt Ferguson,  
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Since the start of the recession in December 2007, the United States has lost 8.4 million jobs. Yet, employers are finally feeling a renewed sense of hiring optimism, according to a new survey from CareerBuilder and USA TODAY. For the third consecutive quarter, more hiring managers and human resource professionals are projecting they will increase headcount in the next three months while fewer are expecting staff cuts. The nationwide survey of more than 2,700 professionals was conducted by Harris Interactive.

Both the survey and hiring activity are signs of employers' confidence in the healing economy and that they are ready to reincorporate growth strategies. The rise in online job listings and resurgence in temporary hiring are strong leading indicators of a stabilizing market and the creation of more permanent jobs down the road. On CareerBuilder.com, for example, job listings in 2010 have increased both consecutively and year over year.

While the job market recovery will take some time as employers face new market realities and weigh staffing needs, this is a positive sign for job seekers. In addition, it is also welcome news to workers

who have been strained by heavier workloads and longer hours caused by their employers' staffing reductions.

In the first quarter of 2010, 23 percent of employers reported they increased their full-time, permanent staff, up from 13 percent in the same period last year and up from 20 percent in the fourth quarter. Employers decreased headcount by 12, down from 26 percent year over year and down from 13 percent in the fourth quarter. Another 64 percent of employers reported no change in their number of full-time, permanent employees while 1 percent was undecided.

Over the next three months, 23 percent of employers plan to add full-time, permanent headcount while 8 percent plan to downsize staffs. The majority (64 percent) anticipate no change in staffing while 6 percent are undecided.

Here are six trends hiring managers and human resource professionals said they foresee regarding staffing in the second quarter of 2010:

**1. Hiring contract workers** — Be open to job listings that indicate "contract" or "freelance" work. Still cautious of hiring of permanent staff, 25 percent of employers expect to employ contract workers or freelancers in the second quarter



to help fill productivity gaps. Thirteen percent said they are likely to hire these workers on a permanent basis.

**2. Offering internships** — No matter your age, consider applying for an internship for the experience and exposure. Employers are upping their number of interns to cost-effectively add resources in the interim. Nearly one-quarter of employers said that they will be hiring interns at their location in the second quarter.

**3. Hiring for social media** — Market your social media savvy. As social media rapidly gains popularity among consumers and businesses, employers are taking notice and plan to add jobs and responsibilities related to Web

**2.0. Nearly one-in-ten employers plan to hire a new employee in the second quarter to focus on social media.** An additional 13 percent plan to add social media management to a current employee's responsibilities.

**4. Adding bilingual staff** — In order to appeal to broader consumer segments in the United States who may not speak English or speak it as a native language, employers are looking to diversify their personnel. One-third said they plan to hire bilingual candidates in the second quarter of 2010. Half-said that if they had two equally qualified candidates, they would be more inclined to hire the bilingual candidate.

**5. Replacing lower-performing**

employees — Don't get lost in a false sense of security and prove you're irreplaceable. Companies are re-evaluating their current staffs to prepare for the upturn ahead. Twenty-eight percent of companies said they plan to replace lower-performing employees with higher-performers in the second quarter.

**6. Holding on to talent** — If you are that exceptional employee, your employer may likely prove it. 32 percent of employers are concerned that some of their top employees may leave their organizations in the next few months as market conditions improve. To help retain workers, 14 percent are offering more flexible work arrangements, 14 percent are investing more in training, 10 percent are promising future raises or promotions and 9 percent are offering more performance-based incentives such as trips and bonuses. Another 5 percent are providing a higher title without the salary.

*Matt Ferguson is the president and CEO of CareerBuilder, the global leader in human capital solutions. Working with the nation's top employers on a daily basis, Ferguson is an expert on emerging trends, the effect of the economy on the job outlook and advice for job seekers.*

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10 Desert growth  
15 27th president  
19 Comic Carvey  
20 Film the hold  
21 TV's "Full"  
22 Sutherland solo  
23 HEAD STARTS  
27 Dogpatch's Daisy  
28 Patnot Nathan  
29 Sherwood sight  
30 Moscow moola  
31 Workbench attachment  
32 Croce's Mr. Brown  
34 Expert  
36 Writer Rand  
37 Medical measure  
40 Chalice accessory  
41 Hammer  
42 "go bright"  
43 P. Bush  
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45 Loser's locale  
48 PRE SETS  
55 Make wine divine  
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58 Bob of 21  
59 — across  
60 Join the leisure class?  
62 Let up  
63 "SNL" bit  
67 "Gross!"  
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72 "Come — used?"  
73 Most?  
75 Joins forces  
78 Lear, to Cordelia  
80 Missoun mountain range  
81 Jergens or Astaire  
82 Intimate  
84 — known do  
87 HAPPY ENDINGS  
91 Long or Peeples  
92 Caffeine effect  
93 "Tummy" author  
94 A speck with wings

95 Connecticut campus  
96 Cardiff's country  
98 French philosopher  
100 Light touch  
103 Silence a squeaker  
104 He had a golden touch  
105 Insect stage  
106 Soothe  
108 Welles role  
109 Clothing  
110 Sound like a hound  
113 GRAND FINALES  
119 Gerald's lady  
120 Crazy as —  
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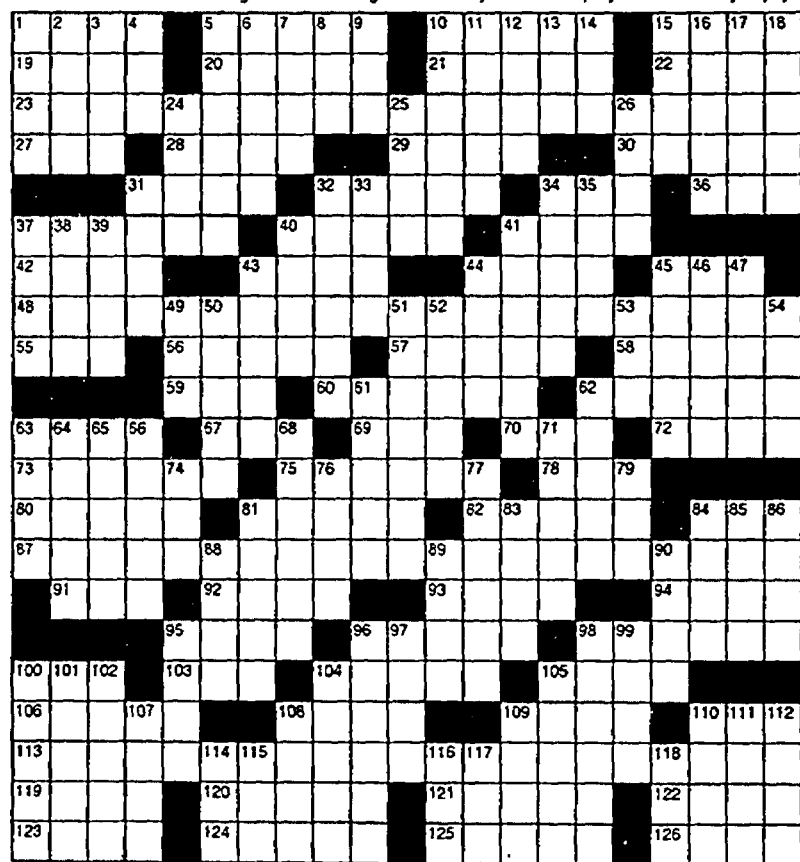
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5 Delight  
6 Scout rank  
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9 South sense  
10 Rose of —  
11 Actor Wendell  
12 Discourteous  
13 Take advantage of  
14 "Golden Girl" Arthur  
15 Forbidden  
16 Antilles isle  
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26 Sleuth  
31 Delivery Nancy  
32 Cavalry soldier  
33 Decorate glass  
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41 Pamper  
43 Cook  
44 Obsolete title  
45 Musty

46 Summons electronically  
47 Actor's actor?  
49 — jongo  
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51 They're what's left  
52 Book part  
53 Vane dir.  
54 Sundance's sweetie  
61 Post or Dickinson  
62 Sunday supper  
63 Stash  
64 "On the Waterfront" director  
65 Japanese porcelain  
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74 Enjoy the Alps  
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84 Add color  
85 Fruit-free spray

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89 A shake in the grass?  
90 Taj town  
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102 Unadorned  
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# REAL ESTATE

## Flowers, plants: June busting out all over

BY JULIE BROWN  
OGE STAFF WRITER

Frost isn't generally much of a concern for gardeners in southern Michigan past Memorial Day.

"May 15 is our average last frost date. We're clear of that now and good to go," said Andrew Collins, nursery manager for the English Gardens store on Ford Road at Outer Drive in Dearborn Heights.

Local gardeners know we're in Zone 5, which doesn't matter for annuals, he said. The zone's a concern for shrubs, trees and perennials.

He agreed people are staying put and investing in local gardening. "Landscaping is doing well, too," Collins said. "I guess it makes them feel good," he added of warm weather splashes of color. "They're spending more time in their back yard instead of going on vacation."

Collins recommends shallow planting for trees and shrubs, noting they're sometimes planted too deeply. He also recommends use of mulch, good to keep water from evaporating.

Use of a root stimulator to encourage root growth is also a good idea, he added. For bedding plants, English Gardens sells Super Blossom for longer-lasting and more blooms.

Collins recommends gardeners check plants before watering. "Feeling the soil is your only sure way to know" if water's needed.

New this year at English Gardens is the Bloomerang lilac, set to bloom all summer long. There are also new hydrangeas, including the white Incredible with potential for basketball-size blooms and stems to support that. There's also the Invinced Spirit, similar but pink. Both are in the Annabelle category.

English Gardens has a website at englishgardens.com.

Area nurseries are busy these days, but staffers will find time to do their own home gardening eventually. "Once it slows down we do," Collins said. "This time of year it's very busy."

Also busy is the staff at Plymouth Nursery, on Plymouth-Ann Arbor Road at Gouffredson. Its website is plymounthenry.net. Tim Parker, Plymouth Nursery general manager, said, "We're certainly safe to get rolling" after the frost date. "Full speed ahead."

At Plymouth Nursery, customers now are putting in flats and vegetables, having earlier in May put in containers that are easier to cover on cool nights. Parker recommends gardeners have

well-drained organic matter in their soil and do some fertilizing.

"Herbs are a big thing right now," Parker said. "People want to do more of the culinary stuff. When it's sunny out, it's great business." Landscaping's doing well, he said.

Fewer homes are being built, Parker said, so that makes a difference. "We've always specialized in garden renovations. The jobs aren't as big. That's enough to keep us busy."

Heather Glenday of Bordine's Nursery is also busy, working mostly out of Rochester Hills but also other Bordine's location. Its website is bordines.com.

"It's an excellent time to

plant all your annuals," she said. Shrubs, trees and perennials can be planted as well.

"It's a great time to plant basically anything now."

Glenday finds more people fixing up landscapes, with trees and shrubs and with containers on decks. Some gardeners grow vegetables as well as fruit trees.

"The main thing is saving you money," she said of homegrown produce. Gardeners also like knowing where produce came from, and can go organic if they want. "It's a great chance to be outdoors."

She agreed more people are gardening, especially on the edible end. "They're looking for routes to save money." The younger generation

wants color, often through easy combination containers which are popular.

"This really is our passion," Glenday said of the crew at Bordine's. "We do have gardens" at home. "They may get a little neglected this time of year." She finds walking in her garden and even weeding after work relaxing.

Glenday recommends the Speedzone product for lawn weeds, which is good about not damaging grass. As weather warms, insects will appear. She recommends bringing in a damaged plant specimen to a nursery to get the right products.

"As the weather gets warm, they'll come out with a vengeance," Glenday said of insects.



## Boca Raton buyer's market

**Q:** I am wondering whether the real estate market in Boca Raton, Fla., has eased up in the sense of being able to purchase a condominium with financing. Also, any information you may have about the market conditions.

**A:** On a recent review of the conditions in Boca Raton, Fla., regarding real estate, it appears that the market is almost at the bottom if you talk to Realtors there. On the other hand, the problem for anyone purchasing a condominium, particularly for investment or as a second home, is that the lenders are not lending any money particularly on units where they have foreclosed and now own the unit. Specifically, you will probably need cash in order to buy a condominium although single family homes may be easier in terms of getting credit. There is still substantial inventory both with respect to property with a water view of the Atlantic and/or the inter-coastal and you are in a buyer's market in terms of offering to purchase the units particularly where the units have been owned by the seller for a number of years and have some built in equity. It is always important, however, to gain access to a knowledgeable Realtor, mortgage lender and condominium lawyer before making any commitments.



Robert Meisner

**Q:** I live in a condominium complex. Recently satellite dishes have been appearing, unfortunately, in front of my condominium. Do I have any rights?

**A:** It depends upon your condominium documents and where the satellite dishes are located. If they are located on a general common element, the association does have some control over whether or not they belong there. If they are on a unit or a limited common element, the association may not be in a position, nor may you, to restrict the use of that particular area for the installation of a satellite dish. It all depends upon the circumstances and your condominium documents. You are best advised to consult with an attorney to assist you.

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. This column shouldn't be construed as legal advice.

### HOMES SOLD-OAKLAND

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Feb. 16-19, 2010, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds Office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

105 Cherryland St. 2139 Hempstead Rd.	\$55,000 \$90,000	3700 Loch Bend Dr. 8429 Pine Cove Dr.	\$130,000 \$162,000	42462 Heatherbrook 41753 Hemphill Ln	\$155,000 \$341,000	2077 Holly Berry Ln 109 Lake Village Dr	Walled Lake \$192,000 \$44,000
17977 Buckingham Ave. 31719 E Rutland St. 30396 Steffan St.	\$310,000 \$150,000 \$175,000	5460 Birch Dr. 8942 W 1/2 Iris Ct	\$220,000 \$215,000	40736 Kingsley Ln 24906 Reeds Pointe Dr	\$270,000 \$315,000	1496 Mariner Dr	Waterford \$40,000
499 Catalpa Dr. 1480 Fairway Dr. 1320 Latham St.	\$145,000 \$199,000 \$361,000	21229 Hawthorne St. 32190 Loomis Dr	\$48,000 \$90,000	25810 Shoreline Dr 23679 Stonehenge Blvd	\$175,000 \$50,000	770 Apoka St. 1141 Bamford Dr	\$166,000 \$41,000
4238 Antique Ln. 2451 Broadway Blvd. 3225 Devon Brook Dr.	\$259,000 \$281,000 \$220,000	29539 Ormeau Ave. 34555 Ramble Hills Dr	\$172,000 \$430,000	3597 Oakmonte Blvd 3981 Apache Ct	\$82,000 \$240,000	2342 Briggs St. 7035 Colonial Oaks Dr	\$99,000 \$47,000
5395 Hollow Dr. 3960 Lincoln Rd. 1020 N Cranbrook Rd.	\$258,000 \$210,000 \$750,000	22300 R ver Ridge Trl 37284 Rosedale	\$136,000 \$365,000	141 East St. 514 Springview Dr	\$47,000 \$400,000	1866 Colonial Village Way 5375 Cooley Lake Rd	\$220,000 \$38,000
779 Upper Scotsborough Way 7828 Brookings Dr. 7999 Deer Lake Ct.	\$180,000 \$215,000 \$530,000	38213 Saratoga Cir 15860 Springvale St	\$178,000 \$210,000	2280 Flanders Dr 2571 Harrison Ave	\$143,000 \$66,000	21 Crescent Rd. 6494 Forestside Dr	\$235,000 \$130,000
4948 Hillcrest Dr. 6856 Northeast Way E 5727 Shannon Ln.	\$55,000 \$122,000 \$109,000	20414 Woodfield Ct 25875 Balsam Rd	\$200,000 \$305,000	1686 Ridgecrest 2814 Walsh Dr	\$175,000 \$125,000	447 Grisselle Ln 1091 Joangay Blvd	\$156,000 \$90,000
6095 Carroll Lake Rd. 8480 Hummingbird 5541 Leafwood Ct	\$144,000 \$255,000 \$375,000	26815 Captains Ln 2142 Willow Beach St	\$300,000 \$32,000	749 Woodfield Way 61261 Richfield St	\$125,000 \$156,000	7435 Silver Leaf Ln 4367 Winterset Ln	\$285,000 \$302,000
		2826 Brabant St. 2821 Glenwood Ct	\$130,000 \$43,000	60673 S Lyon Trl 23925 Lee Baker Dr	\$214,000 \$43,000	8168 E Huron Ct 919 Moldova Dr	\$155,000 \$244,000
		3697 Hidden Forest Dr 985 Indian Ridge Dr	\$270,000 \$249,000	24085 Martha Washington Dr 24319 Tamarack Cir	\$88,000 \$90,000	1001 Delmonte St. 13102 Egret Ln	\$288,000 \$85,000
		1062 Key West Ct 3917 Red Root Rd	\$245,000 \$261,000	2256 Garland St 2357 Maplewood St	\$160,000 \$145,000	2276 Montone St 210 Oak Island Dr	\$25,000 \$325,000
		17187 Maple Hill Dr 44638 Oak Forest Dr	\$231,000 \$408,000	1517 Collington Dr 2631 Lorington Dr	\$260,000 \$123,000		
		42296 Old Bedford Rd 46381 Academy Dr	\$253,000 \$250,000	2970 Roundtree Dr 1214 Stonelake Dr	\$60,000 \$160,000		
		42296 Old Bedford Rd 46381 Academy Dr	\$253,000 \$250,000	2982 Teasdale Dr 2526 Westford Dr	\$145,000 \$137,000		

### HOMES SOLD-WAYNE

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Feb. 15-18, 2010, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds Office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

1996 Brookfield St. 45081 Brunswick Dr 6506 Durham Dr 7050 Epping Ct	\$105,000 \$118,000 \$115,000 \$165,000	9085 Deering St. 17271 Deering St	\$85,000 \$106,000	42424 Bradner Ct 9495 Collins Dr	\$250,000 \$405,000	42296 Old Bedford Rd 46381 Academy Dr	\$253,000 \$250,000
44529 Fair Oaks Dr. 48645 Greenway Cir 45991 Henley Dr	\$155,000 \$280,000 \$271,000	17187 Maple Hill Dr 44638 Oak Forest Dr	\$231,000 \$408,000	49276 Fox Dr S 13440 Glenview Dr	\$327,000 \$260,000	42296 Old Bedford Rd 46381 Academy Dr	\$253,000 \$250,000
42091 Hystone Ct 44718 Kirk Ct 348 Lenox Dr	\$162,000 \$161,000 \$320,000	14133 Meadow Hill Ln 42223 Old Pond Cir	\$100,000 \$101,000	12327 Howland Park Dr 14333 Meadow Hill Ln	\$368,000 \$100,000	42296 Old Bedford Rd 46381 Academy Dr	\$253,000 \$250,000
39725 Lynn St. 43735 Samsbury St 49114 Stanton Ct	\$140,000 \$305,000 \$331,000	20528 Tennane 26265 Southwestern Hwy	\$25,000 \$25,000	24531 Elmira 19568 Imperial Hwy	\$80,000 \$19,000	42296 Old Bedford Rd 46381 Academy Dr	\$253,000 \$250,000
49205 Stanton Ct 47152 Torrington Dr 43449 W Arbor Way	\$260,000 \$240,000 \$173,000	17424 Inkster Rd 20528 Tennane	\$101,000 \$25,000	17424 Inkster Rd 20528 Tennane	\$101,000 \$25,000	42296 Old Bedford Rd 46381 Academy Dr	\$253,000 \$250,000
2439 Westgate Ct 7100 Bursley St	\$173,000 \$89,000	26265 Southwestern Hwy 19491 Wakenden	\$25,000 \$50,000	26265 Southwestern Hwy 19491 Wakenden	\$25,000 \$50,000	42296 Old Bedford Rd 46381 Academy Dr	\$253,000 \$250,000
30763 Elmwood St 29565 Hennepey St 33027 Hennepey St	\$61,000 \$13,000 \$32,000	869 Autumn Ridge Dr 39237 Gloucester St	\$150,000 \$70,000	869 Autumn Ridge Dr 39237 Gloucester St	\$150,000 \$70,000	42296 Old Bedford Rd 46381 Academy Dr	\$253,000 \$250,000
14083 Blue Skies St 9671 Brookfield St 15508 Brookfield St	\$144,000 \$40,000 \$70,000	2521 Hawley Blvd 33015 Hunter Ave	\$90,000 \$135,000	2521 Hawley Blvd 33015 Hunter Ave	\$90,000 \$135,000	42296 Old Bedford Rd 46381 Academy Dr	\$253,000 \$250,000

### REAL ESTATE BRIEFS

#### Career Seminar

Keller Williams Realty will hold a Career Seminar 6:30-7:30 p.m. Thursday, June 17, at 40600 Ann Arbor Road, Suite 100, Plymouth. Call (734) 459-4700 to reserve a free seat.

Looking for people that are positive-minded, highly ethical, service-based, self-starting, eager to learn and professional in appearance. Candidates would benefit from previous experience or successes in: service industries, account management, retail sales, small business operations, marketing or event planning. Seminar includes cost vs. income potential, training, company profit share, commission structures.

#### RE/MAX kudos

Three Southeastern Michigan-based RE/MAX brokerages are celebrating after being named among the largest brokerages in the U.S. by a national survey.

The Real Trends 500 Survey, which ranks the top 500 brokerages in the U.S. on size based on their Closed Transaction Sides Sales for 2009, placed RE/MAX Classic in Farmington Hills as the 135th largest Brokerage in the USA. RE/MAX Acclaim from Roseville was placed 211th and RE/MAX Suburban Inc. in Sterling Heights was at 391.

Carol Boji, owner of RE/MAX Classic, said: "Consistent training and inspiration have our agents striving to be the best. Our agents understand the meaning of Outstanding Agents, Outstanding Results." RE/MAX offers high quality training and inspiration to our brokerage and agents, allowing us to offer the best service to our clients."

Rob Shaffer, owner of RE/MAX Acclaim, said: "This ranking in the Real Trends survey is a tribute to the professional agents and staff at our company. I am proud of the hard work and professionalism our agents and staff

have demonstrated this past year and every year."

David G. Tuscany, co-owner of RE/MAX Suburban Inc., along with Dave Kwasny, said: "The power of the RE/MAX Brand is great support for the efforts of our sales team in the field. We are proud and excited to be recognized within this exemplary group of Realtors."

RE/MAX brokerages held 122 spots, or 24 percent, on the list of the top 500 positions, more than any other national brand. RE/MAX also led the rankings in total transaction sides and sales volume, according to the report's top 500 rankings based on transaction sides.

In the participating offices, RE/MAX agents averaged 14.4 transaction sides, 46 percent higher than the next closest competitor. Individual RE/MAX agents averaged \$2.98 million in sales volume.

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**#1.** Newspaper websites are locally dominant as the number one local website in 22 of the top 25 U.S. Markets.

**74 Million.** In September 2009, 74 million unique visitors went to a newspaper website. That represents 38% share of visitors.

**3.4 Billion.** Visitors looked at 3.4 billion pages and spent 43 million hours on newspaper sites in September 2009.

**26.9%.** Newspaper share of local online advertising is 26.9% exceeding yellow pages, TV sites and radio sites combined.

**\$3.1 Billion.** Advertising on newspaper websites exceeded \$3.1 billion per year

**2.9x.** Borrell reports that newspaper website's share of local online revenue is more than that from all other local media combined (2.8x directories; 2.9x that of local tv; 12x radio station sites, 20x business and alternative papers and 28x magazines)

**46%.** People do more than visit a newspaper site. 46% of adults visiting a newspaper website took some action. More newspaper website users took action after seeing online advertising than all other local sites, and portals according to OPA research.

**29%.** The percentage of newspaper websites visitors who go once a day or more frequently.

**Content sites produce** greater purchase intent, online ad awareness, brand favorability and message association than the market norms, portals and ad networks according to OPA research.

Sources: MORI Research, Nielsen Online, Borrell Associates, OPA

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## GARAGE SALES

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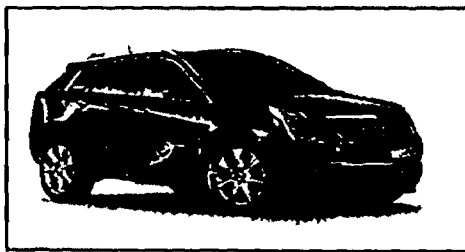
<b>7000-7780</b> <b>Merchandise</b>  <b>Garage Sales</b> (711)	<b>Garage Sales</b> (711) <b>CANTON VISTAS OF CENTRAL PARK</b> S. of Cherry Hill, W. of Beck Subdivide Sale. June 3-5, 9-4pm. Furniture, household, clothing, misc.	<b>Garage Sales</b> (711) <b>LIVONIA - DMG! Best Sale Ever!</b> P.O.S. Systems, electronics, furniture, art, clothes, kids items & much more! 20080 Brentwood Dr. 48152 <b>LIVONIA - TOPS Garage Sale</b> Housewares, antiques, furniture, jewelry, electronics, tools & figurines. 6/3-6/6, 9am-2pm. 12403 Cardwell, 3 bks W of Inkster, 3 bks N of Plymouth	<b>Garage Sales</b> (711) <b>NORTHVILLE</b> Multi-Home Garage Sale - Brookstone Village, off Six Mile. Items include furniture, children's clothes, toys, and household items. June 4th and 5th, from 8 am to 4 p.m.	<b>Garage Sales</b> (711) <b>PINCKNEY</b> June 3-5, 9-4. Pheasant Brook Village Sub Sale (M-36 & Whitewood) <b>PLYMOUTH - ROLLING OAKS GARAGE SALES</b> Thurs-Sat, June 3-5 9am-5pm. Off N. Territorial, brown Beck & Ridge.	<b>Garage Sales</b> (711) <b>WHITMORE LAKE Annual Sub Wide &amp; Estate Sale.</b> North-pointe Estates. June 3-5, 9-4pm. Wildwood & Barker, 1/4 mile W. of US-23. Lots of stuff.	<b>Garage Sales</b> (711) <b>Community Garage Sale</b> Hometown Novi June 4, 5 & 6 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Located off of 13 Mile Rd. just East of Novi Rd.	<b>Garage Sales</b> (711) <b>BIRMINGHAM: Moving Sale.</b> Sat. June 5, 10-4. Furniture, antiques, 3 TV cabinets, dining tables, etc. 1875 Windthrop Lane. Big Beaver & Maple.	<b>Garage Sales</b> (711) <b>ROYAL OAK - HUGE SALE</b> 3318 Elwood Ave. 13 & Greenfield, 5 bks W of Beaumont. Toys, women's plus size clothes, race car bed, play set, household, etc. June 4-6, 9-5pm. Coming to the Beverly Hills Sale? Stop by and see us!
<b>BEVERLY HILLS Garage Sale.</b> Small appls, antiques & household goods. 6/5 & 6/6, 9-4pm. 20305 Plantation, off Evergreen, South of 13 Mile. Birmingham	<b>CANTON - Large Church Sale!</b> Cherry Hill United Methodist, 321 South Ridge Rd., Canton 48188. Great assortment of merchandise. NO CLOTHES. June 4 and 5th, 9am to 4pm. Big sale Saturday Afternoon	<b>LIVONIA - ANNUAL SUB SALE!</b> Brookwood Estates OVER 100 HOMES 6 Mile & Merriam Saturday & Sunday June 5th & June 6th, 9-5p. Check out Brookwood Estates on Facebook!	<b>NORTHVILLE Neighborhood Garage Sale</b> Historic Northville, 118 Linden. Furniture, toys, glassware & some antiques. June 3rd-6th, 9am-5pm.	<b>PLYMOUTH GARAGE SALE</b> June 4 & 5, 9am-4pm. 9111 Woodgrove Dr., Plymouth. Household & children's items, tools, & MUCH MORE!	<b>WHITMORE LAKE Community Wide Sale</b> 200+ homes in Eagle Gardens Sub, with many participating East Shore to Rocky Dr. then south. Household items, clothes, collectibles & too many others to mention! Fri. Sat. & Sun, June 4, 5 & 6, 9-4pm	<b>Community Garage Sale</b> Hometown Novi June 4, 5 & 6 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Located off of 13 Mile Rd. just East of Novi Rd.	<b>NEW HUDSON - 57225 Grand River, Grand River, 1/4 mile W of Midford Rd. Thurs-Sat, 9-4. Baby toys &amp; clothing to age 4. 3 new ATV jack, house is full!</b>	<b>SOUTH LYON - Pool table, generator, living room furniture, bikes, bdrm set 6/4-6/5, 9-4pm. 22704 Spyglass Hill in Tanglewood Golf Course</b>
<b>BIRMINGHAM HUGE SALE!!!</b> 667 Greenwood St. Thurs. & Fri., 6/3-6/4, 9-4pm. Sat., 6/5, 9-1pm. Multi-Family. Furniture, clothing, children's items, household items, baby items, and much more!	<b>Canton-Hickory Gardens Subdivide Garage Sale</b> June 3-5, 9-4pm. S. of Ford, N. of Salt, W. of Lilley, E. of Morton Taylor.	<b>LIVONIA - Stoneleigh Village Sub Sale!</b> Sat. only. 9-4pm. Off Schockcraft west, bwn Farmington & Levan.	<b>NORTHVILLE. 2 FAMILY sale.</b> 6 Mile & Northville Rd., 18190 Cascade Dr. June 3, 4, 9am to 3pm. June 5, 9am to 1pm. Furniture, housewares, designer clothing, (kids) and more.	<b>PLYMOUTH YARD SALE</b> Furniture, kitchenware, jewelry, collectibles. 11532 Morgan, Ann Arbor Tr. & Haggerty Sat., Sun, June 5-6, 9am-5pm.	<b>WHITMORE LAKE Community Wide Sale</b> 200+ homes in Eagle Gardens Sub, with many participating East Shore to Rocky Dr. then south. Household items, clothes, collectibles & too many others to mention! Fri. Sat. & Sun, June 4, 5 & 6, 9-4pm	<b>Community Garage Sale</b> Hometown Novi June 4, 5 & 6 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Located off of 13 Mile Rd. just East of Novi Rd.	<b>NEW HUDSON - 57225 Grand River, Grand River, 1/4 mile W of Midford Rd. Thurs-Sat, 9-4. Baby toys &amp; clothing to age 4. 3 new ATV jack, house is full!</b>	<b>SOUTH LYON - Pool table, generator, living room furniture, bikes, bdrm set 6/4-6/5, 9-4pm. 22704 Spyglass Hill in Tanglewood Golf Course</b>
<b>BLOOMFIELD HILLS:</b> 644 Hamilton Rd. N. off Maple, E. of Lahser. Clothes, jewelry, furniture, golf clubs, household items, lots of purses & more. June 3-5, 9-5PM.	<b>CANTON: Foxcreek Sub Multiple Garage Sales.</b> Thurs-Sat, June 3-5, 9am-4pm. Off Warren, bwn. Lilley & Haggerty	<b>LIVONIA - 4 FAMILY SALE!</b> Furniture, clothes, toys, vintage, etc. 6/3-6/5, 9-5pm. 14000 Block of Hubble St. NE corner Merriam/Schockcraft.	<b>NORTHVILLE. 45977 &amp; 45991</b> Riviera Dr. Kids clothes/toys, kids playhouse, golf clubs, dining set, stereo equip, home goods. June 3 & 4, 9-3.	<b>PLYMOUTH YARD SALE</b> Furniture, kitchenware, jewelry, collectibles. 11532 Morgan, Ann Arbor Tr. & Haggerty Sat., Sun, June 5-6, 9am-5pm.	<b>WHITMORE LAKE Community Wide Sale</b> 200+ homes in Eagle Gardens Sub, with many participating East Shore to Rocky Dr. then south. Household items, clothes, collectibles & too many others to mention! Fri. Sat. & Sun, June 4, 5 & 6, 9-4pm	<b>Community Garage Sale</b> Hometown Novi June 4, 5 & 6 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Located off of 13 Mile Rd. just East of Novi Rd.	<b>NEW HUDSON - 57225 Grand River, Grand River, 1/4 mile W of Midford Rd. Thurs-Sat, 9-4. Baby toys &amp; clothing to age 4. 3 new ATV jack, house is full!</b>	<b>SOUTH LYON - Pool table, generator, living room furniture, bikes, bdrm set 6/4-6/5, 9-4pm. 22704 Spyglass Hill in Tanglewood Golf Course</b>
<b>BRENDAN - Subdivision Garage Sale.</b> North of 5 Mile & West of Farmington Rd. in Coventry Gardens Subdivision. This Saturday & Sunday June 5th & 6th	<b>Commerce LAKE SHERWOOD SUB SALE</b> June 3, 4, 5, 9am-5pm. Sub surrounds Sleeth & Commerce Roads, east of Duck Lake Rd.	<b>LIVONIA - Stoneleigh Village Sub Sale!</b> Sat. only. 9-4pm. Off Schockcraft west, bwn Farmington & Levan.	<b>NORTHVILLE. 45977 &amp; 45991</b> Riviera Dr. Kids clothes/toys, kids playhouse, golf clubs, dining set, stereo equip, home goods. June 3 & 4, 9-3.	<b>PLYMOUTH YARD SALE</b> Furniture, kitchenware, jewelry, collectibles. 11532 Morgan, Ann Arbor Tr. & Haggerty Sat., Sun, June 5-6, 9am-5pm.	<b>WHITMORE LAKE Community Wide Sale</b> 200+ homes in Eagle Gardens Sub, with many participating East Shore to Rocky Dr. then south. Household items, clothes, collectibles & too many others to mention! Fri. Sat. & Sun, June 4, 5 & 6, 9-4pm	<b>Community Garage Sale</b> Hometown Novi June 4, 5 & 6 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Located off of 13 Mile Rd. just East of Novi Rd.	<b>NEW HUDSON - 57225 Grand River, Grand River, 1/4 mile W of Midford Rd. Thurs-Sat, 9-4. Baby toys &amp; clothing to age 4. 3 new ATV jack, house is full!</b>	<b>SOUTH LYON - Pool table, generator, living room furniture, bikes, bdrm set 6/4-6/5, 9-4pm. 22704 Spyglass Hill in Tanglewood Golf Course</b>
<b>BRIGHTON. WOODLORE SUB</b> Sale. Fri. & Sat., June 4 & 5, 9am to 4pm. Woodvale Trail, off Pleasant Valley, bwn. Kensington & Newmain.	<b>Commerce TWP BEACON HILL SUBDIVISION &amp; CONDO SALE</b> June 4-5th, 8-3pm. Carey Rd & Commerce Rd. follow signs.	<b>LIVONIA - 4 FAMILY SALE!</b> Furniture, clothes, toys, vintage, etc. 6/3-6/5, 9-5pm. 14000 Block of Hubble St. NE corner Merriam/Schockcraft.	<b>NORTHVILLE. 45977 &amp; 45991</b> Riviera Dr. Kids clothes/toys, kids playhouse, golf clubs, dining set, stereo equip, home goods. June 3 & 4, 9-3.	<b>PLYMOUTH YARD SALE</b> Furniture, kitchenware, jewelry, collectibles. 11532 Morgan, Ann Arbor Tr. & Haggerty Sat., Sun, June 5-6, 9am-5pm.	<b>WHITMORE LAKE Community Wide Sale</b> 200+ homes in Eagle Gardens Sub, with many participating East Shore to Rocky Dr. then south. Household items, clothes, collectibles & too many others to mention! Fri. Sat. & Sun, June 4, 5 & 6, 9-4pm	<b>Community Garage Sale</b> Hometown Novi June 4, 5 & 6 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Located off of 13 Mile Rd. just East of Novi Rd.	<b>NEW HUDSON - 57225 Grand River, Grand River, 1/4 mile W of Midford Rd. Thurs-Sat, 9-4. Baby toys &amp; clothing to age 4. 3 new ATV jack, house is full!</b>	<b>SOUTH LYON - Pool table, generator, living room furniture, bikes, bdrm set 6/4-6/5, 9-4pm. 22704 Spyglass Hill in Tanglewood Golf Course</b>
<b>CANTON CHERRY HILL VILLAGE</b> Is having it's Annual Sub-Wide Yard Sale - Garages, porches, alleys and yards will be filled with one of a kind treasures. This is a HUGE Sale - 22+ homes are participating. Location: S. of Cherry Hill and Denton Rds in Canton. The Sale is June 4 and 5, 2010 from 8 am. to 3 p.m. Maps of homes participating will be available.	<b>Commerce TWP BEACON HILL SUBDIVISION &amp; CONDO SALE</b> June 4-5th, 8-3pm. Carey Rd & Commerce Rd. follow signs.	<b>LIVONIA - 4 FAMILY SALE!</b> Furniture, clothes, toys, vintage, etc. 6/3-6/5, 9-5pm. 14000 Block of Hubble St. NE corner Merriam/Schockcraft.	<b>NORTHVILLE. 45977 &amp; 45991</b> Riviera Dr. Kids clothes/toys, kids playhouse, golf clubs, dining set, stereo equip, home goods. June 3 & 4, 9-3.	<b>PLYMOUTH YARD SALE</b> Furniture, kitchenware, jewelry, collectibles. 11532 Morgan, Ann Arbor Tr. & Haggerty Sat., Sun, June 5-6, 9am-5pm.	<b>WHITMORE LAKE Community Wide Sale</b> 200+ homes in Eagle Gardens Sub, with many participating East Shore to Rocky Dr. then south. Household items, clothes, collectibles & too many others to mention! Fri. Sat. & Sun, June 4, 5 & 6, 9-4pm	<b>Community Garage Sale</b> Hometown Novi June 4, 5 & 6 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Located off of 13 Mile Rd. just East of Novi Rd.	<b>NEW HUDSON - 57225 Grand River, Grand River, 1/4 mile W of Midford Rd. Thurs-Sat, 9-4. Baby toys &amp; clothing to age 4. 3 new ATV jack, house is full!</b>	<b>SOUTH LYON - Pool table, generator, living room furniture, bikes, bdrm set 6/4-6/5, 9-4pm. 22704 Spyglass Hill in Tanglewood Golf Course</b>
<b>CANTON FAIRWAYS WEST SUBDIVISION</b> Garage Sale (Beck & Cherry Hill), Thurs. Fri. & Sat. June 3, 4 & 5, 8am-4pm.	<b>Commerce TWP BEACON HILL SUBDIVISION &amp; CONDO SALE</b> June 4-5th, 8-3pm. Carey Rd & Commerce Rd. follow signs.							



# GM MOVES TO STRAIGHTEN OUT, STREAMLINE ITS BRAND IDENTITIES

Advertising Feature

## CAREPOINT



The 2010 Cadillac SRX has bolstered the brand's standing in the luxury segment.



By Dale Buss

Joel Ewanick demanded and got nearly complete autonomy over General Motors' North American marketing because the new chief marketing officer of GM's U.S. operations clearly saw the difficulties he would be inheriting. Straightening out the Chevrolet brand obviously is at the top of Ewanick's to-do list. Cadillac remains well-defined as GM's luxury marque; Buick is coming on; and GMC seems to be transitioning to a position as the main repository for the company's pickup trucks and larger SUVs.

Popular new vehicles including the Equinox crossover and, to a lesser extent, the Camaro are keeping Chevy top of mind with American consumers, and GM executives believe the new Cruze subcompact due later this year—as well as first sightings of the Chevrolet Volt plug-in hybrid—will continue to kindle enthusiasm.

But GM also would like to help Chevrolet with some effective marketing at long last. After decades of having to differentiate and peddle eight distinct brands, now the company's marketing culture is still adjusting to valuing the Chevrolet brand—as “the franchise.”

That's one reason they still haven't come up with effective positioning for Chevrolet. The latest advertising theme

is, “Excellence for All.”

“What is that?” asked Rebecca Lindland, head automotive analyst for IHS Global Insight, in Boston. “Chevy is such a great, iconic American brand that GM may be better off embracing it rather than trying to run away from it.”

Maryann Keller suggested that GM might even consider reviving ancient advertising themes that at least effectively connect consumers to the mainstream of Chevrolet's brand. “Is it time for ‘See the U.S.A. in Your Chevrolet’ again?” said the long-time industry consultant and former securities analyst.

Ewanick already has ordered an abrupt shift in creative duties for the \$600-million Chevy advertising account to Omnicom Group's Goodby, Silverstein & Partners—which handled Saturn marketing in the mid-2000s—only weeks after it was consolidated at Publicis Groupe's Publicis.

That move had followed by only a few weeks GM's neutron bomb: taking the Chevy account away from Campbell-Ewald after 91 years on the job and the agency's delivery of classic campaigns ranging from “Like a Rock” to “Heartland of America.”

On the other hand, Buick already has made some progress in refining its

brand identity after it was adrift for decades. Even GM's decision a decade ago to jettison the overlapping Oldsmobile brand didn't allow Buick to settle clearly in the minds of American consumers. For several years, the biggest association Americans made to Buick was its association with Tiger Woods—which, fortunately, the brand ended early last year, before the golfer's personal meltdown.

Now, however, the demise of Pontiac leaves only Buick to occupy for GM the vast demographic and psychographic turf between Chevrolet and Cadillac. So Buick brand stewards have been pressing the envelope with new products and advertising that position Buick as a near-luxury threat to upscale brands such as Lexus, with a lineup exciting enough to attract much younger buyers than the Buick of old.

Buick already brought down the average age of its buyers from the early 70s to today's 66 with new products including the Enclave crossover and the LaCrosse sedan. And the target for the upcoming Regal is someone in their 40s or 50s.

Consumers today “are making more rational choices” of autos in the wake of the Great Recession, Craig Bierley, director of Buick advertising and sales

GM is counting on the 2011 Chevrolet Cruze to leap-frog the competition and provide some luster to the Chevy brand.

promotion, recently told MediaPost. That bodes well for a Buick brand that is trying to position itself, he said, as “unpretentious luxury.”

Actually, the most problematic bit of brand management for Ewanick may be Ed Whitacre. The new CEO seems to have a bent for using advertising to provide the American people with broad updates about GM's comeback. And there has been speculation that Ewanick—whose career took off after he came up with Hyundai's Assurance marketing campaign past year—might be capable of crafting an effective corporate marketing message for his new company.

But Keller is among GM observers urging Whitacre to become a scarce marketing presence. “Those kinds of campaigns are disingenuous, and people either don't believe you or they hate you,” she said. “Besides, no one has ever heard of [Whitacre]; he's not comfortable in front of a camera; and he has no credibility as a car person. “Stick with your four brands.”

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