

Food, wine event: A delicious way to raise money for students

Food, beverage and dessert purveyors from near (metro Detroit) and far (northern Michigan) offered tasty samplings for a good cause Sept. 26 at the 19th annual Schoolcraft College Culinary Extravaganza. Nearly 700 people tasted samples from 50 vendors.

Guests sampled breads from Zingerman's Bakehouse, biscotti and shortbread from The Biscotti Bar Bakery in Plymouth, crab cakes from the Schoolcraft Culinary Department and cupcakes from the Cupcake Station in Birmingham and Just Baked (a cupcake shop and bakery) in Livonia. The pulled pork mini-sandwiches offered by Red Smoke Barbeque and the samples of flavored vodka at the McCormick table were popular spots all afternoon.

"We were very pleased with this year's event," said Marge Lynch of Schoolcraft's Special Events and Fundraising Office and member of the 2010 Culinary Host Committee.

"The restaurants were great - we even had two show up we didn't know about. Ticket sales exceeded last year and our volunteers were wonderful."

"The most important part is that the proceeds will help our students through scholarship support," said Lynch, adding "this fall our Financial Aid Office has been overwhelmed with students in need of aid. The event also benefits the culinary arts department. They use the funds to help with student support and for the students to prepare for and to attend competitions."



Schoolcraft President Conway Jeffress welcomes guests at the VIP reception at the college's Culinary Extravaganza on Sept. 26.

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Budget committee looks at ways to increase revenue

Next meeting set for 7 tonight

BY PAM FLEMING
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Members of the Northville Citizens Budget Committee met again on Sept. 27, this time looking at ways to increase revenue for the general fund.

The next meeting will take place at 7 p.m. today at city hall, with another meeting slated for 7 p.m. on Oct. 11. The committee is trying to have a final report ready to present to city council on Nov. 1.

The following items were selected for further discussion or for city staff to obtain more information on by tonight's meeting:

Have a separate general millage vote of up to 3 mills to maintain revenues was seen as a high priority. This would require an override of the Headlee Amendment, which the city can do.

Have voters decide on a public safety millage, as Northville Township recently did, with voters approving it, was given a medium priority.

TOWNSHIP CONTRIBUTIONS?

Seek township contributions for community events was given a high priority. Sell or lease city-owned property was given low priority. Review park usage fees for soccer and baseball was seen as a medium priority. Review all city fines and fees was considered a low priority. Consider raising cemetery fees and grave site prices was also a low priority.

Review fees for outdoor dining spaces was seen as a medium priority. Look at deals for movie-industry fees was seen as medium priority. Give or sell lots cheap to developers was determined to be a low-priority item. Explore more economic

development opportunities and public/private partnerships was also a medium priority.

Drill for oil was given a medium priority. Charge organizations for having special events in the city was seen as a medium priority. Consider a special assessment or the sale of general obligation bonds for public safety costs was earmarked as a medium priority.

Reevaluate cell phone tower revenues and encourage more franchise usage was seen as a medium priority.

WALKWAY PROJECT FUNDS

And, lastly, consider using a portion of the Northville Downtown Development Authority revenues for the city's general fund was seen as a high priority.

There was brief discussion about possibly "unallocating" the \$250,000 that has already been earmarked from the city's Public Improvement Fund for the E. Main Street Walkway Project and using it instead for general fund expenditures.

This project, however, was already unanimously approved by city council, with more than \$50,000 already spent on design fees and bids on the work expected sometime this winter.

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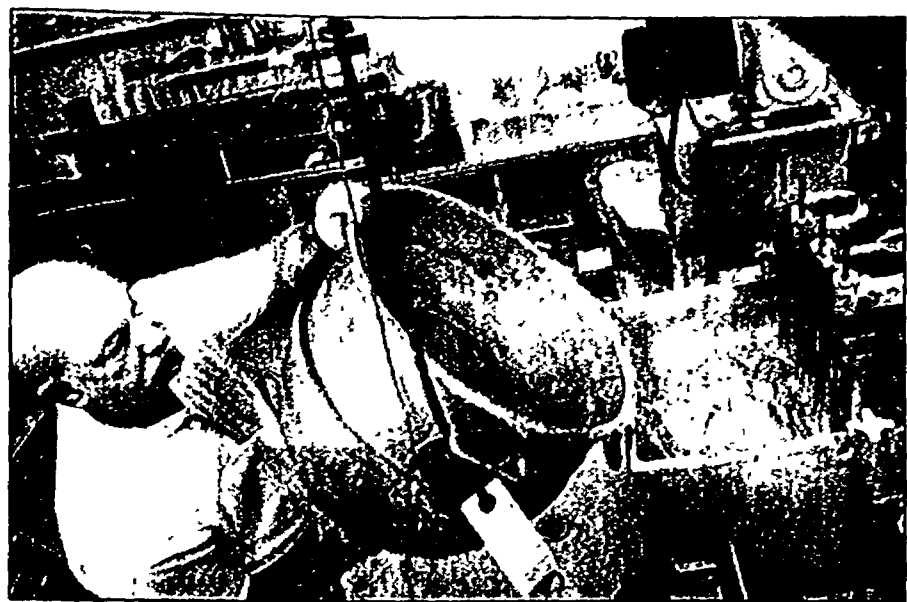
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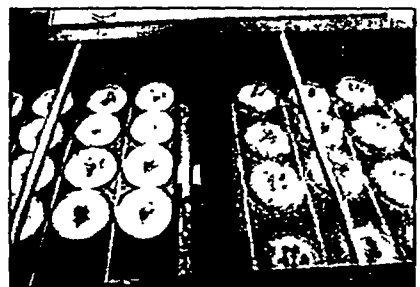


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Doughnut days

Retired City of Northville Police Officer and current Parmenter's employee John Shier finishes pouring in another doughnut batter batch during a Friday morning production run. Each batch of batter, weighing in at 70 pounds, is lifted toward the fryer machine with the aid of a motorized cable.

Parmenter's employee Judy Gorden bags up half dozens of spiced doughnuts on Sept. 10. The cider mill, located on Old Baseline Road in Northville, had produced about 5,000 doughnuts by 11 a.m. that day, with spice outnumbering regular 6-1.



Another batch of doughnuts makes its way through the fryer at Northville's Parmenter's.

NORTHVILLE COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Pom pon teams food drive

The food stores are low at the Northville Civic Concern pantry and when the Northville and Novi Pom Pon teams heard this, they jumped into action! On Friday, Oct. 8, when the two rivals compete against each other for the coveted Baseline Jug, the pom pon teams will join together to collect canned foods to help those in need. Canned food donations will be accepted at both entry gates of the Northville Football Field from 6:30 p.m. until the start of the second quarter.

Northville Handcrafters Fall Fair

Handcrafters Fall Fair will be held Oct. 8-10 at the Northville Community Senior Center, 303 W. Main, Northville. Times are 9 a.m.-8 p.m. Friday; 9-5 Saturday; 11-4 Sunday. Admission is \$3 at the door.

More than 70 hand-selected, juried artists and craftspeople will be showcasing their work. Artists from glass design, gourmet foods, jewelry, original fashions, home and floral décor, personal care and many more will all be exhibiting at the event. Whether you're a novice or a well seasoned collector, Handcrafters offers an environment full of creators with the ability to transcend traditional ideas into a creative, one-of-a-kind piece.

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Through Nov. 8 enjoy the 14-acre corn maze. Your ticket also includes a hayride to and from the maze and a visit with the farm animals either before or after your trip to the maze.

The maze runs from 6-10 p.m. Fridays; 1-10 p.m. Saturdays and 1-7 p.m. Sundays with the last wagon leaving for the maze one hour prior to close. Tickets are \$9 for ages 11 and over, \$7 for ages 3 through 10 years; and free for 2 and under. Tickets are available at the Welcome Center on maze days.

For more information, call (248) 374-0200.

Candidate Wadsworth hosts three Community Conversations

Joan Wadsworth, Democratic candidate for the Michigan House of Representatives 20th District, will host three more Community Conversations in October to share her vision for revitalizing Michigan with voters in Northville, Plymouth and Wayne.

Wadsworth will detail her plans for creating jobs, strengthening education and supporting community services. Wadsworth also will be available to discuss any other issues on the minds of voters and answer questions.

The three Community Conversations will take place the following dates, times and locations:

- Tuesday, Oct. 12, 9:30-10:30 a.m. at Solid Grounds, 133 West Main Street, Northville (in the Northville Square Mall at the corner of Main and Wing streets).

- Tuesday, Oct. 19, 9:30-10:30 a.m. at Karma Coffee Shop, 3015 South Wayne Road, Wayne.

- Thursday, Oct. 21, 9:30-10:30 a.m. at the Coffee Bean, 884 Penniman Avenue, Plymouth.

Those interested in attending one of the Community Conversations are welcome to come for the entire hour or stop by any time during the hour to meet Wadsworth and get answers to their questions about her plans for Michigan and her experience.

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Creating mega districts?

Novi, Northville superintendents say consolidation not the answer

BY NATHAN MUELLER
STAFF WRITER

More and more the word "consolidation" is being used by legislators and most notably Gov. Jennifer Granholm as a possible way to help public school districts save money.

The goal would be to shrink the state's 549 public school districts down to under 100 countywide districts, and as a result, save as much as \$612 million statewide, according to a recent Michigan State University study.

But two local school district superintendents don't believe full consolidation of every school district is the answer — especially for their communities.

A word Northville's Leonard Rezmierski and Novi's Pete Dion like to use is "collaboration," and the two have been successfully adhering to the definition of the word for years as the adjoining districts share courses, programs and are constantly looking at other ways to work together.

"It's not about doing more with less, it's doing more with more," Dion said. "And by that I mean more communication, more collaboration, more sharing. With the way the economy is, forget about doing more with less. Let's do more with more. It's forcing us to do this."

The school boards from the respective communities most recently met to discuss having a shared transportation director, but due to logistics and staff concerns it did not work. But

during that meeting they also talked about technology, high school courses, summer school and several other areas that the two districts could work together to improve opportunities for students.

Dion, who is in his sixth year at Novi, said the idea of consolidating districts or services should only be looked at if it accomplishes that goal.

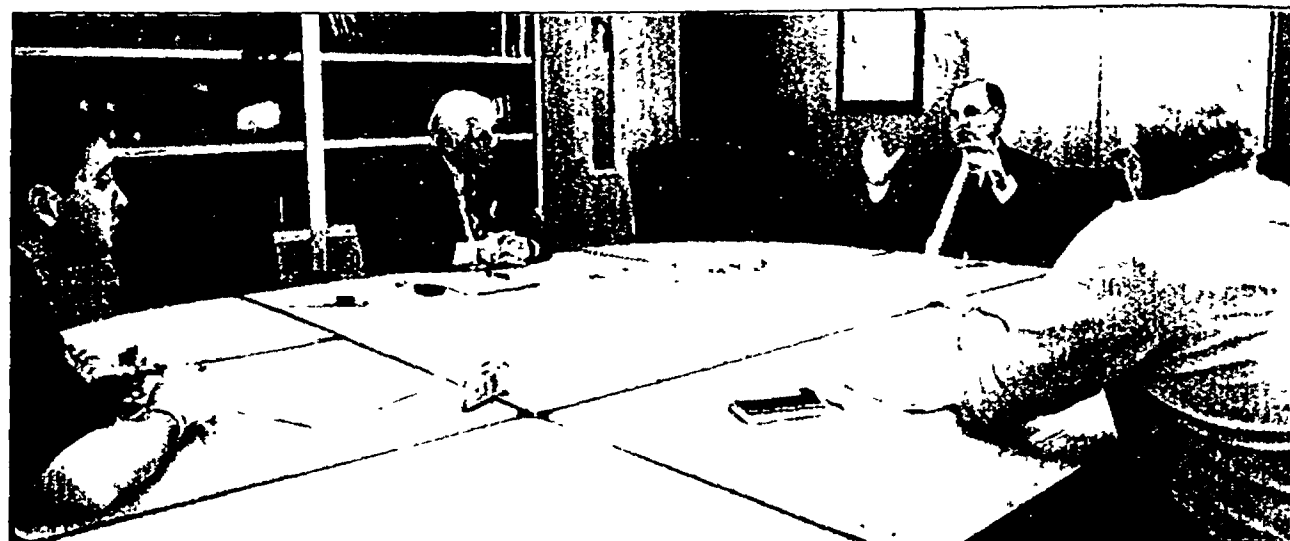
"If you are only doing it for the cost-savings then you are doing it for the wrong reasons," he said.

Rezmierski, who has been the top administrator in Northville for the last 20 years, said based on the research he has seen, consolidating Northville and Novi would be a bad idea.

Not only did the statistics he saw show the new district would actually lose money, but it also might impact the quality of education. Not to mention there would be multiple hoops both communities would have to jump through to make any sort of consolidation plan come to fruition.

Some of the questions he raised were: How many more administrators would be needed to meet the students needs? Which district's state aid would be used? Would taxpayers have to inherit the other district's bond indebtedness? Who would sit on the school board? Are there more opportunities for students?

Both men agreed that consolidation might make sense for smaller school districts, and Rezmierski said his research did show that to be true, but not for



Superintendents Dr. Leonard Rezmierski, left, and Peter Dion, right, meet with writer Nathan Mueller and editor Cal Stone, far right, to discuss the schools' financial futures and the idea of consolidation.



Northville Public Schools Superintendent Dr. Leonard Rezmierski listens as his Novi counterpart Peter Dion, right, talks about the dire straits both schools find themselves in financially and advocates for more collaboration between school districts.

larger ones.

"It doesn't mean you should not look at it, but you cannot ignore the research going on," he said. "The worst thing we can do in

this state is, for example, have Novi and Northville go to become mediocre."

Dion said the goal should be to use the two high-functioning

school districts as models and not only keep them at the top but make them better.

"My wish is that every student in the state of Michigan had the same opportunities they have in these two school districts," he said. "This is how education ought to be, and don't bring it down to a lower level."

Granholm's proposal that spurned interest in consolidation was to set aside \$50 million of the School Aid Fund to create a grant competition for schools that can demonstrate savings through merger or consolidation of services.

It's ironic to note, Dion said, that the \$50 million being offered is the same amount of money taken from the 39 schools who previously received 20j funds.

The two worry that people are not thinking about the big picture and rather are reacting to the here

and now.

"We have to make sure we don't sink like the Titanic when we are searching for this great sunny beach somewhere," Rezmierski said. "Is this the correct energy now when I cannot find the money to bring back laid off teachers and when I have to say we are short a quarter of a million dollars for textbooks?"

Dion said people need to come to grips with the fact that from a financial standpoint "it's a new day around the world, not just in Michigan," and forcing consolidation would be a simplistic solution.

"The big picture is public education requires a stable and equitable funding source which provides for inflationary increases," he said. "And there has to be something we can put together that can take care of it in the long run."

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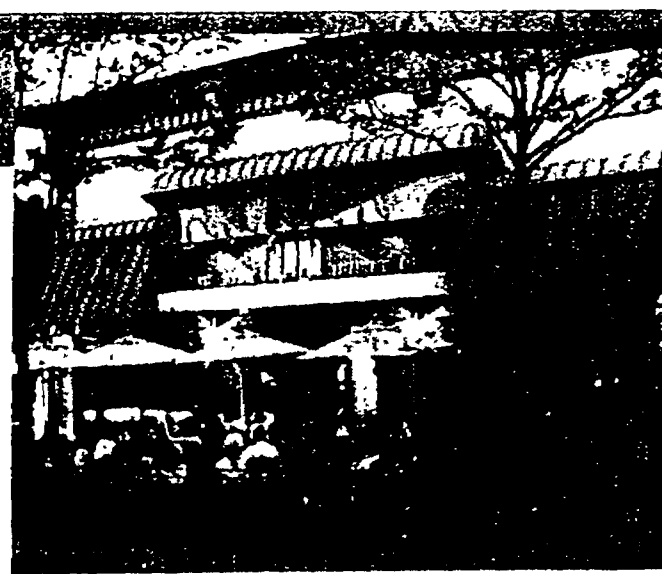
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Retired educator seeks Oakland County Commission seat

1 - Will you support an all-in or all-out system for the Oakland Transit Authority for SMART bus operations?

There are already several communities in Oakland County that take advantage of SMART bus service. An opt all-in or all-out system could potentially put these communities in the position of having to



Zyczynski

eliminate a service they already provide. I believe it should be initiated on a community by community basis. A few communities should not be able to hold hostage those who wish to avail themselves of the service.

2 - What additional steps can the county take to help promote new business growth?

We need to be out there selling the benefits of locating in Oakland County. The great schools, both public and private; numerous parks and

other recreational facilities; the varying styles of living from rural to city; and all the other things that make Oakland County a great place to live, work, and raise a family. In addition, since banks seem unwilling to free up money for loans to small businesses, we need to support programs that will make available loans for small businesses so they can grow and create new jobs.

3 - What are the top three issues that the commission should address? What action would you,

as a commissioner, take regarding each of them?

For most people in the current economy it is all about jobs, jobs, jobs! If we can find ways to successfully support small businesses, we will be on the way toward creating new jobs for people who are currently unemployed. Until we can get people back to work, our economy has no chance of growing and thriving again. People with jobs will not be abandoning their homes, they will be purchasing goods and services, and they will be contributing to the tax base which will increase revenue to our local communities, the county, and the state.

4 - Do you support the current three-year budgeting cycle? Why? Why not?

The three year budget cycle seems like a rational approach

Please see ZYCYNSKI, A15

KAREN ZYCYNSKI

Age: 68
Spouse: Richard G. Zyczynski; married 45 years
Children: Amy K. Denys, 37; David A. Zyczynski, 34
Residency: Novi since 1971
Community Involvement: Currently vice-chair of the Democrats of West Oakland County; Finance Committee of the Northville-Novi branch of the American Association of University Women. Since June 2008 I have become involved with an organization that supports women in the community -- The American Association of University Women Northville-Novi Branch.
Related Experience: Active in Michigan Education Association -- Retired group as Chair of the Mentoring Program Committee and on the MEA-PAC Council. From 2005 to 2008 I served on Novi's Parks, Recreation, and Forestry Commission and the Greenways/Pathways Committee for a year.
Profession: retired educator
Education: Master of arts in elementary education, Wayne State University; bachelor of philosophy, Montclair College, Wayne State University; Cody High School, Detroit
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Retired teacher enjoys staying active in politics, education, family

Karen Zyczynski may be retired, but she enjoys staying politically active, whether working on her campaign or someone else's. "In retirement, you go through a period of adjustment," Zyczynski said. "You ask yourself, 'What do I want to do with the rest of my life?'"

A retired teacher, Zyczynski left the Livonia Public Schools system in 2004.

She managed a political campaign in 2004 for Joan Gebhardt of Livonia, a candidate for the state House. Although she didn't win, she did better than any Democrat has done against a Republican in Livonia in many years, according to Zyczynski.

Zyczynski went on to work on U.S. congressional candidate Tony Trupiano's campaign as the

education person on his team.

"I've been politically active in a number of ways," she said.

Zyczynski has also found ways to remain involved in education. For the past three years, she has chaired the Michigan Education Association's retirees' student-teacher mentoring program.

Zyczynski has also been involved with the American Association of University Women's Novi-Northville Chapter for about the last 18 months.

"I'm more interested in the fund-raising aspect of the group and am on their finance committee," she said. She has worked on their Remember the Ladies program in which they raise money to purchase books and other materials about women in history, supplying them to elemen-

tary school libraries in Novi and Northville.

AAUW also sponsors the Mercy Project, a program in Detroit for women returning to school to get their GEDs or have other needs.

She is also the grandmother of three — two boys and a girl, with another on the way. Both of her children graduated from Novi High School and became teachers. She takes care of her grandchildren two days a week.

Zyczynski likes to read, and she and her husband enjoy going to the movies and to their cabin in the Upper Peninsula. She is an exercise enthusiast who enjoys walking with her Labrador retriever and doing yoga.

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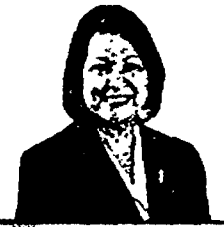
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JERRY L. ASHBY

Age 76, of Northville, passed away Sept. 30, 2010. A funeral mass was held Mon. Oct. 4, at St. Colette Catholic Church. He was laid to rest at Holy Sepulchre Catholic Cemetery. Arrangements entrusted to Casterline Funeral Home, Inc. of Northville.



**MEGAN M. KOCHVAR
(NEE FERA)**

DAVID H. DUNCAN

Age 75, passed away, October 4, 2010. Visitation was held on Wednesday. Funeral services will be conducted on Thursday, October 7th at 11:00am at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, 122 W Lake St., South Lyon.

CHERI ANN (NEE. GERSKY) DURHAM

Age 47 of Milford died Thursday, September 30, 2010. Rest in Peace Mom. For further information please visit www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com or call 248-684-6645

MILDRED H. FAULK

A long time resident of Warner Robins, Georgia, died in the care of her daughter in Milford, Michigan on September 28, 2010, at the age of 91. She was preceded in death by her husband, Charles L. Faulk, her twin brother, Milton, and other siblings, Andy, Beulah and Beryl. She is survived by her sons, Charles M. (Carolyn) Faulk of Kenosha, WI, George (Betty) Faulk of Altamont, KS; her daughter, Sharon (Ray) Hubbard of Milford, six grandchildren, five great grandchildren, and sister-in-law, Hazel Hilyard, brother in law, Ernest Faulk. Mrs. Faulk was a long time member of the First Baptist Church in Warner Robins, where she taught Kindergarten for many years. Funeral Services were held at Heritage Memorial Funeral Home in Warner Robins, GA on Saturday, October 2, 2010, with burial in Magnolia Park Cemetery. Memorials may be made in her name to the Am Diabetes Association or Am Heart Association. For further information please phone Lynch & Sons, Milford, 248-684-6645

JEAN GUETSCHOW

Age 80, passed away, October 4th, 2010. She was born on January 11, 1930, in Rome, Georgia, daughter of the late Forest & Sudee Jerome. She was preceded in death by her cherished husband Harold in 1982. Jean was a loving, caring and devoted mother, grandmama, great-grandmama, sister and friend. She will always be remembered for her love and selflessness. She remained to be the foundation for her family throughout the entirety of her life. During the holidays, Jean prepared homemade chocolates and cookies for her loving family, especially her grandchildren. Her faithful service to God, her family and to others will be her everlasting memory. She is survived by: her beloved daughters, Brenda (Gary) Pike and Amy (Robert) Barnhart, her loving grandchildren, Timothy Barnhart, Kathryn (Dannan) Trembath, Steven (Alicia) Barnhart, Casandra Pike, Allison Barnhart, Melissa Pike, her great grandchildren, Caleb Barnhart, Liam, Lily and Luke Trembath. She is also survived by her loving sister Mardean (WT) Smith and four nieces. Visitation and funeral services were held at Cornerstone Evangelical Presbyterian Church, in Brighton. Graveside services were held in Woodlawn Cemetery in Detroit. Funeral arrangements entrusted to PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, South Lyon. Online Guestbook at: www.phillipsfuneral.com

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Char Wilson 586-826-7082
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Deadline: Tuesday at 10 am for Thursday

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

May peace
be with
you in this
time of
grief.

Submit: Send calendar submissions via e-mail to cstone@gannett.com; by fax to (248) 685-2892; or by mail to Church Events/Northville-Nowi, 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

Mass Schedule

Time/Day: 8:30am, 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Sunday; 9 a.m. Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday; 6:30 a.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday; 7 p.m. Tuesday; 4:30 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

Priests: Father Timothy Hogan, pastor and Father Michael Zuelch, associate pastor

Crosspointe Meadows Church

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

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 dfc-nazarene.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 9:25-11:15 a.m.

Women of the Word Bible Study with childcare available for through age 5; 6:45 p.m. Ladies Evening Bible Study

Wednesday Schedule: 5:30 p.m.

Family Meal, \$4 per person, \$12 per family; 7 p.m. Children's Caravan, Club 56, Bible Study, Quilting, Adult Classes, Youth Blast

Thursday Schedule: 6 a.m. Men of Purpose Prayer Group; 7 p.m. Tae Kwon Do

Women of the Word

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

Details: The WOW Tuesday Ladies

NORTHVILLE / NOVI CHURCH EVENTS



Health screenings

Henry Ford Hospital and Health Alliance Plan are sponsoring free "know your numbers" health screenings at the Novi Farmers Market from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. on Sundays, Oct. 10 and 31. The screenings take approximately 10 minutes and will include total cholesterol, healthy cholesterol (HDL), blood sugar, blood pressure, body mass index calculation and waist circumference. There is no need to fast. The screens will be provided on a first-come, first-serve basis. Please call (248) 661-7273 for more information. Go to henryford.com/knowyournumbers to learn more about heart health and to take a free online heart risk assessment.

Bible Study welcomes you to their study of the Ephesians. There is a \$15 registration fee, which includes interdenominational study materials. Childcare will be available in the morning for children through age 5.

Emmanuel Lutheran Church

Location: 34567 Seven Mile Road, Livonia

Contact: (248) 442-8822 or www.newhopecenter

Episcopal Church of the Holy Cross

Location: 40700 W. 10 Mile Road

Contact: (248) 427-1175 or 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

Sunday Worship: 10 a.m.

Genesis Class

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Tuesdays, through Nov. 9

First Baptist Church of Northville

Location: 217 N. Wing

Contact: (248) 348-1020

Sunday Worship: 10:45 a.m. and 5:45 p.m.

Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.

Ladies Bible Study: 9:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Tuesdays

Men's Bible Study: 9 a.m. first

Saturday of every month

First Baptist Church of Novi-Family Integrated Church

Location: 45301 W. 11 Mile Road

Contact: (248) 349-3647 or firstbaptistchurchofnovi.org

Family Bible Hour: 9:45 a.m.

Family Worship: 11 a.m.

Bible Study: 6 p.m.

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

First Presbyterian Church of Northville

Location: 200 E. Main St.

Contact: (248) 349-0911 or visit firstpresville.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 meet for lunch afterwards

Contact: Sue (734) 459-0016

Single Place Ministries

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

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

singleplace.org

18th annual Sharing the Gift Fine Art Show

Oct. 1-8

Details: The juror will be MaryAnn Wilkinson, a scholar and curator and

a Northville resident. Entry forms are available at the church at 200 E. Main St., Northville or by calling the church. Deadline for entry is Sept. 17.

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.fumc-northville.org

Sunday worship

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

Pastors: Rev. Dr. Steven J. Buck, senior pastor and Rev. Jeff Sturgeon, associate pastor

Coffee Hour: 9:30 a.m. Sunday

((Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend); 10:15 a.m. Sundays (Sept.-May)

Healing Service: 4 p.m. first Monday of every month

Logo Youth Club: 5 p.m. Wednesdays for fourth-12th graders (Sept.-April)

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

Contact: Heather J. Wallis, communications director, (248) 349-1144, Ext. 26, or e-mail hwallis@fumcnorthville.org

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

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

Contact: (248) 349-0565

Sundays

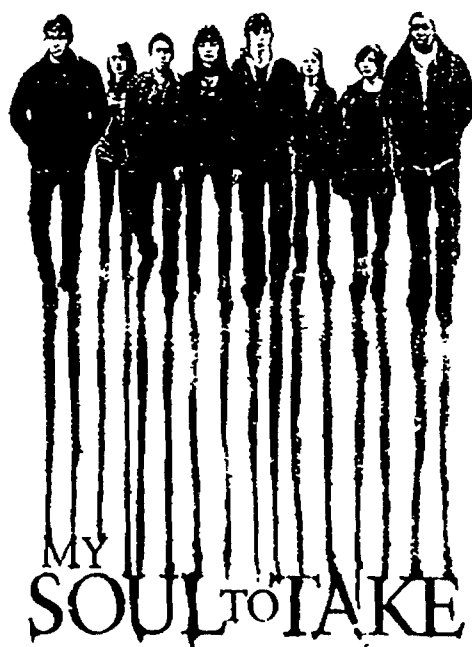
Time: 8:45 a.m. Sunday School and Bible Study; 10 a.m. Worship

Lakes Baptist Church

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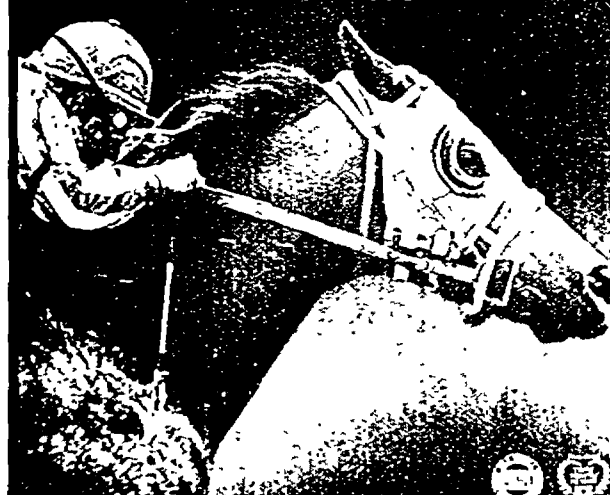
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CHURCH

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Location: 309 Decker Road, Walled Lake

Livonia Church of Christ

Location: 15431 Merriman Road, Livonia

Contact: 734-427-8743 or visit www.livonia-church.net

Sunday Worship: 11 a.m.

Bible School: Sunday 10 a.m.; Wednesday 7 p.m.

Meadowbrook Congregational

Location: 21355 Meadowbrook Rd., 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

Vespers

Time/Date: 7:30 p.m.

Details: This traditional-contemporary service is
led by Reverend Ritter with musical accompani-
ment of guitar and piano.

Rummage Sale

Time/Date: 9 a.m. Oct. 15-16

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

Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Study

8:45-10:30 a.m. (café)

Wednesday Family Night

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

Novi - Northville Center for Jewish Life

Details: A Jewish center with events, pro-
grams and activities for all ages throughout
the year - children's programs, Sunday school,
adult Jewish classes, youth clubs, holiday ser-
vices 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 oakpointe.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: 7:15 p.m. every Wednesday

Details: For ages three to six; ongoing event;
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Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
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The Rev. Richard E. Pape, Pastor

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Sunday School 9:15 a.m.
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11166 S. Hickory Ridge Rd., Milford, MI 48380
248-887-1218
Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m.
Bible Ministries 11:00 a.m.
Wednesday All Ages: 7:00 p.m.

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Sunday 7:30 a.m., 9 a.m., 10:30 a.m. & 12:15 p.m.
Fr. Timothy Hogan, Pastor
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Parish Office: 349-8847 • www.holyfamilynovi.org

HOLY CROSS EPISCOPAL
40700 W. Ten Mile Rd. • 248-427-1175
Sunday Worship 7:45 a.m. & 10 a.m.
Healing Service Wednesday 11:45 a.m.
Rev. Ann Webber, Rector
holycrossnovi@gmail.com

OAK POINTE CHURCH
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Sunday 9:15 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.
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Saturday Worship 5:30 p.m.
Sunday Worship & Sunday School
9:00 a.m. Traditional/Choral
11:15 a.m. Contemporary
Sunday School - all ages 10:15 a.m.

Highland

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Contemporary Service
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NEW LIFE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP
120 Bishop St., Highland
Off. Milford Rd., 2-7165 n of M-59
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• Bible Study Wed. 7:00 p.m.
Pastor Danny Miller
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Sunday 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.; M-F 9-9 a.m.
Holy Day: 9 a.m. & 7 p.m.; First Saturday 9 a.m.
Confessors - Saturdays 11 a.m. & 6:15 p.m.
or by appointment

Livonia

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Saint Andrews Episcopal Church
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Adult Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
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Sunday Service: 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.
Sunday School: 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.
Children's Church: 10:00 a.m.
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New Hudson

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

NEW HUDSON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
56730 Grand River Avenue • New Hudson MI 48165
(248) 437-6212 • Gerald S. Hunter, Pastor
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Worship: 10:30 a.m.
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Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School 11:00 a.m.
Refuel Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.
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Rev. David Brown, Pastor
248-437-2222 • www.fellowshippepc.org

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21860 Pontiac Trail • South Lyon, MI 48178
248-437-3585 • www.southlyoncc.org
9:30 a.m. Sunday School,
10:30 a.m. Praise and Worship
Wednesday Midweek Ministries 7 p.m.
Rob Calicoit, Pastor

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Rev. M. Lee Taylor • 449-2582
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Worship, 11:00 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday Evening, 7:00 p.m.

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11:00 a.m. - Eucharist with Traditional Music

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Wednesday Christian Education and
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Wixom, MI 48393
9:30 a.m. - Sunday School
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Crawford seeking second term in the state House

1 - How would you balance the state's budget?
Favoring tax cuts doesn't necessarily entail cutting services. If the state is still committing waste in its spending habits, the elimination of that waste will not necessarily mean a cut in services, only a streamlining of same. I am convinced that Michigan has not done all it can to curb its spending habits. Departmental reviews are long overdue to ferret out spending irregularities. Transparency in all areas of state spending is essential. If we in the legislature are entrusted with the People's pocketbook, how can we justify not making public the ways and means by which we spend its contents?

2 - There remains a wide disparity in state funds allocated per pupil for school districts throughout the state. How would you address this concern? What is your recommendation? Be specific.

The State of Michigan can only afford so much in allocating, on a per pupil basis, the money given to each school district. Beyond that, if a local school district wishes, through a vote of its citizens, to augment that funding, that is their right to do so since the education of a community's children is and must remain an issue of local control.

3 - What are the three top ideas you would support to make Michigan's business climate more competitive?

1. Eliminate the Michigan Business Tax 21.99% surcharge.
2. Make the tax breaks given out piecemeal to select industries, i.e., the movie industry being but one example, available to ALL industries.
3. Throw out the overly complicated Michigan Business Tax and replace it with a fair tax for ALL businesses. Reward those who desire to come into Michigan for the first time to invest in Michigan. Reward existing businesses that opt to invest capital. Provide tax credits to encourage Michigan graduates to stay in Michigan or who chose to move into Michigan for the first time (a relocation tax credit).

HUGH CRAWFORD



Crawford

Age: 68
Spouse: Kathy
Children: three adult children; two grandchildren
Employment: State Representative Michigan House of Representatives - 38th district
Education: High school and some college

Residency: lifelong resident of the City of Novi
Community Involvement: Southwest Oakland Cable Commission for 13 years; Novi's Parks and Recreation Commission for 10 years; Novi's Parks and Recreation Chair for six years; and member of the Oakland County Republican Executive Committee, Novi Lions Club, Multi-Lakes Conservation Association, the Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce, the Novi Chamber of Commerce, the Novi Chamber of Commerce, and the Lyon Area Chamber of Commerce.

Related experience: City of Novi Councilman - 15 years
Oakland County Commissioner: eight years

4 - Do you support multi-year budgeting?

I would support efforts to initiate investigations into switching over to a multiyear budget. I realize that switching over to a multiyear budget would pose problems in Michigan since revenue estimates in a multiyear budget would be difficult with the revenue stream being erratic at best. However, as it serves to streamline government, reduce staff time on budgetary matters and force the elected officials to take a longer term look at the financial issues of the state (thereby reducing attempts as witnessed over recent years to "politicize" the budget process), I would support it.

Political newcomer challenges for 38th District House seat

1 - How would you balance the state's budget?

Cuts and revenue increases will both be necessary. Out of fairness, I would start with legislative pay and benefits. Other cuts could come from the over \$1 billion worth of state government contracts, and if necessary local revenue sharing. As part of a grand bargain to reduce the MBT surcharge and to restore education funding, I'm willing to entertain revenue increases via an expansion of the sales tax, a progressive income tax amendment, and perhaps other alternatives. In general, I think revenue increases should be tied tightly to policy goals so that the public has a better sense of where the money is going.

2 - There remains a wide disparity in state funds allocated per pupil for school districts throughout the state. How would you address this concern?

It's not clear to me that the voting public has embraced the idea of equal per pupil funding. The history of failed constitutional amendments prior to 1994 suggests that equalized funding is not a politically viable option absent court intervention, which has been required in other states. Even after Proposal A, hold harmless districts retained much of their funding advantage. While I think equal funding remains an egalitarian goal, other school reforms should be prioritized such as shared services, consolidation, and benefit reforms.

3 - What are the three top ideas you would support to make Michigan's business climate more competitive?

Macroeconomic policy (min. wage, import tariffs, trade agreements, exchange rates) is largely set at the federal level and cannot be affected by MI lawmakers. We can never hope to compete with the low wage developing nations, nor should we

JEFF GEDEON



J. Gedeon

Age: 32
Spouse: Nina
Children: daughter, 3; son 1
Employment: Patent & Trademark Attorney
Education: University Mich. B.S.E 2000; Michigan State University J.D. 2006
Residency: Novi

Community Involvement: Novi's Zoning Board of Appeals

want to. I have no interest turning MI into Vietnam, China, Pakistan, etc. Rather than competing in a race to the bottom, we need to focus on making MI the most desirable place for people to live and work.

- 1) focus on education and retaining college grads
- 2) foster bottom-up entrepreneurship
- 3) improve public infrastructure

4 - Do you support multi-year budgeting?

Yes. A MYB forces lawmakers and the administration to conduct real planning and forecasting. Developing longterm goals for the state is a serious public policy discussion that is too frequently omitted from budget talks. MYB could smooth out the roller coaster ride that schools and municipalities have faced the last couple of years.

Depending on the actual implementation, MYB could induce some level of fiscal restraint due to the conservative estimates that would be required for any forecast. With constitutional constraints, surpluses could be allocated to special purpose funds like a rainy day fund or a college scholarship fund.

Crawford looks to build on first term

BY NATHAN MUELLER
STAFF WRITER

It has been two years and Hugh Crawford is back for more.

The current Michigan state representative serving the 38th District is running for re-election Nov. 2 and is eager to continue learning and finding a way to help the state come out of its economic downturn.

His House district includes Lyon Township, part of Northville, Novi, Novi Township, South Lyon, Walled Lake and Wixom.

His message when he ran for the seat in 2008 was that the state needs to put everything on the table except for Medicaid and education — and he plans to stick to that again.

"It's not easy because we don't have the funds

Please see **H. CRAWFORD, A11**

Novi attorney seeks state rep seat

BY PAM FLEMING
STAFF WRITER

Jeff Gedeon wants to give voters a choice in November's election.

So the Novi resident, engineer and trademark and patent attorney decided to run on the Democratic ticket against Republican Hugh Crawford for the state House seat for the 38th District.

He has his own law practice, operating out of his home, and is currently a member of the city of Novi Zoning Board of Appeals.

Gedeon, 32, and his wife, Nina, an Indian-American born in the U.S., have two small children.

"Her parents are immigrant, and we're all very close," he said.

Please see **GEDEON, A11**

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City of Northville
Automatic Brine Mixing System
Liquid Spray System
Sealed bids will be received in the City of Northville Council Chambers, City Hall, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan 48167 until 2:00 p.m. local time on October 27, 2010 for the purchase of the following equipment:
• Automatic Brine Mixing System
• Liquid Spray System
Specifications for the above equipment can be obtained by contacting the Northville Department of Public Works at (248) 449-9930, or at the City of Northville Municipal Building, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan, 48167. Please note that these are two separate bids. You may bid on one or both items.
The City of Northville reserves the right to waive any irregularity or informality in bids, to reject any and/or all bids, in whole or in part, or to award a contract to other than the low bidder, should it be deemed in the City's best interest to do so.
James P. Gallogly, Director of Public Works
Dianne Massa, City Clerk
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PUBLIC NOTICE
Published in accordance with Public Act 331 (1966), as amended.
Schoolcraft College announces that the financial audit for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, has been completed by Plante & Moran, LLP, Southfield, Michigan. It has been presented to the College Board of Trustees and has been accepted by them.
Notice is hereby given that the audit is available for public inspection in the Office of the Vice President and Chief Financial Officer in the McDowell Center at the College, 18600 Haggerty Road, Livonia, Michigan, on weekdays, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
GLENN CERNY
Vice President and CFO
Publish: October 7, 2010

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - PUBLIC HEARING
The Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) has scheduled a public hearing for Wednesday, October 20, 2010, at the Northville Township Municipal Office Building, located at 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48168. The ZBA will consider a request from the Northville Parks and Recreation Department, Millennium Park, 45769 Six Mile Road, pertaining to batting cages. 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
Zoning Board of Appeals
Publish: October 7, 2010

Northville Parks and Recreation Invitation to Bid Gym and Stage Floors Refinishing Northville Senior Community Center
Northville Parks and Recreation is accepting sealed bids for the refinishing of the gymnasium and stage floors at the Northville Community Center located at 303 West Main Street Northville, MI 48167.
Specifications may be obtained at the Northville Parks and Recreation Administrative Offices 700 W. Baseline Road, Northville, MI 48167. Bidders interested in inspection of the work site may schedule an appointment by contacting the Northville Parks and Recreation office (248) 349-0203.
Bids will be received at the Northville City Clerk's Office, 215 West Main Street Northville, MI 48167-1524 until Thursday, October 28, 2010 at 10:00 a.m., local time, at which time and place they will be publicly opened and read aloud. Bid documents must be submitted on the forms furnished and must be completed in full. Each bid shall be submitted in a sealed envelope with the words "Community Center Gym and Stage Floors Refinishing Bid" written on the envelope.
All bids submitted are to remain firm for a period of 90 days after the official bid opening.
The City of Northville reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, in whole or in part, and to waive any informality therein. Northville Parks and Recreation reserves the right to accept the bid, which in its opinion, is in the best interest of the owner.
Traci Sincoc, Director
Northville Parks and Recreation
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NOTICE
CITY OF NORTHVILLE RESIDENTS
If you experience an overflow or back up of a sewage disposal system or storm water system, you must file a written claim with the Northville City Clerk, within 45 days after the overflow or backup was discovered. Notice should be mailed to the City of Northville, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan, 48167. Failure to provide the written notice will prevent recovery of damages. Contact the Department of Public Works at 248-449-9930 for assistance immediately upon discovery of an overflow or backup.
CITY OF NORTHVILLE
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
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H. CRAWFORD

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I would like us to have," he said. "But I don't think raising taxes is the way to get out of this. I don't know all the answers, but I know we have to do something different than what we have been doing."

Crawford, who served for 15 years on the Novi City Council and eight on the Oakland County Board of Commissioners, said that "on the job training" prepared him for the challenges he has faced on the House floor during his term.

He does not have a particular goal in mind, but is focused on the big picture of improving the state.

"I've never been a politician on a mission," he said. "I've always just been a positive supporter. Certainly working in a bipartisan way, whether in the majority or minority, is extremely important."

The House's Bipartisan Freshman Caucus, which consists of 20 Democrats and 22 Republicans, was one of Crawford's ideas. His hope was to create relationships across party lines and thus be more efficient.

He said if the class gets in leadership posi-

tions, things will change.

"I am not going to treat Democrats like we have been treated the last two years and the reason for that is because the Republicans treated them like that two years before," he said. "It keeps going back and forth, and it has to stop."

One of the ideas he has to help the economy is asking state departments to be more transparent with their finances.

"If all our departments were more transparent on the state level, I know we would find funds, I know we would find inefficiencies, I know we would find fraud," he said.

"Transparency, not only to the legislators but to the public, would probably come up with a lot of extra funds."

Crawford is a life-long resident of Novi and his wife, Kathy, is running for his former seat on the Oakland County Board of Commissioners.

In his spare time, he likes to travel, play golf and is involved in the Novi Lions Club.

He said it is a "honor" to serve a community he has lived in for the last 67 years.

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Youth Assistance moves

Sue Campbell and the rest of the Northville Youth Assistance staff has moved into new digs in the Northville Community Senior Center on Main St. Youth Assistance had its offices for years inside Hillside Middle School.

GEDEON

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BEEN IN MICHIGAN ENTIRE LIFE

"I've been in Michigan my whole life," Gedeon said, growing up in Shelby Township in Macomb County.

He's been all over the state — Grand Rapids, Lansing, Ann Arbor — and decided to settle in Novi.

"I've always been interested in politics and have been involved at the club level for the past couple of years. The opportunity presented itself to run, and I'm in," he said.

He has not been in political office before, but says, "I'm not sure that holding office at the local level has all that much relevance to the job at hand at the state level."

He believes general experience and the ability to bring good ideas to the table is more important.

"I'm running on my background as an engineer and an attorney," Gedeon said. "Engineering is all about problem solving, and being an attorney should help me understand

issues at the state level. I think these roles are compatible with the role as a lawmaker."

He admits to running a low-budget campaign.

"People wrote me off before I even was in the race. But if I hadn't run, it would have been an unopposed election," Gedeon said.

Instead he prefers to campaign door-to-door. As far as budgeting, he supports shared services, wage reductions and job sharing as opposed to cutting services. He wants to be in office to serve the public, rather than seeing it as a stepping stone to a higher office.

"I'm running an honest campaign to get ideas out there," he said. "I enjoy the public policy debate."

He knows he's an unknown, but believes he still has a chance.

"I may be a longshot, but I don't think it's impossible," he said. "Districts do flip (politically speaking)."

In his spare time, Gedeon enjoys spending time with his family, cooking and following college football.

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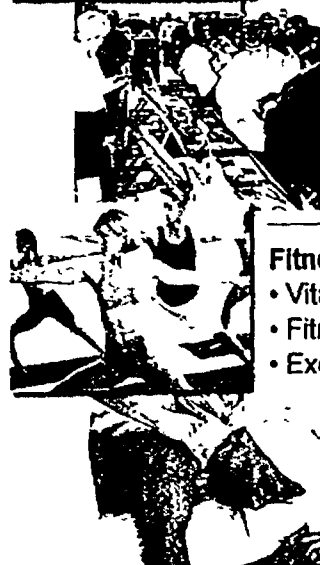
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OUR VIEWS

Fire Prevention Use smoke detectors; avoid tragedy by being prepared for home fires

Firefighters know the best way to put out a fire is to prevent it from happening in the first place.

There are plenty of steps people can take to prevent fires from occurring in their homes. For example, someone should never leave cooking food unattended (the No. 1 cause of home fires), or leave combustible items such as clothes or curtains near space heaters.

Unfortunately though, the reality is fires are going to occur from time to time, and it is essential that everyone is prepared for them when they do take place. Home fires can be devastating. Consider the following U.S. statistics from 2008:

- Home fires killed 2,755 people and injured 13,160.
- Someone was injured in a reported home fire every 40 minutes.
- Roughly eight people died in home fires every day.
- More than 80 percent of all fire deaths and 79 percent of fire injuries resulted from home fires.

Oct. 3-9 is Fire Prevention Week, and its theme this time is "Smoke Alarms: A sound you can live with!" This is the week that fire personnel are educating and motivating people to actively determine whether they have proper smoke alarm protection throughout their homes.

Now, we have a few questions to ask our readers:

First, do you have enough smoke alarms in your home? If you answered yes, congratulations. Your home is among the 96 percent of homes in the country that have at least one smoke alarm.

Second, is one smoke alarm enough to protect you and your family?

If you answered yes again, you're wrong.

The National Fire Protection Association, which developed the National Smoke Alarm Code, recommends smoke alarms in every bedroom, outside all sleeping areas and on every level of the home, including the basement.

In fact, many homes still don't have that level of protection. Each year, nearly 3,000 people die in U.S. home fires. No smoke alarms were present in 40 percent of the home fire deaths. In 23 percent of the home fire deaths, smoke alarms were present but did not sound. In more than half of the reported home fires in which the smoke alarms were present but did not operate even though the fire was large enough, batteries were missing or disconnected. Nuisance alarms were the leading reason for disconnected alarms.

Smoke alarms can cut the chance of dying in a fire in half, but they must be working properly to do so. NFPA offers the following tips for making sure smoke alarms are maintained and working properly:

- Test smoke alarms at least once a month using the test button, and make sure everyone in your home knows their sound.
- If an alarm "chirps," warning the battery is low, replace the battery right away.
- Replace all smoke alarms, including alarms that use 10-year batteries and hard-wired alarms, when they're 10 years old (or sooner), if they do not respond properly when tested.

For a whole list of actions that can be taken in the home, visit www.firepreventionweek.org.

And remember, thinking about fire safety shouldn't be relegated to one week per year. It is something everyone should give serious consideration to throughout the year. It doesn't take a lot of time or effort. But it could save the lives of you and your loved ones.

IN YOUR VOICES



The following are excerpts from readers participating in our online forum for discussing issues. In Your Voices. Find more comments or join the discussion on the Web at hometownlife.com.

Creating mega districts? Novi, Northville superintendents say consolidation not the answer

How come Plymouth and Canton can pull off great education then?

CantoniaRulez

When close to 40% of the high school kids within the 1-1/2 mile "Walk Zone" of Novi High School are bused to Northville High, there are probably some cost savings these two could "find". How does it make any sense to have the school district line of demarcation border Novi High School property? (Yes, due south of Novi High, you go to Northville). Don't you think there are some cost savings there?

GoatsFarm

Let's add up the OBVIOUS savings: \$200,000 for one less superintendent; \$140,000 for one less Budget/Finance director; \$140,000 for one less assistant superintendent of curriculum -- \$480,000 + benefits in savings to begin with. Add savings for busing etc. Then add the benefits of a larger district (more offerings at the high school level). Were you really expecting Dion to think about anything but himself?

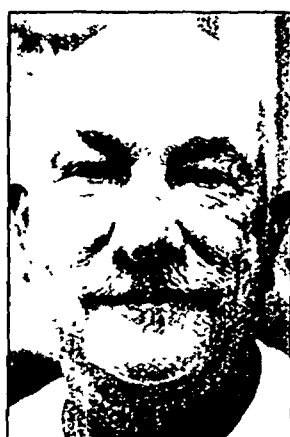
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Look at the state AYP, MME, etc. ratings at <http://michigan.gov/mde> and Novi is among the top 10-20 districts in the state along with Northville, Birmingham, Troy, Utica, etc.

chrismaverick

COMMUNITY VOICE

It's time for Parmenter's cider and doughnuts. What's your choice: regular or spiced doughnuts?



The plain ones are for me.

John Shier
Northville



I like the spice: they're just good.

Elaine Horwath
Northville Township



How do I say? I love them both! I eat one a day, at least.

Judy Gorden
Northville Township



I love the spiced donuts - they're just better.

Barbara Williams
Westland

LETTERS

Will sanity prevail?

In response to my letter to the editor that I titled "The Borne Identity for Voters," Mr. Colling wrote in response to my first point regarding memos provided to Bush titled "Bin Laden determined to attack U.S." with this statement:

"This is part of the discredited conspiracy theory that President Bush knew about the attack in advance."

Mr. Colling is long on opinion, but short on facts. I refer Mr. Colling to the report of the 9/11 Commission which (at: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bin_Laden_determined_to_strike_in_US#text_and_declassification) contains a reprint of the entire Presidential Daily Brief (PDB) of August 6, 2001 titled "Bin Laden Determined to Strike U.S."

Every allegation made by Mr. Colling in opposition to my rendition of facts can be countered with documented facts as opposed to the opinions proposed by Mr. Colling; however, to adequately refute such would take pages which is not appropriate for a letter to the editor. A lie can be stated in one word, but to prove a lie to be false usually takes pages of facts.

In any case, the Tea Party candidates who have taken over the Republican Party are expressing positions that are off-the-charts nutty. They propose everything from the elimination of Social Security and Medicare to the proposition that witch worship has merit and that mice have been transformed to have human brains. This is insane, simply insane. And yet, some Republicans actually appear to believe this nonsense. Will sanity prevail? I am beginning to doubt it.

Chuck Nichols
Northville Township

Library isn't just books anymore

As 20-year residents of Northville we've watched the library grow and expand what they have to offer. They've grown quite a bit in size but even more in services. It's not just about borrowing books anymore - you can borrow movies, use the Internet, attend a variety of classes, join a book discussion club, enjoy an evening of musical entertainment, sip a coffee and read the newspaper in front of the fireplace on a cold, rainy day, attend a children's program, get help with your homework or research project, read daily and weekly newspapers, find a quiet place to work, host a puppet show, check Consumers Reports before you make a major purchase, download an e-book to read, access databases that were only available at college libraries in the past, hold a gathering in one of the meeting rooms, gain access to countless other library collections from home, watch and discuss a film with others, read monthly magazines... the list goes on and on. For our family, the library has not only enriched our lives but also saved us a tremendous amount of money over the years.

I know I will be voting YES in the upcoming millage for the library because I just cannot decide which of these things I'm willing to give up if it doesn't pass. I hope you'll all join me in appreciating what the library has to offer and continuing to support it with our tax dollars.

Cheri Pelfe
Northville

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Vote to support library

As one of the essential cornerstones of a healthy community, the library is an invaluable resource and service, as well as a common gathering place. At no time in our recent history has the Northville District Library been needed more, and as data indicates, used more by patrons seeking its services.

The numbers speak for themselves. In the last five years, the library has experienced unprecedented increases in circulation (91 percent), library visits (57 percent), computer use (86 percent) and reference questions (33 percent). Even greater increases have occurred in programming with adult program attendance up 120 percent and story time attendance up 128 percent.

Nevertheless, at a time when the library offers so much to so many, there has been a drastic reduction in its budget due to the decrease in tax revenue from declining property values. Over the last two years, the library has cut its budget by freezing staff salaries, reducing staff benefits, reducing budgets for materials such as books, music and movies and other measures. With tax revenue expected to continue to decline at least through 2014, the library faces more drastic cuts: closing one day per week, reducing its professional staff, cutting programming such as story times, computer classes and foreign films and further reducing its materials budget. It is important to remember that since 1994, the library has operated as an independent entity on a one-mill levy approved by voters. The library receives no revenue from the city or township.

There is no question that the community needs its library - now more than ever. That is why it is critical that residents support the Nov. 2 request for a nominal (2-mill, 5-year) increase to sustain the library and eliminate further budget cuts. The two-tenths of a mill increase would mean an additional \$20 annually on a home with a market value of \$200,000. It seems a small price to pay to continue to keep the doors open seven days a week, maintain access to materials and resources unavailable anywhere else in the community, and offer programming that accommodates all ages and interests.

The library is our lifeline to the world and the information in it. On Nov. 2, Northville voters have the opportunity to provide their library with a lifeline. Please make a commitment to supporting this invaluable resource by voting "Yes."

Michele M. Fecht
Northville

AAUW kudos

I want to thank the AAUW 2010 Home Tour Co-Chairs, Tanya Aldrich and Dianne McCulloch, and all the other wonderful AAUW members who made my experience as a "home" on the Home Tour so memorable. With a very professional and organized staff, it went like clockwork from start to finish. The graciousness of all involved was very appreciated.

Special thanks to Jane Spence for encouraging me and Barbara for the creative Victorian Lady who camouflaged our lemonade jug.

What fun I had! Thanks for the opportunity

Suzanne Klimek
Studio 324 Hair Salon

Board needs to understand

At the beginning of the school year, Winchester Elementary students and parents learned that our class sizes have been dramatically increased with the loss of teachers due to budget cuts across the district. Our school leads the pack in large class sizes, with the number of classes at 28 children or more at eight classrooms; five classes have 30 or more students. Winchester also has the distinction of having the single largest elementary school class in the district with 31 students in one third grade class, the others having 30 each.

At each of the last two school board meetings, our parents have filled the room in an effort to show our collective discontent with this current situation and to hear from the board what the future holds for our students. Historically, we have been able to count on Northville Public Schools to value low class sizes, especially at the elementary level, as a component of excellence in education. If the new standard is 30+ students per classroom, our students lose the great advantage that comes with individual attention.

The school board's response has been realistic, but unsympathetic. Yes, our state is facing a budget crisis, and our legislators recently raided the School Aid Fund to the tune of \$208 million to fill holes in other areas of our state budget. As parents and families, we understand the hard choices our board faces; many of us are making difficult financial decisions in our own households. However, the crisis our board faces is not only financial, it's one of public opinion. The message sent, whether intentionally or inadvertently, by the board at the last two meetings has been: "We have bigger things to worry about, and besides, lots of school districts have large class sizes and they do fine." The argument that our students are still getting a "sound" education is not an endorsement that will entice potential home buyers to set down roots in Northville.

There is a lesson here to be taken from Mary Poppins: a spoonful of sugar helps the medicine go down. A strong message from our board and administrators that "we're all in this together" would go a long way. If this is not the new standard, then say so. Tell the parents and students this is a painful, but necessary evil to be endured until we get funding restored.

Ask us to bear with you as you work on temporary measures that would support our teachers in these large classes. Convince us that this is not OK with you. I do believe that the elected school board members are trying to work in the best interest of our district, but they need to convince the parents, students, teachers and administrators of the same.

Nancy Morris
Northville

NORTHVILLE TOWNSHIP POLICE REPORT

Operating intoxicated

1 A 56-year-old Westland man was arrested for operating while intoxicated at 2:12 a.m. Sept. 11 at Woodside Drive and Haggerty Road.

The man was pulled over after dispatch reported that someone had called the police department about a suspected drunk driver.

Police watched as the man drove from the driveway of the Mobil gas station immediately to the center turn lane, then back to the left through lane.

The driver was also seen weaving within its lane as it was passing another southbound vehicle on Haggerty Road.

The officer could detect the odor of intoxicants coming from the vehicle. He denied having anything alcoholic to drink. But, when asked again, he said that he had consumed a couple of beers at the American Legion Hall at Newburgh and Ford roads.

Later he said he had consumed five beers that evening.

Stolen vehicle reported

2 A 26-year-old resident on W. Harbour Village Drive reported to police that he noticed that his car had

been stolen between 3 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Sept. 11.

The man stated that he had parked his car in the parking lot outside his apartment, and when he returned later that afternoon it was gone.

There was no evidence found at the scene.

Retail fraud at Kohl's

3 A 20-year-old Livonia woman was arrested for retail fraud at 2:46 p.m. on Sept. 11 at Kohl's department store at 20155 Haggerty Road.

A loss prevention agent watched via surveillance camera as the woman selected items of clothing and concealed them in her handbag.

She then walked past points of purchase without offering payment and left the store.

Stolen items included two black V-neck shirts valued at \$12 each and a leopard print shirt valued at \$28.

Larceny from auto

4 A 46-year-old resident of Fry Ave. reported that someone stole items from her vehicle between 1:30 and 10

a.m. on Sept. 12.

The woman said someone gained entry in the vehicle by opening a sliding passenger-side window, then unlocking the door. A radar detector was taken from an open storage area within the vehicle.

A grocery bag with empty cans and bottles was also taken from the front porch of the residence.

Marijuana possession

5 A 27-year-old Farmington Hills resident was arrested for possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia at 1:36 a.m. Sept. 14 at the Northville Recreation Area of Hines Park just south of Seven Mile Road on Hines Drive.

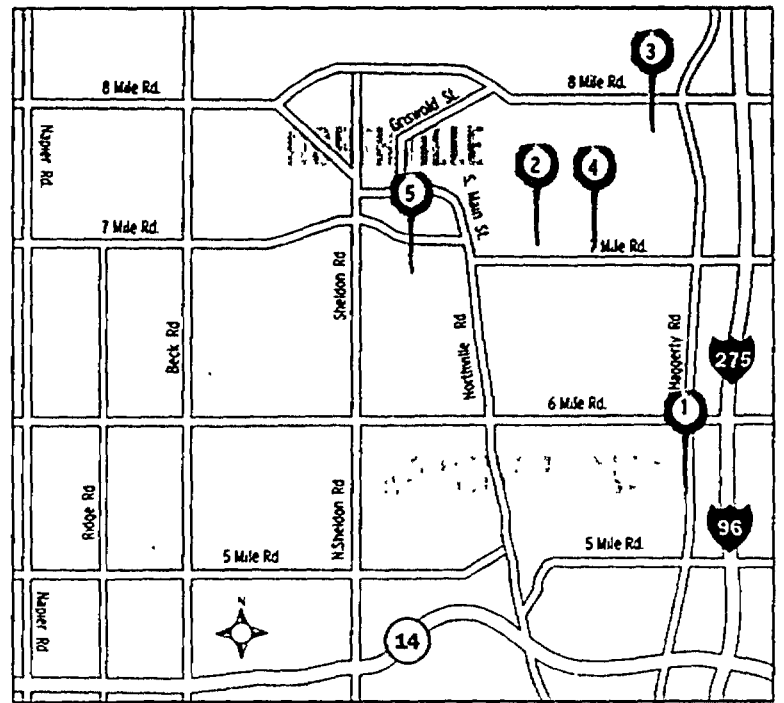
An officer noticed the man's car parked in the recreation area with its lights on.

The man was attempting to back out of a parking space as the officer pulled into the entrance to the park.

The man said that he had just finished playing disc golf with some friends in Cass Benton.

He was then advised that he was not allowed to be in Hines Park at night.

The officer could smell intoxicants coming from inside the vehicle. The man said he had consumed two beers



earlier while bowling.

Before initiating a search of the vehicle, the man admitted to having marijuana and a pipe in his disc golf bag in the car.

He also had some Tanqueray gin

mixed with Crystal Light and water in his disc golf bag.

The alcohol was dumped at the scene.

Compiled by staff writer Pam Fleming

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SAVED

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Shortly thereafter, they noticed on the heart monitor that his heart rhythm had returned to a more normal one. "That was encouraging," he said.

By the time firefighters got him to the hospital, he had a consistent heart rate and regular respirations.

Marotte said new lifesaving equipment and training has completely changed township firefighters' response for the better.

"It's amazing actually how much there is we can do," he said. "We've built a case for a successful outcome because we're able to give a lot of treatment in a short amount of time."

Jeff Sims was another firefighter who was on the run involving Beaty and has been with the department about two years.

"It was nice of him to show up (at township hall)," Sims said. "It was good to see him. It's nice to have that follow-up."

Jason Raschke was another firefighter on the scene. He has also been with the department for eight years and is currently being trained in advanced life support.

He recalled that Beaty was unresponsive and not breathing when they arrived at the scene.

"Not getting oxygen is critical, as this can cause brain damage," Raschke said. He thinks it's very important for firefighters to be trained at the paramedic level.

The other two firefighters on the run for Beaty were Lt. Phil Sutherland and Brent Muller. Every firefighter has a role at a run, and they're all important.

LIFE AFTER INCIDENT

Beaty, who retired at 58, said he's not back at 100 percent, but he's doing a lot better. About a month after the incident, he had a heart defibrillator installed in his chest.

"If this happens again, the defibrillator will automatically give my heart a shock," he said. He had a heart attack about two years ago.

He goes to the gym every day and takes classes.

"I told the chief (Rich Marinucci) that the firefighters there were the best in the world," Beaty said. "They were truly professional, and I thanked each one of them because truly they saved my life."

Beaty said he has nothing but total respect for all of the firefighters and was happy that they were able to put some of their recent training to use.

"I told the township board that that training saved my life," he said. "Those guys are just outstanding human beings and very dedicated. The township is lucky to have people like that."

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STREETS

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For the public portion of the Mary Alexander Court area the city received the following prices: Rauhorn Electric, Inc., for four inches of asphalt, at \$58,942.25. Nagle Paving Company for three inches of asphalt, at \$28,348.50.

Gallogly said Nagle Paving Company has performed an excellent job in the resurfacing of S. Griswold Street and Church Street this year.

In past years the company successfully reconstructed E. Dunlap Street and the Marquis Parking Lot. The firm's workers have performed well and have promptly addressed any concerns raised by residents next to their projects, according to Gallogly. Based on their past performance on city projects, and the low price for this work, staff asked that they be approved for this additional work on Mary Alexander Court.

Both contractors were asked to give prices to remove and replace the asphalt between the city's right-of-way and the buildings that front Main Street. These areas are on private property.

PROPERTY OWNERS' MAY HELP

City staff intends to share these numbers with the property owners and ask if they would like to do their parking areas in conjunction with the city's project. If they agree, they would be expected to cover the cost for their area.

Jim Long and Chuck Lapham have expressed interest in doing this, but others have not been yet been contacted.

The approved budget for the 2010 Local Street Program is \$750,000, and the approved contracts for this work total less than \$670,000. This leaves approximately \$80,000 for other costs and Mary Alexander Court. Though final work has not been completed on Clement Court, the city's engineers are confident that final quantities should need very little, if any contingencies for their project.

Based on the prices received from Nagle Paving Company for the removal and replacement of three inches of asphalt of the public portion of Mary Alexander Court, a change order for this work will add \$30,000 to Nagle's work (a small amount added for curb and gutter replacement).

This amount still leaves about \$50,000, for construction contingencies or other street improvement needs.

WAS SCHEDULED FOR 2013

It should be noted that Mary Alexander Court is listed in the City's Street Improvement Program. It

was scheduled for improvements in 2013. However, since the DDA has undertaken its streetscape project, improving the sidewalks on this court, it makes sense to improve the road pavement in conjunction with the sidewalk work and complete this work this fall.

WALKWAY PROJECT UPDATE

At its Oct. 19, 2009, meeting, City Council approved the selection of Cooper Design Inc. to provide architectural services for the East Main Street Walkway project. Cooper Design's proposed fees for the project are \$49,950 and include all normal expenses associated with the work, including travel, communications, mailing and sub-consultant fees. The fee does not include document reproduction for bidding.

The selection process for a preferred architectural solution for the walkway project took longer than expected. This was due, in part, to additional work on schematic designs, structural investigations and cost estimating done on the project at the request of the Downtown Development Authority, the Steering Committee and City Council.

Cooper Design's original proposal estimated 89 hours of time for Existing Documentation and Schematic Design. However, Cooper Design's team actually spent more than 200 hours on these two tasks.

In April, Cooper Design submitted a letter to the DDA office requesting additional compensation and prepared an analysis of services proposed and provided. At the time, DDA staff deferred the request as a preferred architectural scheme had not been selected.

At its Aug. 17, 2010, meeting, DDA staff presented the request for additional fee to the DDA Board of Directors. The DDA unanimously approved the request and directed staff to refer the matter to City Council for action.

The project is moving forward with design development, and the project team hopes to present Design Development drawings to the DDA, Historic District Commission and City Council this month.

If approved, Cooper would begin construction drawings for a winter bid of the project. The project is currently scheduled to begin construction in March 2011 and should take about five months to complete.

The project budget for the Walkway project is \$800,000, and this budget is inclusive of all architectural and engineering fees. The DDA has budgeted \$550,000, and the city has contributed \$250,000 from the Public Improvement Fund.

Cooper has requested an additional \$3,850 in professional fees. This would come out of the project budget. This amount was unanimously approved by council.

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SEARCH

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tions for the posting, based upon information gathered from the meeting.

So far, according to Wilmot, 100 new Michigan district superintendents were in place at the beginning of 2010/2011. But the number of applicants seems to be getting smaller as time goes.

Public school teachers and administrators near their retirement age had accepted the state's retirement incentive package this summer, resulting in thousands of teachers and hundreds of administrators ending their careers, sooner than expected for many.

"Over the last several years, those willing to pursue leadership roles have diminished. Money and state retirement incentive have an impact on candidate pool," he said.

Marilyn Price, the district's school board president, remains optimistic about the search for a new superintendent, saying the process should provide qualified candidates to the district.

And once the field of applicants has been narrowed down to four or six, public meetings will be scheduled for stakeholders to meet the candidates and ask them questions.

"The public will have opportunity to be involved in that with written questions. A full day with each of the final candidates will be set. Candidates will be asked to stand with stakeholders, and explain why they think they're qualified to be the superintendent," Price said.

"It will be a 13-week process before we make an offer to a candidate. Our target date for the final decision is mid-December."

The district is developing a profile for their ideal candidate. By Oct. 8, it will be posted on the MLI website with the needed qualifications listed. There will be a six-week time period for people to apply.

Once the deadline is over, the applications will be reviewed and the field will be narrowed down to between four and six applicants. The majority of candidates will likely be from Michigan, but some may also be come from out of state, Price said.

"The district needs somebody who is going to be skilled and comfortable working with Michigan's budget situation," she said. "We will be offering a multi-year contract."

Describing Rezmierski's upcoming retirement, Price said it would be a big change for the district.

"The district has been very fortunate. For his entire tenure, Dr. Rezmierski has been a supremely dedicated person, honorable, hardworking, committed, and holds the best interest of the students in his heart," Price said.

Rezmierski, who has served 20 years as Northville's school superintendent, will stay until the end of the current school year.

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B) Continuing to provide acceptable levels of services and programs, particularly for the most vulnerable of our county population.

Participate on Commission Committees which provide direction to the commission as well as the administration.

C) Economic diversity - Review policies, approve Federal and State Grants and support the initiatives of the Emerging Sectors/Automation Alley.

4 - Do you support the current three-year budgeting cycle? Why? Why not?

Yes. Planning three years in advance is a difficult process, but because of the forward-thinking, we are more likely to ensure financial sustainability for the delivery of necessary services. Many municipalities are now following Oakland's lead in preparing multi-year budgets.

5 - Why are you seeking this office?

I believe that citizen involvement in local, regional, state and national issues is critical to successful communities, their governance and problem solving. I have actively advocated for and enthusiastically worked on projects benefiting Novi my entire adult life. My lengthy experience particularly in issues facing older adults, Parks and Recreation, operating a small business, promotion of the arts, accountability, fiscal responsibility and civic engagement will serve this city well on the county level.

6 - What do you see as the most pressing issue facing Oakland County?

Balancing the county budget and keeping spending in line with diminished revenues while continuing to provide acceptable levels of services, particularly for the most vulnerable of our county.

7 - What is your main goal if elected, and how do you hope to accomplish it?

Much of the work of the Oakland County Board of Commissioners is done in standing committees. In as much as I have the endorsement and support of 12 of the 13 Oakland County Republican Commissioners including the chairman and vice chair, I will be in an optimal position to have greater representation and influence on the important issues facing us all in Oakland County.

8 - What qualifies you to serve in this position?

My current and past involvement gives me great insight as well as experience on a wide variety of issues facing Oakland county. I support Oakland County's administration, programs and services, which are second to none in the nation, despite the challenging economic times. Organizational skills, optimism, creativity, accountability and integrity are very desirable attributes in a commissioner -- and I believe I have all that and more.

ZYCZYNSKI

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to moving government forward as long as there is room for adjustments to be made along the way as the economy and the needs of the county shift.

5 - Why are you seeking this position?

I am seeking this position because I want to make a positive difference for Oakland County residents and because, in a democracy, the voters are entitled to have choices when they go to the poles to vote.

6 - What do you see as the most pressing issue facing Oakland County?

Maintaining our bond rating, which impacts how much interest the county pays when it borrows money, and to balance our budget.

7 - What is your main goal if elected, and how do you plan to accomplish it?

My goal is to see that Oakland County continues to be a great place

to live, work, and raise our children. To support this concept we need to attract new jobs into Oakland County and provide our children with the educational opportunities to enable them to become the strong work force of the future. We need to continue to maintain our roads, improve county parks, keep our communities safe, and encourage environmentally friendly practices.

8 - What qualifies you to serve in this position?

I have assumed many leadership roles as a student, on the job, and in the Novi Community. In the school where I taught; I worked collaboratively with colleagues, parents, and students on a variety of projects. As president of a 1200 member teachers union and member of the negotiating team, I worked with teachers and administrators to find solutions and solve difficult problems. Since retiring, I have served on Novi's Parks, Recreation, and Forestry Commission.

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ling in her practice of family law. She joined her parents, Michele and John Kelly, in Nov. 2008 in their legal practice. Kelly & Kelly, P.C., has two locations, Northville and Ann Arbor. Steele serves as

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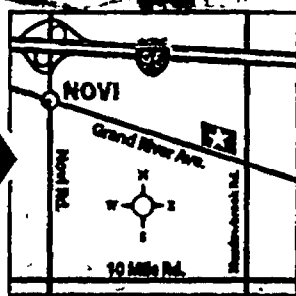
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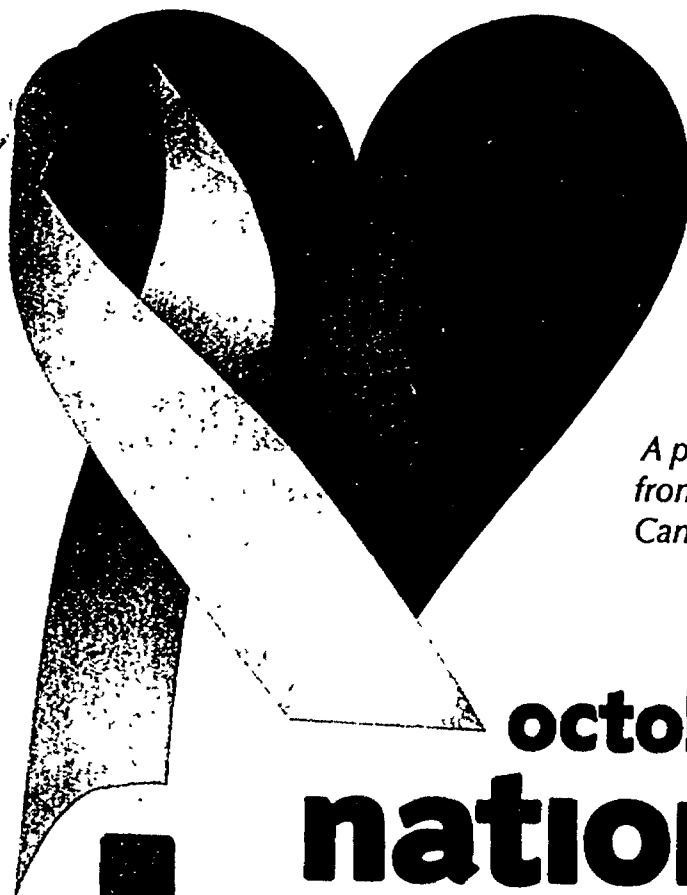
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Mustang Brandon Love makes a cut in front of some Livonia Stevenson Spartans during their Oct. 1 meeting.

Spartans no match for Northville

BY BRAD EMONS
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

You don't have to be a math major to figure out the formula for success for this year's Northville football team.

The unbeaten Mustangs rolled up 463 yards in total offense and earned a state playoff berth Friday night with their sixth victory in a 50-6 homecoming victory over Livonia Stevenson.

Although Northville has scored 298 points now in six contests, the Mustangs' have been just as stingy defensively allowing just 37.

"We played well defensively," said Northville coach Matt Ladach, whose team held Stevenson to 93 yards on the ground in 36 attempts. "Our defense has done a good job for us all season and they did again tonight."

It was a defensive play that got the Northville jump-started as senior Levi Berry picked off a pass and raced 65 yards for a score with 5:05 left in the

first quarter.

"We were well prepared for this team," Ladach said. "Our defensive staff does a great job. We've done a great job all season stopping the run and I think Stevenson knew they had to come at us with balanced attack to move the football."

Before the quarter had ended, Jonathan Alandt ripped around end for a 77-yard touchdown run to make it 14-0.

In the second period, Victor Bodrie, who boomed his kickoff regularly into the end zone, booted a pair of 26-yard field goals.

Junior quarterback Jeffrey Gertley, who was 10-of-21 on the night for 146 yards, also hit Anthony Perraino for a 49-yard TD pass as the Mustangs took a 29-0 lead into the dressing room.

Stevenson took the opening drive of the third quarter and marched 80 yards in 12 plays capped by sophomore quarterback Joe Mims' 20-yard TD

toss to Adam Duncan.

Northville's Brandon Love answered with a 65-yard TD run, breaking three tackles. Jzordon Lawrence also contributed a 1-yard plunge to put the Mustangs on top 43-6 after three quarters.

With a playoff berth already in the bag, Perraino, the backup QB, ran for a 51-yard score during a running fourth-quarter clock.

"It's nice," Ladach said of the playoff berth. "Our biggest focus right now is Novi next week. All offseason we've been talking about winning a division championship. And that's all that's on our minds right now. The playoffs will come when they come. We just want to beat Novi next week."

The Novi at Northville battle (Oct. 8) will determine the KLAA Central Division champion.

Meanwhile, it's back to the drawing board for the Spartans, who fell to 2-4 overall and 1-3 in the KLAA

Central.

"We're going to keep doing what we've been preaching all year," Stevenson coach Tim Gabel said. "We're going to watch film on Monday with the kids. We're going to get ready to work hard and keep improving."

Stevenson had 250 yards in total offense with Mims going 15-of-30 for 157 yards, but he was picked off twice (by Berry).

"The biggest thing is us," Gabel said. "We're going to work really hard next week. We're going to keep improving, every position, every team. We're making progress in some areas. So that's really our goal. It's mostly about us trying to improve. Next week (home vs. Salem) — that's really what we're going to keep selling on kids on. It's late in the year obviously, but we still see some things that we're improving on and that's going to be our approach."

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Northville's Michelle Song took fifth in the 500-yard freestyle in Thursday's 99-87 dual meet victory at Livonia Stevenson.

Mustang tankers topple Spartans

BY BRAD EMONS
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Two teams expected to duke it out for the KLAA Kensington Conference girls swimming and diving title did not disappoint in a dual meet held Thursday night.

With Shannon Lohman and Faith Miller leading the way, it was Northville who emerged with a 99-87 Central Division victory over host Livonia Stevenson.

"Great meet," said Northville coach Rich Bennetts, whose team is 5-0 overall and 2-0 in the KLAA Central. "We know every time coming into Stevenson is going to be a battle. They gave us everything they had and we were fortunate to come out on top. All the girls swam hard, and both teams gave their best effort, and we were fortunate to win."

The quartet of Shannon Lohman, Sarah Lohman, Miller and Sarah Garrity got the Mustangs off on the right foot with a win in the 200-yard medley relay (1:56.97). Northville also picked an additional four points as Maddy Kipke, Catherine Cui, Brianna Schoenok and Susan Morris took second (1:58.8) to outscore Stevenson 12-2 in the first event of the meet.

Shannon Lohman also took individual firsts in the 100 butterfly (1:00.34) and 100 backstroke (1:03.93), while Miller earned wins in the 200 freestyle (1:58.55) and 100 freestyle (56.40).

Cui contributed a first in the 100 breaststroke (1:12.09) and the Mustangs outscored Stevenson 11-5 in the 1-meter diving event led by Jennifer Jones' 205.05 points.

"The (200) medley relay right off the bat really set the tone for the meet," Bennetts said. "We got first and second place in that. And that puts you up 10 points in that and gives you a lot of breathing room the rest of the way. I think that kind of hit them (Stevenson) a little hard right off the bat. But they battled

back and gave us a good one. "We talked about it (200 medley relay) all week, so we were hoping for that."

Stevenson individual first-place finishers included Savannah Hatt, 200 IM (2:14.75) and 100 butterfly (1:00.34); Kayla Perchall, 50 freestyle (26.58); and Kaylee Dolinski, 500 freestyle (5:20.71).

Hatt, Perchall, Dolinski and Aidan O'Dowd combined for a first in the 200 freestyle relay (1:44.68), while the 400 freestyle relay quartet of Hatt, Dolinski, Perchall and Sarah Cauzillo touched the wall first (3:46.11).

But it wasn't enough to stop the Spartans from falling to 4-3 overall and 1-2 in the KLAA Central.

"We swam pretty good and they beat us," Stevenson coach Greg Phil said. "I mean, they're better than we are. The first two events hurt us bad, but it was a great meet and we had some really good swims. Unfortunately, it is what it is."

Phill, however, is optimistic his team can challenge later on this year for the Kensington Conference title.

"I think we're in good shape," he said. "We're going to battle to win the conference meet with Northville, Novi and South Lyon."

"It's part of the learning experience and the girls swam tough, but they just got beat. It happens."

Last year Stevenson finished ninth in the Division 1 state finals with 104 points, while Northville tied for 33rd with just eight.

"Physically we're about the same," Bennetts said. "The big difference that I've seen so far this year is the mental toughness that we've been able to bring to the table that I think is going to show at the state meet. The girls were pretty disappointed last year with their state meet finish and we're looking to go there and score a lot more points this year."

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Baseline game means more than jug, rivalry this year

Central Division championship to be decided with victory Friday night

BY SAM EGGLESTON
CORRESPONDENT

It's no secret that the football game between Novi and Northville has always been a rivalry ever since the two schools started playing. But these days, with the formation of the Kensington Lakes Activities Association and the two teams landing in the same division, the game means even more.

And this year? Well, there's even a bit more at stake than a Central Division win or loss and the Baseline Jug. This year, it's for the crown.

"When the KLAA was formed, we knew that the Northville/Novi game would become even more meaningful," said Northville coach Matt Ladach. "This game is no longer just a rivalry. It's a game that has ultimately decided the division champion in two of the past three years. Novi beat us, 14-12, in 2008. Had we won that game, there would have been a three-way tie for the central division champi-

onship. Instead, Novi won it outright."

The current Mustangs may not have been on that team, but they still are looking to even the score with a win Friday night. They're playing at home, though that hardly matters in this game since the fields are practically a stone's throw apart.

Northville is 6-0 this year, the first time this has been the case since 1961 when the Mustangs went 9-0 on the year. They didn't even play Novi that season. That rivalry didn't start until Sept. 17, 1971 when Novi won 22-7.

This year's team has wins over Lakeland, 35-0, Waterford Kettering, 58-10, South Lyon East, 57-13, South Lyon, 49-0, Salem, 49-8, and Livonia Stevenson, 50-6. They have a guaranteed spot in the playoffs.

Novi comes into the game with a 4-2 record, needing to win two of their last three games to guarantee a playoff berth this year. They have losses to Farmington Hills

Harrison, 24-7, and Walled Lake Western, 18-11. Their wins have been over Livonia Stevenson, 17-6, Salem, 35-12, South Lyon East, 27-0, and South Lyon, 27-14.

This game means more to the Wildcats than just a victory and another step closer to the playoffs, too. Last year, for the first time since 2000, the Wildcats lost to Northville and, in the process, gave up the Baseline Jug—the annual trophy that travels to the winning school.

"I stated a simple fact to our team, followed by a question: They have the Jug. What are you going to do about it?" said Novi coach Todd Pennycuff when asked how he's focused his team on this year's showdown.

Northville this season has picked up 1,383 yards on the ground over six games, averaging 230.5 per game. Leading their ground attack has been Brandon Love, who has put up 387 yards on 27 carries with three touchdowns. Right behind him is quarterback Jeff

Gertley, who has 303 yards on 38 carries and four scores, while Anthony Perraino has hauled the ball 36 times with two touchdowns and Jzordon Lawrence has run it 46 times with four touchdowns. They have run for 224 yards and 182 yards, respectively.

Northville is also dangerous in the passing attack, with Gertley going 28-for-47 for 628 yards and eight touchdowns. Perraino has added 11 completions out of 27 attempts for 212 yards and four touchdowns of his own. Their favorite target has been Jonathon Alandt, the teams' leading scorer, as he's hauled in 16 passes for 560 yards and nine touchdowns. He also has three touchdowns in the rushing game and two scores during kickoff returns and two from punt returns and another from an interception he took back to the end zone.

Northville also has the ability to score off the foot of Victor Bodrie, who has gone 9-for-12

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Northville's Shannon Lohman tied for first in the 100-yard butterfly with Stevenson's Savannah Hatt with a time of 1:00.34.

Mustangs showing improvement on golf course

Squad beats South Lyon, Novi to earn piece of Central Division crown

BY SAM EGGLESTON
CORRESPONDENT

The Northville Mustangs girls golf team just needed to get warmed up before they really started playing up to their potential this year. After beginning the year with several highs and lows, the squad, coached by Mary Jane Ossola, has started to come on strong in the final weeks and even tied for the Central Division title.

"I am pleased that our play has improved as we enter the final tournaments of the year," said Ossola. "Jackie (Kjohede) has found her swing and

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The Mustangs will be participating in the MHSAA Regional tournament today starting at 9 a.m. If they place well enough, they will then play in the two-day MHSAA State Finals next week.

had a wonderful week of golf. She finished 12th at the Birmingham tourney and was medalist in both of our matches this week."

Northville finished fourth out of a field of 18 teams in the Birmingham tournament as they shot a 351 as a team. Kjohede led the

way with an 84, followed by Lindsey Matych's 88, Lauren Grigg with an 89, Stephanie Sakorafis with a 90 and Emily Foland and Camilla Zhao with a 93 each.

The team then entered dual meet play against South Lyon, which they won, 164-210, before beating Novi, 169-176.

"With our win against Novi, we avenged our only loss of the season," noted Ossola. "As a result, we tied for the divisional title."

Against South Lyon, Foland, Kjohede, Grigg and Sakorafis all shot 41 to tie for medalists. Against Novi, Kjohede shot a 40 for medalist honors while

Brianna Roberts shot a 42, Zhao carded a 43, Sakorafis shot a 44, Foland shot a 46 and Grigg earned a 48.

"It is great to see Jackie play so well," said Ossola. "She has stepped up in our last four events to lead our team. Right now, she is playing the best golf of any player all season."

"I know our seniors want to finish their high school golf careers on a good note and I think they are peaking at the right time."

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RIVALRY

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on field goals this year and hit 35-of-39 extra point attempts for 62 points. His long has been from 45 yards out.

Pennycuff immediately named Alandt, Perry, Lawrence and Gertley as the offensive threats his team will be focusing on.

"Their special teams and pass game have broken opponents' backs early," he said. "They have the ability to put a tremendous amount of points on the board and their defense creates a lot of turnovers."

In fact, Northville's defense has 19 interceptions and two forced fumbles this year. They are led in tackles by Michael MacLean with 28, while Shawn Williams has 17, Brett MacDonald and Jeff Hewlett have 15 each and Matt Celentino has 13. Leading Northville's defense in sacks is Brandon Kuc, who also has 12.5 tackles this year.

In the defensive backfield, Northville's interceptions are led by Perry, who has an amazing eight so far this year, while Alandt, Trevor Maresh and Trei Walton have two each. Brandon Patrone, Dawson Laabs, Love, Hewlett and Andrew Accardo have one each.

"I believe that the fans will see a great high school football game," said Pennycuff. "This game will be played with a tremendous amount of passion by the young men of both communities. This is what high school football is all about."

Novi, as usual, is no team of slouches, either. They have picked up 1,188 yards rushing and 424 yards through their passing attack. Their defense, notably, has held opponents to just 79.7 yards rushing per game and 96.8 yards passing per game.

"Novi is a very athletic football team," said Ladach. "They have good team speed, and they are efficient on offense. I am sure that they will try to control the clock to keep our offense off of the field. We have to be sound defensively,

and we need to get after them early."

The Wildcats are led in their ground attack by Dominic Sabo, who has 73 attempts for 398 yards and three touchdowns, while Zach Mohr has 18 carries for 232 yards and two touchdowns and Krister Engja has 21 runs for 124 yards and two touchdowns. Other rushing scores have been picked up by B. Sheldon, who has three, and Zach Masserant, Adam Haynes and Derek Ince, who have one each.

Ince is the team's leading quarterback, completing 16 of 37 passes for 361 yards and two touchdowns while Scotty Kempa has thrown 6-for-18 for 63 yards. Their favorite receiver has been Michael Jocz, who has six receptions for 192 yards and a single score.

On defense, the Wildcats have a strong corps of their own, including in the take-aways department as they've snagged seven interceptions so far this year with Greg Kolis leading the way with two and K. Edwards, Lance Lilla, Jonathan Robinson, Sheldon and Brian Bush getting one each.

Their defensive unit is led by A. King, who has 51 tackles and has recovered two fumbles while Sheldon has 36 tackles and Engja has 31 to his credit. Leading the defense in sacks has been Alan Mencer, who has six to add to his 22 tackles, followed by Jon Mencer with three, Matt Bonnell and Derek Cingel with two each and Joe Mikkelsen with one.

"Our players have a true understanding of what we are trying to accomplish," said Ladach about keeping his players focused. "Getting off to a 6-0 start has been great. However, we've got bigger fish to fry. Every game becomes more and more meaningful at this point in the season, and our team realizes that. Our players did not work as hard as they have to lose focus at this point."

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NORTHVILLE SPORTS ROUNDUP

Northville volleyball beats Salem

It took five games, but the Northville Mustangs walked away victorious in a divisional match against Salem last week.

The squad, coached by Amanda Yaklin, earned the victory with wins in the first, third and fifth games, 25-21, 25-22 and 15-13. Salem won the second and fourth games, 25-17 and 25-21.

"Our game keeps developing one match at a time," said Yaklin. "They worked hard to compete for every point."

Northville is now 18-6-4 overall this season.

Leading Northville in the victory over Salem

were: Danielle Borthwick (three aces and 14 digs), Taylor Young (2.33-of-3.0 serve receive and six kills), Michelle Mueller (five blocks and six kills), Rebecca Martin (three blocks, 17 digs and 18 kills), Megan McCrohan (two blocks and seven kills), Megan Gertley (two blocks and four kills), Jenna Borgstrom (two blocks and 19 assists), Rachel Zinkosky (23 assists), Makenzy Wilson (19 digs) and Lauren Colasanti (nine digs).

Mustangs earn convincing win over Hartland

The Northville Mustangs boys tennis team earned a 7-2 victory over the Hartland Eagles last week in a non-divisional match.

The squad, coached by

Matt Stetson, is now 6-3 in dual matches.

Earning wins in the singles flights were Anthony Rossi, Matt Satterfield, Nate Albanelli and Matt Evasic while Phil Lee, Austin Weaver, Bryce Groshek, Veer Shah, Trevor Page and Rahul Raj won in doubles flights.

Northville keeps division soccer title hopes alive

The Northville Mustangs boys soccer team knew as they headed onto the field against Livonia Stevenson last week that in order to still have a chance for the Central Division crown, they had to win.

When the smoke cleared on the pitch, the Mustangs' hopes were still alive thanks

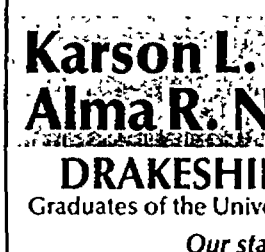

to a 3-2 victory over the Spartans.

The Mustangs earned the win with less than three minutes remaining in the contest as senior Fatai Alashe scored on a header to put his team up with time expiring. For Alashe, it was a goal that came in retribution for a yellow card he had drawn earlier in the game, which led to Stevenson tying the game.

The Mustangs started the game off in the first half with a goal by Brian Alumeaugh to put his squad up, 1-0. The Spartans, a long-time soccer rival of Northville's, tied the game when Camden Iwasko scored on a penalty shot to knot it up, 1-1.

Northville took the lead a second time in the second half when Alashe, who finished with two goals and an assist, fired home a penalty shot to put his squad up, 2-1. With five minutes left in the game, however, Iwasko added his second goal of the game to tie it, 2-2.

- Sam Eggleston



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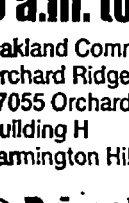
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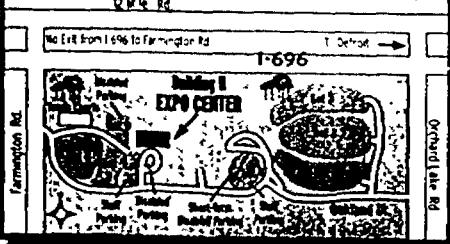
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Mustangs boys cross country beats Novi

BY SAM EGGLESTON
CORRESPONDENT

Talk about a great week for running cross country. Not only was the weather great, but the races were great, too.

The Northville Mustangs boys cross country team had one of their best weeks ever, posting a victory in their dual meet with Novi and taking second in the challenging Legends Invitational.

Against Novi, the Mustangs earned a 24-36 victory, marking the first win over their cross-town rivals since 2007 and only the second time in 31 years.

"I know it has been twice in 31 years because Ed Gabrys, my predecessor, never beat Novi and he coached for 19 years," said Northville coach Chris Cronin. "This is my 12th year, and only my second victory. Beating Novi is always a litmus test for us. They are a great team, and they are so well coached. That being said, we've had this race circled for a long time."

Northville was led by Chad Cini, who took second overall

ON TAP

The Northville Mustangs boys cross country team will be back in action Saturday at 9 a.m. when they run in the Portage Central Invitational before visiting South Lyon East in a dual meet next Tuesday at 4 p.m.

in 16:58 with a Novi Wildcat ahead of him and behind him the whole way.

"I thought Chad Cini really stepped up for us today," said Cronin. "We needed him to split their one and two runners, and he did. Chad is elevating himself into the state's elite with his week to week efforts."

Northville then finished fourth with Christian Guenther stepping up with a 17:23, followed by Ed Clifton in fifth with a 17:29, Robert Singetary in sixth with a 17:32, Trent Johnson in seventh in 17:33 and Matt Sierra in eighth in 17:33.

"The fact that we were able to 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 is incredible," Cronin said. "I think we were

just ready to run."

Novi had beaten Northville at both the South Lyon and Michigan State University invitational this season.

In the Legends Invitational, Northville took second with 70 points while Saline, ranked sixth in the state currently, won with 40 points.

Leading the way for Northville was Cini, who ran a 16:26, while Clifton turned in a 16:46, Sierra ran a 16:52, Singetary ran a 17:01 and Johnson ran a 17:03. Rounding out the runners was Neson Nesmith with a 17:04, Guenther with a 17:08, Dan Sims with a 17:13, Nathan Tager with a 17:22 and Kevin Lerner with a 17:49.

"I thought we ran well today," Cronin said after the invite. "We are running with a sense of urgency, and that I like that. We know that the road ahead is going to be a real challenge, but for now, we are just going to have fun."

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The Northville girls varsity cross country runners begin their match at Cass Benton on Sept. 28.

Northville beats Novi, wins Legends Invite

BY SAM EGGLESTON
CORRESPONDENT

It was a great week to be a Northville Mustangs girls cross country runner.

The team, coached by Nancy Smith, earned a win over cross-town rival Novi, 25-31, before heading to Huron Meadows and winning both the varsity and junior varsity portions of the Legends Invitational last Saturday.

"We ran great as a pack today with the top five crossing the two-mile together and then opening it up and pouring it on down the home stretch to sweep the competition by 30 points," said Smith.

Taking the top spot for the Mustangs was freshman Rachel Coleman in sixth with a time of 19:15. Right on her heels was freshman Nicole Mosteller in seventh in 19:17, followed by junior Alex Rodriguez in ninth in 19:19, freshman Erin Zimmer in 10th in 19:22 and Gina McNamara in 15th in 19:49. Rounding out the top seven and crossing the finish line together were sophomore Claire Courtney in 28th and senior Emily Sklar in 29th, both at 20:15.

"Rachel, Nicole, Alex and Erin are really running great together and feeding off each other for that competitive edge, which helps each one become a better runner," noted Smith.

ON TAP

The Northville Mustangs girls cross country team will run again 9 a.m. Saturday when they race in the Portage Central Invitational before visiting South Lyon East in a dual meet next Tuesday at 4 p.m.

show up and today it did. We had 16 girls between the two races all run under 21:42, which is great and shows what a great team and great future we have. (It also shows) that working hard every day eventually pays off if they believe in what they are doing and believe in their abilities."

Against Novi, Northville found themselves once again showcasing their pack abilities. While Novi finished with the first and second slots, the Mustangs took third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and 11th, 12th, 13th, 15th, 16th and 17th in the race.

"I was excited to beat Novi as it is always a tough one," said Smith. "Our team finally understands how important pack running is and how it can help everyone be successful both individually and as a team."

Mosteller continued to shine on Cass Benton, taking third in 19:58--just missing a top ten appearance on the record board. Next in was Zimmer in fourth in 20:03, followed by Rodriguez in fifth in 20:27, Coleman in sixth in 20:28 and McNamara in seventh in 20:33. Sophomore Erin Dunne was 11th in 21:17 and Courtney was 12th in 21:25.

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NORTHVILLE PREP HOCKEY ROUNDUP

The Northville Prep Hockey team has started their fall season strong, earning five wins in their first seven contests. The Prep team returns a solid core of players from last year's team while picking up several sophomores and a few freshmen along with a new head coach, Gerry McGlynn.

Northville 5, CC O

Northville opened the 2010 season Sept. 12 against Shamrock Prep with an excellent team performance. The offense started the game strong controlling the first period of play by outshooting CC 17-4. The consistent pressure resulted in Northville notching their first goal with 2:40 remaining in the first when Tyler Harrigan scored short-handed with assists from Ryan Bloom and Danny O'Malley. Harrigan would add another goal unassisted just 29 seconds later to push the lead to 2-0.

Opportunities were even in the second period, but only Northville was able to find the back of the net. Ryan Bloom scored on a redirect off an Austin Ratts slapshot while Harrigan completed his hat trick with assists going to Dominic DiComo and Alex Shuart.

The third period saw Northville's defense take over as penalties put the Broncos short for a good portion of the period, including a couple of 5-3 powerplays for CC. Despite being outshot 14-3 in the period, Northville netted the only tally when Todd Goebel scored from Tyler McMullin, pushing the lead to 5-0.

Jake Pawloski got the win and shutout in net, turning away all 26 shots on goal while the defense of Joe Asciutto, Ken Kosinski, KC Chandoin, Alex Shuart and Austin Ratts limited any second chance opportunities.

Northville 3, Chelsea 1

Northville traveled to the Arctic Coliseum in Chelsea Sept. 18. Chelsea opened the scoring with a powerplay goal at the 13:27 mark of the first to take an early lead. Tyler McMullin pulled the Broncos back to even midway through the first period with an assist from Austin Ratts. Andrew Carlone then gave Northville the lead with just under 2 minutes remaining in the first. From there, Jimmy McGlynn took over to hold Chelsea scoreless the rest of the way despite Northville being outshot 39-12. Twelve Northville penalties, nine in the final two periods, resulted in the lopsided shot totals.

Dominic DiComo gave Northville an insurance tally with assists from the Bloom brothers at 8:06 of the third period and the defense held Chelsea off the board the remainder of the way that included KC Chandoin battling a puck out of the air before it could find the back of the Northville net to help Northville escape with a 3-1 victory.

Northville 5, N. Farm. 4

Northville hosted North Farmington Harrison Sept. 19 for their home opener.

Though the first period ended at 0-0, both teams had plenty of good scoring opportunities but were held at bay by the goalies. That energy carried into the second period when Ben Bloom picked up a Dominic DiComo deflection off an Austin Ratts slapshot and buried it for the first goal of the game. Harrison would respond to get the equalizer just 28 seconds later then take a 3-1 lead after scoring on two consecutive powerplays in the second. Northville rallied in the final minutes of the second period with Andrew Carlone scoring from Kellan Flayer and Joe Chase followed by Dominic DiComo scoring on assists from Ryan Bloom and Ben Bloom.

Northville took a 4-3 lead early in the third when Carlone got his second goal of the night with assists from Kellan Flayer and Alex Shuart. After three straight Northville goals, Harrison finally generated a goal to tie the game at 4-4 with 9:04 left on the clock. Both teams continued to generate good scoring chances until Ben Bloom put the Broncos ahead for good with his second goal of the game, this time assisted by Shuart. Northville withstood a final Harrison rush that saw Northville go shorthanded for the final 51 seconds, while Harrison pulled their goalie for a 6-on-4 advantage. But the visitors were not able to light the lamp for the equalizer and Northville won a barnburner, 5-4.

Northville 6, Pinckney 2

Northville jumped on Pinckney early on Sept. 20, outshooting the Pirates 10-5 in the first period and taking a 1-0 lead into the first intermission on Ryan Bloom's goal with an assist from Joe Asciutto. Northville kept up the offensive pressure in the second period and put two more goals up on the board. Danny O'Malley got the first from Joe Chase and Tyler McMullin added the second on a breakaway goal with a nice feed from Alex Shuart to set it up. Pinckney got on the board with just under three seconds left in the period to cut the lead to 3-1.

The third period was much more even. Northville got the first goal of the period when Danny O'Malley got his second goal of the night with the assist going to Ben Bloom. Pinckney was able to respond with a goal of their own to get back within two goals at 4-2. The Broncos put the game away with two late goals, one from Ben Bloom the other from Ryan Bloom with Danny O'Malley assisting on both.

Utica 3, Northville 2

Northville faced off against Utica Eisenhower Sept. 24 in their opening game of the 2010 Midwest Kickoff Classic held at The Summit Arena in Lansing. Utica took a 1-0 lead at the 5:53 mark of the first period, but Northville responded less than a minute later when Ken Kosinski scored with assists from Danny O'Malley and Ryan Bloom. Northville took a 2-1

lead into the first intermission when Andrew Carlone threaded a pass to Kellan Flayer who was able to redirect it over the Utica netminder.

Utica kept up the offensive pressure in the second and was able to tie the game heading into the final period of play. Consecutive penalties midway through the third period left Northville shorthanded until the 2:41. Utica picked up a turnover deep in the Northville zone and got a fortunate bounce off the post to take the lead at 3-2 which would eventually become the final. Jake Pawloski recorded 30 saves on 33 shots to keep Northville close despite being outshot 33-15.

Northville 2, Howell 2

In game two of the tournament on Sept. 25, Northville battled Howell at 8 a.m. on a Saturday morning. Ryan Bloom gave Northville a 1-0 lead scoring just 1:27 into the game unassisted. Defense took over for both teams as neither team was able to generate a goal for the remainder of the first period and all of the second period.

Tyler Harrigan scored on a powerplay early in the third to give Northville a 2-0 lead. However, Howell was able to cut into the lead with 5:05 remaining, then pulled even at 2-2 with 1:59 left. A Northville penalty put the Broncos down a man for the final 46 seconds, but Howell was unable to generate any real threat. Northville netminder Jimmy McGlynn recorded 20 saves on 22 shots to give Northville the tie.

Northville 3, N. Farm. 2

The final game of pool play in the Midwest Kickoff Classic on Sept. 25 saw Northville needing a win against North Farmington Harrison to keep hopes of advancing into the playoffs alive. Northville generated the first goal of the game with 4:50 remaining in the opening period when Tyler McMullin scored on an assist from Danny O'Malley. Northville pushed the lead to 2-0 when Tyler Harrigan deked the Farmington goalie then slid the puck to a wide open Ben Bloom who buried the puck into an open net.

Farmington would cut the lead to 2-1 on powerplay goal midway through the second, then tied the game a 2-2 early in the third. Penalties would put Northville down 5-3 for a full two minutes at the 9:58 mark, but the Broncos were able to keep the game tied until the penalties expired. Danny O'Malley scored on a breakaway to put Northville up 3-2 with 7:16 to play that would eventually become the final. Jake Pawloski got the win in goal recording 27 saves. Northville did not get the help needed elsewhere in their bracket and were not able to advance with their 1-1-1 tournament record.

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- By John Stevens

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NORTHVILLE COLTS ROUNDUP

Varsity falls to powerful Blue Jays

The Colts struggled and played hard against the large and talented Livonia Blue Jays, falling 32-20 Sunday. On their first possession, the Jays threw a pass that was neatly intercepted by Colt Anthony Redmond. The Colts fail to gain yards and punted. Colts defensemen Michael Minick, P.J. Schnepf, Alec Coppock and Mason Williams held the line for a while, but the Jays brought in a touchdown for a 6-0 lead.

During the second quarter, the Colts stayed strong. With the Jays in possession, a fumble recovery by Ryan Roberts brought the ball back. Quarterback David Dillon passed to Coppock for one-yard loss. Then, a handoff to Schnepf brought no gain. Dillon threw out of bounds for a fourth down. Colt Alessandro Gonzalez punted to the Jays with Coppock making the tackle. The Colts continued to hold the Jays, with a fumble recovery by Minick on the Colts' 35-yard line. Now the Colts took possession. Dillon passed to Justin Zimbo for gain of 20 yards, and then three more Dillon plays set up a handoff to Schnepf, who ran for a 35-yard touchdown. The Jays blocked Leonard Classon's extra point attempt, and the score was 6-6.

The Colts began to stumble, and the Jays scored two quick touchdowns bringing the score 20-6. When in possession again before the clock ran out, however, the Colts made several nice plays including an overhead grab of a Zimbo pass by Shane Gregory, for a 20-yard gain.

After the break, the Colts looked reinvigorated. When the Jays gained the football, the Colts' defensemen Roberts, Minick and Gonzalez put on the brakes. A fumble recovery by Alex Putman on the 28-yard line raised hopes, but the Colts failed to progress down the field and were forced to punt. When the Jays brought the ball back for a touchdown on a punt return, the scoreboard read 26-6. Again, the Colts set up offensive plays well. Quarterback Dillon handed off to Redmond for first down on 40-yard line. Schnepf ran the ball all the way down, nearly scoring, but was tackled short of the goal, fumbling the ball, and the Jays recovered the ball on the 20-yd line, setting up another touchdown for a score of 32-6.

Now, the Colts' Ian Rachelson received the kick on the Colts' 37. Justin Zimbo handed off to Schnepf for seven-yard gain. Quarterback Zimbo then completed a pass to Austin Hayek, and then completed handoffs to Rachelson and Schnepf. Dillon passed to Zimbo for first down, and Dillon handed off to Schnepf to the 7-yard line, then made the same play to the 1-yard line. Schnepf brought the ball over the goal line for a score of 32-12.

As the game came to a close in the fourth quarter, strong Colts defense, with a nice tackle by Redding Haines, put the ball back into Dillon's hands. A pass to Redmond brought a first down on the 24-yd line, and then a Dillon pass to Colt receiver Gregory resulted in a third Colt touchdown. This time, Classon's extra point kick was good and the scoreboard read 32-20.

The Colts refused to let the Jays score again, with defense provided by numerous Colts including key stops by Max Friesel and Luke Booth. The varsity Colts continue to prove themselves to be worthy opponents, with the drive and determination to keep the pressure on despite the score.

-By Kristina Dunne, Peter Booth and Una Nelson

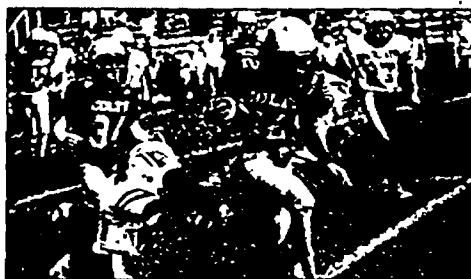
Blue Jays no match for JV

The JV Colts continued their winning ways with a convincing 34-16 victory over the Livonia Blue Jays. The Colts improved their record to 4-1 behind another strong running game and a big play offense that wouldn't be denied.

The big plays were staggering. Touchdown runs of 47, 36 and 49 yards by Cole Gimgell and a 59-yard touchdown run by Elijah Gash provided enough thrills to fill an hour of highlights on ESPN. Gimgell ran for 204 yards and 4 touchdowns. The offense amassed 301 yards on the ground. The Colts defense mirrored the big play offense with numerous tackles for loss and an interception by Nathan Holloway.

Cole Gimgell scored from 47 yards out on the Colts' first possession. He converted the 2-point kick conversion and the Colts quickly led 8-0. The defense, with tackles for loss from Elijah Gash, Isaiah Popp and Gimgell held the Blue Jays on their first possession. Gimgell returned a punt to the Blue Jays 31-yard line. The Colts drove the ball deep into Blue Jays territory and Gimgell scored his second touchdown of the quarter with a 10-yard run to increase the lead to 14-0. Ty Kalar stalled a Blue Jays drive with a solo tackle on fourth down to end a strong opening quarter by the Colts.

Gimgell picked up where he left off in the first quarter with a 49-yard touchdown run to open the second period, and the Colts took a convincing 20-0 lead. On the Blue Jays' next possession, Abe Khoury and Anthony Abbott combined on a huge tackle for an eight-yard loss on fourth down and the Colts took over on



DIANE KILAR

Elijah Gash gains some yards for the JV Colts.

downs at the Blue Jays 48-yard line. The Blue Jays stepped up their defense and stopped the Colts for the first time of the game. After taking offensive possession, the Blue Jays connected on a 46-yard touchdown pass for their first score of the day, closing the score to 20-8. On the Colts' ensuing possession, Elijah Gash increased the Colts' lead with a 58-yard touchdown run of his own to increase the Colts' lead to 28-8. The defense, led by tackles from Marcello Gonzalez, Aaron Slusser, Patrick Walker, Ethan Moss, Jacob Pollitt, Drew Lemke, Joseph McCormick, Connor Giharatz, and Conrad Landis helped preserve the Colts' big lead in the half.

The Colts offense continued to add yards on the ground in the third quarter behind runs from Abe Khoury, Ty Kalar, Isaiah Popp, Ben Brady, and Conrad Landis. The offense moved the ball but was unable to add to their lead in the quarter. On defense, Jacob Pollitt, Drew Lemke, Jackson Stegmyer, Drew Atkinson, Connor Wright, Zach Tardich, Matthew McCormick, Niko Barach, and Dylan Sandhu made tackles to help the Colts preserve their 28-8 lead going into the final quarter.

Early in the fourth quarter, the Blue Jays connected on a 20-yard touchdown pass to close the gap to 28-16 Colts. The Colts offense stalled and the Blue Jays looked to make a game of it, taking over on their own 48-yard line. The Colts defense came up big with consecutive tackles for loss from Cole Gimgell and Elijah Gash. Nathan Holloway intercepted a Blue Jays pass on fourth down and the Colts took over. Gimgell sealed the victory with a 56-yard touchdown. His fourth, outrunning multiple Blue Jays defenders. Evan Carson and Andrew Lack added two tackles each in the quarter. Aaron Slusser added a quarterback sack and Ben Brady broke up a Blue Jays pass on the their final possession and the Colts went on to defeat the Blue Jays, 34-16.

Aaron Slusser and Marcello Gonzalez led the defense with 5.5 tackles each. Joseph McCormick, Elijah Gash, Patrick Walker, Abe Khoury and Isaiah Popp added 3.5 each for the Colts.

-By Joseph Lack

Freshmen outplay Blue Jays, 27-14

Although the Colts first drive ended without getting a first down, the defense wasted no time giving them another opportunity with a fumble recovery near midfield. Tough running by backs Jake Khoury and Joe Borthwick contributed to the subsequent drive but it took a Daniel McLaughlin touchdown pass for the Colts to take the early lead.

The Blue Jays answered back with a long drive of their own but after a great tackle by Robert Johnson for a five-yard loss on fourth down the ball was turned over to the Colts. Again the Colts took to the ground with a touchdown drive capped by a 12-yard scamper by Nick Prystash. The Colts held a 13-0 halftime lead.

The Blue Jays offense began the second half with good field position, but following a strong tackle by Mick Farrell and a fumble recovery by Brady Withy, the Colts offense was back on the field. Two plays later, Ryan Logan took the handoff at the 50-yard line and weaved his way through the entire Blue Jays defense to reach the endzone for the Colts third touchdown. The Colts offensive line continued to play well throughout the second half led by Emile Risk, Jagur Nafso, Sam Jones, Dmitri Asimakis, David Moore, Cade Nelson, Alexander Bayer and Tim Garby.

The visiting Blue Jays were able to score a touchdown to tighten up the contest, but the Colts answered quickly when Nick Prystash scored his third touchdown of the day with an amazing 50-yard run that included several broken tackles. Colt running backs Isaiah Gash and Alex Schoenberger would continue to run hard but the Blue Jays' defense would stiffen in the fourth quarter and prevent any further scoring. But fumble recoveries by Jeff Warner and Alex Seba would end any thoughts of a Blue Jays' comeback and secure the Colts' victory.

-By Kevin Waldman

NORTHVILLE STALLIONS ROUNDUP

Varsity clawed by Cougars, 44-0

The varsity Stallions traveled to Garden City to face the Cougars' homecoming at 7:45 p.m. Saturday.

On offensive line for the Stallions were left tight end Jack Przibenda, left tackle Matt Komorous, left guards Andrew Pizar and Logan Pierz, center Omar Serrano, right guards Nick Green and Sean MacNiven, right tackle George Metrusias, right tight end Parker Meyers. In the backfield alternating at quarterback and left running back were David Weber and Michael Townsend, middle running back Jordan March, and right running back Cleveland Turp.

The Stallions generally played a 6-2-3 on defense. On defensive line for the Stallions were left end Meyers, left tackle Pierz, left nose tackle Serrano, right nose tackle Komorous, right tackle Metrusias, and right end Cleveland Turp. At left linebacker was March and at right linebacker was Green. At cornerback and safety were Weber, Townsend and Drew Skedel.

The Stallions had the ball for five different drives in the first quarter. A play that was commonly run for the Stallions was a counter where the quarterback faked a pitch to the left running back heading to the right and then handed the ball off to the middle running back headed toward any hole that might be open on the left side on the line. March and Turp hit holes that were opened by the offensive line. The stiff wind and wet ball hindered several passes from being completed. When drives were stalled, the defense came in to stop the Cougars' offense. Several tackles were made by Metrusias while Pierz, Green and Przibenda also made hard tackles. The Cougars scored four times and led 30-0 at the end of the quarter.

The Stallions had the ball three different times in the second quarter and began to move the ball better. Notably, there was a solid return by Serrano and quarterback Weber threw a good pass that could have been a first-down completion. QB Townsend ran for a first down and also threw a couple of passes that could have been first down completions. The defense came together in the second quarter and allowed the Cougars only one touchdown very early in the quarter. There were solid tackles by Metrusias, Green and Serrano. The score was 36-0 at the half.

The Stallions first drive in the third quarter began with a thrilling kickoff return by March to the 49-yard line. However, this drive was stopped by a fumble that was recovered by the Cougars. The defense took over with tackles by Pierz and Przibenda. Then the defense forced a fumble and recovered the ball. The Stallions most exciting offensive play is where three wide receivers line up at the far right side of the field and the quarterback rolls right and throws to one of the three receivers. This play was run well several times by the offense. Towards the end of the third quarter, a Stallions drive was cut short by an interception that resulted in the Cougars scoring a touchdown to take a 44-0 lead into the fourth quarter.

The Stallions mounted a long drive in the fourth quarter that began with another nice kickoff return by March out to the 50-yard line. March had two carries for three yards each and then the Stallions ran a play action the quarterback kept for a gain of 10 yards. The Stallions then ran a play action pass for a seven-yard gain and a first down. The quarterback then ran for another first down. Pierz made a great block, enabling another first down at the Cougars' 15-yard line. Unfortunately, a pass into the stiff north wind spiraled above the intended Stallion receiver and into the arms of a Cougar for an interception. The Stallions defense prevented any further scoring and the game ended at 9:30 p.m.

-By Steve Townsend

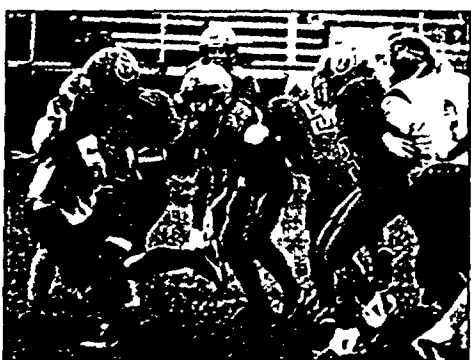
JV gallops over Garden City, 32-14

In a cold, drizzly late afternoon game at Metropolitan Field in Garden City, the Stallions elected to receive and Tyler Walton ran 10 yards with the kickoff return, close to midfield. From there, he and Colin Gardner combined their efforts for a steady drive down the field into Cougar territory, earning three first downs. On the final play of the series, quarterback Matt Stinebuser

found daylight and ran the ball into the end zone, with Shane Rankin scoring the point after touchdown, and the Stallions were ahead, 7-0. Ben Schmidt kicked off to the Cougars who launched their counter-attack. Cameron Dixon, Gardner and Rankin made key tackles. The Cougar quarterback's attempt at a double reverse on the third down was fumbled and recovered by Stallion

tackle Jonathan Michalak who raced 36 yard run into the end zone for a second Stallions touchdown, score 13-0. The Stallions kicked off and the Cougars again fumbled, with Rankin recovering. The Stallions began another drive, but Marcus Lee punted it away after the Stallions were unable to make the 10 yards. Garden City called a time-out, but on the second play fumbled again and Northville recovered. Walton, Gardner and Rankin pressed the ball downfield on the ground. It was fourth-and-13 when Stinebuser completed a pass to a wide open Lee in the end zone. Rankin earned the point after and the Stallions were ahead 20-0. Brandon Grizer kicked off to the Chargers as the first quarter ended.

In the second quarter, the Cougars again tried to regroup but their efforts fell short due to strong defensive tackles by Stallions Gary Wu and Andrew Mertz. The Cougars turned over the ball on downs to the Stallions who began another offensive assault. Connor McKee and Wu took hand-offs from Texas Bedi and carried the ball on the first two downs, but the next Stallions pass was intercepted and run in for a touchdown and point after, putting the Cougars on the board, 20-7. The Stallions received the kickoff but they were unable to make the first down and punted. The Cougars fumbled again in the sloppy conditions, and Schmidt recovered for the Stallions. The first play of the new series was called back on a holding penalty and the second was an incomplete pass. Quarterback Stinebuser again connected with Lee for a 25 yard pass, with a 40-yard run



MARTHA MICHALAK

JV Stallion running back Shane Rankin (6) carries the ball into the end zone for the extra point.

into the end zone for a 65-yard score. The Stallions pulled ahead 26-7. The Cougars fumbled the kickoff, and Stallion Michalak recovered. Quarterback Bedi launched yet another Stallion drive with ball carrying responsibilities shared by Grizer and McKee, but they were forced to turn the ball over on downs. On the opening play for the Cougars, Stallion Wu intercepted their pass, putting the ball back in Stallions' hands and the half ended with a 26-7 ledger.

The second half opened with Garden City receiving. They were unable to move the ball, due to tackles by Tyler Troyer and Rankin. On the third play of the series, the Cougars fumbled again and it was recovered by Schmidt for the Stallions. Quarterback Bedi launched a drive with runs by Grizer and Brady Leverton but turned it back over to the Cougars on downs. The Cougars were finally able to get their offense moving, on the fourth play of the series, they completed a 20-yard pass with a 34-yard run into the end zone. With the point after, the score was now 26-14. The Stallions immediately responded on the kickoff return when Rankin ran the ball back 53 yards for yet another score just 16 seconds later, pulling the Stallions ahead 32-14.

The Stallions continued their strong defense to start the fourth quarter, forcing the Cougars to turn it over on downs. The Stallions were unable to make the first down so the Cougars had another offensive opportunity, but it was denied with tackles by Jordan Grewe and Logan Goering and David Evans, culminating in a fumble recovery by Goering. As the clock wound down on the soggy evening, linebacker Mertz stepped in front of, and intercepted, a Cougar pass to close out an impressive 32-14 Stallions win.

-By Marlene Mertz

Freshmen pounce on Cougars, 13-0

Northville won the coin toss and elected to receive the ball on what was a cool fall day for football on Sunday. The Orange Crush unit started off on the field and Mark Baker quickly put yardage on board by returning the kickoff to the Cougars 28-yard line. From 15 yards out, David Olko dodged several Cougar defenders and ran down the left sideline to put the first 6 points on the board. The point after attempt was not successful and with less than one minute of play the Stallions were up 6-0. Olko again provided a key play by recovering the ensuing on-side kickoff compliments of Mark Baker who laid it up perfectly at the 50-yard line. The Stallions quickly put more yards led by runs by Alex Karam, Michael Williams and Grant Hood. Hood topped off the drive with a 15-yard TD run. Cooper Leverton pounded in the extra point for a 13-0 Stallions lead. Good defensive plays by Gabriel Xuereb, Michael Merritt and the rest of the Stallions defense prevented the Cougars from scoring and gave the Stallions one more chance to score in the first quarter. Hood had a 40-yard TD run called back due to a tough penalty and the first quarter ended with a 13-0 Northville lead.

The second quarter started with more defensive stops by the Stallions with Will Barrott, Williams, Hood, Robert Reynolds and Xuereb making key stops. In the second quarter the Cougars pass attempts were batted away by Karam and almost picked off by Merritt. There was little offensive output by both teams in the second quarter and the score remained 13-0 with Northville leading at the half.

Baker started the second half by kicking off deep into Cougar territory; the ball was returned by the Cougars to their own 28-yard line. The Cougars were able to move the ball down the field and with the ball in the red zone, Northville brought in Joey Bahu and Luke Smith to help the defensive line. The Cougars had the ball on the Northville 5 yard line and were looking at a first-and-goal. The Stallions defense held them off with key stops by Hood, Maxwell Lewter, Smith, Bahu and Saaz Malhotra to prevent the Cougars from making it into the end zone. The score at the end of the third quarter remained at 13-0 Northville.

Northville started the fourth quarter with the ball on their own 34-yard line but were unable to advance much further down the field. Hood punted the ball to the Cougars and they started their next possession at the Northville 46-yard line. The Cougars eventually found themselves in the red zone and were once again stopped by the Stallions defense led by Merritt, Jack Pevovar, Lewter and Reynolds. The following Northville drive saw productive runs by Hood, Leverton and Karam but once again the Stallions were unable to convert for any points. The game ended with no additional scoring by either side, and Northville secured their third win of the season with a 13-0 victory over Cougars.

-By Adrian Esqueda

NORTHVILLE SPORTS BRIEFS

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Northville Mustangs FOOTBALL

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10/15 Conference Cross-Over

GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

10/9 9 a.m. @Portage Central

(Invitational)

10/12 4 p.m. @South Lyon East

BOYS CROSS COUNTRY

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(Invitational)

10/12 4 p.m. @South Lyon East

VOLLEYBALL

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10/7 @South Lyon East

10/9 9 a.m. Northville

Invitational

10/12 Livonia Stevenson

10/14 Salem

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10/7 @South Lyon East

10/14 6 p.m. @Novi

BOYS TENNIS

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10/7 TBA @MHSAA Regionals

10/15-16 TBA MHSAA State Finals

GIRLS GOLF

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10/7 9 a.m. MHSAA Regionals

10/15-16 TBA @MHSAA State Finals

BOYS SOCCER

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10/13 Association Cross-Over

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CROSS-COUNTRY

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IT'S YOUR NORTHVILLE BUSINESS Q&A

Tutor Time focuses on unique learning experiences

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

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Neena Judge huddles with her Tutor Time student Emily Coyne, 4, at their Haggerty Road location.

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

My background is in teaching and I hold two bachelor's degrees and a master's degree. I knew that I wanted to open a business that gave me the opportunity to spend time with my family, but to also inspire children towards a love of learning. There is nothing more rewarding than watching a child grasp a concept, complete a task, start reading; every step in their educational journey is an honor to be a part of. This was truly a natural fit for me and I have loved every minute of it.

3. Why did you choose this area?

Obviously, I wanted to choose an area that was close to my home. But we also looked for a location where there was a need for our services. Plymouth is such a great area and we are proud to be active members in the community.

4. What makes your business unique?

We believe that Tutor Time is unique based on all that we have to offer. We are so much more than child care and believe that every child should have access to a high quality early education program. We

have a world-class curriculum that prepares your child for success in school and beyond. We are also one of the few providers in the area that offers a private kindergarten program. It was designed to give special attention to each child with smaller class sizes and more one-on-one attention. Our teacher has been with us for six years and closely follows the curriculum set forth by the Plymouth-Canton school district. Children who are enrolled in our private kindergarten program are fully prepared for first grade and they love learning!

Beyond that, our school is beautiful, safe and full of age-appropriate learning materials and equipment. I can't say enough about our staff; many have been with us for a number of years. They are committed to each and every child who walks through our door and we truly feel like an extension of their families.

We also earned the company's Center of Excellence Award. This prestigious honor is given to select Tutor Time locations across the country and only a small percentage of franchise schools receive this award. To achieve Center of Excellence recognition, our school must follow strict guidelines in the areas of our programs and curriculum, classroom environment, safety and parent involvement.

5. How has it changed since you opened?

I am confident that our program has only gotten better through the years. We continue to make enhancements to our school and our teachers receive ongoing training to ensure they are the best around. We participate in a variety of events and give back so that we can be good stewards in the community where we do business. We have built a great reputation in the community and feel fortunate that our families refer us to their friends and others in the area.

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

When you work with children, you are bound to have fun experiences every

day. That's part of what makes early education so great! While there isn't a specific story that I can think of to share, I can say that is a joy to be a part of our students' lives. My staff and I have the opportunity to make a difference every day, and I can't think of a better feeling than that. I encourage any business owner to find something they are passionate about. It really is amazing to love what you do every day!

7. How has the recent economy affected your business?

The economy in Michigan and around the country has been interesting, to say the least, over the last few years. However, we have been fortunate as research continues to demonstrate the importance of a quality early education program like ours, so parents strive to keep their children enrolled. To help them through these difficult times, we offer a variety of options for our families including part-time programs where their child can still get the educational foundation they need so that they are prepared for school. We are committed to our families and children and believe that is why we have sustained.

8. Any advice for other business owners?

I can't stress enough that customer service has to come first. Without the continued support of our families, we wouldn't be here today. At our school, the children always come first -- and when you create that type of culture, I believe you will always succeed.

DETAILS

Business name: Tutor Time Child Care / Learning Centers

Address: 15225 Haggerty Road in Plymouth Township (at the intersection of Five Mile and Haggerty)

Your name/title: Neena Judge/franchise owner

Your hometown: Northville

Business opened: 1999

Number of employees: 30

Hours of operation: 6:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m.

Your business specialty: We are an industry leader in early education and child care.

Business phone: (734) 420-2700

Web: www.tutortimeplymouth-township.com

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

We intend to continue providing our families with the high quality care around and hope to welcome new families to our school. We also will look for ways to improve our programs -- as we always do -- and will stay on top of the latest research regarding how children learn. We want to make sure that every child enrolled at our school gets a learning experience that you just can't find anywhere else. Beyond that, we work hard to keep our staff motivated and engaged in our business. We are so proud of them and their dedication to our school is unmatched in the industry. I know that Tutor Time will continue to grow, and I am looking forward to the next few years.

NORTHVILLE BUSINESS BRIEFS

Two Northville companies presenting at MichBio

MichBio, the association for Michigan's bioscience industry, has announced the presenting companies for its 4th Annual Biosciences Showcase, a popular feature of the MichBio Expo and Conference. The Showcase, which highlights up and coming bio-companies, is set for Oct. 26, day one of the 2010 MichBio Expo, at the Marriott at Eagle Crest in Ypsilanti.

The Showcase program runs from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and features presentations by "emerging" or "pre-seed" companies taking their first steps along

the commercialization pathway as well as "seed" or early-stage companies that are further along in executing their business and product development plans.

Fifteen participants in this fast-paced program will make 10-minute presentations before an audience of venture capitalists, angel and institutional investors, and others. Many of the companies will then have tabletop displays during the Expo Opening Reception, which follows the program.

Among the presenting companies are two from Northville:

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Congratulations 2010 Paws for Applause Winners!

Each winner received four tickets to a Detroit Tigers baseball game, autographed photo of a Tigers player, gift card for a Little Caesars Pizza and pre-game recognition by Paws, the Tigers mascot!



Adnan Alousi, 6, of Huntington Woods, was our first winner. He attended the April 11 Tigers game at Comerica Park. For his sixth birthday, Adnan had 25 friends bring baseball equipment instead of presents for him. He donated the equipment to the Tigers "Gloves for Kids" program.



Tommy Wladuck, Noah Goidd and Jimmy Wladuck stand with Paws before the Sunday, May 2, 2010 Tigers game. Tommy of Highland Township won the tickets for his award-winning essay. For his 10th birthday, Tommy asked his guests to buy Cuddle Alert teddy bears instead of presents for him.



Ian Maczashian, 13, of Livonia attended the June 13 Tigers game. He attends Holmes Middle School in Livonia. As part of the Youth Makes a Difference program at his elementary school, he started collecting eyeglasses for the AAA Sight Night program at age six. During the 2009/2010 school year with the help of family, friends and his school community, Ian collected another 23 pairs of eyeglasses. Bringing his total collection to 488 pairs of eyeglasses.



Karlie Cummins, 12, of Farmington Hills is concerned about the environment and tries to make her school "a more eco-friendly place." She attended the July 11 Tigers game and met Paws. She attends O.E. Dunkel Middle School in the Farmington School District.



Ryan Schmalz, 9, of Canton Township, was the August winner of the Observer Eccentric/Hometown Newspapers Paws for Applause Essay Contest, allowing him to meet Paws, the Detroit Tigers mascot, at the Aug. 22 game. Ryan attends Field Elementary School in the Plymouth-Canton Community School District. He likes to recycle paper, cans, plastic, cardboard, and glass at home and in his neighborhood.



Steven, 10, and Sela, 7, Hagopian of Commerce Township and formerly of Milford were winners of the Sept. 12 Tigers tickets. They attend Country Oaks Elementary School in the Huron Valley School District. They believe in helping family and community. They are members of St. John's Armenian Church in Southfield where they helped to raise money for the Gavor School in Armenia.

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Twitter Job Search 101

Selena Dehne, JIST Publishing

You can gain a wealth of advantages when turning to Twitter for help in the job search. You can research companies and organizations, uncover little-known job leads, connect with recruiters and employers and learn up-to-the-minute news about the industries and employers that interest you.

It's important to note, however, that your activities on Twitter won't pay off until you've invested some time learning how to use it best. Those new to the social networking site often complain that Twitter is too overwhelming, time-consuming and intimidating to be a useful tool in their job search campaign.

That's why Chandlee Bryan, co-author of "The Twitter Job Search Guide," has developed a blueprint to help job seekers ease into the Twitter experience.

"It takes some time to gain momentum on Twitter," Bryan explains. "I recommend phasing into your plan. Doing so, you'll find that your network will grow, your relationships will deepen, your job search will become more productive and you'll just have more fun."

Bryan outlines her four-week blueprint for easing into the

Twitterverse:

Week One: Twitter Boot Camp

Allow yourself time for a learning curve.
Create your account, claim your username and design your background.
Set goals for your job search: How do you want to use Twitter?
As a source of job leads, for company research, to expand your network...? Write your Twitter bio. This should identify what makes you unique and tell readers what you want. You may also want to mention a special achievement or unusual accomplishment.
Write 10 to 12 tweets offline. Then, tweet one or two of them each time you log in.
Follow 15 people you know who won't be judging your account.

Week Two: Lurking And Cultural Immersion

Search for hashtags and industries of interest to you. (Example of a

hashtag: #greenjobs)
Actively begin following people you don't know in your field.
Observe posts of others and how they use hashtags.
Subscribe to job feeds.

"A feed is Web content from a source such as Twitter that can be delivered to your cell phone, e-mail or a

designated Web page you set up. You can subscribe to a feed with services like Feedreader.com or Google.com/reader," Bryan explains.

"Feeds enable you to actively review new content on a relevant topic without having to search for it on your own; once you've established a

feed, the information will be delivered to you automatically. Feeds can help you optimize your time in conducting employer research, monitoring trends in your field and finding job openings.

Subscribe to Twitter lists. According to Bryan, "Lists enable you to organize users into groups. Through lists, you can view tweets from users you don't follow. If you don't want updates from hundreds of users in your stream, creating or subscribing

to lists by subject area is a great way to optimize your time on Twitter."

Week Three: Full Throttle

Ask engaging questions that start conversations.
Retweet others.
Tweet blog posts and other items of interest that align with your brand or career goals (save space by shortening URLs in your links).
Don't forget the 75/25 rule: Approximately 75 percent of content should be professional and 25 percent can be personal.

Week Four And Beyond: Onward, In 15 Minutes A Day

Expand your reputation, including creating lists.
Revise retweets to include your own opinion.
Incorporate both online and offline content for tweeting (from attending association meetings and workshops to sharing Google News alerts or blog comments).

Selena Dehne is a career writer for JIST Publishing who shares the latest occupational, career and job search information available with job seekers and career changers. She is also the author of JIST's Job Search and Career Blog (<http://jistjobsearchandcareer.blogspot.com/>). Follow her on Twitter at <http://twitter.com/SelenaDehne>.

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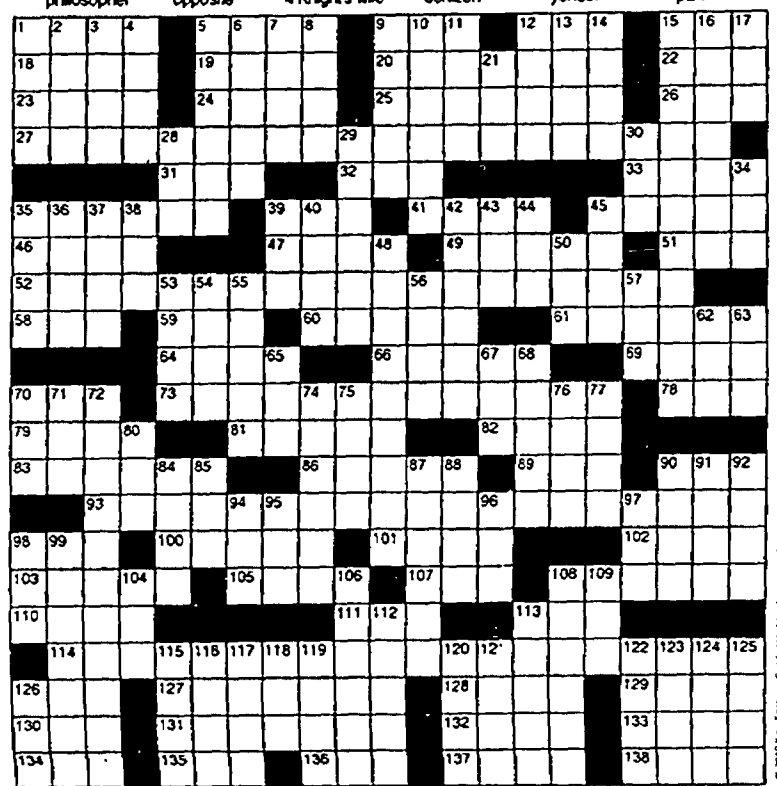
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It's buyer beware for a bank-owned home purchase

BY JULIE BROWN
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Buying a bank-owned home calls for consumer caution, said Patrick Bennett, director of community relations for the Better Business Bureau Serving Eastern Michigan.

"Buyers obviously should be aware of their options," said Bennett, a Livonia resident.

Sometimes a sale may be a pre-foreclosure directly from the homeowner, one option Bennett cited in which a buyer has more flexibility as the home isn't yet bank-owned. Others are owned by the bank, "which may pose some different situations. They're (the bank) in control of the costs and they're less likely to take care of any of the inspection pieces," Bennett said. "It is usually sold in an as-is situation."

After foreclosure, he said, a home becomes bank-owned. A homeowner may before foreclosure consider a short sale to avoid foreclosure.

"I would certainly recommend having an attorney look at their situation," he said of consumers in such circumstances.

The Southfield-based BBB recommends a title search for a bank-owned home. "That way you can find out if the property has a second mortgage or a lien against it," he said.

If it does have a second mortgage, the buyer may be responsible for paying that. "So that's something to be really cautious about," he said.



Even homes advertised as part of the Housing and Urban Development department of the federal government call for caution.

"You still want to do your homework" for a HUD home, Bennett said.

"Buyers want to get what is right for them." That's true,

he said, not only of home features, but also price. Your agent should check nearby comparable homes to see if an asking price is a bargain.

The mortgage industry gets a lot of BBB inquiries. For 2009 for his Michigan territory, the BBB had 23,992 inquiries on the mortgage industry.

"any company that's considered a mortgage company."

Of that number, 239 became complaints, so the majority were resolved. Inquiries only means a call, he said, whereas a complaint has been verified as legitimate against the business.

You can check a business

with the BBB consumer number at (248) 223-9400 or online at www.bbb.org.

Noel Derr-Johnson, a Realtor with Century 21 Dynamic of Westland, noted foreclosed properties are sold as is.

"There is no disclosure," the Westland resident said. "A private inspection is well worth your money."

She said there may be multiple bidders on a foreclosed home, as many as five or six.

"The banks don't always take the highest bid," Derr-Johnson said. "There's a lot of factors." Lenders look for those who are most likely to be able to repay.

Mary McGaw, mortgage loan officer for Bank of America, agrees that potential buyers can get some good deals on foreclosed homes.

"Absolutely," said McGaw, a Westland resident. "It's pretty cut and dried, so you can't mess around with them" on price.

Derr-Johnson has found HUD homes are often a good buy, as prices make them so. There's information from the federal government available online at www.hud.gov.

A Sept. 22 online search of homes in Wayne and Oakland counties showed eight HUD homes for sale in Garden City, five in Livonia, one in Northville, one in Plymouth, nine in Redford Township, 10 in Westland, one in Farmington Hills and one in Novi. The www.hud.gov listings, by county in Michigan, include price, eligibility and number of bedrooms/bathrooms.

Don't let purchase be 'Greek to you'

Q: I enjoy going to the Greek Islands and I am wondering what it is like to purchase real estate in the more glamorous islands?

A: I can only tell you based on my experience in Rhodes, Mikonos and Santorini that there are countless condominiums which they refer to as apartments and rental units available for sale. The prices, of course, are in Euros and in each instance the location of the residence will have a bearing on its value. In Mikonos, for example, in the main city, there are a number of new hotels and apartments which can be purchased overlooking the Bay. In Rhodes, the Island is developed over a broader area, but, again, real estate in the downtown area, particularly in and around the Old City is available, but expensive. In Santorini, by way of example, homes and condominiums overlooking the cliffs are in excess of a million Euros but have breathtaking views. It is important in all of these Greek Islands to appreciate the need to obtain



Robert M. Meisner

"comparables," and hire an experienced real estate agent and lawyer, who can assist you in the process. The Internet can also be helpful in locating properties.

Q: I am a landlord of residential property and I am wondering what my so-called statutory duty is with respect to common areas, and, particularly, in terms of ice and snow.

A: The lessor of leased residential property has a statutory duty to keep all common areas fit for the use intended by the parties to the lease; the primary purpose or intended use of the common area stairway by way of example is to provide pedestrian access at different levels of the building or structure; a recent Michigan Court of Appeals decision has held that the statutory duty does not require perfect maintenance of such a stairway and the stairway need be in an ideal condition, nor in the most accessible condition possible but it must provide reasonable access to different building levels; finally the court in that particular case mentioned that the presence of black ice on a darkly lit unsalted stairway might pose a hidden danger that the ice and its reasonable access to different levels of a building and renders the stairway unfit for the intended purpose. While each case depends on its own facts, this should give you some idea of what your potential exposure is.

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-WAYNE

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of June 21-25, 2010, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

Canton	
1731 Bentley Ct	\$279,000
4030 Berkeley Ave	\$80,000
4102 Brockstone Dr	\$223,000
47693 Conner Creek Dr	\$230,000
250 Essex Ln	\$123,000
1697 Fern Ct	\$141,000
46743 Grand Oak Ct	\$351,000
3029 Greenwich Ct	\$233,000
43722 Harford Rd	\$142,000
47801 Hastings Rd	\$350,000
39975 Hillyard Dr	\$130,000
45657 Holmes Dr	\$175,000
40052 Koppernick Rd	\$115,000
1909 Lone Wolf Ln	\$119,000
48389 Manor Bridge Dr	\$135,000
8325 N. Lyley Rd	\$93,000

Garden City	
28451 Beechwood St	\$18,000
29136 Bridge St	\$44,000
29483 Brown Ct	\$82,000
217 Henry Pluff Rd	\$70,000
5690 Henry Ruff Rd	\$76,000
28978 Leona St	\$70,000

Livonia	
30503 S. M. Rd	\$180,000
36670 Angeline Cir	\$90,000
14085 Ashurst St	\$168,000
37652 Bloomfield Dr	\$225,000
14659 Blue Skies St	\$119,000
11301 Brookfield St	\$90,000
9364 Colorado St	\$105,000
9127 Danzig St	\$93,000
15558 Doris St	\$90,000

Northville	
16525 Farmington Rd	\$100,000
32687 Five Mile Rd	\$38,000
31731 Gable St	\$140,000
18420 Gullman St	\$74,000
14177 Hillcrest St	\$135,000
15241 Houghton St	\$145,000
12173 Inkster Rd	\$75,000
19903 Irving Dr	\$273,000
20689 Josie Ct	\$45,000
17226 Louise St	\$24,000
15161 Melrose St	\$60,000
14731 Newburgh Rd	\$82,000
37596 Northland St	\$221,000
15660 Oakhill Ct	\$195,000
29678 Orangelawn St	\$69,000
33030 Perth St	\$170,000
37132 Sunnydale St	\$172,000
18261 University Park Dr	\$64,000
18352 University Park Dr	\$47,000
18384 University Park Dr	\$53,000
18720 Vanderhaven Ln	\$140,000
35524 W. Chicago St	\$123,000
15644 Westbrook St	\$190,000
34429 Wood St	\$150,000
43525 Six Mile Rd	\$383,000

Plymouth	
46920 Seven Mile Rd	\$130,000
46957 Curtis Rd	\$260,000
16302 Forest Lake Dr	\$233,000
50376 Mulberry Ct	\$20,000
18978 Oak Leaf Ln	\$180,000
17747 Parkshore Dr	\$505,000
49045 Rainbow Ln S	\$284,000
20197 R. P. P.ing Ln	\$213,000
17167 Spring Hill Ct	\$433,000
17391 Stonebrook Dr	\$522,000
45513 Tournament Dr	\$670,000
473 W. Cady St	\$550,000
Redford	
42507 Applecreek Dr	\$131,000
10701 N. Canton Center Rd	\$280,000
40350 Newport Dr	\$50,000
40724 Orangelawn Ave	\$146,000
41812 Riveroaks Dr	\$148,000
1042 Starkweather St	\$153,000
551 Sunset St	\$156,000
13552 Arne'd	\$50,000
14332 Aubrey	\$18,000
18472 Beech Daly Rd	\$78,000
19257 Da by	\$85,000
14708 Marion	\$43,000

Westland	
12920 Mercedes	\$178,000
16596 Norborne	\$39,000
8841 Royal Grand	\$39,000
13501 Royal Grand	\$53,000
8816 Salem	\$50,000
20483 Wakenden	\$28,000
11322 Winston	\$52,000
13502 Wormer	\$28,000
Westland	
33090 Ann Arbor Trl	\$94,000
35311 Barton St	\$80,000
30910 Birchwood St	\$76,000
38011 Carolan Blvd	\$45,000
35773 Castlewood Ct	\$90,000
7602 Deering St	\$40,000
30933 Grandview Ave	\$66,000
38127 Greenwood St	\$22,000
38329 Greenwood St	\$26,000
6167 N. Berry St	\$62,000
7747 Princeton Ct	\$70,000
1558 Raymer St	\$65,000
6751 Redman St	\$61,000
35115 University St	\$33,000
33230 Winchester St	\$95,000

HOMES SOLD-OAKLAND

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Beverly Hills	
16206 Beechwood Ave	\$140,000
18580 Devonshire St	\$248,000
Bingham Farms	
23690 Overlook Cir	\$232,000
23765 Ravineview Ct	\$154,000
Birmingham	
1967 Fairway Dr	\$390,000
1452 Henrietta St	\$260,000
686 McHegan St	\$1,250,000
746 Puritan Ave	\$825,000

Bloomfield Hills	
13 Oaks Ct	\$186,000
Bloomfield Township	
6425 Apple Grove Ln	\$225,000
2420 Broadway Blvd	\$540,000
3325 Burning Bush Rd	\$350,000
1908 Eagle Pointe	\$150,000
1773 Golf Ridge Dr S	\$410,000
185 Hillboro Dr	\$277,000
4827 Mayflower Ct	\$509,000
508 Newburne Pointe	\$125,000
1417 Ravineview Ct	\$177,000
218 Westbourne Dr	\$261,000
5498 Woodview Dr	\$200,000
Commerce Township	
4003 Cherry Garden Dr	\$174,000
8294 Lagoon St	\$85,000
445 Muskoka	\$153,000
3949 S. Spore Dr	\$352,000

Farmington	
34252 Cortland Ave	\$170,000
23139 Farmington Rd	\$85,000
36666 Heatherdon Dr	\$160,000
35516 Lark Harbor Ct	\$110,000
21235 Larkspur St	\$138,000
33115 Orchard St	\$69,000
Farmington Hills	
32306 Bantrye Rd	\$165,000
37033 Fox Glen	\$260,000
28900 Hidden Trl	\$235,000
32005 Nottingham St	\$175,000
30981 Pine Cone Dr	\$270,000
21837 Rockledge Dr	\$200,000
2434 Rockwell St	\$13,000
29605 Sylvan Cir	\$300,000
29504 Sylvan Ln	\$123,000
Franklin	
26765 Captains Ln	\$310,000
30805 Helmandale Dr	\$280,000

Lathrup Village	
27860 Evergreen Rd	\$72,000
Milford	
518 Atlantic St	\$133,000
952 H. Side Dr	\$188,000
7640 S. Milford Rd	\$425,000
Novi	
22155 Antler Dr	\$233,000
26052 Clark St	\$56,000
41541 Cypress Way	\$89,000
30877 Jasper Rdg	\$170,000
24999 Martell Ct	\$355,000
44525 Midway Dr	\$262,000
23914 Mondavi	\$50,000
33340 Pennington Ln	\$350,000
25526 Portico Ln	\$125,000
41626 Ste. Neck Glen	\$400,000
South Lyon	
425 Chester Ct	\$118,000
25940 Cobblers Ln	\$180,000

White Lake	
25980 Cobblers Ln	\$186,000
26033 Daria Cr W	\$305,000
235 E. Liberty St	\$63,000
61081 Greenwood Dr	\$45,000
1218 Hackney Ct	\$298,000
21710 Natasha Ln	\$181,000
983 Oak Creek Dr	\$134,000
28415 Pontiac Trl	\$178,000
22220 Quail Run Cir	\$101,000
820 Stoney Dr	\$175,000
Southfield	
17522 Alta Vista Dr	\$170,000
28110 Everett St	\$58,000
21000 Forttree Ct	\$98,000
29239 Somerset Dr	\$65,000
White Lake	
9510 Garforth St	\$115,000
8090 Kenwick St	\$90,000
2260 Kingston Dr	\$230,000
1779 Kristina Dr	\$219,000

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Andy Heller will explain his "Buy Low, Rent Smart, Sell High" strategy using bank-owned property, sponsored by Real Estate Investors Association of Oakland on Thursday, Oct. 14, 5:30-9:30 p.m.

at Club Venetian, 29310 John R, north of 12 Mile, Madison Heights. Free to members, \$20 nonmembers. Call (800) 747-6742. (www.REIAofOakland.com)

BIA

Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) will present a Real Estate Continuing Education Course on Tuesday, Oct. 12, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Association Offices, 2075 Walnut Lake Road, West Bloomfield.

Lori Chmura of Middleton Training will present an update on Real Estate law and practices as required for

Real Estate Continuing Education certification. Registration is \$60 per person for members of BIA's Sales and Marketing Council, \$80 per person for BIA members and \$125 per person for guests. Continental breakfast and lunch are included in the registration. For registration information, call (248) 862-1002 or register online at www.builders.org/events.php.

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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.

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

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FARMINGTON HILLS
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Church, 29387 W 11 Mile Rd
Tues., 10/12, 6-8pm, Wed,
10/13, 9-5pm, Thurs., 10/14
9-4pm, Bag Sale

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Garage Sales (7110)

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October 7, 8, 9th
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Oct 14, 15, 16, from 9am-
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NOVI: Huge Moving Sale
Fri. 9-6 Sat. 9-5 Sun. 1-6
TVs, refrigerators, carpet,
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clothes, tools & more
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CARReport



By Dale Buss

U.S. auto sales steadied last month, rising slightly from the seasonal pace of August and reassuring carmakers that they'll still finish the year about 10 percent in sales volume ahead of a dismal 2009.

Industry-wide sales were 958,835 units in September, up a healthy 31 percent from year-earlier sales of 733,069 units. The significance of the percentage increase this year was discounted because it was such an easy comparison with September, 2009, when sales dropped off anomalously after the federal government's cash-for-clunkers program had caused volume to spike in August.

But the seasonally adjusted annual sales rate for the just-concluded month and for the third quarter rose to 11.7 million units, including both light vehicles and heavy trucks. That number is right in the wheelhouse of the 11.5-million-plus units that still represents the industry's consensus forecast for all of 2010.

Perhaps more important at the moment, the pace of transactions represented another step up in the industry's momentum after some insiders had questioned the direction of sales during the last couple of months.

"The sequential sales rate over the last four quarters has been 10.9 million units [in last year's fourth quarter], then 11.2 million units, then 11.4

million, and then 11.7 million" units for the just-completed quarter, noted George Pipas, Ford's head of U.S. sales analysis.

Industry executives highlighted some overarching trends that helped sales in September for most OEMs.

They included a steady recovery in the pick-up truck market; the rapid development of consumer demand for several newly launched vehicles, including the Ford Fiesta, Chevrolet Cruze and Jeep Grand Cherokee; and Labor Day-weekend sales that drew crowds.

"Our September sales gave us encouragement that consumers are returning to the market," said Shin Kurihara, president and CEO of Mitsubishi Motors North America, whose September sales rose by 5 percent compared with a year ago.

Bob Carter, general manager of the Toyota division of Toyota Motor Sales USA, said that "it felt like 2006 again. It was a very good month for the industry." He noted that the seasonally adjusted rate for retail sales—where Toyota does almost all of its business, in contrast to fleet sales—was about 9.8 million units, the best month in two years except during last summer's cash-for-clunkers extravaganza.

Toyota sold 147,162 units in September, up nearly 17 percent from year-earlier sales. But for Toyota, the



Toyota Tacoma dominates the compact pickup market.

After September, Toyota Camry remains the nation's best-selling car.



month was really a study in trying to get back to normal—which, in Toyota's case, means the years before its safety recalls in early 2010.

September provided a bit of that good ole' days atmosphere for Toyota.

For one thing, Camry sales topped 250,000 units for the year, and the venerable compact nameplate remains the best-selling car in America, said the company's Carter. Almost every Toyota brand model posted year-to-year sales gains. Sales of the new Avalon, for instance, were 29 percent higher than a year earlier.

In putting an upbeat spin on September's relatively modest improvements, automakers were switching en masse to a rather positive interpretation of U.S. economic data that remains at best inconclusive.

"In general, economic indicators have taken on a somewhat more encouraging tone in recent weeks," asserted Ellen Hughes-Cromwick, Ford's chief economist.

Conflicting Economic Signals

Among the signs of betterment that she and others cited were recent reductions in weekly jobless claims, the fact that manufacturing activity remains barely in expansive territory, the continued rise in stock-market values, a perceived continued rise in

pent-up demand for autos, modestly rising corporate earnings, and what Hughes-Cromwick called "no significant [further] deterioration" in consumer-confidence measures.

"Consumers are willing to spend—albeit cautiously," added Don Johnson, vice president of U.S. sales operations for General Motors.

Those factors hardly make a robust elixir for the economy, which is coping with an unemployment rate that sticks stubbornly close to 10 percent, extremely negative psychology among business decision-makers at companies large and small, and the stultifying prospect of an expiration of the Bush-era tax cuts at the end of the year.

So Hughes-Cromwick also conceded that it's "not [time] to suggest yet that momentum is accelerating." And Johnson said, "We still believe the recovery in the second half of the year will be slower than in the first half."

Toyota's Carter put things in perspective when he mentioned that this year's auto-sales recovery has been "very slow to moderate. We're very pleased with September," he said, "but it's still only an 11.8 [rate] market."

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