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### ON THE RECORD

#### Superintendent selection delayed

The Northville Board of Education was unable to vote on Dec. 16 to select the next Superintendent due to a medical emergency.

The Board was to hold a special call meeting on Wednesday, Dec. 22, the next date all seven board members were to be in town, for the purpose of selecting the next superintendent.

Look the Northville Web online for more: [www.hometownlife.com](http://www.hometownlife.com).

#### Holiday closures

The offices of the Northville Record and Novi news will be closed Fridays, Dec. 24 and 31; however, readers can look for their local newspapers as usual on Thursdays.

Also, Secretary of State Terri Lynn Land reminds customers that all branch offices and the Office of the Great Seal will be closed in observance of Christmas and New Year's holidays.

The closures are:  
• Thursday, Dec. 23 and Friday, Dec. 24 for Christmas.  
• SUPERCenters will be closed on Saturday, Dec. 25.

• Thursday, Dec. 30 and Friday, Dec. 31 for New Year's.  
• SUPERCenters will be closed on Saturday, Jan. 1.

The Department of State mails notices to motorists 45 days before their driver's license or license plates expire to give them ample time to renew. Licenses and plates that expire on a day when state offices are closed, such as a holiday or weekend, can be renewed the following day without penalty.

Motorists renewing license plates can "skip the trip" to the branch office and do business by mail, or if eligible, by Internet. Easy to follow instructions can be found with the renewal notice. License plate tabs will arrive by mail within seven business days.

License plate tabs can also be renewed at Self-Service Stations, many of which are available 24/7. Visit the Branch Office Locator at [www.Michigan.gov/sos](http://www.Michigan.gov/sos) to find a Self-Service Station near you.

## Residents: Preserve historic barn

### Neighbors want to see it stand

BY PAM FLEMING  
STAFF WRITER

Yet another historic 1840s barn in downtown Northville is attracting the attention of residents who want it to be preserved.

Neighbors of a residence at 413 Randolph St. showed up at the Dec. 15 Historic District Commission meeting to say they don't want it to be torn down.

The barn under the direction of local architect Walter Coponen. He said he had a structural engineer review the barn, which has been used as a

garage, and that the structural integrity has been ruined. The property owners are proposing to remove the barn.

"I am here before you tonight to demolish the structure," Coponen said to the commissioners.

Coponen said a few years ago the owners tried for a variance before the Board of Zoning Appeals to make the garage/barn into a carriage house-style garage, but the request was denied.

After much discussion, commissioners are asking Coponen to talk to the city staff about obtaining a second opinion on

the structural integrity from a city-approved structural engineer and then report back to them.

The city doesn't have a structural engineer on staff.

Coponen said there is some question as to the safety of the garage/barn.

The building is on a concrete slab, so it can't be moved to a different location.

One of the neighbors had Tim Willis of the Barn Preservation Network look at the structure, and he said the barn was a viable structure.

A woman who lives next door to the property on Linden Street said the barn reminds

Please see **BARN, A8**



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This circa 1840s barn at 413 Randolph St. will be reviewed by a city-approved structural engineer in the near future to see if the structure is safe. The property owners want it torn down, but neighbors are asking the city to preserve the historic building.



JOHN HEIDER/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Cheryl Crawford, human resource supervisor with Mitsubishi Electric Automotive America, Inc., in Northville Township, and others are helping out with its PEACE (Proving Excellence And Caring Exist) philanthropic committee. They have sponsored holiday parties for Northville's Cooke School, the Redford Union Schools' Oral Program for the hearing impaired, and are also gathering gifts for Toys for Tots and a local Adopt-A-Family program.

## Local Mitsubishi Electric employees getting into spirit by helping others

### Two parties held at schools

BY PAM FLEMING  
STAFF WRITER

Employees at Mitsubishi Electric Automotive America Inc. in Northville Township are spreading good cheer this holiday season by helping others.

Cheryl Crawford, human resource supervisor, serves as president of the company's philanthropic committee called PEACE, that stands for Proving Excellence And Caring Exist. Throughout the year, the firm has many different fundraising events.

Crawford received the company's Presidential Service Award. This year, employees purchased gifts and a meal for students and families at Cooke School in Northville and students from the Redford Union Oral Program for the hearing impaired.

"Someone gets nominated to receive this award for the previous year's contributions," Crawford explained.

The firm at 15603 Centennial Drive off of Five Mile between Sheldon and Beck roads has partnered with Cooke School for students with cognitive impairments since 2002.

"It's been very successful," Crawford said.

The affiliation with Redford Union Schools' hearing impaired program is new. "We have an employee whose spouse works there," Crawford said, so that's how the new partnership began.

The firm had a holiday party at Cooke

School on Dec. 3, with the Redford Union party on Dec. 6.

Gifts are purchased for all of the students and brought to the firm, where they are wrapped and returned to the schools for Santa to distribute.

"It's about a three- to four-hour event," Crawford said. "This year, more than 400 people at Cooke School participated." Cooke has about 160 students.

The students get their photo taken with Santa and have pizza, pasta, beverages and dessert.

#### TOYS FOR TOTS DRIVE

Mitsubishi also does an on-site Toys for Tots drive at the company each year.

The company's headquarters is in Mason, Ohio, with the Northville location serving as the sales office, employing about 100 people.

Twelve people belong to the PEACE committee, but many more volunteer their time. They also have a canned food drive and an Adopt-A-Family program during the holidays.

"Philanthropy is a big part of the Mitsubishi Electric culture," Crawford said. "They want all of our subsidiaries to have social responsibility."

The Mitsubishi Electric America Foundation's focus is on children with disabilities. "We also take suggestions from employees on other causes we might like to support," Crawford said.

Joe Teed, another member of the PEACE committee, said this year the company has "adopted" about 10 families that they will provide food and gifts.

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## Sincock to start new chapter with Northville Chamber of Commerce

### Leaving position after 25 years

BY PAM FLEMING  
STAFF WRITER

Traci Sincock is about to start a new chapter in her life.

After serving the city of Northville and Northville Township working for the Parks and Recreation Department for

25 years, she will begin working next month as associate director of the Northville Chamber of Commerce.

It started with a conversation over lunch about possibly changing gears with chamber executive director Jody Humphries.

Next thing she knew, she was saying "yes" to the new challenge.

She announced her departure at the November Parks and Recreation Commission meeting. An open house and program in her honor will take place from 5-6:30 p.m. on Jan. 5 at the Northville Community

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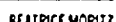
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Goal is to get school on board

The Alliance's Youth Advisory Board had a briefing session

In her speech to students, the first lady recounted the stories of four youth leaders in the Alliance's empowerME kids' movement. Her remarks below are from the official transcript: "...there's also Robert Hsu



Northville High School senior Robert Hsu, right, was invited to meet with Mayor Corey Booker of Newark, N.J., and First Lady Michelle Obama at Maple Avenue Elementary School on Nov. 18 at a health forum as one of two Alliance for a Healthier Generation Youth Advisory Board members. Hsu is organizing several campaigns to improve the nutritional quality of school lunches and the overall health of students and staff at Northville High School.

who's here today from Novi, Michigan. And I got to hear from Robert, as well. He told us that his entire school of 2,200 students — 2,200 students — he got them to sign a pledge committing themselves to leading a healthier lifestyle."

"I was fortunate to have the opportunity to speak privately with the first lady and mayor on

**HEALTHY SCHOOLS PROGRAM** Hsu's first goal is to get NHS to sign up for the Healthy Schools Program, a comprehensive program that targets all aspects of the school.

**MAKE SIMPLE CHANGES**  
He encourages people to start out by making simple changes to their lifestyle.

Those who are interested in learning more about the Healthy Schools Program, the Alliance for a Healthier Generation or joining the NHS School Wellness Committee can contact Hsu at emailrobert-hsu@gmail.com.

"That's the key," Hsu said. For example, "Last year, I started by

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# HGTV show 'Cash & Cari' debut party slated in Northville Jan. 3

## Public invited to world premiere airing

Cari Cucksey, who recently opened the consignment store RePurpose in Northville Square, will debut her new HGTV show "Cash & Cari" with a party in the downtown Northville mall on Jan. 3.

The self-made treasure hunter and broker, who is said to give new life to dusty relics, will have a special event at 8 p.m. at 133 W. Main Street in the space formerly occupied by NOMI restaurant.

Doors will open at 7:30 p.m., with a special viewing of the cable TV show at 10 p.m. Beverages and hors d'oeuvres will be served, with a VIP area reserved for special guests.

The guest speaker will be best-selling author Mark Victor Hansen, co-author of the "Chicken Soup for the Soul" series.

### ABOUT THE SHOW

In the show, Cucksey finds, restores and sells items for a homeowner for personal profit. During the series, that officially premieres at 10 p.m. Eastern Standard Time on HGTV, Cucksey and her team are shown searching estate sales, flea markets, attics and garages to find hidden or overlooked antique furniture, decorative accessories, collectibles and memorabilia.

Whether it's a vintage Chanel gown left behind at a dry cleaners, a limited-edition

pink vinyl copy of Michael Jackson's "Thriller" album or a Capodimonte porcelain statuette, Cucksey's expert eye can spot the undiscovered gems that could lead to big bucks.

Viewers can follow her as she helps families dig through piles of personal possessions and then prepare the bounty for sale. For Cucksey, it's about the thrill of the hunt. So, in some instances, she buys the contents of an entire home, packing up the goods and refurbishing the items for sale at RePurpose, her shop in Northville Square at W. Main and Wing streets.

### COUNCIL MEETING EARLY

The city of Northville invites the community to come celebrate the world premiere of Cucksey's new national cable TV show. Northville City Council members voted Monday night to move the Jan. 3 city council meeting to 5:30 p.m. to accommodate Cucksey's special 8 p.m. event.

### ABOUT HGTV

HGTV, America's leader in home and life-style programming, is distributed to more than 99 million U.S. households and is one of cable TV's top-rated networks. HGTV's website, HGTV.com, is the nation's leading online home-and-garden site and attracts an average of five million visitors a month.

For more information, call Cucksey's store RePurpose at (248) 735-0500 or write her at info@RePurposeShop.com.



Carl Cucksey and her fiancé and business partner Vince Iafano are excited about the premiere of her new HGTV show "Cash & Cari" on Jan. 3 at 10 p.m. An episode will also air at 2 p.m. on Jan. 1. The two came to Tuesday's Northville Downtown Development Authority meeting to announce the 8 p.m. Jan. 3 debut party at Northville Square.

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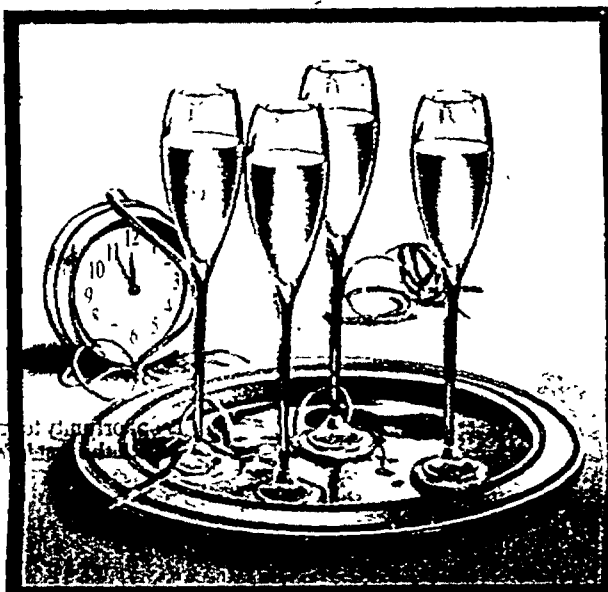


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### NORTHVILLE POLICE BRIEFS

#### Alcohol sales change

Due to a change in the law, Christmas Eve and Christmas Day alcohol sale hours have been changed. The sale of alcoholic beverages is now prohibited between the hours of 11:59 p.m. Friday, Dec. 24 and noon Saturday, Dec. 25.

New Year's Hours: On-premises licensees are allowed to extend the sale of alcoholic beverages to 4 a.m. Consumption on premises must cease no later than 4:30 a.m.

The Northville Township Department of Public Safety would like to remind citizens to be safe while celebrating this holiday season. MADD offers these tips for safe holiday celebrations.

- If you drink, don't drive, no matter how little you think you have had
- Designate a driver before you arrive at an event or party
- If hosting a party, make sure to set rules on drinking and driving. Offer to provide a ride home or a place for guests who drink to sleep.
- Educate family, friends and co-workers about the risks of drinking and driving.
- If possible, avoid driving during the early and late evening hours on holidays like Christmas and New Years. Protect yourself and passengers by wearing a safety belt at all times, in case of a crash.

#### Police report larceny from auto incidents in township

The Northville Township Police Department has taken several reports of larceny from automobiles on the west side of the township. The cars were forced open and small electronic items were taken, especially GPS devices.

To reduce the risk of becoming a victim of larceny from auto:

- Lock your car doors.
- Never leave anything in plain view inside the passenger compartment such as shopping packages, iPods, purses, cell phones, GPS devices, etc. Be sure to remove the GPS mount and charging cord from view.
- Place valuables in the trunk while you are out shopping.
- Report all suspicious activity, including unexplained noises.
- Park in well-lit areas.
- Utilize store security or management to walk you to your car. This puts additional eyes and ears in the parking lot to prevent criminal behavior.

If you have any questions please contact Officer Mike Burrough at (248) 349-9400 or e-mail at mburrough@northvilletwpd.com.

### NORTHVILLE TOWNSHIP POLICE REPORT

#### Driving without license

**1** A 25-year-old Plymouth woman was arrested for driving on a suspended driver's license at 5:36 p.m. on Nov. 15 at Seven Mile and Haggerty roads.

An officer pulled the woman over after he saw her vehicle turn left from southbound Haggerty Road onto eastbound Seven Mile Road after the signal had turned red.

#### Drunk driving arrest

**2** A 19-year-old Lake Orion woman was arrested for operating under the influence of liquor at 3:01 a.m. on Nov. 16 at Six Mile and Haggerty roads.

The woman was stopped by police because the headlight was out on the passenger side of her vehicle, and the license plate light was also out.

The woman provided an expired registration and valid proof of insurance. She said she did not have her driver's license with her because her purse had been stolen.

The officer could smell alcohol on her breath even though she said she had not had anything to drink.

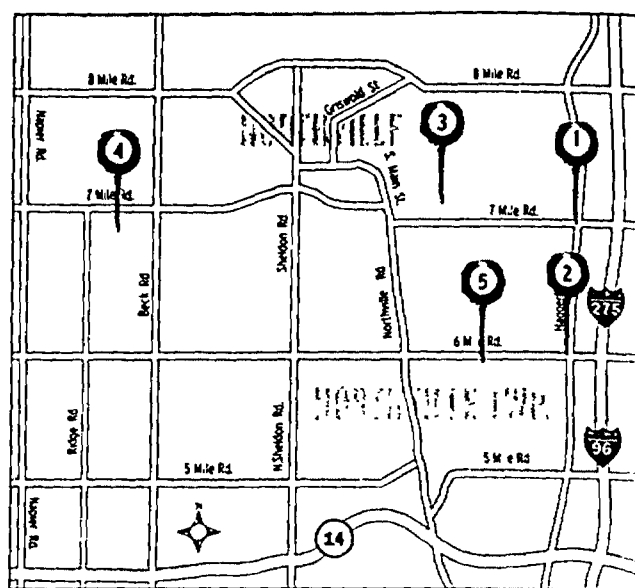
#### Wheels, tires stolen

**3** A 30-year-old resident of Surrey Lane reported to police that someone stole the wheels and tires from her vehicle between 10 p.m. on Nov. 15 and 6 a.m. on Nov. 16.

The vehicle was under the carport and had two landscaping blocks underneath on both sides toward the middle of the vehicle.

There are no witnesses or suspects in the case.

The four wheels were valued at \$1,500.



#### Possession of marijuana

**4** A 21-year-old Northville woman was arrested for possession of marijuana and paraphernalia at 9:44 p.m. on Nov. 17 at E. Clairmont Circle and Stonewater Boulevard.

Police were dispatched to the area about a parked vehicle with its occupants acting suspicious. The call was made by a nearby resident.

The vehicle was parked in front of a house that is still under construction.

The officer spelled burnt marijuana upon approaching the vehicle.

The driver, a 26-year-old man, said he was just stopping by to use the portable toilet.

The man said he did not have any marijuana, but that his girlfriend had some in her purse. The woman admitted that the drugs were in her purse.

Police found 10 grams of marijuana in the woman's purse.

#### Items stolen from yard

**5** A 57-year-old resident of Dundalk Court near Northville Christian

Assembly Church reported to police at 12:50 p.m. on Nov. 19 that several items had been stolen from her yard around 9 a.m. on Aug. 19.

She said she noticed the items missing in August but just now remembered to file a police report.

The woman said five amusement park figures had been stolen from her yard. They were the type of figures one might find at a miniature golf course.

She said she could identify the elephant because it had been repaired.

She could not provide serial numbers or brand names for any of the stolen items, however. Other stolen merchandise included a \$400 garden tiller/riding mower, \$2,400 in tools, a \$400 fiberglass extension ladder and the amusement park figures valued at \$10,000. Other figures besides the elephant included a zebra, an adult-sized giraffe, baby giraffe and a gorilla.

—Compiled by staff writer Pam Fleming

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**Brian Hinzman,**  
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Til we meet again.  
With love,  
Your family

IN MEMORY OF  
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**Tracey Marie Mirti**  
It's lonely here without you! We miss you more each day, especially during the holidays!  
You are in our hearts & in our memories!  
With love, Mom (Clara), Dad (Bet), Kelly, Bobby, Jesse, Jacob, and McKenzie

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**Jean Rose Pietryka**  
1/19/19-9/14/10  
Our hearts were broken the day God called you home. But now our hearts are aglow with precious memories of you. Deeply loved and missed by: Sons Richard (Patti), Raymond (Lynda), Ronald (Betty) an all of your family.

**Eleanor Miller Zoumbars**  
Thank you, God. You blessed us with this lovely lady, Sweetest mom, grandma, aunt and loving friend. She blessed us with gentle patience, Kind understanding and love. Until we meet again, Amen

In Loving Memory of  
**Delores Schults 1937-2009.**  
Our second Christmas Holiday without you. Everyone misses you very much and thinks of you every day. You were the most loving and caring wife, mother of three children and grandma to six.  
Your loving husband and family

**In Loving Memory Of**  
**Charles J. McPhee**  
October 3, 1940~October 3, 2010

**KIM RENZI**  
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Forever in Our Hearts Love, Todd, Marina and Adeline.

In Loving Memory of  
**Dorothy May & Clyde William Love**  
Dec. 1, 2010 - Dec. 22, 2009  
Good parents give their children roots and wings. Roots to know where home is, wings to fly away and exercise what's been taught them. Thank you, Mom and Dad for giving us both. Love Children, Grandchildren and Great Great Grandchildren

**In Loving Memory**  
**Arturo "POPS" Posa**  
May 6, 1942 - January 16, 2008  
Forever In Our Hearts We Miss You Love Always, Jeff, Andi, Chris, Meg, & Matt

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## Church of the Holy Family

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

## Mass Schedule

**Time/Day:** 8:30 a.m., 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 Zuehl, 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](http://www.crosspointemeadows.org)

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

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

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

## Destiny Worship Center

**Location:** Ridge Wood Elementary School, 49775 Six Mile Road, Northville

**Contact:** [DestinyW3C@gmail.com](mailto:DestinyW3C@gmail.com) or visit [www.DW3C.org](http://www.DW3C.org)

**Meet & Greet for new Northville area Pastors Robb & Cheri Stancer**

**Time/Date:** 9:10:30 a.m. Jan. 2

**Location:** Stonehouse Coffee & Tea Co., 16923 Ridge Road, Northville.

**Details:** Come out and have a coffee and meet the pastors, leadership and families of the new Destiny Worship Center. Feel free to ask questions about the ministry, youth, missions, community service, children, singles, married, and any area where you or your family may need help.

## Grand opening/launch

**Time/Date:** 6 p.m. Jan. 8 All services will be held on Saturdays. First service is Jan. 8 at 6 p.m. Come be a part of a new, cutting edge, creative and innovative worship experience! This new ministry is preparing to have performing arts, dance, youth, women/men ministries, missions, community service, single/married ministry and much more... Come get in on the ground floor of a diverse ministry that is destined to do a great work

## Detroit First Church of the Nazarene

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

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

**Sunday Schedule:** 9:15 a.m. Worship service with Praise Band, children's Sunday School and Adult Bible Fellowship; 10:15 a.m. Fellowship and refreshments; 11 a.m. Traditional worship service, Children's Church, Youth Sunday School and Adult Bible Fellowship; 6 p.m. Evening Service: Children's program, Youth Worship Service

**Tuesday Schedule:** Tuesday 9:25-11:15 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 W.O.W. Tuesday Ladies 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.org](http://www.newhopecenter.org)

## Episcopal Church of the Holy Cross

**Location:** 40700 W. 10 Mile Road

**Contact:** (248) 427-1175 or [churchoftheholycross.com](http://churchoftheholycross.com)

**Sunday Worship:** 7:45 a.m., 10 a.m.

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

## Alzheimer's Support Group

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

## Faith Community Presbyterian

**Location:** 44400 W. 10 Mile Road

**Contact:** (248) 349-2345 or visit [faithcommunity-novi.org](http://faithcommunity-novi.org)

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

## First Baptist Church of Northville

**Location:** 217 N. Wing

**Contact:** (248) 348-1020

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

**Sunday School:** 9:30 a.m.

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

**Men's Bible Study:** 9 a.m. first Saturday of every month

## First Baptist Church of Novi-Family Integrated Church

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

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

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

**Bible Study:** 11 a.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](http://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](http://singleplace.org).

## First United Methodist Church of Northville

## A Stephen Ministry Church

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

**Contact:** (248) 349-1144 or [www.fumcnorthville.org](http://www.fumcnorthville.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. Wallas, communications director, (248) 349-1144, Ext. 26, or e-mail [hwallas@fumcnorthville.org](mailto:hwallas@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

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

## Livonia Church of Christ

**Location:** 15431 Merriman Road, Livonia

**Contact:** 734-427-8743 or visit [www.livoniachurch.net](http://www.livoniachurch.net)

**Sunday Worship:** 11 a.m.

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

## Meadowbrook Congregational

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

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

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

**Sermon:** Better Than You

**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 accompaniment of guitar and piano.

## Northville Christian Assembly

**Location:** 41355 Six Mile Road

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

## Sundays

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

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

**10:15 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 evening classes; jr. and sr. high student ministries; children's programs (M-Pact Girls Club & Royal Rangers Boys Club) Nursery and Preschool Program on Sundays and Wednesdays Home of Northville Christian School (day care; preschool through eighth grade) - contact (248) 348-9031

## Novi - Northville Center for Jewish Life

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

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

## Novi United Methodist

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

**Contact:** (248) 349-2652 or visit [umcnovi.com](http://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](http://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; no need to pre-register; all are welcome.

## Our Lady of Good

## Counsel Catholic Church

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

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

## Our Lady of Victory

## Catholic Church

**Location:** 770 Thayer, Northville

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

## Saturday Worship

**Time:** 5 p.m.

## Sunday Worship

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

## Our Shepherd

## Presbyterian Church

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

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## HAROLD LORENZ

Age 85, passed away December 18, 2010. Service was held on Dec. 22 at Glen Eden Memorial Park, in Livonia. Arrangements entrusted to PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, South Lyon. Online guestbook [www.phillipsfuneral.com](http://www.phillipsfuneral.com)

## RONALD J. MARTINDALE

Age 23, passed away Dec. 13, 2010. Visitation was held on Dec. 17th at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, South Lyon. Online guestbook [www.phillipsfuneral.com](http://www.phillipsfuneral.com)

## CARMEL MARIE POTTER (NEE WHELAN)

Age 85, Dec. 15, 2010. Funeral Service was Dec. 20th at the O'Brien/Sullivan Funeral Home, Novi. Memorial donations may be made to the Capuchins, 1820 Mt. Elliott St., Detroit, MI 48207. Online condolences: [www.obrien-sullivanfuneralhome.com](http://www.obrien-sullivanfuneralhome.com)

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## SUZANNE M. HETT

Age 67, passed away December 19, 2010. She was born on March 29, 1943, in Detroit, daughter of the late Edward and Bessie Florence. Sue was a very loving, kind and selfless woman. She touched many lives throughout her life and will be remembered as a woman who always put others before herself. She is survived by her former husband, Francis Hett; her beloved children: John (Christine Lalinsky), Glenna Bryan, Stephen (Pamela), Christopher (Vanessa Kirchoff), Matthew (Bridget), and Theresa Hett. She is also survived by her grandchildren: Austin, Colin, Warren, Leah, Jessica, Brianna, Jared, Dillion, Chloe, Alexandria, Thomas, Aidan, Savanna and Cassandra; her siblings: Edward Florence, James Florence and Carole Lawton. She was preceded in death by her sister Mary Ann Anglin. Visitation was held on Wednesday, December 22nd from 3 - 8 p.m. with Rosary at 7:00 p.m. at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, South Lyon. Funeral Mass will be held on Thursday, December 23rd at 10:30 a.m. at St. James Catholic Church, 46325 W. Ten Mile Rd., Novi. Memorial contributions may be made to Active Faith Community Services, P.O. Box 188, South Lyon, MI 48178. Online guestbook [www.phillipsfuneral.com](http://www.phillipsfuneral.com)

## DEBRA L. HOFFMAN

Age 54, passed away December 12, 2010. A private family service was held. Arrangements entrusted to PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, South Lyon. Online guestbook: [www.phillipsfuneral.com](http://www.phillipsfuneral.com)

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# CHURCH

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Contact: Pastor Bill Burke at (734) 927-0891  
 Wednesday Bible Study: 7 p.m.  
 Sunday Bible Study: 9:30 a.m.  
 Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m. with fellowship and food after service

**Plymouth-St. John's Episcopal Church**  
 Location: 574 S. Sheldon Road in Plymouth  
 Contact: 734-453-0190, ext. 16, or visit [www.stjohnsplymouth.org](http://www.stjohnsplymouth.org)

**St. James Catholic**  
 Location: 46325 10 Mile Road, Novi  
 Contact: (248) 347-7778  
 Mass Schedule  
 TIME/DAY: 8, 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. Sunday; 9 a.m. Monday-Tuesday; 7 p.m. Wednesday; 5 p.m. Saturday

**St. John's Episcopal Church**  
 Location: 574 S. Sheldon Road, Plymouth  
**St. John Lutheran**  
 Location: 23225 Gill Road, Farmington Hills  
 Contact: (248) 474-0584 or visit [stjohn-lutheran.com](http://stjohn-lutheran.com)  
**Saturday Worship**  
 Time: 5:30 p.m.  
**Sunday Worship**  
 Time: 9, 11:15 a.m.  
**Sunday School**  
 Time: 10:15 a.m.

**St. Paul's Lutheran Church**  
 Location: 201 Elm St., Northville  
 Contact: (248) 349-3140  
**Sunday Worship:** 8:30 a.m. Blended; 11 a.m. Contemporary  
**Unitarian Universalist Church of Farmington**  
 Location: 25301 Halstead Road, Farmington Hills

Contact: [www.uufarmington.org](http://www.uufarmington.org)  
**Youth Interfaith Journey**  
 Time/Date: 9:30 and 11 a.m. Sundays  
 Details: This religious education program is open to the public and currently enrolling new students. The UUCF Interfaith Journey curriculum encompasses the Unitarian Universalist philosophy of individual worth and the power of community with a study of the World Religions that are practiced around the globe. This program compliments the mission of UUCF Religious Education of teaching youth inclusion, compassion and peace and provides the environment to live and learn in a culturally diverse community. Classes are grouped into grades K-5, 6-8 and 9-12 with age specific education materials for all.  
 Contact: Jennifer Teed at 248/478-7272 or [dre@uufarmington.org](mailto:dre@uufarmington.org)  
**Lifelong Learning Forum**  
 Time/Date: 7:30-9:30 p.m. Thursdays  
 Details: Six weeks exploring different topics like religion, philosophy, science, health, social and political issues. No advance registration necessary; a \$5 donation suggested.

Drop in and pick the class that interests you most.  
 Contact: (248) 478-7272 or [uufarmington.org/uucf/lifespans](http://uufarmington.org/uucf/lifespans)  
**Multi-Generational Services**  
 Time/Date: 6:45 p.m. Fridays  
 Details: Family members of all ages can gather for drumming, chanting, and meditation followed by a brief participatory worship service which could include stories, songs and sharing. A religious education activity will follow, such as an art project, music, dance, game or theater. The evening will close with a light snack and a short time to socialize, ending at 8:30 p.m.  
**Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church**  
 Location: 40000 Six Mile Road  
 Contact: (248) 374-7400 or (248) 374-5978  
**Sunday Worship**  
 Time: 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Traditional; 9:30 and 11 a.m. Contemporary. Nursery and Sunday School during the 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. services.

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 810-227-3113  
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 10:45 a.m. Sunday School  
 Rev. Dale Hedblad, Pastor  
[www.lordoflife.org](http://www.lordoflife.org)

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[www.hsrcc.net](http://www.hsrcc.net)  
 at the corner of Winans Lake & Musch Rd.  
 810-231-9199  
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 Sunday 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.  
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 11:15 a.m. Contemporary  
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 Contemporary Services  
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 889-7253 or 887-4566

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 3700 Harvey Lake Rd., Highland (248) 887-5364  
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### Livonia

**FELLOWSHIP PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
 Services held at:  
 Saint Andrews Episcopal Church  
 16360 Hubbard Road • Livonia  
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 11166 S. Hickory Ridge Rd., Milford, MI 48380  
 248-887-1218  
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 Bible Ministries 11:00 a.m.  
 Wednesday All Ages: 7:00 p.m.

### New Hudson

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 57855 Grand River Ave., New Hudson, MI 48165  
 Phone 248-474-9108  
 Sunday Celebration of Life Service 10:30 a.m.  
 Rev. Suzanne Paul, Minister  
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 (248) 349-1144  
 777 West 9 Mile Road • 9 Mile and 1st Rd.  
 Worship Times: September - May 8:30, 9:15 & 11:00 a.m.  
 Memorial Day - Labor Day 8:30 and 10:00 a.m.  
 Rev. Dr. Steven J. Buck, Senior Pastor  
 Rev. Jeff Sturgeon, Associate Pastor  
[www.fumcnorthville.org](http://www.fumcnorthville.org)

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 40000 Six Mile Rd., Northville  
 248-374-7400  
 Sunday Worship:  
 Traditional: 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m. & 11 a.m.  
 Contemporary: 9:30 a.m. & 11 a.m.  
 Nursery & Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. & 11 a.m. services  
[www.wardchurch.org](http://www.wardchurch.org)  
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 English Place Ministry - Thurs. 7:30 p.m.  
 Rev. R. Kent Clark, Senior Pastor  
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**ST. JAMES ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH NOVI**  
 46325 10 Mile Rd. • Novi, MI 48374  
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 Sunday 8, 9:30 & 11:30 a.m.  
 Reverend George Charney, Pastor  
 Parish Office: 347-7778

**FAITH COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
 44400 W. 10 Mile, Novi, 248-349-2345  
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### Novi

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 Healing Service Wednesday 11:45 am  
 Rev. Ann Webber, Rector  
[holycrossnovi@gmail.com](mailto:holycrossnovi@gmail.com)

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## Unity in the Community

### MLK Day encourages Northville students to 'Keep the Dream Alive!'

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s challenge to keep his dream alive is the theme of the fourth annual "Unity in the Community" event being hosted by Northville Public Schools on Martin Luther King Day, Jan. 17.

Community members are welcome to attend the gathering, which will take place at 7 p.m. at Genitti's Little Theatre, 112 East Main Street in downtown Northville. The evening will feature readings by student winners of the district-wide writing contest based on this year's theme — "Keep the Dream Alive!"

Dr. King had a dream that all people would be able to be friends with whomever they choose; not be judged by how they look; solve problems with words and not violence; and stand up for what they believe is right, even if others disagree. Students participating in the contest were asked to write an essay, letter or poem or create a poster or project describing what they think needs to be done to achieve peace and harmony in our community and world. The deadline for entries was Dec. 14.

Nine writing contest winners will be selected including one from each of the district's six elementary schools' fourth and fifth grade entries, and one each from Hillside Middle School, Meads Mill Middle School and Northville High School. Two winning posters or projects selected from entries

by the school district's special education center program students at Cooke and Old Village schools will be displayed on the cover of the "Unity in the Community" event program.

All winners receive a \$100 U.S. Savings Bond provided by the Northville Educational Foundation. Established in 2000, the Foundation is a Michigan nonprofit organization committed to providing support for programs that enhance educational excellence and strengthen learning experiences for students in Northville Public Schools. The Foundation raises professionally managed and in partnership with Northville Public Schools, distributes donated funds to supplement and enrich educational programming.

The Jan. 17 "Unity in the Community" event also will feature songs celebrating Dr. King's message of peace and unity sung by the Northville High School Sophomore Select Choir.

A special presentation by Schoolcraft President Dr. Conway Jeffress will focus on the importance of the education of our nation's young people in realizing Dr. King's vision.

Located in Livonia, Schoolcraft is a comprehensive, open door, community-based college that has as its mission to provide a transformational learning experience designed to increase the capacity of individuals

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For more information about the "Unity in the Community" event, contact the Northville Public Schools Special Services Office at (248) 344-8453.

viduals and groups to achieve intellectual, social, and economic goals.

"The writing and poster contest, along with the Unity in the Community event, provides an opportunity for our students, school families and community members to reflect on how Dr. King's legacy of peace, unity and service to others still has so much meaning for us today," said Lynne Mossoian, director of Special Services for Northville Public Schools and chairperson of the school district's Martin Luther King Day Planning Committee.

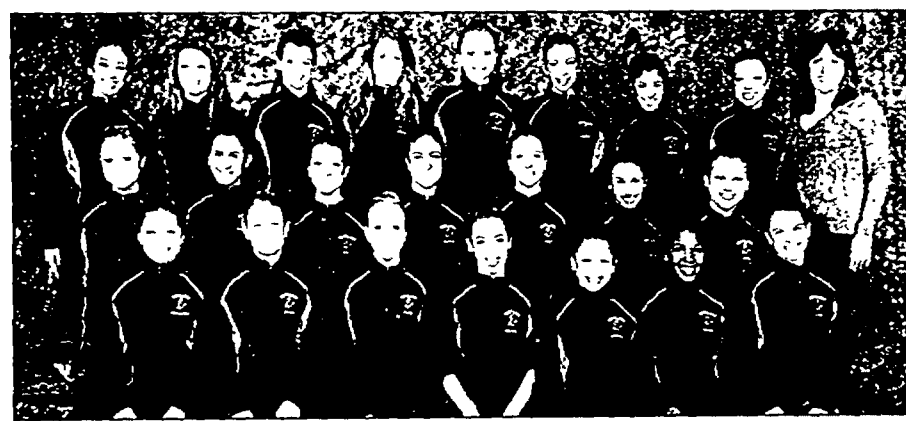
"Everyday in our community and our schools we do our best to keep Dr. King's dream alive and live by the principles he taught," said Northville Superintendent Dr. Leonard R. Rezmierski. "I am confident the writings and artwork our students create will offer hope for a brighter future and inspire us all to be kind and helpful to our fellow citizens."

Admission to the "Unity in the Community" event is free. However, in keeping with Dr. King's wishes that we should act in service to others, those attending the program are encouraged to contribute a non-perishable food or household item for donation to Northville Civic Concern to help those in need in the Northville community.



### High kickin' to first place

The Northville High School varsity dance team earned first place in their division at the 20th Annual Dance & High Kick Championship that took place on Nov. 7 at Eastern Michigan University. The competition was presented by Mid American Pompon & Intense Dance. Northville varsity placed first in the Varsity Jazz category. More than 60 elementary, middle school, high school and collegiate pompon and dance teams from across Michigan competed in various categories throughout the day. These included Jazz, Hip Hop, Contemporary Pom and High Kick. Teams were scored in areas including showmanship, formations and transitions, unique choreography, music incorporation, team precision, form and height of kicks, and overall performance. Mid American Pompon will host its Regional Competitions at Livonia Churchill High School on Saturday, Jan. 22, Ann Arbor Skyline High School on Sunday, Jan. 23 and Saginaw Heritage High School on Saturday, Jan. 29. At Regionals, teams will be competing to qualify for the State-Wide Championship at Eastern Michigan University on Sunday, Feb. 13.



#### NORTHVILLE SCHOOL BRIEFS

##### Senior All-Night Party

Don't miss out on the 2011 Senior All Night Party. This special Northville tradition brings the halls of Northville High School alive with a magical setting. A surprise theme is kept under wraps all year and is unveiled the week of the party. The evening includes dinner, snacks, entertainment, activities, a T-shirt and prizes. It takes place following graduation on Sunday, June 5 from 9 p.m.-3 a.m. at NHS. The cost is \$70, but will go up to \$85 on Jan. 1 — so buy your tickets now.

Wooden mustangs are also available for \$45. This unpainted wooden horse is personalized by you and displayed at the party. The sky is the limit as far as decorating to reflect your senior. It can be decorated with photos, sportswear, name tiles, props, etc. Take the horse home for your own graduation celebration.

Support the Class of 2011 and purchase Northville City Car Wash gift cards for \$20 for five carwashes; a savings of \$5. With the holidays fast approaching, these make great stocking stuffers. To purchase, please contact Germaine Hoppens at [ghoppens@aol.com](mailto:ghoppens@aol.com)

All forms and contact information can be found at [www.northville.k12.mi.us/nhs](http://www.northville.k12.mi.us/nhs) under "Latest News" click on "Senior All-Night Party Forms"

Parents, you can help make this evening a special one to remember by volunteering your time, many types of opportunities are available.

##### Looking for a few good parents

The Northville High School Administrative team is inviting you to partner through volunteerism. Standard IV of the National Standards for Parent/Family Involvement Programs is Volunteering.

Research shows when families, schools, and communities work together, student achievement improves, teacher morale rises, communication increases, and family, school, and community connections multiply.

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## BARN

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her of why she moved to Northville.

"Why would we not go to extremes to try to save it?" she asked. Urban legend is that the property belonged to the son of the town's blacksmith back in the day, but this has not been historically substantiated.

Heidi Nielsen of the Northville Historical Society and curator of Mill Race Village said that no information is available on the structure or the corresponding house.

### COMPROMISED IN 1960S

Coponen said the structure was compromised in the 1960s when a carport/lean-to was added to the structure.

"If it had been left alone, we'd be talking about a completely different animal," he said. "We can't dismantle it and make it look like it does now. We'd have to completely have to start over from the skeleton."

Commissioner Jennifer Bayly said she believes the city owes it to the community to at least check out the possibility

**'It's history is on that land. It's an avenue we should look into. We owe it some consideration rather than to just start to tear it down. We want to preserve the few historic buildings we have left.'**

COMMISSIONER JENNIFER BAYLY

of saving the structure because of its historical significance.

"It's history is on that land," Bayly said. "It's an avenue we should look into. We owe it some consideration rather than to just start to tear it down. We want to preserve the few historic buildings we have left."

Mayor Chris Johnson, who is on the commission, said the real question is whether the building is safe.

The existing structure would need a variance in order to rebuild it into a usable garage as the 14-foot barn/garage is to tall under current height regulations.

"We're kind of in a Catch 22," said Commissioner Joe Hoffmann. "We can't move it, and we'd need a variance to

make it work."

The application to demolish the structure was withdrawn until the city-approved structural engineer's report is completed.

### CADY STREET BARN DISCUSSED

Commissioners reviewed a barn on Cady Street next to Oakwood Cemetery at their November meeting and continued to discuss it at the Dec. 15 meeting. It has been deconstructed and was supposed to be reconstructed on the property.

However, Greg Presley, the architect on the project, said Dec. 15 that some of the materials on the Cady Street barn may need to be replaced with new ones.

"The original intent was to save it, but I don't think we're going to be able to do that now," Presley said. "The siding is peeling," he said, and there is other damage that can't be repaired.

On the upside, the young couple who have purchased the home plans to use quality materials in refurbishing the barn (no fake wood), and they plan to incorporate windows from the 1840s barn into the home.



PAM FLEMING/NORTHVILLE RECORD

Local architect Walt Coponen appears before Northville Historic District Commissioners on Dec. 15 asking if a barn at 413 Randolph St. can be torn down. He said a structural engineer he hired claims the structure is not safe. Commissioners are now asking for a second opinion.

### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE NOTICE TO THE RESIDENTS CODE OF ORDINANCE AMENDMENT INTRODUCED CHAPTER 53 - ANIMALS

The following amendments were adopted at the Board of Trustees Regular Meeting held on December 16, 2010.

#### Chapter 53 - Animals

- Added several definitions referencing different classifications of animals and corresponding regulations.
- Added several general requirements pertaining to the keeping of any animals in the township.
- Increased the number of animals permitted on a lot or premise as pets from 2 to 3 on lots less than two acres and up to 5 on lots greater than two acres.
- Expanded to allow poultry and livestock on lots larger than two acres and located outside of a platted subdivision or condominium development. The maximum number of poultry and livestock permitted is based on the size of the parcel.
- Specified that structures and enclosures associated with the animals must be located in the rear yard.
- Added a provision that prohibits wild/exotic animals from being housed in the township, unless they have a special license such as a zoo or circus.
- Added additional regulations for private and commercial kennels, when the use is authorized by the zoning ordinance.
- Included an appeals process by the ZBA to follow the variance procedures and criteria.

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

Sue A. Hillebrand, Clerk

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### SYNOPSIS DECEMBER 16, 2010 - REGULAR & CLOSED MEETING CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

DATE: Thursday, December 16, 2010

TIME: 7:00 p.m. Closed Session

7:30 p.m. Regular Meeting

PLACE: 44405 Six Mile Road

CALL TO ORDER: Supervisor Abbo called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

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

CLOSED SESSION: (7:00 P.M.) Opened at 7:02 p.m. ended at 7:22 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE at 7:30 p.m.

- Agendas: A. Approve Consent and Regular Agendas and to delete Item 2B, 2C & 2F and add item 5L - Bennett Arboretum Pathway Agreement - approved.
- Appointments, Presentations, Resolutions & Announcements:
  - Employee Appreciation - for 5, 10, 20 and 25 years of service.
  - ~~B, C & F - REMOVED~~
  - Re-appoint Ken Romine to Northville Youth Assistance - approved
  - Re-appoint Joyce Whelan to Board of Review - approved
- Public Hearing:
  - Open Public Hearing for C.D.B.G. Budget - approved
  - Community Development Block Grant Budget - approved
- Brief Public Comments: None
- New Business:
  - Solid Waste Contract - approved to contract with Duncan Disposal
  - Contract Financing for Solid Waste Carts - approved
  - Contract for Solid Waste Carts - Toter, Inc. carts approved
  - ~~Steeplechase Final plat 4 and 5 - REMOVED~~
  - Cantoro Market - Wayne County Land Bank Turbo Program - approved
  - Year End 2010 Budget Amendments - approved
  - Water and Sewer Forecast - approved
  - Decision - Closed session - approve tentative agreement AFSCME clerical
  - Historic District Commission Request - approved
  - Financial Institutions - approved
  - 2011 Holiday Schedule - approved
  - Bennett Arboretum Pathway Agreement - approved
- Unfinished Business: None
- Ordinances: A. Adopt amendment to Chapter 53 - Animals - approved
- Bills Payable: A. Bills payable in the amount of \$1,603,503.89 - approved
- Board Communication & Reports: Reports were given by Mark Abbo, Sue Hillebrand, Richard Henningsen, Marjorie Banner, Marv Gans, Mindy Herrmann, Christopher Roosen, Chip Snider
- Any other business or public comment for the Board of Trustees: Public Comment from Brian Miller of Cascade who was disappointed that the township did not select his company to purchase the solid waste carts.
- ADJOURN: The meeting was adjourned at 9:07 p.m. An unapproved draft of the minutes will be available after January 3, 2010.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sue A. Hillebrand, MMC

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SINCOCK

Senior Center, 303 W. Main St. She'll start her new job on Jan. 12.

Joanna Harris, current operations coordinator, will serve as the interim director.

She would have worked for the communities for 26 years in April.

Sincock, 53, was 27 when she started working for Northville. She was hired as assistant director by the current director, Jef Farland.

"About a month and a half after I started he accepted the director of parks and recreation position in Southfield," Sincock said.

John Anderson was hired that fall, and he served as director for six and a half years. When he left, Sincock was promoted into the director's position in October 1991.

SEEN LOTS OF CHANGES

She said the community has changed so much in terms of development since she started back in 1985.

"When I started, the race track (Northville Downs) still had their stables where St. Lawrence Estates is," she said. "They used to bring the horses across the street and had a traffic officer that would guide the horses from the stables over to the track. It was fascinating."

Sincock said Beck Road wasn't even paved back then, and the whole western side of the township was virtually undeveloped.

"The department had a beautiful athletic complex at Six Mile and Beck roads on property owned by Chuck and Jim Lapham," Sincock recalled. There were three soccer fields. Don Thompson allowed the city to use some of his property for a baseball field. "It was sort of like an early Field of Dreams."

The soccer fields were in operation until Community Park was built in the early



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Traci Sincock laughs during a quick tutorial of pickleball at Hillside Recreation Center. The director of Northville Parks and Recreation will be leaving her position at the end of this month to take a job with the Northville Chamber of Commerce.

1990s.

Sincock said she feels fortunate to have worked in the community during a time when so many new facilities were being constructed.

"It seemed like every year we were building a new park or adding another project because the community was growing so fast," she said.

CHAMBER EASY TRANSITION

The Northville Parks and Recreation Department already has a close partnership with the Chamber of Commerce already, so Sincock has worked with Humphries and her chamber co-associate director Jeri Johnson on many projects over

the years.

"Instead of serving the residential community, I'll be serving the business community," Sincock said.

The next big event is the Business Showcase at Northville High School on March 5. "This year's theme is Hollywood," Sincock said.

WHAT MAKES COMMUNITY SPECIAL

Sincock said what makes Northville special is the cohesiveness between the city, township and the schools.

"Other communities are trying to figure out how to do this, and it's just our culture here

since the 1970s," she said.

Sincock grew up in Lansing and graduated from Eastern Michigan University. She and her husband of 15 years, Paul, live in Plymouth with their yellow Labrador retriever, Luke.

She enjoys participating in the Susan G. Komen Three-Day Breast Cancer Walk for the past 10 years either as a walker or a volunteer, running, golfing, downhill skiing, travel and reading. Her mother, Jane, died of breast cancer.

"I don't want anybody else to have to ever go through that, so whatever I can do is my mission," she said.

She is also an active Northville Rotary Club member and was very involved in the Michigan Parks and Recreation Association and foundation board.

"The township thanks Traci for a remarkable record of service," said Chip Snider, township manager. "Traci performed admirably and effectively at a time of great changes to the challenges facing the Northville community. The residents appreciated her determination to achieve the right results in the back room or the boardroom. Traci was recognized as a leader in government with a distinctive expertise in recreation."

She said her mission as director of Northville Parks and Recreation was to leave the department in better shape than she found it. "I hope we did that," Sincock said.

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Bell ringer

Eighty-four year Northville resident Madeline Crawford begins her 4-6 p.m. shift for Salvation Army bell-ringing at Center Street's Hiller's on Dec. 20. Crawford has lived her whole life in Northville and this is her first year volunteering to raise money at the holidays for the Salvation Army.

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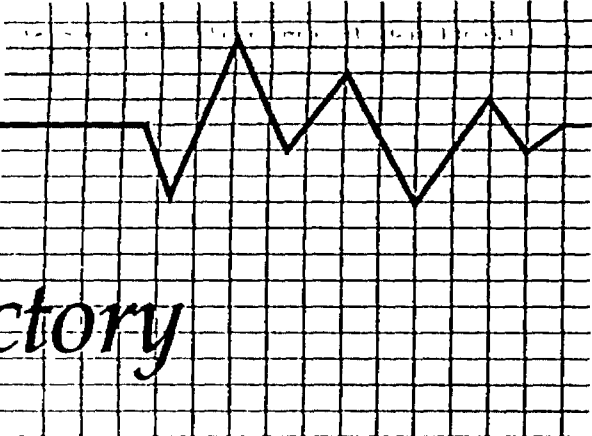
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## OUR VIEWS

# Holiday season Bringing out the best in our communities

As we sit with our families and friends and celebrate another Christmas and holiday season, most of us can be thankful for the ability to enjoy the trappings of the season — the food, the presents, the family.

It is our nature to want our families gathered around us, like a warm blanket of love, especially at the holidays. However, not everyone has that luxury. Whether for medical reasons or through economic strife, many don't have families with whom to spend the holidays.

That's what makes people willing to share what they can — be it their money, their toys, their belongings, their homes, their businesses — to help others have a happy holiday season. There are many examples of which we know, including civic groups of all kinds, bell ringers at Salvation Army kettles, churches, volunteers who work the shelters and food lines, local Jewish and Muslim organizations uniting to relieve their Christian brethren on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.

Countless stories crop up every year of these good-deed doers.

And there are countless more about whom stories do not crop up, folks who help simply because they want to, and can. They host the homeless, donate anonymously to charities, help charitable groups pack food packages.

Those of us left to gather will do so with love and gratitude, as befits the season. Sure, there will be plenty of food and presents, as the commercialization of the season comes to a close, but that's not really the reason we get together. We do so in the spirit of love and togetherness.

It won't be that way for everyone, of course. Local charities again report a decline, for the most part, in giving, but an increase in requests for assistance. Everyone gives what they can, but with an economy still struggling to show signs of recovering, that hasn't been easy.

Each year, we rouse ourselves during the holiday season to listen to the better angels of our nature. We reach out to others during this special time and promise to carry our concern forward into the new year.

Sometimes we do and sometimes we get too caught up in the frenzy of our own too-busy lives to make good on the promise. We do the best we can and then, when the season rolls around again, we make the promise one more time.

The commercial aspect is omnipresent, but once we get past that, the holiday season (Christmas, Hanukkah and Kwanzaa) are for most of us about home and hope, about family and love. We all long to be together, but in today's fast-paced, too-busy-to-take-the-time world, the fates don't always allow that.

Separations come, an assertion all too clear especially to the families of our servicemen and women serving in wars on two fronts — Afghanistan and Iraq — this holiday season. Until we can have that perfect Christmas, we will all simply have to muddle through, somehow.

Sometimes merry little Christmases can be the best kind. We hope your holiday season fulfills your every hope and dream.

## COMMUNITY VOICE

We asked Northville Hillside Middle School students:  
"What are you looking forward to doing over your Christmas break?"



"I'm looking forward to spending time with my family. We have grandparents and cousins who drive in from Pennsylvania and we have dinner."

Kelsey Clay  
Eighth grade



"I'm really looking forward to going to my grandparents, and we watch Ralphie (in the movie 'A Christmas Story'). And my cousins and family all have dinner together."

Jack Ernst  
Eighth grade



"I can't wait for my family on my mom's side to come down, and I'll help my sisters make cookies. I usually get to eat some, too."

Mary Claire Lynch  
Seventh grade



"For Christmas I go to my aunt's home, and everyone's there by the afternoon. Then later on I'm going to Chicago."

Kelsey Macaddino  
Sixth grade

## LETTERS

### Opposing views not welcome

In case you have not heard, bright new signs are being designed to replace the traditional "Welcome to Northville Township" signs that greet many residents and visitors who live and work in the community. The signs will be similar in size; however, they will contain the words "views differing from the township supervisor or Board of Trustees not welcome in this community."

Proof arrived at my doorstep last week when I received a letter in the mail informing me my services were no longer required as a volunteer on the township's Economic Development Corporation / Brownfield Redevelopment Authority. Although I was disappointed my term was not renewed, I was not surprised, as I routinely asked questions and tried to understand the issues rather than "rubber stamping" items that appeared on the agenda for vote.

Case in point, at the Oct. 25 meeting, the group was asked to review / approve an application for a cleanup grant submitted to the EPA for the state hospital property (the actual application was sent in prior to the review by the EDC/BRA). I raised several concerns with regard to the vague application and asked that my nay vote and reasons for the dissenting vote be included in the BRA meeting minutes. My goal was to make the minutes public and transparent so the township residents could hold members accountable for their votes. I'm sure this, along with the fact I did not support the property purchase, sealed my fate.

Needless to say, when the draft minutes were distributed, no mention was made of my concerns (which I've included below).

Most disheartening was how certain township "leaders" provided conflicting and inaccurate statements on why certain terms were extended and others were terminated. Unfortunately, the blatant inaccuracies led the EDC chairperson to submit his resignation — a big loss for the township given his ethical, business acumen, and desire to make Northville Township a better place to live.

I believe, and hope you agree, the responsibilities of a volunteer EDC within a community is to raise questions and provide comments on issues at hand. What good is the committee if it is used to rubber stamp or push agendas of the Board of Trustees?

"Based on the discussion and concerns noted at the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority meeting held on Oct. 25, I do not support the proposed application to the EPA. Concerns noted that should be resolved prior to this or future applications include:

1. No master development plan exists for the Northville State Hospital site. The master plan should include specific details of the use of land, timing for use, and project milestones that can be measured. Specific clean-up requirements (including estimated costs and sources of funding) should be included along with a prioritization of the cleanup plan. No firm date has been set

### WHAT DO YOU THINK?

We welcome your Letter to the Editor. Please include your name, address and phone number for verification. We ask your letters be 400 words or less. We may edit for clarity, space and content. Submit letters via the following formats.

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[www.hometownlife.com](http://www.hometownlife.com)

Deadline: Letters must be received by 10 a.m. Monday to be published in the Thursday edition.

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for completion of the master plan (spring / summer of 2011 does not constitute a firm date).

2. The application is too vague and does not detail how the \$200,000 will be spent. Although it is intended to give flexibility to the Township, by not submitting a detailed plan, the Township could adversely impact the chances of obtaining these, and more importantly, future funds. Grants are competitive and most likely will be awarded to applicants with solid, detailed plans. Why not put our best foot forward and show the EPA we are serious about this property (hard to say you are serious without a master plan)."

Mark Oswald  
Northville Township

### Was Scrooge a Republican?

Remember the Christmas story about Scrooge? He was a rich business owner who paid his employees starvation wages and didn't care that they were barely able to feed their families. He was only interested in making more money for himself. Many Republican members of Congress seem to have adopted Scrooge's philosophy. They are doing their best to deprive average Americans of fair tax rates, jobs and even Social Security. They are laughing all the way to the banks, most of which they own.

Republicans want the super rich to keep the tax breaks they received from the Bush administration. These wealthy folks have so many homes, luxury cars, private jets and bulging bank accounts they can't keep track of them. Democrats want average Americans to have some well-deserved tax cuts, but Republicans insist there will be no tax cuts for the little guys unless the super-rich keep theirs.

Democrats want to rebuild roads and bridges many of which are dangerously close to collapsing, like the one in Minneapolis in 2007. This would provide jobs for thousands of Americans and make highway systems safer. But Scrooge says, "We can't afford that." These same congressmen remained silent when President

Bush gave billions of dollars to Wall Street bankers with no strings attached.

If you have lost your job and depend on your unemployment check, you may be out of luck. Scrooge has voted to stop unemployment checks, too. 'Tis the season to be jolly, but a message of disapproval to Republicans in Congress might be in order, also.

Fla Smith  
Wolverine Lake

### Schools should work with businesses

In today's tightening job market, one would think that technical schools, community colleges and traditional four-year colleges and universities would be preparing their students better than ever for the business world and helping them get jobs.

The reality is they are not. When I was in college back in the late 1980s, for my last couple of years I was already working full time and always found it strangely funny in a sick kind of way how professors were encouraging students to go to graduate school and not seek business experience before getting their masters.

Perhaps that is why the economy is in the mess it is today. University and colleges are not teaching or stressing the importance of moving fast and getting things done. In business, money loves speed.

But as I went to colleges, technical schools and two-year universities (avoiding the four-year colleges because we had just hired a recent grad that seemed to love research, but never wanted to get anything done) I noticed most of the placement directors or career planning coordinators did not answer their phones. Worse yet, they had many assistants reporting to them, and I am not sure if they would answer their phones either.

After calling 10 colleges, I only had two who answered the phone and were helpful. I even said to one, "Great, I found someone that will answer their phone." What is wrong with this picture? Keep that in mind when you are tempted to vote "yes" for raising taxes for publicly-funded education system. Perhaps the time has come to make all colleges and university taxable business, since they seem to be in business to make money and not help their student.

Here I want to hire some of their alumni, recent graduates or current students wanting to get valuable business experience before graduating, and they make me work very hard just to talk to someone.

If they are truly concerned about the students' best interest, should they be the ones doing the work and making the phone calls to find out what business are hiring?

When did we let the world get turned so upside-down?

Doug Klingensmith, concerned  
business owner  
Milford

## ONLINE VOICES & VIEWS



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](http://hometownlife.com)

### Letters to the Northville Record Editor: New super should not be same old

"Really, is that how our school system should be run?" - Cecilia Bruck  
YES!!!

carguy2

### Anti-bullying club forms at Northville High School

This should have been started long ago and in earlier grades. I have a daughter who skipped 8th grade in the Northville School system because of bullying and the principal at the time just said it was "part of growing up". No common sense and less work for her/him. I wish good luck to this group... and MAYBE the administration and school board will hopefully support this endeavor.

Suburbs49

Great job, Ali! I personally know the girl who started this, and I can tell you that she is very passionate about this cause. I also know the teacher who sponsors this, and she also truly believes the club's mission. I am proud to say that I support this 100% and that I am also a member! I am happy that our school is starting to take a second look at bullying. As shown by suburbs49's post, bullying is a serious issue. We don't just attend school to learn, but more importantly, to become better citizens.

RobertHsu

## Blood drive

St. Mary Mercy Hospital and the American Red Cross have partnered in a blood drive campaign in 2010. The last of the five blood drives is being held from 6 a.m.-6 p.m., Tuesday, Dec. 28, in the hospital's auditorium. St. Mary Mercy's 2010 blood drive theme is "Seasons of Giving." The December blood drive is the "Seasons of Giving Finale", and donors will receive a holiday ornament and a Red Cross Racing T-shirt. Donors will also be entered into a drawing for a 42" LCD flat screen TV and a drawing for a weekend getaway at the Inn and Spa at Cedar Falls in Logan, Ohio.

To schedule an appointment call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE, or visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org). Walk-ins are accepted, but appointments are preferred. St. Mary Mercy Hospital is located at 36475 Five Mile Road at Levan.

## Holiday photos win!

Send us your favorite holiday photos for a chance to win a prize.

Go to [hometownlife.com](http://hometownlife.com) (Get Published) and post your favorite holiday photo (or photos) with a short caption, then encourage friends and family to vote by clicking recommend under the photo. The top vote-getter will receive tickets for two to Imagine Theater (Canton or Novi). The second and third place winners will receive a coupon for a free four-square cheese and one-topping Buddy's pizza.

Contest ends midnight Dec. 31. Share your holiday spirit with others! Go to [hometownlife.com](http://hometownlife.com).

## Clarification

Last week's article about Leo's Coney Island of Chicago failed to indicate the location: 3455 North Southport Avenue, Chicago, IL 60657; (773) 281-5367.

## Cruise preview

Local Chef Dawn Bause, of Cooking with Dawn Tours, LLC has teamed up with Brookside Travel of Northville and Azumara Club Cruises to create a NEW seven day Mediterranean Sea and Land Culinary Adventure in France and Italy. The cruise leaves for Nice, France on Sept. 17, 2011 and returns Sept. 23.

Join Chef Dawn on Tuesday, Jan. 18 from 7-9 p.m. at Epiphany Kitchens, 107 N. Center Street, in downtown Northville for a Wine and Cheese Preview Night. Attendants will hear about the trip and have the chance to ask questions about pricing, itinerary and much more. There is no charge to attend, but reservations are required.

For more information, to order a cookbook or RSVP to attend this event, contact Chef Dawn Bause at [AskDawnNow@aol.com](mailto:AskDawnNow@aol.com).

com or call Brookside Travel at (248) 344-4747. For information on upcoming classes and much more, visit [www.cookingwithdawn.com](http://www.cookingwithdawn.com).

## Buy Girl Scout cookies through Jan. 10

Girl Scouts in the Ann Arbor region are ready to take your order during their once-a-year cookie program. The sale runs through Jan. 10 in Livingston and Washtenaw counties and the communities of Canton, Milan, Northville and Plymouth. It offers customers a chance to purchase their favorite treats while supporting the Girl Scout leadership program for girls ages 5-17.

Girl Scouts cookies are still just \$3.50 a box for each of eight varieties. This year marks 35 years of production for Girl Scout Samoas, which combine the flavors of vanilla, caramel, toasted coconut and chocolate into a chewy cookie.

The Girl Scout Cookie Program is the largest business literacy program for girls in the country. Through the Girl Scout cookie program, girls learn five key life skills - goal-setting, decision-making, money management, relating to others and business ethics. They also learn about the democratic process as they decide together on community service projects and troop activities to support with sale proceeds.

Customers can help Girl Scouts learn about charitable giving through the Gift of Caring program by purchasing cookies to be donated to members of the U. S. military and to local food pantries.

## Intern for Kowall

State Senator-elect Mike Kowall (R-White Lake) is offering several internship positions effective Jan. 1. The positions are for his Senate office in Lansing.

Interns will provide assistance to Senator-Elect Kowall and the people of the 15th State Senate district. Responsibilities will include but are not limited to: answering phones, drafting written correspondence to groups and individuals, monitoring legislation, attending meetings, and conducting research. Additional responsibilities may be assigned, as warranted.

Candidates for these positions should possess excellent communications skills, specifically writing and telephone skills. Legislative experience and a basic understanding of computer office programs, such as Microsoft Word and Excel, are helpful.

This is an unpaid position. Hours are negotiable and school credit can be arranged.

"This is an excellent opportunity for a young person to get an 'insiders' understanding of the Legislature and the legislative process," Kowall said.

Interested individuals are encouraged to send a resume and writing sample to: State Senator-elect Mike Kowall; Attn: Mike Murray, Chief of Staff; P.O. Box 30036; Lansing, MI 48909; or b email to [contact@murrcomm.net](mailto:contact@murrcomm.net)



## Over one ton

Girl Scout Juniors in Troop 40834 and Troop 40574, all fifth graders at Silver Springs Elementary School, Northville, earned their Girl Scout Bronze Award by collecting more than one ton of canned goods for Northville Civic Concern in November. The 20 girls planned and executed a two-week food drive in the community and at school. The classroom that brought in the most food won a pizza party. The girls collected and delivered more than a ton of food to Civic Concern on Nov. 13. "The girls date-checked all the food, stocked the shelves and learned how the organization distributes food to 180 families right here in our community," said Shannon Graham, leader of Troop 40834. "It was an overwhelming experience for the girls," said Graham. "They really learned a lot and came away from the experience with a new perspective."

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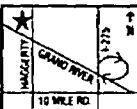
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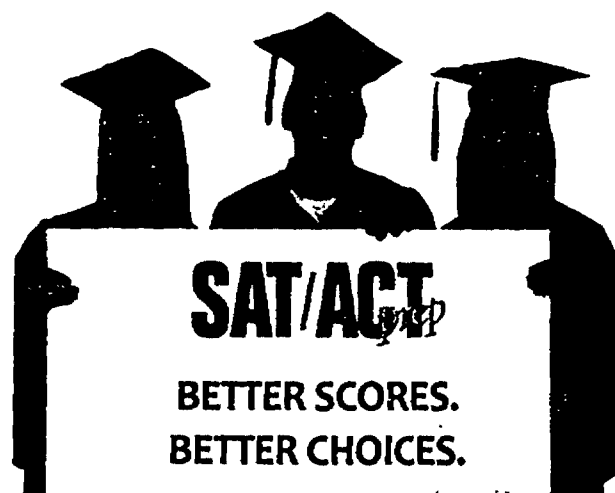
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## LOCAL

### Haircut Day for Cancer Aid & Research

**Time/Date:** 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Jan. 16  
**Location:** VFW 4012, 438 S. Main, Northville  
**Details:** Sponsored by Ladies Auxiliary VFW 4012 (438 S. Main). Raffle baskets and food; \$12 donation.

**Contact:** Betty Burkacki at (734) 891-3921

### "Snow White & The Seven Dwarfs"

**Time/Dates:** 2:30 p.m. Saturdays, Jan. 18, 19 and 22; Sundays, Dec. 26; Jan. 2, 9, 16 and 23; Mondays-Thursdays, Dec. 27-30.  
**Location:** Marquis Theatre, 135 East Main, Northville  
**Details:** Snow White befriends seven lovable and comical dwarfs, survives the Evil Queen, and meets her Prince Charming. Come see this fun, musical with lots of singing and dancing. Tickets for all public performances are \$5.50. Group rates and reserved seating for 20 or more. Please, no children under the age of 3.  
**Contact:** (248) 349-8110 or visit [northvillemarquistheatre.com](http://northvillemarquistheatre.com).

### December Garden Club Meeting

**Time/Date:** 6:30 p.m. (social hour) Monday, Jan. 10  
**Location:** Northville Art House, 215 W. Cady Street  
**Details:** "Caring for Roses" with Beth Liskiewicz from Steinkopf Nursery  
**Contact:** Visit [gardenersnorthville-novi.org](http://gardenersnorthville-novi.org) or call Fran Gunderson at (248) 349-6457

### Friends of the Rouge

**Schoolyard Habitat Workshop**  
**Time/Date:** 6-8 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 19  
**Location:** Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile Road  
**Details:** Put on by FOTR's Rouge Education Project. Learn how to plan, fund, install, and use a habitat for teaching. Speakers include Sarah Halson (Greening of Detroit), Emily Hughes (Friends of the Rouge) and Gary Oswell (Logan Elementary School). Light refreshments; \$10 by Jan. 12.

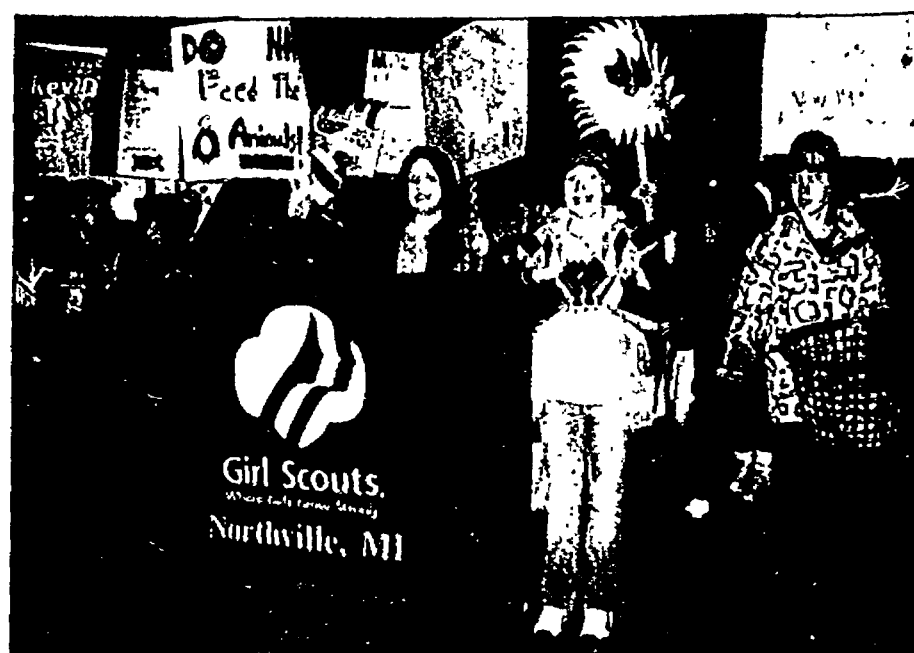
**Contact:** Emily at (313) 792-9626 or [repmanager@therouge.org](mailto:repmanager@therouge.org).  
**Winter Stonefly Search**  
**Time/Date:** 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 22

**Location:** University of Michigan-Dearborn, Environmental Interpretive Center

**Details:** Bundle up and join a team to look for these sensitive aquatic insects in Rouge streams. Children age 5 and older are welcome when accompanied by one participating adult; groups of six or smaller. Groups carpool to sites; own transportation needed. Preregistration required by Jan. 14.

**Contact:** Visit [www.therouge.org/index.php%3Fid=690386.html](http://www.therouge.org/index.php%3Fid=690386.html); call 313-792-9626; or email [monitoring@therouge.org](mailto:monitoring@therouge.org).

### Northville Events



## 2,000 warm hands

The Girl Scout troops in Northville met their goal to warm 2,000 hands this winter by collecting 1,000 pairs of mittens during the month of November, including the Northville Holiday Parade. The girls donated 990+ pairs to Northville Civic Concern and 100+ pairs to Alternative for Youth, a teen shelter in Detroit. "Many thanks to all who donated mittens, and to all of the girls," said Chris Kowalczyk, for the Northville Girl Scouts.

### Northville Nite - Family New Year's Eve Party

**Time/Date:** 4:30-8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 31  
**Location:** Recreation Center at Hillside  
**Details:** Happy New Year! Join us for our Luau theme and hula into 2011. Spend your New Year's Eve celebrating with the community and your friends. Enjoy activities like crafts, face-painting, huge inflatable games, and much more. Northville Rotary Club will be selling hot dogs. Make sure you stay until 8 p.m. because you can't miss the New Year's Eve countdown! Early registration (on

or before Dec. 23) is \$2 for 1-2 year olds; \$10 for 3-17 year olds; \$5 for 18 and older.

### Guys On Ice

**Time/Date:** 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 31  
**Location:** Tipping Point Theatre  
**Details:** Life, love and the one that got away highlight this bold, fresh and unique musical comedy about ice-fishing buddies from Wisconsin who share a love of good bait, cold beer and the Green Bay Packers. Afterglow party with appetizers provided by Rocky's of Northville; beer, wine and a toast close to midnight. After-show entertainment with guitarist Jarrett Cogswell. Tickets are

\$75 and include the chance to win something shiny from Orin Jewelers; \$45 for season pass holders; \$30 of ticket price is tax-deductible.  
**Contact:** (248) 347-0003 or email [tipx@tippingpointtheatre.com](mailto:tipx@tippingpointtheatre.com).

### Pint Size Hero Blood Drive

**Time/Date:** 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Sat., Feb. 5  
**Location:** Amerman Elementary Gymnasium, 847 N. Center Street, Northville  
**Details:** Please help the Brownies at Amerman Elementary learn the value and importance of blood donation by attending our upcoming blood drive. Through your generous donation of blood you can help save three lives and our children can learn the value of giving of themselves. You must be at least 17 years old, weigh at least 110 pounds, be in general good health and provide a valid photo ID upon donation. Please plan on being at the drive for 90 minutes. Appointments are recommended and can be made by registering at [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) (enter sponsor code: amerman). You can also contact Mrs. Franchi or Mrs. Scavnicki if you are unable to register online. Donor eligibility questions can be answered by calling (866) 236-3276.  
**Contact:** Aileen Franchi (248) 596-1021 or Katie Jodi (248) 344-8943.

### American Legion

**Location:** Northville American Legion Lloyd H. Green Post 147, 100 W. Dunlap

Please see **CALENDAR, A13**

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FRI 12:00, 2:35, 5:00  
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## CALENDAR

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Contact: www.americanlegion-post147.org.

## Slider Nite

Time/Date: 5:30-8 p.m. Wednesdays  
 Details: Open to the public (including children); \$1.50 each for a slide or fries.

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Time/Date: 5:30-8 p.m. every first and third Fridays of the month  
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 Contact: Cris Doering, Auxiliary president, (734) 756-7043

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Location: 215 W. Cady St., Northville  
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Exhibit: Erik Olson, An Outside View  
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 Contact: Northville Art House (248) 344-0497 or www.northvillearts.org for on-going art classes, lectures, events, rentals, volunteering

## Mill Race Historical Village

Location: 215 Griswold Ave., north of Main Street near Ford Field  
 Details: Office open 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Monday-Friday. Village buildings open free to the public 1-4 p.m., Sundays, mid-June to mid-Oct.  
 Contact: (248) 348-1845

## Weekly Events

(\*Grounds closed to public)

Thursday: Office and Archives

closed for Holiday

Friday: Office and Archives Closed for Holiday



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## It's snowtime!

As they pass a couple of sledgers who wiped out above them, Cain Dimon and his daughter Eva, 3, zoom down the hill at Northville's Amerman Elementary on Dec. 13. The hill saw lots of use that day after six inches of snow fell and school was cancelled. There might have been even more people on the hill that day, but wind chill readings were about zero at the time this photo was taken.

Monday: Office closed for holiday; 7

p.m. Lions Club

Tuesday: Office closed for holiday

Wednesday: Office closed for

holiday; 6:45 p.m. Mindfulness

Meditation Group

## Maybury State Park

Location: Eight Mile Road (between Beck and Napier roads) State Park  
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Contact: (248) 349-8390, Friends of Maybury (248) 349-3858 or FriendsOfMaybury.org.

## Sunrise Networking

Time/Date: 7:30-9 a.m. first and third Tuesdays

Location: Kerby's Coney Island, 21200 Haggerty Road, Northville

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## REGIONAL EVENTS

## Jazz @ The Elks

Time/Date: 7-10:30 p.m. fourth

Tuesdays

Location: Plymouth Elks Lodge

#1780, 41700 Ann Arbor Road, just west of Haggerty Road in Plymouth. Details: These events are keeping the uniquely American tradition of jazz alive in southeast Michigan. A \$5 donation at the door includes hors d'oeuvres and live jazz in a beautiful club setting. This month features the Just Jazz Trio with Jerry McKenzie on drums, Matt Michaels on piano and Dan Jordan on bass on Dec. 28.

## Women's Network Source

Time/Date: 6:30-9:30 p.m. second Mondays

Location: Real Estate One, 346 N. Lafayette, South Lyon

Details: Networking and education meetings; cost is \$5. Women's Network Source was established

to empower, motivate and support women to become successful entrepreneurs. WNS welcomes women curious about exploring whether to start a new business or learning how to grow their current business to attend an upcoming meeting.  
 Contact: Debra Downing at (248) 252-2952 or downingddd@aol.com

## Moondusters Ballroom

## Dance Club

Time/Date: 7-8 p.m. lessons, 8:30-11:30 p.m. dance every Saturday

Location: Livonia Senior Center, Five Mile and Farmington roads, Livonia

Details: Lessons are \$6, dance with live music is \$6, cost for both is \$10.  
 Contact: Joe Castrodale (248) 968-5197

## Rock Financial Showplace

Location: 4600 Grand River Ave., Novi

Contact: (248) 348-5600

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Time/Date: 4-9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 7; 9:30-8 Saturday, Jan. 8; 9:30-5 Sunday, Jan. 9; 9:30 am-5:00 pm.

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#### Northville Public Schools BOARD OF EDUCATION

Date: Second and fourth Tuesday of the month  
Time: 7:30 p.m.  
Location: Old Village School

#### City of Northville CITY COUNCIL

Date: First and third Monday of the month  
Time: 7:30 p.m.  
Location: City Hall, 215 W. Main St.

#### DOWNTOWN Development AUTHORITY MEETING

Date: Third Tuesday of each month  
Time: 8 a.m.  
Location: City Hall Meeting Room A, on lower level, 215 W. Main St.  
Contact: downtownnorthville.com

#### PLANNING COMMISSION

Date: First and third Tuesday of month  
Time: 7:30 p.m.  
Location: City Hall

#### HOUSING COMMISSION

Date: Second Wednesday of every month  
Time: 3 p.m.  
Location: Allen Terrace, 401 High St.

#### HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

Date: Third Wednesday of month  
Time: 7 p.m.  
Location: City Hall

#### ARTS COMMISSION

Date: Second Wednesday of every month  
Time: 7:30 p.m.  
Location: Art House, 215 W. Cady St.

### Civic concern

With a bag of gifts on her back, Northville High School student Leigh Fitzpatrick heads off to the car of a Civic Concern client during its annual holiday party on Dec. 11. Northville High School pom pon team and Rotary Interact members helped to distribute needy families' Christmas gifts on that day.

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#### BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION

Date: First Monday of every month  
Time: 8 a.m.  
Details: Individuals and organizations invited to attend.  
Location: Northville City Hall, Meeting Room B

#### Northville Township PLANNING COMMISSION

Date: Last Tuesday of month  
Time: 7:30 p.m.  
Location: Township Hall, 44405 West Six Mile

#### BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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

#### Location: Township Hall ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

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

#### Location: Township Hall BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION

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

#### Location: Township Hall YOUTH ASSISTANCE

Date: Second Tuesday of every month  
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#### Location: Northville Township Hall, 44405 Six Mile Road

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### WEDDING



#### Varley & DePerro

Kathryn Varley, of Northville, and Christopher DePerro, of Grand Blanc, were married Oct. 8, 2010, at St. James Catholic Church of Novi with Fr. George Charnley officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Dennis and Ro Varley of Northville. She attended Western Michigan University and is employed by Livonia Public Schools. Her attendants were Allyson Varley, Jennifer Bozyk, Elisabeth Deller, Kristen Formaro, Lindsey Helminski, Sarah Johnson and Kara MacMillan.

The groom is the son of Phillip and Karen DePerro of Saucier, Miss. He attended Michigan State University and is employed by Logicalis. His attendants were Jason Lind, Kent Haglund, Jason Hunt, Nathan Landesman, Jeffrey Varley, Ryan Varley and Christopher Varley.

A reception was held at Waldenwoods. The couple honeymooned in St. Lucia and reside in Northville.

### ENGAGEMENT

#### Kirkpatrick & Breithaupt

Lynn and David Kirkpatrick, of Northville, announce the engagement of their daughter, Anne Kirkpatrick, to Nathanael Breithaupt, of Traverse City, son of Gwen and Chris Breithaupt of Northville.

The bride-to-be earned a master's in biomedical engineering from University of Michigan this month. He received his bachelor's in business administration (finance) from University of Michigan, and he is working at United Airlines headquarters in



Chicago on the finance staff. A May 2011 wedding in Northville is planned.

### ENGAGEMENT

#### Zawacki & Tosh

Michael and Carolyn Zawacki, of Northville, announce the engagement of their daughter, Katie Zawacki, to Jason Tosh, son of Dennis and Edith Tosh, of Taylor.

The bride-to-be graduated from Northville High School in 2003; from the University of Michigan with a bachelor's degree in English in 2007; and from the University of Michigan with a master's degree in secondary education in 2008. She is employed at Hinsdale South High School in Darien, Ill. as an English teacher.

The groom-elect graduated from Baptist Park High School in 2002; and from Lee University in Cleveland, Tenn. in 2006 with a bachelor's



degree in business administration. He works for Fifth Third Securities (an affiliate of Fifth Third Bank) and manages investments for the northeast side of Chicago.

The couple, of Chicago, is to be married Aug. 6, 2011, in Detroit.



## Talk about an educated family!

Barbara Freeland and her daughter Alison Freeland of Northville both graduated from Oakland University on Dec. 12 with their doctorate degrees. Barbara, who received her doctor of nursing practice degree, is a graduate of Madonna University earning her bachelor of science in nursing in 1977 and a master of science in nursing administration in 1990. Alison, who earned her doctor of physical therapy degree, is a 2003 graduate of Northville High and received her bachelor of science from Michigan State University in 2003. The family's other daughter, Megan Freeland, received her doctorate degree from New York University in 2005 and is a 1998 Northville High graduate.

### NEWSMAKERS

#### Mueller re-elected



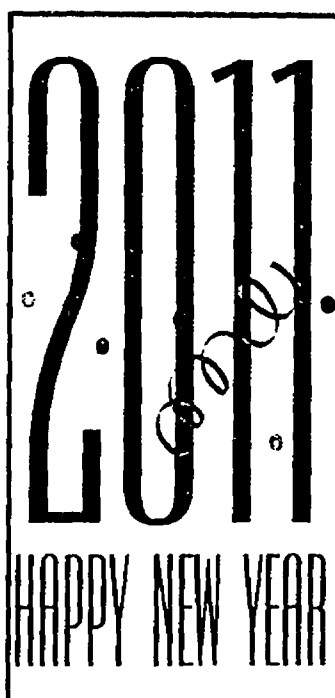
Mueller

Northville resident Wolfgang Mueller was unanimously re-elected to the position of vice chairperson of the Michigan Unarmed Combat Commission, the state commission that oversees professional

boxing and mixed martial arts in Michigan.

Mueller, an attorney with Olsman Mueller Wallace & MacKenzie, PC, in Berkley, Mich., was appointed to the UCC by Governor Jennifer Granholm and was first elected as vice chairperson in 2009.

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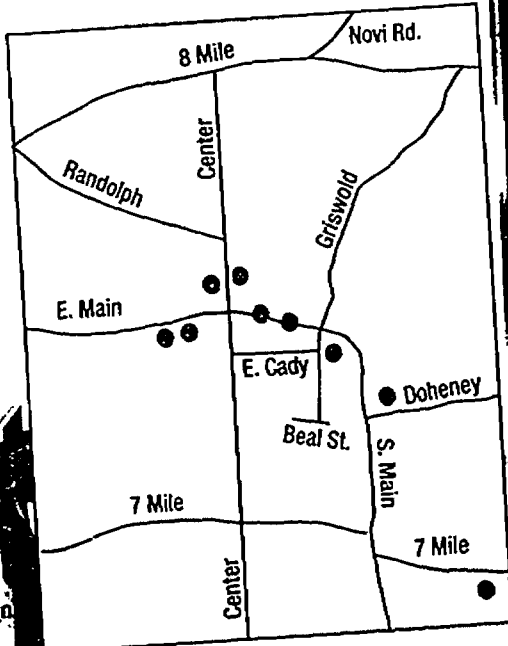
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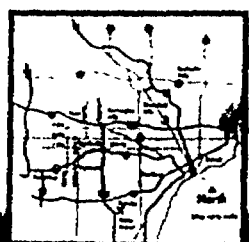
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COURTESY OF TEAM IVON

Members of the two-time AAU national champion Team Ivon pose for a group photo after winning the Young Men division (ages 17-18) race Dec. 4 in Orlando. From left to right are Sahil Mehta, Joe Schubring, Steve Pravato, Nirguna Thalla, Brett Giampa, Chase Conrad, Garrett Murphy, Chris Vera-Burgos and Kevin Hanlon.

## Team Ivon repeats as national AAU champ

### Boys harriers dominate in offseason race

BY CHRIS JACKETT  
CORRESPONDENT

It may be the offseason for Novi's boys cross country team, but that didn't stop many of their runners from uniting for an offseason trip to Orlando for the AAU Cross Country National Championships.

Competing as Team Ivon - a homage to their hometown, "Ivon" is "Novi" spelled backwards - 22 Wildcats raced in the Youth division (ages 13-14), Intermediate division (ages 15-16) and Young Men division (ages 17-18) at the 5-kilometer (4-k for Youth division) event held Dec. 4.

To qualify, teams had to place in top three at the Michigan district race in November or any individuals who placed in the top 25 at the district race could also compete.

As the defending champions in the

Young Men division, the Wildcats had no trouble qualifying and repeating with another national title despite losing their top runner from last year.

Senior Brett Giampa finished second in an All-American time of 16 minutes and 38 seconds. He was followed by seniors Joe Schubring (sixth in 16:54), Chase Conrad (14th in 17:58), Chris Vera-Burgos (17th in 18:07) and Garrett Murphy (18th in 18:18).

In addition to the top five runners who earned Team Ivon a score of 57, senior Steve Pravato was 22nd in 18:28, senior Nirguna Thalla 23rd in 18:29, junior Kevin Hanlon 28th in 19:30 and senior Sahil Mehta was 32nd in 20:12.

The younger Novi runners also fared well, as the Intermediate division edition of Team Ivon placed sixth nationally behind junior Eric Gardner's 24th-place finish in 17:33. Adding to the team's score of 216 were junior

Ryan Tgiros (36th in 18:06), junior Mike Benkarski (42nd in 18:23), freshman Mike Dickmann (55th in 18:55) and sophomore Allen Potter (59th in 19:04).

Freshman Cameron Richman (61st in 19:08), sophomore Mitch Hall (75th in 19:54), sophomore Brennan Giese (76th in 19:55), freshman Paul Hoag (79th in 20:14) and freshman Justin Jarvis (80th in 20:15) also competed for the Intermediate team, but their finishes only pushed back the competition and did not count in the top-five scoring.

Team Ivon had just three harriers competing in the Youth division's shorter 4k race. Among a field of 76 runners, freshman Brian Barnes finished 10th in 14:15. Freshmen Nathan Hall (24th in 15:00) and David Gardner (44th in 15:41) also showed a glimpse of the Wildcats' future while competing with the Youth division AAU team.

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## Mustangs split week

### Boys basketball beats Walled Lake Western, falls to Glenn

BY SAM EGGLESTON  
CORRESPONDENT

It was a week of wins and losses for the Mustangs as they headed into the winter break.

The squad, coached by Todd Sander, earned a 68-59 win over Walled Lake Western before bowing, 47-43, to a tough John Glenn squad.

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The Mustangs will be in action during the winter break, playing Tuesday in their own Holiday Tournament with a game against Dearborn. The team will then play Jan. 7 against Livonia Stevenson.

Against Western, Northville followed the lead of Andrew Baldwin, who scored 31 in the victory, including 18 in the first half.

"Drew was very efficient tonight," said Sander. "I thought it was one of his best games of his career."

Northville actually trailed, 36-32, at the end of the first half despite the outstanding performance by Baldwin, but the team came back to lead, 50-45, by the end of the third before completely taking control.

"We played a pretty complete game," said Sander. "Despite trailing by four at the half, we felt pretty good about where we were at."

The team came out and took advantage of Walled Lake's willingness to shoot, claiming control through strong rebounding and solid shooting.

Contributing to the win were Levi Perry and Al Myers, who had eight points each. Myers added six of his in the third quarter alone.

"(Al) was real active around the rim and the offensive glass," said Sander. "I was happy how he responded to the challenge after the break."

Unfortunately, Northville wasn't able to repeat that kind of comeback against John Glenn, which took a 22-20 lead by the end of the first half and managed to stay just ahead of the Mustangs until the final buzzer.

"We trailed most of the game with Glenn's lead fluctuating between two and five much of the night," said Sander. "We struggled with some of Glenn's pressure early, turning it over 10 times in the first half. We had a few key breakdowns--that I think were mostly mental--but in general, we played terrific team defense."

Northville followed the lead of Bryce Groshek and Baldwin, who had 16 points each. Glenn, however, did hold Baldwin to just four in the first half.

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## Sparling finishes second at county meet

### Novi wrestlers defeat Farmington, N. Farmington

BY CHRIS JACKETT  
CORRESPONDENT

It was a strong week of competition for Novi wrestlers again, as the Wildcats defeated both Farmington and North Farmington while also competing in the Oakland County Championships.

Competing in a quad meet at Northville Dec. 15, Novi edged out the Falcons 39-37 in the first dual contest. Heading into the final two matches with a 33-31 lead, sophomore Ben Landry (160 pounds) pinned his opponent in the first round.

Junio Giddiani Albuerno (125), senior Beau Bielski (140), senior David Sparling (189) and senior Alan Mencer (215) also won their matches by pin fall, while senior Shabaig Sidhu (135)

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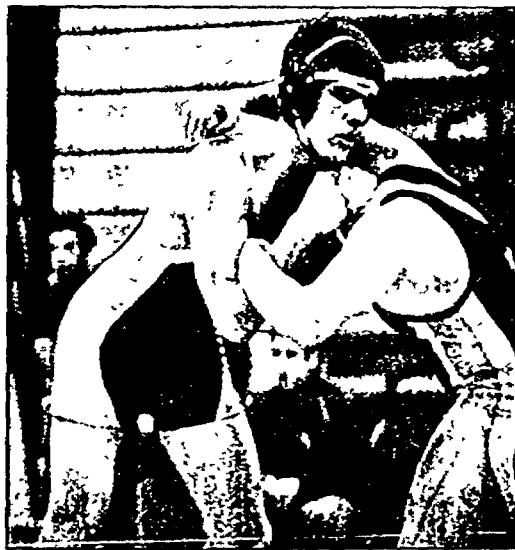
Novi's wrestlers will rest up until 5:30 p.m. Jan. 5 when they host a crossover quad meet with Plymouth Salem, Livonia Churchill and Livonia Franklin all in attendance.

contributed with 7-1 decision and sophomore Dan DeNova (103) won by default.

Not tired by the contest with Farmington, the Wildcats defeated North Farmington 48-25. Seven pins were too much for the Raiders to overcome.

Seniors Bielski, Sparling, Mencer, Derick Becker (145), Chris Caverly

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Novi Wildcat David Sparling wrestler on Dec. 15.

## Girls hoop program shows dominance again

### Wildcats improving on early mistakes

BY CHRIS JACKETT  
CORRESPONDENT

A pair of road contests at Walled Lake Central and Livonia Churchill last week allowed Novi's girls basketball team to close out the month with two solid victories.

The 'Cats (5-0) outscored the two schools 105-39 during the two games, an average 33-point margin of victory.

"It was good to see some things come together. The girls executed the game plan for both games and played together," Novi coach Bill Kelp said.

The tougher of the two tasks was Dec. 14 at Central (3-2), but the Wildcats shut out the Vikings in the second quarter en route to a 31-7 halftime lead and 57-29

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win.

"They were 3-0 and shoot the ball well, so we focused on contesting their shots. We did a good job of contesting their shots and limiting them to only one shot," Kelp said. "Brittany Berehulka shot really well and showed her range."

A sophomore, Berehulka led all scorers with 21 points while shooting 4-for-7 from distance (6-for-11 overall). Senior Joanna Beaton also turned in a strong performance with 14 points on 4-for-7 shooting. The two combined to shoot 11-for-12 at the free throw line.

"We have been struggling at the line, so it was good to see; both of them are fundamentally our best shooters," Kelp said.

Sophomore Jade Antolec also had a solid six-point, six-rebound performance as the Wildcats shot 36.2 percent from the field (17-for-47) and 77.3 percent from the charity stripe (17-for-22).

Novi also controlled their turnovers (five) and fouls (12), while Central made 18 turnovers and 15 fouls while shooting 9-for-30 from the field.

"We took care of the ball against WLC by playing together," Kelp said.

The Wildcats' turnover troubles returned in an otherwise dominant showing in last Thursday's contest at Churchill (1-3), where very little worked out for the Chargers in a crushing 48-10 Novi victory.

"We wanted to pressure their guards to make it difficult to get into the post because they have a very good post player and that was the difference," Kelp said.

Although the Wildcats made 17 turnovers - the same number of steals they had - the Chargers made 27 turnovers and only had two more field goal attempts than Novi had field goals made. The 'Cats shot 41.7 percent (20-for-48) and Churchill shot 4-for-22 from the field.

The Chargers out rebounded Novi 16-14 overall, but were shut out in the second quarter. It was Novi's second straight game with a second-quarter shutout, where senior Alyssa Armiak (seven points on 3-for-3 shooting, four assists) has held down the defense throughout the season.

"I think, in both games, all of our players stepped up defensively and bought into the game plan," Kelp said.

Novi led 30-2 at halftime and rolled through a well-divided offensive display.

Beaton led all scorers with 11 points, followed by senior Maddy Sinkovich (nine points), freshman Kerri McMahan (eight points, six assists, four steals), sophomore Jade Antolec (six points) and junior Ally D'Annibale (four points, four rebounds, five steals).

"I think that is one of the strengths of this team right now that different players have led us in scoring most nights. This means that they are playing unselfishly and together," Kelp said. "I think Joanna has been very steady and has gained a lot of confidence. I'm very proud of the way she has been playing."



Wildcat Abby Chandler.

## ON TAP

After taking a few weeks off from competition due to the holiday break, the Wildcats' boys basketball team (5-0) will return to action Jan. 7 against visiting South Lyon (2-1). KLA Central Division play continues Jan. 11 at Plymouth Salem (1-4) and Jan. 14 against visiting Northville (1-1). All games tip off at 7 p.m.

After an impressive showing the night prior, Berehulka was held to one point on 0-for-10 shooting; eight were three-point attempts.

## FRESHMEN

Novi's freshmen team has dominated the opposition on its way to a 4-0 record this season, with a 166-31 combined advantage over the three Walled Lake schools.

The 'Cats outscored Central 49-7, Northern 53-13, Western 64-11 and then Saline 43-33 in the season opener.

Erin Direks (11 points), Sarah Elhage (nine points), Hannah Fan (eight points) and Kasey Lowney (six points) led the way Dec. 15 against Central, while Kelly Lewis (14 points), Fan (9 points) and Serene Ozeir (8 points) led all scorers against a crippled and undermanned Northern squad Dec. 10.

To open the season Dec. 3, the Wildcats used a 19-point third quarter to defeat Saline with Lewis (19 points, 12 rebounds), Rachel Whitens and Anna Greulich (both with six points) leading the way.

The girls followed with a season-high 64 points against Western as Lewis (22 points), Elhage (eight points), Ozeir (eight points) and Whitens (seven points) paced Novi.

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## Churchill misfires, Novi catches fire in 54-29 win

Wildcat starters' eight très in 18 minutes too much for Chargers

BY CHRIS JACKETT  
CORRESPONDENT

There was no coming back from the hole that was dug last Thursday when winless Livonia Churchill visited undefeated Novi.

The Chargers (0-4) didn't have a field goal until the final minute of the first quarter, when senior Cecil Anthony hit a running jumper in the lane for his only basket of the night. The score would only cut the host Wildcats' (4-0) lead to 15-4 before the 'Cats rolled to a 54-29 conference victory.

Novi senior Rob Laney (14 points) was dominant for the Wildcats early on, hitting the first three field goals of the game to get seven of Novi's first eight points during an 8-2 opening run.

"He was really aggressive. He wasn't pleased with the way he played Wednesday night and he came out with the intent that he was going to set the tone," Novi coach Cory Heitsch said.

The 'Cats poured it on in the second quarter as senior Samer Ozeir (game-high 16 points, seven rebounds), junior Scott Kempa (five points) and senior Chris Milon (four points, 15 rebounds, five blocks) joined in for a 20-7 advantage that led to a 35-11 halftime score.

"Things are going his way right now," Heitsch said of Ozeir. "He didn't have as many rebound opportunities because he was playing perimeter defense."

During the first half, the Chargers shot 4-for-24 from the field and 2-for-6 from the free throw line.

"We're starting to find our way. I thought our effort was much better tonight," Churchill coach Jim Solak said. "We're going to fight through this. Second half, our kids played better. We didn't

panic. That's why I think we got better."

Although Churchill came out hitting half of their first few shots in the second half, Novi came out on fire. Three different Wildcats contributed to the team hitting four straight three-pointers in the first 2:13 of the third quarter as Novi built a 47-15 lead and sent the reserves in for the rest of the night.

"I thought they were good shots," Heitsch said. "I'm glad Brian (Bush) got to knock down a couple for us. He's done so much for us on defense."

A senior, Bush hit two of the four three-pointers that sent the starters to the bench and the reserves to the floor. Both of Bush's shots, as well as one from Ozeir, were taken from the same spot on the left side before Laney hit one from the deep right corner.

The Chargers outscored Novi's bench 9-0 to close out the final 5:47 of the third quarter, including five points from junior Bryan Bartig, which tied senior Josh Dillard's first half point total for the team high.

Josh Dillard, a first-year senior player, provided a lot of energy early on when we were down," Solak said.

After a fourth-quarter-opening three pointer by senior Troy Bogenschutz cut the Chargers' deficit to 47-27, neither team could score for several minutes.

A breakaway layup by Novi sophomore Tre Cadwell broke the Wildcats' drought with about 4:30 left in the game, nearly seven minutes since Laney's three pointer.

"They were excited. They were pleased to be out there," Heitsch said of the reserves.

The Wildcats closed out the game on a 7-2 run that began with Cadwell's lone score of the night and held on for a 25-point

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win, 54-29.

"We'll take this break as we're going to start over," Solak said.

## NON-CONFERENCE

The Wildcats' didn't have as easy a time with Walled Lake Central or Saline on the days surrounding the Churchill contest. Novi defeated Central 53-42 Dec. 15 and Saline 76-69 last Friday to cap a string of three victories in three consecutive nights.

Ozeir (21 points, 16 rebounds) and Milon (16 points, 11 rebounds) dominated the stats for Novi, who built a 21-16 halftime lead and 36-22 lead after three quarters before holding on for the victory over Central (2-2).

Against Saline (0-3), it was Ozeir (25 points, 14 rebounds) who led the way again. Novi built a 37-32 halftime lead behind a 12-point first quarter from Laney (22 points, eight rebounds). Milon added 16 points and 14 rebounds, and Ozeir scored 15 in the fourth quarter, as the Wildcats pulled away with a win after falling behind 52-50 at the end of the third quarter. A three-pointer by Laney with two minutes remaining was a dagger for the Hornets as Novi's defense clamped down.

"Fellow seniors Brian Bush, Brady Sheldon, Zac Dotinga, Nate Hill and Avery McIntyre provided huge efforts on the defensive end of the floor," Heitsch said.

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## NORTHVILLE SPORTS ROUNDUP

BY SAM EGGLESTON  
CORRESPONDENT

## Mustang girls outshoot Regina

The Northville Mustangs girls hockey team took home a decisive victory last Friday night, defeating Regina, 6-3.

The Mustangs truly showed off their offensive firepower, outshooting their opponent, 47-18.

Defense, as always, played a huge part in the team's success, said coach Bill Holden. He highlighted the efforts of senior defensemen Lindsey Kreichelt, Katelyn Meek and Natalie Demuro, and sophomore Kate Sell.

"The key to success at the high school level is goaltending and the Mustangs are led by two of the league's best goalies," Holden said.

He is, of course, referring to Avery Allman and Katelyn Sabourin, who both started at the varsity level as sophomores and are the only pair of goalies in the girls hockey program's 10-year history to have done so.

The Mustangs started the night hot with Lauren Grigg claiming the first of her two goals quickly with an assist from Sara Blackhurst. Senior Morgan Malloy followed that with another goal with assists from Sara Bernardi and Paige McGuirk.

Regina came back with their first goal to end the first period trailing, 2-1.

The turning point of the game, however, came in the second as Northville's Allison Holden effectively put the game beyond Regina's reach by scoring three goals in nine minutes, bumping the Mustangs up to a 5-1 lead. She relied on Gabbie Guilford for assists on all three goals. Krista Oldham, Carly Morrell, Chloe Page and Christie Karcher each tallied one assist in the game.

Coach Holden praised the all-around quality of the team, with so many standouts on offense and defense.

"This is one of the best teams in our program's 10-year history, with the potential to go all the way, and everyone on the team and in the league know it," he said.

## Northville gymnasts defer first meet to Lakeland/Milford

The Northville girls gymnastics team started their season on the wrong foot last week as

they met up with the combined squad from Lakeland-Milford. In their first meet of the season, the Mustangs gymnasts were 12 points short of collecting a win as they fell, 136.5-124.5.

## Mustang wrestlers rack up the wins

The Northville wrestling squad had a strong week as they earned several big wins and stayed scrappy against some very talented teams.

They started everything off last Saturday with the Todd Shoenheide Memorial Challenge, a meet they hosted. The Brighton Bulldogs took home the championship in a repeat victory, but Northville competed hard, winning two of the five dual matches.

Senior captain Ian Stirton, a standout grappler expected to have a quality season, was the only Mustang to go undefeated throughout the day, finishing his matches with a perfect 5-0 record. Sophomore Max Mudar showed he's no slouch, compiling a 4-1 record of his own while junior captain Trevor Maresh and Alex Coe also took just one loss each.

A few days later, Northville brought home two wins at a home meet with Farmington High and North Farmington.

The North Farmington Raiders were the first team the Mustangs downed, racking up a 39-21 win with 10 of the meet's 14 matches going in their favor.

Northville followed that win up with a 39-35 victory over the Farmington Falcons.

The two teams kept the match close all the way to the final showdown when Maresh secured the victory with a 17-2 decision over his foe.

The Mustangs added to their early-season accomplishments during a trip to Livonia Franklin's invitational. The team took home a third-place finish with 10 of their 14 weight classes earning individual medals along the way.

Stirton, at 119 pounds, and Jon Montgomery, 160, each took home first place medals. Six more grapplers turned in 4-1 marks on the day including Sam Tacconellie, Alex Hoffman, Travis Compo, Nick Pertunnen, Coe and Maresh.

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plus several other talented grapplers who make regular appearances at the state meet.

That didn't slow down the Wildcats too much, as Mencer (215) finished sixth and Bielski (140) finished seventh in their weight classes. However, the biggest feat of the day went to Sparling, who finished second in the county among 189-pound wrestlers.

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## NHS swimming tops Churchill

BY SAM EGGLESTON  
CORRESPONDENT

There are few better ways to head into Christmas than getting a win. Just ask the Northville Mustangs boys swimming and diving team.

Northville beat out Churchill, 127-59, in a head-to-head meet, bringing their season record to 1-1.

Coach Rich Bennetts said the win is due to increased effort from team members, but the next few weeks will be crucial to their season.

"We gave more effort this week than last, but we have a very long way to go and not a lot of time to get there," Bennetts said. "The next three weeks will tell the story for the season. We have 18 practices over the next 21 days and we will have to improve at each and every practice in order to have a chance to reach some of

## ON TAP

The NHS team will next meet Walled Lake Western at 6:30 p.m. on Jan. 6, followed by the Salem Invitational at noon on Jan. 8.

our goals. Livonia Stevenson, Salem and Novi are all swimming much better than we are right now."

Northville edged out their opponents in the majority of events, tallying first place finishes in eight events.

The team of Scott Wang, Bofang Zhang, William Greenlee and Austin Hunt took first in the 200-meter medley relay with a time of 1:46.67.

Zhang also took first in the 200-meter freestyle with a time of 1:54.53.

Sam Boyea took first in the 50-meter freestyle with a time of 0:24.64; Will Price

was first in diving at 262.95; Greenlee took first in the 100-meter freestyle at 0:50.69; Tim Shea was first in the 500-meter freestyle with a time of 5:15.05; and Nick Hayes took first in the 100-meter backstroke with a time of 1:03.23.

The 400-meter freestyle relay team of Mike Miller, Danny Teng, Nick Hayes and Andrew Westphal finished up the first-place wins with a time of 3:51.91.

Bennetts said the tankers face a bigger challenge when school resumes.

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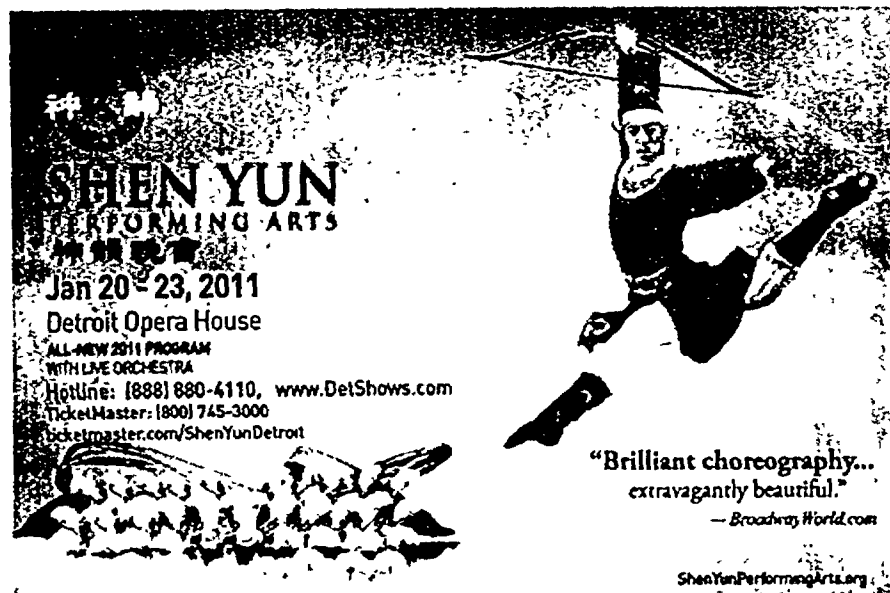
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"They were 3-0 and shoot the ball well, so we focused on contesting their shots. We did a good job of contesting their shots and limiting them to only one shot," Kelp said. "Brittany Berehulka shot really well and showed her range."

A sophomore, Berehulka led all scorers with 21 points while shooting 4-for-7 from distance (6-for-11 overall). Senior Joanna Beaton also turned in a strong performance with 14 points on 4-for-7 shooting. The two combined to shoot 11-for-12 at the free throw line.

"We have been struggling at the line, so it was good to see; both of them are fundamentally our best shooters," Kelp said.

Sophomore Jade Antolec also had a solid six-point, six-rebound performance as the Wildcats shot 36.2 percent from the field (17-for-47) and 77.3 percent from the charity stripe (17-for-22).

Novi also controlled their turnovers (five) and fouls (12), while Central made 18 turnovers and 15 fouls while shooting 9-for-30 from the field.

"We took care of the ball against WLC by playing together," Kelp said.

The Wildcats' turnover troubles returned in an otherwise dominant showing in last Thursday's contest at Churchill (1-3), where very little worked out for the Chargers in a crushing 48-10 Novi victory.

"We wanted to pressure their guards to make it difficult to get it into the post because they have a very good post player and that was the difference," Kelp said.

Although the Wildcats made 17 turnovers - the same number of steals they had - the Chargers made 27 turnovers and only had two more field goal attempts than Novi had field goals made. The 'Cats shot 41.7 percent (20-for-48) and Churchill shot 4-for-22 from the field.

The Chargers outrebounded Novi 16-14 overall, but were shut out in the second quarter. It was Novi's second straight game with a second-quarter shutout, where senior Alyssa Armiak (seven points on 3-for-3 shooting, four assists) has held down the defense throughout the season.

"I think, in both games, all of our players stepped up defensively and bought into the game plan," Kelp said.

Novi led 30-2 at halftime and rolled through a well-divided offensive display.

Beaton led all scorers with 11 points, followed by senior Maddy Sinkovich (nine points), freshman Kerri McMahan (eight points, six assists, four steals), sophomore Jade Antolec (six points) and junior Ally D'Annibale (four points, four rebounds, five steals).

"I think that is one of the strengths of this team right now that different players have led us in scoring most nights. This means that they are playing unselfishly and together," Kelp said. "I think Joanna has been very steady and has gained a lot of confidence. I'm very proud of the way she has been playing."



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## FRESHMEN

Novi's freshmen team has dominated the opposition on its way to a 4-0 record this season, with a 166-31 combined advantage over the three Walled Lake schools.

The 'Cats outscored Central 49-7, Northern 53-13, Western 64-11 and then Saline 43-33 in the season opener.

Erin Direks (11 points), Sarah Elhage (nine points), Hannah Fan (eight points) and Kasey Lowney (six points) led the way Dec. 15 against Central, while Kelly Lewis (14 points), Fan (9 points) and Serene Ozeir (8 points) led all scorers against a crippled and undermanned Northern squad Dec. 10.

To open the season Dec. 3, the Wildcats used a 19-point third quarter to defeat Saline with Lewis (19 points, 12 rebounds), Rachel Whitens and Anna Greulich (both with six points) leading the way.

The girls followed with a season-high 64 points against Western as Lewis (22 points), Elhage (eight points), Ozeir (eight points) and Whitens (seven points) paced Novi.

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## Churchill misfires, Novi catches fire in 54-29 win

Wildcat starters' eight très in 18 minutes too much for Chargers

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There was no coming back from the hole that was dug last Thursday when winless Livonia Churchill visited undefeated Novi.

The Chargers (0-4) didn't have a field goal until the final minute of the first quarter, when senior Cecil Anthony hit a running jumper in the lane for his only basket of the night. The score would only cut the host Wildcats' (4-0) lead to 15-4 before the 'Cats rolled to a 54-29 conference victory.

Novi senior Rob Laney (14 points) was dominant for the Wildcats early on, hitting the first three field goals of the game to get seven of Novi's first eight points during an 8-2 opening run.

"He was really aggressive. He wasn't pleased with the way he played Wednesday night and he came out with the intent that he was going to set the tone," Novi coach Cory Heitsch said.

The 'Cats poured it on in the second quarter as senior Samer Ozeir (game-high 16 points, seven rebounds), junior Scott Kempa (five points) and senior Chris Milon (four points, 15 rebounds, five blocks) joined in for a 20-7 advantage that led to a 35-11 halftime score.

"Things are going his way right now," Heitsch said of Ozeir. "He didn't have as many rebound opportunities because he was playing perimeter defense."

During the first half, the Chargers shot 4-for-24 from the field and 2-for-6 from the free throw line.

"We're starting to find our way. I thought our effort was much better tonight," Churchill coach Jim Solak said. "We're going to fight through this. Second half, our kids played better. We didn't

panic. That's why I think we got better."

Although Churchill came out hitting half of their first few shots in the second half, Novi came out on fire. Three different Wildcats contributed to the team hitting four straight three pointers in the first 2:13 of the third quarter as Novi built a 47-15 lead and sent the reserves in for the rest of the night.

"I thought they were good shots," Heitsch said. "I'm glad Brian (Bush) got to knock down a couple for us. He's done so much for us on defense."

A senior, Bush hit two of the four three pointers that sent the starters to the bench and the reserves to the floor. Both of Bush's shots, as well as one from Ozeir, were taken from the same spot on the left side before Laney hit one from the deep right corner.

The Chargers outscored Novi's bench 9-0 to close out the final 5:47 of the third quarter, including five points from junior Bryan Bartig, which tied senior Josh Dillard's first half point total for the team high.

"Josh Dillard, a first-year senior player, provided a lot of energy early on when we were down," Solak said.

After a fourth-quarter-opening three pointer by senior Troy Bogenschutz cut the Chargers' deficit to 47-27, neither team could score for several minutes.

A breakaway layup by Novi sophomore Tre Cadwell broke the Wildcats' drought with about 4:30 left in the game, nearly seven minutes since Laney's three pointer.

"They were excited. They were pleased to be out there," Heitsch said of the reserves.

The Wildcats closed out the game on a 7-2 run that began with Cadwell's lone score of the night and held on for a 25-point

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The Wildcats' didn't have as easy of a time with Walled Lake Central or Saline on the days surrounding the Churchill contest. Novi defeated Central 53-42 Dec. 15 and Saline 76-69 last Friday to cap a string of three victories in three consecutive nights.

Ozeir (21 points, 16 rebounds) and Milon (16 points, 11 rebounds) dominated the stats for Novi, who built a 21-16 half-time lead and 36-22 lead after three quarters before holding on for the victory over Central (2-2).

Against Saline (0-3), it was Ozeir (25 points, 14 rebounds) who led the way again. Novi built a 37-32 halftime lead behind a 12-point first quarter from Laney (22 points, eight rebounds). Milon added 16 points and 14 rebounds, and Ozeir scored 15 in the fourth quarter, as the Wildcats pulled away with a win after falling behind 52-50 at the end of the third quarter. A three-pointer by Laney with two minutes remaining was a dagger for the Hornets as Novi's defense clamped down.

"Fellow seniors Brian Bush, Brady Sheldon, Zac Dotinga, Nate Hill and Avery McIntyre provided huge efforts on the defensive end of the floor," Heitsch said.

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## NORTHVILLE SPORTS ROUNDUP

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## Mustang girls outshoot Regina

The Northville Mustangs girls hockey team took home a decisive victory last Friday night, defeating Regina, 6-3.

The Mustangs truly showed off their offensive firepower, outshooting their opponent, 47-18.

Defense, as always, played a huge part in the team's success, said coach Bill Holden. He highlighted the efforts of senior defensemen Lindsey Kreichelt, Katelyn Meck and Natalie Demuro, and sophomore Kate Sell.

"The key to success at the high school level is goaltending and the Mustangs are led by two of the league's best goalies," Holden said.

He is, of course, referring to Avery Allman and Katilyn Sabourin, who both started at the varsity level as sophomores and are the only pair of goalies in the girls hockey program's 10-year history to have done so.

The Mustangs started the night hot with Lauren Grigg claiming the first of her two goals quickly with an assist from Sara Blackhurst. Senior Morgan Malloy followed that with another goal with assists from Sara Bernardi and Paige McGuirk.

Regina came back with their first goal to end the first period trailing, 2-1.

The turning point of the game, however, came in the second as Northville's Allison Holden effectively put the game beyond Regina's reach by scoring three goals in nine minutes, bumping the Mustangs up to a 5-1 lead. She relied on Gabbie Guibord for assists on all three goals. Krista Oldham, Carly Morrell, Chloe Page and Christie Karcher each tallied one assist in the game.

Coach Holden praised the all-around quality of the team, with so many standouts on offense and defense.

"This is one of the best teams in our program's 10-year history, with the potential to go all the way, and everyone on the team and in the league know it," he said.

## Northville gymnasts defer first meet to Lakeland/Milford

The Northville girls gymnastics team started their season on the wrong foot last week as

they met up with the combined squad from Lakeland-Milford. In their first meet of the season, the Mustangs gymnasts were 12 points short of collecting a win as they fell, 136.5-124.5.

## Mustang wrestlers rack up the wins

The Northville wrestling squad had a strong week as they earned several big wins and stayed scrappy against some very talented teams.

They started everything off last Saturday with the Todd Shoenheide Memorial Challenge, a meet they hosted. The Brighton Bulldogs took home the championship in a repeat victory, but Northville competed hard, winning two of the five dual matches.

Senior captain Ian Stirton, a standout grappler expected to have a quality season, was the only Mustang to go undefeated throughout the day, finishing his matches with a perfect 5-0 record. Sophomore Max Mudar showed he's no slouch, compiling a 4-1 record of his own while junior captain Trevor Maresh and Alex Coe also took just one loss each.

A few days later, Northville brought home two wins at a home meet with Farmington High and North Farmington.

The North Farmington Raiders were the first team the Mustangs downed, racking up a 39-21 win with 10 of the meet's 14 matches going in their favor.

Northville followed that win up with a 39-35 victory over the Farmington Falcons.

The two teams kept the match close all the way to the final showdown when Maresh secured the victory with a 17-2 decision over his foe.

The Mustangs added to their early-season accomplishments during a trip to Livonia Franklin's invitational. The team took home a third-place finish with 10 of their 14 weight classes earning individual medals along the way.

Stirton, at 119 pounds, and Jon Montgomery, 160, each took home first place medals. Six more grapplers turned in 4-1 marks on the day including Sam Tacconellie, Alex Hoffman, Travis Compo, Nick Pertunnen, Coe and Maresh.

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plus several other talented grapplers who make regular appearances at the state meet.

That didn't slow down the Wildcats too much, as Mencer (215) finished sixth and Bielski (140) finished seventh in their weight classes. However, the biggest feat of the day went to Sparling, who finished second in the county among 189-pound wrestlers.

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Coach Rich Bennetts said the win is due to increased effort from team members, but the next few weeks will be crucial to their season.

"We gave more effort this week than last, but we have a very long way to go and not a lot of time to get there," Bennetts said. "The next three weeks will tell the story for the season. We have 18 practices over the next 21 days and we will have to improve at each and every practice in order to have a chance to reach some of

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was first in diving at 262.95; Greenlee took first in the 100-meter freestyle at 0:50.69; Tim Shea was first in the 500-meter freestyle with a time of 5:15.05; and Nick Hayes took first in the 100-meter backstroke with a time of 1:03.23.

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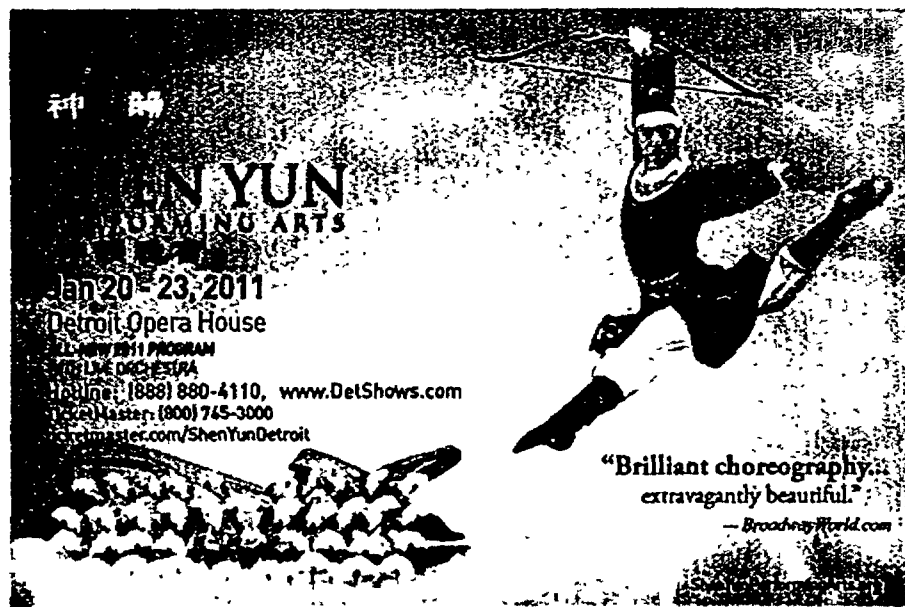
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## IT'S YOUR NORTHVILLE BUSINESS



Pictured (l to r) are Jason Flynn, national sales promotion manager; Jeff Bry, Region manager; Claudia Deluna, assistant sales promotion manager; Erin Long, project coordinator; Heather Coleman, region administrative manager; and Joel Rioux, sales promotion manager.

## Vector Marketing group relocates to Northville

The Mid-West Region headquarters of Vector Marketing Corporation, the direct sales company in charge of selling Cutco Cutlery, has moved to a new location at 104 West Main Street, Suite 102, Northville.

The company is renting the property from Bob Badgero of Northville Properties.

Previously located in Livonia, the Mid-West Region upgraded to accommodate the region's growing need for additional space, including individual offices as well as conference capabilities.

The new office, at nearly

4,000 square feet, was renovated to meet the region's specific needs: three levels with a reception area, second floor offices including a large "bull pen", and state-of-the-art, third floor conference room.

The new conference room was built with the intent of holding region meetings and includes an interactive conference table and large flat screen capable of providing internet and power point presentations.

The new office is located in Northville's downtown business district which will contribute to the company's presence in the community.

The region has joined

the Northville Chamber of Commerce and is hoping to be a contributing member of the business community.

"Our improved space will allow our employees to work together to produce more efficient and innovative outcomes. The larger conference room will provide us with the ability to host division manager meetings in our headquarters which will help our managers to maintain a strong bond with the region as well as the corporation as a whole," said Jeff Bry, Mid-West Region manager. "We're really excited for this positive change."

## Oakland County offers business workshops

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

Workshops are held at Oakland County Executive Office Building Conference Center, 2100 Pontiac Lake Road, west of Telegraph, Waterford unless otherwise indicated.

For pre-registration and location specifics, visit our website at oakgov.com/peds/calendar, or call (248) 858-0783.

**Small Business Loan Workshop** - Getting a small business loan can be a challenging process. Learn the "5 C's of Credit", how to develop a winning loan proposal and what you need to know to position your business to be "bankable" before you meet with a lender. Presented by The Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE), U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) and the Oakland County Business Center. The fee is \$20 per person (Please make checks payable to S.C.O.R.E.). Includes: Handouts and SBA Source Book. No refunds. Thursday, Jan. 6, 9 a.m.-noon.

**Pre-Business Research** - Are you thinking of starting your own business and want to research your business idea? Are you a business owner who wants to understand which research sources to use for your business plan and where to find the information you need? Presented by The Oakland County Business Center, The Entrepreneur's Source, Oakland County Market Research Department, and a Business Reference Librarian. This workshop is free, but pre-registration is required. Tuesday, Jan. 11, from 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

**CEED Microloan Orientation** - Many small businesses face obstacles when trying to obtain a business loan. The recognition of the serious need for working capital for existing businesses, start-up or expansion, equipment purchases, and job creation is not the priority it once was. If you have a need for alternative financing consider the Microloan Program. Discover the requirements and process necessary to apply and obtain a microloan. Program Presented by Center for Empowerment & Economic Development (C.E.E.D.). This workshop is free, but pre-registration is required. Wednesday, Jan. 12, from 9-11 a.m.

**Fundamentals of Starting a Business** is a seminar for anyone thinking about going into business. Participants examine their entrepreneurial skills, learn how to implement their ideas and receive a list of pitfalls to avoid when starting a business. The fee is \$30. No refunds. Thursday, Jan. 13, from 9 a.m.-noon.

### FUTURE WORKSHOPS

(AM) Morning Class 9 a.m. to noon or 12:30 p.m.  
(PM) Evening Class 6 p.m. to 9 or 9:30 p.m.

### February

- 2 Effective Networking (PM)
- 8 Working for Yourself: The Ins & Outs of Becoming a Consultant, a Contractor or Service Provider (AM)
- 8 Pre-Business Research Workshop (PM)
- 9 CEED Microloan Orientation (Southfield Library)
- 15 Social Media Marketing Part 1 (PM)
- 16 SBA Forum on Small Business Lending (AM)
- 16 Fundamentals of Starting a Business (PM)
- 18 FastTrac Listening to Your Business (AM)
- 23 WBE Certification Orientation (AM)
- 23 Fundamentals of Writing a Business Plan (PM)

**Fundamentals of Writing a Business Plan** is a workshop for small business owners who are developing a plan to serve as their road map to success. Workshop participants will learn what elements are commonly found in effective plans and will work on developing each of these for their own business. Assistance in the process as well as information on resources will be provided. The fee is \$40, which includes all materials. No refunds. Thursday, Jan. 20, from 9 a.m.-noon.

**Legal & Financial Basics for Small Business** - This workshop covers many of the key legal and financial issues faced by both new and existing small businesses in Michigan. The program initially focuses on the many management and liability concerns faced by entrepreneurs, as well as today's tax consequences. The program also provides solutions and techniques for business concession and individual investment and retirement planning. Presented by Carter & Affiliates, P.C. This workshop is free, but pre-registration is required. Tuesday, Jan. 25, from 9 a.m.-noon.

**Fundamentals of Marketing Your Business** - Marketing is an essential of business success. All products/services must be sold to well-targeted audiences with a wide-ranging marketing mix. Our staff/SCORE counselors can guide you through successful techniques and marketing principles helping you to promote your products and services to the most promising customers-your target audience. Presented by The Michigan Small Business & Technology Development Center (MI-SBTDC). The fee is \$40. No refunds. Wednesday, Jan. 26, from 9 a.m.-noon.

## NORTHVILLE BUSINESS BRIEFS

### DDA approves winter cycle of Business Assistance Program

Northville's Downtown Development Authority Board has approved \$45,000 for the current cycle of the Business Assistance Program for fiscal year ending June 30, 2011.

The program was created in 2007 to assist property owners and their tenants interested in making physical improvements to their commercial building and/or for technical assistance.

Since its inception in December 2007, more than \$131,000 has been approved for Commercial Improvement Grants and \$5,000 for Technical Assistance Grants.

The Northville DDA believes that by providing incentives to spur revitalization and reinvestment in structures within the DDA district, a more attractive downtown will be created.

Two programs are available:  
**Technical Assistance Grant** - A Technical Assistance Grant provides a 50-50 matching grant (not to exceed \$500) for businesses interested in developing a marketing plan, utilizing new window display techniques, or making architectural design changes to their building. This grant is intended to assist a busi-

ness owner in identifying a professional resource and with the cost of the initial consultation.

**Commercial Improvement Grant** - The Commercial Improvement Grant provides a 50-50 matching grant up to \$5,000 for front and side facades and up to \$2,500 for rear facades. Examples of physical improvements include, but are not limited to, redesign of storefront, window replacement or repair, door replacement or repair, masonry cleaning and repair, facade repair, paint, awning, signage, lighting, roof repair/replacement, and hardscapes.

These competitive grant programs are set up as matching grants, where the business or building owner will spend \$1 and the DDA will match it with \$1 up to one half of the project expenditure or the limit of the program. Both programs reimburse the applicants after the project or consultation is successfully completed. Either the property owner or business owner may apply. But if the business owner is the applicant, the property owner's signature is required on the application.

Applications for winter cycle of the Business Assistance Program are now available, and complete applications will be due Feb. 4. If you have additional questions about the program, please contact the DDA office for assistance at 248-349-0345.



SUBMITTED BY KARIN PETERS

### Helping others

The Knickerbocker Group of Raymond James and Associates, Inc. hosted a Client Appreciation Event at the Emagine Theater in Novi on Dec. 7. The Northville firm treated their clients, as well as family and friends to a movie, including pop and popcorn. Clients and their guests could choose to see either "Morning Glory" or "MegaMind." The Knickerbocker Group asked the attendees to please bring a non-perishable food item or other donation to benefit both the Northville Civic Concern and the South Lyon Active Faith Community Service -- and collected over \$5,000 worth of food and paper products.

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1 Zhrvago's  
5 Touch up  
9 It should be  
12 "Don't" - at  
18 Act like Elna  
20 Burdbrin  
21 Garfield's  
22 Fragrance  
23 Tennessee  
24 of denial?  
25 "Shuffle"  
26 Long walks  
27 Pleasant  
28 Jeroboam  
29 Way up  
30 Verd  
31 Get - (be  
32 Muta and  
33 Find the  
36 Spring  
39 TV's " -  
40 Mature  
44 North  
46 Carolina  
47 Seizes  
51 Join the  
52 Item for  
53 Live on  
54 Coasted  
57 Texas cry of  
58 Feels  
59 Winter Rand  
60 Second  
62 EMT's skull  
64 Everything  
65 Dickens  
66 Yak  
68 Pennsylv-  
69 vania cry of  
70 "disput?"  
73 - Mones,  
74 He'll bend  
75 over  
76 Grazing  
77 Permal  
78 Vlach  
79 Hoopsters  
80 Eric's  
82 Utah cry of  
88 Chihuahua  
89 Chihuahua  
91 Italian port  
92 Dwell  
93 "Scat!"  
95 (Lino's cry of  
97 Sampras

DOWN

1 Home or  
2 "He's -  
3 "Pucker" ("14  
3 Gorman  
4 Church areas  
5 Fat to least  
6 Barbie or  
7 Unem-  
8 played  
9 Stock part  
10 La Misan-  
11 playingright  
12 Minneapolis  
13 Helped  
14 Composer  
15 Delibes  
16 Massachu-  
17 sets cry of  
18 contempt?  
19 Author Jong  
20 Symbol  
21 Forebodings  
22 "Boss"  
23 Tweed's  
24 nemesis  
25 What you  
26 used to be  
27 Actor Kimer  
28 Baby  
29 Egyptian  
30 vper  
31 Playwright  
32 Fugard  
33 Sgl. or cpl.  
34 Sleuth  
35 Nancy  
36 Kids  
37 connect  
38 them  
39 Jockey  
40 predecessor  
41 Tiny rnm  
42 Goresis  
43 setting  
44 Revolutionary  
45 Guevara  
46 Drolery  
47 Psychic  
48 Geller  
49 Inclination  
50 Tennyson  
51 tale  
52 - rummy  
53 Odd  
54 "Couple"  
55 deposit?  
56 Burn a bit  
57 Quet  
58 Quet  
59 Maugham's  
60 "Cakes  
61 Pro-gun  
62 grape  
63 Saucepan  
64 Drivers' org.  
65 T.V.s  
66 "Murder, -  
67 Wrote -  
68 Huff and  
69 pulls  
70 Fuff's sore  
71 Impertinent  
72 Cops' org  
73 - grease  
74 Indeed  
75 Gnevance  
76 "Typee"  
77 sequel  
78 Sgl. or cpl.  
80 - Carla  
81 Improve  
82 oneself, in a  
83 way  
84 Turn right  
85 DDE's  
86 predecessor  
87 Tiny rnm  
88 Goresis  
89 setting  
90 Revolutionary  
91 Guevara  
92 Drolery  
93 Psychic  
94 sounds  
95 Idaho cry of  
96 Jack of "The  
97 Odd  
98 "Couple"  
99 Poetic  
100 preposition  
101 "Throshma"  
102 author  
103 Good  
104 time  
105 Dread-  
106 locked one  
107 moon  
108 Kevin of "In  
109 A Out  
110 Rango  
111 rope  
112 Actress  
113 Meyers  
114 Seated  
115 selection  
116 Accent  
117 feature  
118 Mus  
119 directive  
120 - con-  
121 tendere  
122 Summit  
123 "The Never-  
124 Ending  
125 Story"  
126 author  
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