

ON THE RECORD

'Peter Pan' at Kid Camp
Tipping Point Theatre announced two Kid Camp performances tomorrow. "Peter Pan" is directed by Tracy Spada and assisted by Erin Donohoe and Madison MerLanti, both students at Northville High School. The everlasting classic tale of three children who follow Peter Pan and Tinker Bell into Never Land. A land where children never grow old and where Captain Hook and his pirates are outwitted! "Peter Pan" will be performed on at 1 and 5 p.m. July 22 at Tipping Point Theatre, 361 E. Cady Street, Northville. Tickets are \$4 and can be purchased at the TPT box office from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday-Friday.
In 2008, Tipping Point Theatre presented "101 Dalmatians", its first kids-camp, at the small professional theatre. Over the past four years it has evolved into what is now called Summer Show Stoppers. This summer, young aspiring actors in fourth-eighth grades will be performing shows for both children and adults that run about 35 minutes.



Free showing of 'Inside Job' tonight
The Academy Award-winning documentary movie "Inside Job" will be shown free of charge at 6 p.m. Thursday, July 28 at the Northville Sports Den (133 W. Main St.), sponsored by the Northville Democratic Club.
Seating is on a first-come, first-served basis, with no reservations needed. The show is free and open to the public, with donations welcomed for the pizza and salad buffet. A cash bar is available.
Directed by Charles Ferguson, the film won the Academy Award for Best Documentary Feature at the Cannes Film Festival in 2010. Ferguson has described the film as being about "the systemic corruption of the United States by the financial services industry and the consequences of that systemic corruption."
An open discussion of the film will be conducted after the film by Scott Craig, president of the Northville Democratic Club (www.northvilledems.com).



The heat is on!



JOHN FEICER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Ryan Dougherty of Rauhorn Electric, fills in a ditch along Northville's Center Street around 2 p.m. on July 19. With temps already nearing 90 degrees at that time, Dougherty and his crew soon called it a day.

Soaring temps force folks to find ways to keep cool

As thermometers steam over 90 degrees, the Northville community looked for ways to stay cool — and it sounds like the solutions are drinking water, staying in the shade and turning up the air conditioning.
For one resident, staying put is the best way for him to beat the heat.
"Don't move too much is what I

say," Northville resident Keith Bryant said as he sat on a bench in downtown Tuesday morning.
All aspects of life are affected by the weather. For those who work outside, a week like this one is tough.
Work started early, around 6 a.m., for contractors putting in new sidewalks for the downtown streetscape project. Downtown Development Authority director Lori Ward said the contractors asked for permission to start early so they could lay the concrete during the somewhat cooler hours of the day.

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Privatizing postponed

Union has until 8 a.m. July 21 to accept school district's offer

BY LONNIE HUHMANN
CORRESPONDENT

In response to a proposal put together by the bus drivers union, the Northville Public Schools Board of Education presented a counter of their own for the union group to accept by 8 a.m. on July 21 or face the prospect of seeing the district's bus service contracted out to an Ohio-based company, Durham.
By a 5-1 vote, with Trustee Ken Roth dissenting and James Mazurek absent, the Board of Education approved the motion.
The district is looking at cutting costs in all areas, including privatizing transportation, food, custodial and maintenance.
"We have had unprecedented cuts from the state and a continuing increase in costs," said Joan Wadsworth, board president.
The board began the meeting in a closed session to address the union's proposal put together in the last seven days by Teamsters Local 214, representing bus drivers, food, custodial, maintenance and Ed-tech services staff.
According to union spokesman Les Barrett, the approach they have taken is as a group, not as individual services. He said they anticipated the board decision and planned on doing a complete review of the counter-offer all of Wednesday with a possible ratification meeting to take place that night.
"I'm always hopeful," he said of the prospects of a final agreement.
Durham has put forth a bid that would save the district over \$420,000. The union made a handout available to the public that stated their overall proposal would save the district \$1.3

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JOAN WADSWORTH, board president

million. It indicated that employees would agree to have their wages reduced by 5 percent, each would pay an additional 5.92 percent into their pension pre-tax and pay 20 percent of their health insurance premiums.
One worry voiced by some parents who attended the meeting was the apparent driver and safety record of Durham. Bob Rays, a parent of five boys, including a special needs child attending Northville schools, said this is his main concern.
"I own a trucking company and if we had a rating like this we would not be considered by companies like Ford or GM," Rays said prior to the meeting. "And I would do the same. I would not subcontract out any of my work to a company with a rating like this."
Northville Superintendent Mary Kay Gallagher said the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration has given Durham a conditional rating for its driver fitness. This is a rating below satisfactory, and it has been issued because some of its drivers have been cited for lacking required documentation. They had one case of a driver without a commercial driver's license; another without a valid driver's license for the type of vehicle being operated; and five without medical certificates.
Michael Zopf, assistant superintendent for Finance and Operations, said Durham has implemented an action plan to improve their performance. They have agreed to demonstrate to the district that these concerns are being corrected.

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Township wants 'revenue generating' for 7 Mile land

BY LONNIE HUHMANN
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Members of the Northville Township Board of Trustees all agree the master plan for the Seven Mile Road property needs to have a "revenue generating" component to it. However, as plans progress the details need to be ironed out for what that means exactly.
How much of the land will be devoted to this concept and where within the 340 total acres

will it be developed?
Will it be along Seven Mile so it could have exposure frontage along the well-traveled road, or further in so it would draw visitors into the location? These are some of the issues that need to be figured out so the community understands and knows what to expect.
The board agreed to the idea of having up to 50 acres set aside to be devoted to producing

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Resurfacing OK'd for two city lots

Novi company's low bid wins contract

BY LONNIE HUHMAN
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Improvement work for two downtown Northville parking lots is set to commence now that the City Council has agreed to contract with a local company whose bids came in well below the budgeted amount.

Work, like resurfacing, can now begin on the Northville Square parking lot and the southwest section of the lot behind the Marquis Theater. At the Monday meeting, the Northville City Council approved the two bids received from the Novi-based Nagle Paving Company after Public Works Director Jim Gallogly said the company is both qualified and cost-effective.

He also said Nagle has a proven track record of doing similar projects for other municipalities.

The city set aside nearly \$400,000 in their budget for the Northville Square lot improvements, but Nagle came in with a bid of just over \$260,000. Gallogly said because the bid was so much

lower than what had been budgeted, they could also tack on replacing the sidewalk on the west side of the lot. This will be just over \$7,000, and the total will still remain below the allotted amount.

Gallogly said work on this is expected to begin as soon as possible and should be completed within 40 days.

The city set in motion the plan to improve the southwest section of the lot behind the Marquis Theater after business and property owners requested it. However, the section is privately owned so to get this done the owners had to grant the city long-term easement rights for control, regulation, operation and maintenance of the parking area.

It was agreed by the owners to grant the city a 20-year easement and in exchange the improvements would be made. It will be a public lot during this time period. There was \$90,000 set aside for this project, but again Nagle came in well below at just over \$54,000.

The funding source for both projects is the city's parking fund.

Kowall to Congress?

State senator plans run for 11th congressional seat in 2012

BY PHILIP ALLMEN
STAFF WRITER

One politician has already tossed his name into the congressional race. State Sen. Mike Kowall, R-White Lake, announced Monday his plans to replace Thaddeus McCotter as the next 11th District congressman in the U.S. House of Representatives. McCotter announced July 2 his plans to run for U.S. president.

"It is exciting, a little nerve-rattling," Kowall, 60, said. "It's something I've been looking at a long time. With McCotter running for president, the opportunity is presenting itself."

New redistricting maps for the state's congressional seats in Washington, D.C., play into Kowall's favor, he said, because his entire state Senate district in western Oakland County lies within the 11th Congressional district.

"It was a Wayne County seat, now it's an Oakland County seat," he said.

Redrawn congressional districts, which have yet to be finalized, set the 11th district to include Livonia, Northville, Plymouth and the townships of Canton, Plymouth and Northville in Wayne County, as well as South Lyon, Novi, Farmington, Walled Lake, Wixom, Lake Angelus, Auburn Hills, Troy, Bloomfield Hills, Birmingham, Clawson, Rochester Hills and the townships of Milford, Lyon, Highland, Commerce, White Lake, West Bloomfield and Waterford in Oakland County.

Kowall said his focus at the federal level would be the same as it has been at the local and state levels.

"Enhancing the taxable value, getting government out of the way without putting the environment or people's health, safety and welfare in jeopardy is something I've done my whole life," he said.



Mike Kowall

"It's all about jobs, getting people back to work. We need diversification of our employee work base."

Kowall points to issues he focused on in Lansing to change Michigan's business environment, including tax structures, as ways to improve the country as a whole. Eliminating the Michigan Business Tax improved the state's business tax ranking from 49th to 16th in the nation, he said.

"Wall Street turned its head and said, 'What are you doing?' Lots of people are calling the office saying, 'What's going on?' We're saying, 'Hey, we're open for business,'" said Kowall.

Businesses now are looking to return to Michigan or are looking to stay here, he said, and the state is working to make sure those that never left Michigan benefit, as well.

"We have to make sure we don't treat them like the red-headed stepchild," he explained. "The big guys are paying more in taxes. It's the mom and pop business like along the Main Street in Milford or South Lyon. Those are the ones who are going to be immediately affected by these tax changes."

Kowall said he wants to make sure any actions taken by the government are transparent and open to the public. Instead of departmental committees deciding decisions in rules or regulations, those decisions should be open to legislative hearings and public comment. If the changes are necessary, then they should remain. That policy should be used in Washington, D.C., too, he said.

"The most important thing is to get it out in the light of day," said Kowall.

Kowall said he has spoken with McCotter on his presidential bid and fully expects him to keep his focus on that position. If McCotter changes his mind and seeks another term in the U.S. House of Representatives, Kowall said he plans to discuss further the issue.

"He's fully intent on running for president," said Kowall. "(President Barack) Obama came out of nowhere. McCotter has a lot more experience than Obama ever did."

Randall Thompson, spokesman for McCotter, said in an email that "Representative McCotter is focused on serving his constituents and earning the GOP presidential nomination. He expects and understands a host of individuals in both parties will explore their 11th district options as the presidential process unfolds."

Kowall said he is in the process of forming an exploratory committee to get everything ready to run. He expected to file paperwork this week. "We're being very careful," he said. "We're getting the word out and letting people know this is where we're heading."

Kowall moved to the state Senate after winning the November 2010 election to replace Nancy Cassis in the post.

In winning the election, he left his public position as White Lake Township supervisor two years before his term expired. If he were to win the congressional seat, he would again be leaving his current elected position two years before it expired. He said he plans to continue in that role as he runs for the federal position.

"It will just make me a little bit busier," he said. "It's not an impossible thing to do. I have lots of things going on with the senate side. It won't interfere with what I'm doing on the congressional side."

So far, he said he has only heard positive responses to his congressional plans, but said he would tell critics "This is America. You have the ability to run for any office if you so choose," he said. "No matter what office I'm in, I give people 150 percent all the time."

Kowall was White Lake Township supervisor 2004-10 and 44th district state representative 1998 to 2001.

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Squish, squish

County Parks' Mud Day brings out the kids ... and adults

BY SUE MASON
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

There's something royal about Megan Hepp's family. In the four times she has brought her children to Wayne County Parks' Mud Day, the Northville resident has gone home with two kings and this year's queen.

"I laid in the mud and went back and forth," 6-year-old Kathryn Hepp said. "I hoped I'd win. My mom helped me."

"I think the way to do it is layer upon layer upon layer upon layer and letting it dry between layers," her mother said. "It was a whole day of adding on mud."

Kathryn's bright purple crown was in stark contrast with the layer of brown mud that covered her from head to toe. But it was nothing like 10-year-old Cole Argo of Novi, whose eyelashes were a solid chunk of the brown goo.

It was his first time at Mud Day and he had to admit that he was very surprised he won.

"It was kind of hard to get the mud on. I just had to try to stay away from the water and kind of pile it on everywhere," he said. "I kind of used it as glue."

Sonya Szabo of Port Elizabeth, South Africa, may have come the farthest to be at Mud Day. She brought her son Jude, 9, and Cole.

"He's a friend and it's the one day a year I get to visit with him," she said. "I don't think he thought he'd win, but on the way here, my son was confident he'd win, so they worked together to load on the mud."



Mud-covered youngsters race across the pit during one of the games.

FAR AND NEAR

While the park was officially closed to traffic July 12 from Ann Arbor Trail to Outer Drive due to flooding, fans of Mud Day flocked to the Nankin Mills area for the annual event. Cars, trucks and school buses filled the available parking lots and lined the road. People even hiked in after parking their cars in nearby residential areas.

Both children and adults played and did contests like running backward in the muddy pit. When they were through, they cleaned off with the help of the Westland Fire Department and Western Wayne Hazardous Material Unit. The Westland Fire Department provided the water supply and the HazMat team "did the work" in the shower area.

"I can't believe all the kids that are here today," Westland Fire Capt. John Valensky said. "I've never saw it this

big — there's school buses here."

Firefighters ran 400 feet of hose to the shower area, but when the line to clean up stretched almost to Hines Drive, firefighters broke out another hose and rinsed off kids and adults at the end of the line.

"This so great for the kids,"

Valensky said. Judeh Odeh of Garden City was having a blast in the mud pit, but his 4-year-old sister Gabriella was hiding out under the stage. On a day when parents encouraged their kids to play in the mud, she was content to play with the grass.

This was the family's first time at Mud Day and Judeh gave it a thumbs-up.

"It's a blast. I want to go in, but I can't," said his father, Frank, nodding to his daughter.

'THIS IS OK'

Lori Pfeil didn't care if her kids got

muddy. The family is visiting from San Antonio, Texas.

"We're in a drought in Texas, so this is OK," she said.

Brighton resident Jennifer Pfeil found out about it from a friend who lives in Belleville, who told her they had to do it.

"They're all excited. If they did it at home, they'd get yelled at," she said.

Wallowing in the pit with Jennifer Pfeil were Sarah Pfeil, 14, Kalina Bransford, 14, Jessica Pfeil, 9, and Tori Pfeil, 13, who sported a smile full of muddy braces.

"It tastes gritty," she said, heading back for more. "The best part is the mud. We've been able to get dirty and not get yelled at."

"They're allowed to get dirty," Lori Pfeil said. "What's part of the fun, too, is when do you get to do something like this?"



Caked with enough mud to win them Wayne County Parks honors are 2011 Mud Day King Cole Argo of Novi and Queen Kathryn Hepp of Northville.

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Everyday people tell their stories at media festival

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Michael Williams of Westland grew up on Detroit's northwest side.

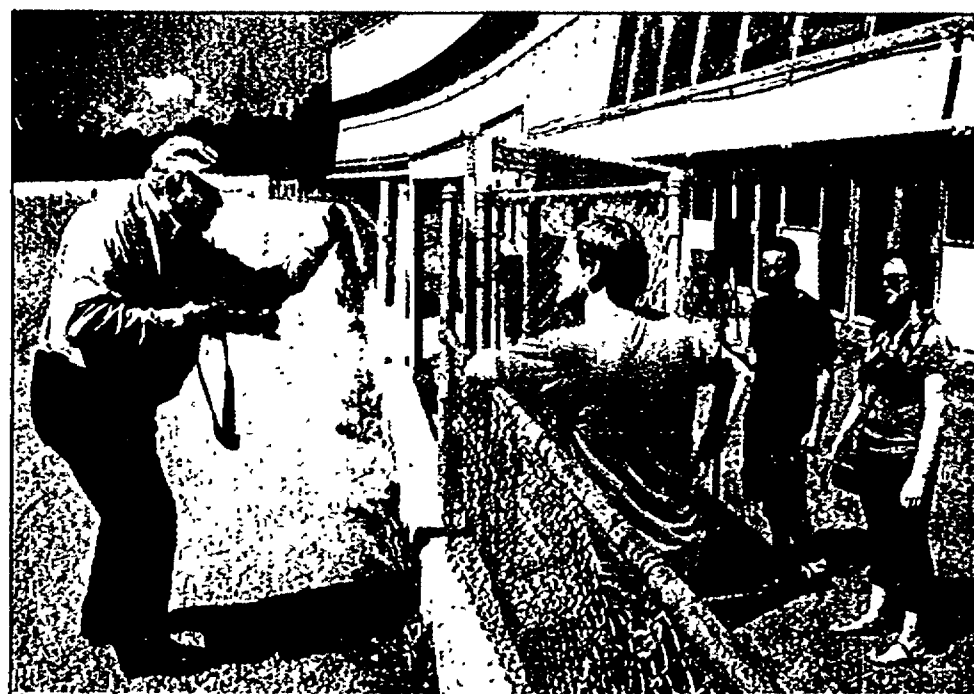
Williams sees Detroit as a city he believes others do not see — with open businesses and attractive homes.

Adam Woloszyk of Plymouth and Caitlynn McInnis of Northville also envision a town — Northville — in an historical sense, using it for a story about a boy who learns about his new hometown.

McInnis, Woloszyk and Williams were just three of the participants in Mobiflicks, a contest in which teams write, produce, shoot and edit a six-minute story at PAH (Project Accessible Hollywood) Fest Motown, now in its fifth year at Madonna University in Livonia. Created by filmmaker Christopher Coppola, PAH Fest is a digital media festival which travels around the world to celebrate the stories and voices of everyday people.

EMPOWERING THE FILMMAKERS

Sue Boyd, manager of the Franciscan Center studios, said the festival is fun for the participants, coaches and volunteers. "People feel empowered with what their stories are," Boyd said. "Whether it is someone telling stories about a grandparent and parents growing up in Mississippi and moving



Madonna's Chuck Derry offers shooting advice to Adam Woloszyk, of Plymouth, Caitlynn McInnis, of Northville, Dillon Stevenson, of Plymouth, and Connor Keliikuli, of Milford. They're shooting on location at Northville Downs race course.

to Detroit, or someone telling a story about the history of Northville, they're going to have a chance to tell their story."

Besides Mobiflicks, other competitions included Cellphone Art in which participants shoot a one-minute piece of video using a video-enabled cell phone, following a surprise topic. Contestants have just a few hours to create their piece.

DigiPortraits features a short video portrait.

Participants in Tone Poems use a flip camera to record imagery that visually expresses an original musical composition. Computers, editing software and technical support are provided to help participants edit and complete their pieces at the Franciscan Center studios.

Another highlight of the festival is Circus Vision, a contest for young movie makers on Friday sponsored by Vanguard Community Development Corp. Children 14 and under participate in the new smart phone, visual treasure hunt.

TELLING THEIR STORIES

On July 12, the Mobiflicks teams gathered to hear Gary Pilon, a retired cameraman, who talked about camera mounts and audio equipment with the storytellers.

"I've tried to give them an idea of what they are able to find," Pilon said. Pilon also wanted to let them know about audio equipment available for cameras. "People should know what is available on a retrofit basis,"

Pilon said.

Chuck Derry, director of broadcast and cinema arts at Madonna University, said judges chose five stories for the Mobiflicks competition. The storytellers and other contest participants comprise the five teams. Each team has a coach. Derry coaches McInnis and Woloszyk. "We'll help them tell their story with camera, mikes and lights," Derry said. Many participants have experience in filmmaking, but the films "can be created by a grandma with her grandkids," Derry said.

A SENSE OF HISTORY

Derry drove Tuesday to Northville Downs to shoot with McInnis and Woloszyk. Their story is about a young boy new in a neighborhood in Northville, whose baseball rolls out of a box given to him by his grandfather and rolls across the street where another boy stops the baseball.

The two strike up a conversation. The boy new to the neighborhood mentions that there was nothing to do in Northville; then the other boy

starts to explain the history of the community, showing him landmarks like Northville Downs, where Joe Louis once trained in the 1930s when the site was the Wayne County fairgrounds.

The story ends with the newcomer's father tossing the baseball back into the box, and there is a photo of the boy's grandfather as a young boy. "That boy he talks to is actually his grandfather," Woloszyk said.

Woloszyk, a Plymouth resident and president of the Broadcast and Film Club at Madonna, said everybody has a story, and PAH Fest gives participants a chance to tell it. "PAH Fest is all about the communities where we live," Woloszyk said.

Woloszyk and McInnis are also fans of *The Twilight Zone*, the popular science fiction television show of the 1960s created by Rod Serling and later revived in the 1980s and again in 2002 and 2003. "There's a real time travel element to it," Woloszyk said.

Derry gave Woloszyk shooting tips on the track at Northville Downs. "You are around this way," Derry said. "Don't pan the shot, arc." Derry even brought a wheelchair to use for the camera. "You can do it with the wheelchair; it will help you out," Derry said.

McInnis, who lives in Northville, is home-schooled and is taking dual enrollment classes at Madonna, including film.

Before McInnis and Woloszyk wrote the story as Team Pioneer, McInnis visited Northville's library and spoke with historians about the area. She learned about the county fairgrounds, Joe Louis training there and Henry Ford's valve plant in Northville.

McInnis said the project helped her learn the history of Northville, as her family relocated here.

"I love *The Twilight Zone*, and history; so we combined the two," McInnis said.

McInnis also knew Dillon Stevenson of Plymouth acted and performed in several

plays, including several at the Cherry Hill Theater in Canton. "I love acting and when I get an opportunity, I jump on it," Stevenson said.

Connor Keliikuli of Milford also enjoys acting. "I think it's a good story," Keliikuli said. "It reminds me of *The Twilight Zone*. I like it a lot."

MAKING IT VISUAL

Williams' story was shot by The D Team. Williams grew up in the area of Seven Mile and Greenfield. "Most of the news footage and YouTube depicts Detroit as a burned down, crime-infested wasteland, but that isn't the Detroit I was raised in," Williams said.

Williams doesn't consider himself a filmmaker "yet," but wants to have the ability to tell a story. "I want to take a story from my mind and make it visual, so that people can actually see what you are thinking," Williams said.

Dan Dowell of Inkster said the group shot footage on Monday and expected to shoot more on Tuesday. Williams rattled off the neighborhoods and what his team had filmed: "Sherwood Forest, Palmer Woods, Green Acres and North Rosedale Park."

The team also videotaped University of Detroit Mercy, Detroit Renaissance High School and businesses on West Seven Mile and Livernois. "There's been a resurgence in that area," Williams said.

Others enjoy the other competitions.

Rebecca Fairgrieve of Redford recently graduated from Thurston. She has participated in PAH Fest for five years. This year she is participating in Tone Poems.

"I hope to learn more and create more," Fairgrieve said. "I like to use the different programs, like Final Cut and Music Maker, to make music to go with the video."

Boyd said PAH Fest gets people together for a common good of telling stories. "It shows that Michigan is not dead," Boyd said. "We have a lot to say."

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Schoolcraft's Kids on Campus

Academic camps make learning fun

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
CORRESPONDENT

Kids do more than dream about becoming a doctor or video game designer at Schoolcraft College in Livonia. Every summer, they learn about the skills required for success.

Although mainly academic, the weeklong camps provided plenty of fun for the first- to 12th-grade students who filled the classrooms on the first day of class July 11. This is the 32nd year children from Canton, Plymouth, Farmington Hills, Westland, Livonia and Novi have been drawn to Kids on Campus. For three weeks, they'll have the opportunity to learn about future careers and the arts.

"A lot of people work out this way. The camps get the kids out of the house instead of doing the same old, same old," said Lauren Murphy, promotion coordinator for Continuing Education & Professional Development.

"Enriching Lives, Transforming Minds" — the writing on the wall of the CEPD office says it all.

"It's different than being in class during the regular year," Murphy said. "It's been 31 years of exploration, adventure, creativity."

So far, 1,666 kids have registered for the camps focused on culinary training, business and health care careers, Web and video game design, aerospace and rockets, robotics, writing, the visual arts, foreign cultures and high-tech manufacturing. Schoolcraft College adjunct instructors and teachers from area school districts develop the exciting curriculum. New is Crime Scene Investigator for high school students.

EXPLORING

On July 11, Doris Denison was winding up the first day's lesson on the digestive system in Camp Scrubs for fourth- and fifth-graders. Urvi Bhargava of Canton, an 11-year-old student at Central Middle School, "wanted to learn about the human body" and explore careers in the medical field. So did Kayla Blaise of Farmington Hills and Diego Sanabria, 10, of Westland. Last year, Blaise had fun solving mysteries in the CSI camp for fifth- and sixth-graders. Sanabria liked the robotics camp.

"I want to be biochemist and thought it was a good way to start," said Blaise, a 10-year-old

Power Upper Elementary student. "It's very interesting and I learned a lot. I really want to help people and like science and math."

Blaise decided to take the class with friend Natalie Hong, 10. Like Blaise, the Farmington Hills girl found Scrubs Camp informative.

"I've learned about a lot of subjects, but not health care and wanted to take something very close to it," Hong said.

Denison created the curriculum as an introduction to health care careers. The Garden City woman is a retired nurse practitioner and assistant professor at Wayne State University.

"I'm going to get the next generation hooked so there are people to take care of me," Denison said.

July 12 was all about nutrition, including choosing healthy snacks over not so healthy. Denison went to a garage sale to pick up dice and a deck of cards to illustrate portions.

"We'll do some math," Denison said. "You have to know math in health care."

Math is an important subject when it comes to high-tech manufacturing as well. Instructor Gene Keyes has owned a machine shop for more than 30 years and teaches from an employer's perspective.

On July 11, his seventh-through ninth-grade students were programming and machining metal name tags. Once a week, Keyes hears from employers looking for workers trained in computerized numerical control machining and manufacturing processes. The college offers an associate's degree and certificates in advanced manufacturing.

"I want them to know what manufacturing is all about, encourage them," Keyes said. "It's common sense, not that hard to do."

Half of the students were still seated at computers programming while the other half were watching the machine carve name tags. Caleigh Lin wants to be an engineer and thought the camp would expand her knowledge. The 12-year-old Plymouth girl is in the TAG program at East Middle School. She studied rocket science and video games the last four years. Her 9-year-old brother Jared is in Scrubs Camp.

"I found Machine Adventures interesting," Lin said. "I like making things, like the machines and all the math involved with engi-

neering."

Keyes' assistant, David Valencia of Northville, was helping students in the final process of machining their name tag.

"We're using a CNC mill used in industry," Valencia said. "It's the same program using basic geometry."

"They told us codes and we figured it out," Lin said as she watched the cutting arm go down and start carving her name in metal.

Cindy Shi of Novi was making a metal plate that reads "I Love My Family." She was in the Tween Writers camp last summer.

"It's fun to watch," said Shi, 12. "I thought it would be interesting to make stuff."

Sindhujha Borra was having fun spraying away the scrap metal after the machine finished carving. She wants to become a doctor, but was exploring the engineering-related career. The 12-year-old Canton girl is a student at Our Lady of Good Counsel in Plymouth.

"It was really fun," Borra said. "I'm good at math and really into computers. Next week I'm taking Web Design."

Andy Chen, 12, was waiting anxiously to carve his online user name, Dracax. The Canton boy is an East Middle School student. He's already taken Web design, video games and robotics.

"You can do interesting things," Chen said. "I made a robot and website, learned the process of creating video games. Designing isn't much of a problem. The problem is getting the message to the computer."

CHALLENGING BUT FUN

Sarah Wang experienced similar problems. She worked on the program with Cindy Shi.

"It's hard," said Wang, 11, of Novi. "I like writing out the program. My mom and dad write programs for computers. I thought it would be nice to do something they do. I want to be an engineer and think it's quite fascinating."

In the Forum building, kids were enjoying getting their hands dirty as they turned clay into bowls and wind chimes in The Potter's Studio with Michael Kuhn. Aaron Best, 10, of Southfield, had nearly finished a vase for his mom. His father works in Livonia. Gitika Kumar, 11, of Novi, was making wind chimes; Jocelyn Chu, 9, of Livonia, a dolphin.

Blake Rosevear of Livonia



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Jessica Moore of Allen Park dips tomatoes in boiling water to loosen the skins for peeling. Lena Misenian of Northville and Dagan McCarthy of Canton will do the same with their tomatoes.

had already made a bowl. This was the Johnson Elementary student's first year in Kids on Campus.

"It's really fun and I like that everybody has creative stuff," Rosevear said.

Vibha Shivakumar of Novi was making a sculpture of strange mustaches. This is the 10-year-old girl's third year.

Ellen Christensen of Livonia was working on a cup. She took lyric writing last year. She's been dancing since age 2 and is a student at the Bunny Sanford studio in Livonia.

"I like art," said Christensen, a 9-year-old student at Johnson Elementary.

It was apparent by a show of hands that everyone in the Culinary Arts Boot Camp likes to cook. Certified Master Chef Jeff Gabriel received the overwhelming response at the end of the Monday session. The camps run from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. On July 11, the seventh- to ninth-grade students learned knife skills as they busily chopped vegetables. They also learned the importance of sanitation and working organized. On Tuesday, they would

cook Italian. The menu included lasagna with roasted tomato sauce.

"The first ingredient a good cook has to possess is to love to cook," Gabriel said. "One reason to cook is to be healthy. When you cook from scratch, you're in control. You're going to get more nutrients than a fast food restaurant. When you eat from scratch, it's fresh."

Gabriel gave several reasons to become a cook, including the \$200,000 salary made by executive chefs.

"You can work on a cruise ship, get a job in Germany at hotels, restaurants. You can go all over the world. It's one industry that has jobs all the time," Gabriel said.

This was Barbara Smith's second year in the culinary arts camp. The 13-year-old Northville girl is a student at Hillside Middle School.

"The food was so good last year and I was able to learn things I can still use in the kitchen, how to mince things," Smith said.

Arthur Aigeltinger usually uses a cookbook to stir up his dishes. The 12-year-old

is a student at Adams Upper Elementary in the Wayne-Westland School District and lives on the border of Canton.

"I want to take it further as a chef," said Aigeltinger, who's been cooking for three years.

Lena Nishanian of Northville first learned to cook at Steppingstone School in Farmington Hills, where she made gumbo at age 9. She frequently cooks her favorite dish of grilled chicken with diced peppers, onions, carrots and celery with tomato sauce and rice.

"My mom thought it would be good to learn more," Nishanian said.

Jessica Moore's mother found the culinary camp online. This is the Allen Park girl's first year in the state-of-the-art kitchens at Schoolcraft College. She especially likes to cook pasta for her family.

"I loved it," Moore said about her first day.

Dagan McCarthy likes cooking so much he takes classes all year round at Schoolcraft. The Canton boy has participated in the Iron Chef Junior competition and last year was on the winning team. He wants to be a chef.

"Cooking is fun and makes other people happy," said McCarthy, who attends the Creative Montessori Academy in Southgate. "I like baking a lot, cakes and sweets."

McCarthy plans to continue taking classes through Schoolcraft's Continuing Education department in fall. A variety of subjects are offered for children and adults. Two of the classes allow parents and kids to cook together. Gabriel teaches the Iron Chef for ages 12-17. Kids on Campus offers video game creation, radical robots and successful student seminars for middle and high school students.

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Artist Peggy Kerwin works on a painting during the July 13 18th annual Garden Walk. Kerwin and other painters were working on Plein Air style settings at the Becker family garden off Six Mile Road.



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Visitors arrive at the Northville Township garden of Eileen and John Becker during the July 13 Northville Garden Club's Garden Walk. This year's 60's-era theme was "Flower Power" - and proceeds from the event support local and national organizations that promote environmental and horticultural causes.

Visitors to the Beckers' Northville Township garden take a look at some of their flower beds during the July 13 Garden Walk.



Northville Garden Walk



Jessica Anderson, left, and Monica Diehl walk around the Northville Township garden of Eileen and John Becker during the July 13 Garden Walk.



Northville Garden Club volunteers Charmaie Smerczkiki, left, and Judy Trexler dish out some cookies and punch inside Mill Race's Cady Inn during the July 13 Garden Walk.

HEAT

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"Hydration, hydration, hydration," Andrew McDowell, a city contractor working on the streetscape project, said how he stays cool.

McDowell is a materials tester, and he said that once the temperature reaches 90 or above, it is best to stop the cement pouring. He added that Monday alone he went through two gallons of water and a half gallon of Gatorade.

Northville Postman Ricky Hatfield takes a similar approach. As he delivers mail on his route, he takes with him a camel pack — a sort of mini-backpack that holds water.

For resident Caroline Kugler, a trip to the pool was in order after her workout at Planet Fitness.

"I prefer it to be cooler, but this is why we have a pool and air conditioning," Kugler said with a smile. "I'm going to go swimming when I get home."

Some would think this is what everyone would be doing. However, Northville Swim Club manager Paul Young said as the day wears on and grows hotter, the pool is relatively empty.

"Around 2, 3 or 4 o'clock, this place is pretty empty because it is just too hot," Young said. "Most arrive here earlier to avoid the heat."

At the senior center, a group of residents was beating the heat by staying inside to do their daily walking — something they do each day.

"It's way too hot," walker Sue Coakley said while sitting in the air conditioned senior center.

Remember these days when it dips down to zero next January.



Environmentalist

Greg Putnam is an incoming Northville High School senior. He is one of the captains of the varsity swim team and a member of the Varsity Baseball program. His true love however, is environmental sciences. Putnam volunteered time this past year with NHS instructor Scott Szukaitis, advanced placement environmental sciences, at the Mayberry working farm and is employed this summer with Donahoe Farms. "Hands on farming is the best way to really understand our world's environmental needs and challenges while seeing the importance of growing food locally that we all can consume," said Putnam (pictured at the Northville Farmers market held each Thursday in Downtown Northville).

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BARBER, RUTH MARIE

Age 86, passed away July 18, 2011. A private family service will be held at a later date. Arrangements entrusted to Phillips Funeral Home, South Lyon. Online guestbook: www.phillipsfuneral.com



GROELLER, FRED G.

Brighton, MI, age 65, died July 17, 2011 in Ann Arbor, MI. He was born March 3, 1946 in Grossachsen, Germany the son of the late George and Eli (Haas) Groeller. Fred was a 1964 graduate of Freedom High School and proudly served his country in the U.S. Army. On May 20, 1967 in Ambridge, PA Fred married his high school sweetheart Maria Hirniak. He and Maria have celebrated 44 wonderful years of marriage. Fred loved holiday gatherings, family barbecues, hunting, fishing, and working on and restoring his '69 Mustang. He was employed as Hot Mill Manager for Michigan Seamless Tube for 21 years and was a member of American Legion Post #641. In addition to his wife, survivors include his daughter Robin and her husband Jeff Stapleton and Robin's daughter Gabrielle of Brighton, his son Michael and his wife Laura Groeller and their children Michael and Matthew of Gregory, his brother Albert (Patricia) Groeller of Lakeland, FL and brother Mark (Christine) Groeller of Williamson, GA and his beloved Heidi (the furry family member) who will miss him terribly. The family will receive friends on Wednesday from 2-8 PM with a Scripture Service at 7 PM and Thursday from 10-11 AM at Borek Jennings Funeral Home, Hamburg Chapel. A Healing Farewell will be held 11 AM Thursday, July 21, 2011 at Borek Jennings Memorial contributions are suggested to Old St. Patrick Church. Please leave a Message of Comfort to Fred's family by calling 877-231-7900 or visit his guestbook at borekjennings.com

HEINTZELMAN
GERALD (JERRY) H.

Passed away July 8, 2011 in New Bern, NC, at the age of 75. Preceded in death by his parents, Howard & Reba and brother Hugh. Survived by two nieces. Jerry was a graduate of Milford High School, Class of 1954 and Central Michigan University. Jerry was a former Chevrolet Zone Manager and a retired Chevrolet Dealer in New Bern, NC. He was well liked and had many friends in the Milford area. A memorial service is being planned in New Bern, NC.

LAESCH, CHRISTINE MARIE

Was born on October 5, 1947, and passed away July 13, 2011. She was a devoted wife, loving mother, and caring grandmother. She was preceded in death by her parents Ken and Thelma Burkardt. She is survived by her husband Douglas, daughter Katherine, son Nathan (Stephanie); grandchildren: Tyler, Jared, Jayme, Brianna, Preston and Kendylle. A memorial service was held at Phillips Funeral Home on Saturday, July 16, 2011. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Lung Association. Online guestbook: www.phillipsfuneral.com

LANKFORD, ORTRA L.

Of Milford Twp. passed away peacefully in the care of her loving family July 13, 2011. She was 92 years old. Survived by her beloved husband of 73 years, daughters Barbara (the late Leon Wood) and the late Carl Panther), Lisa (Ron) Tribble, granddaughters Terri (Jack) Muns and Leah Tribble, great-grandson Jack Jeremy; niece Kay (Herlin) Callan also extended family and friends. Funeral Service will be held from Milford United Methodist Church, Tuesday, July 19th Rev. Doug McMunn officiated. Burial Oakland Hills Cemetery, Novi. Memorial contributions encouraged to Hospice Advantage. For further information, please call 248-684-6645 or visit www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com

SIMS, ROBERT D.
"BOB", JR.

Age 66, of Highland, July 15, 2011. He is survived by his beloved wife, Grace; sons, Robert D. III (Sarah), Gerald L. (Nicole), Douglas A.; grandchildren, Sydney, Lily, Lucas, Aubrey, Robert D. IV, Annaliese; mother, Evelyn; siblings, Sharon (Pat) Rutledge, Dennis (Marna) Sims, Rita (Jerry) Tata and many loving extended family members and dear friends. He was preceded in death by his father, Robert D. Sims, Sr. and sister, Cheryl Susewitz. A Funeral Mass was held Wednesday, July 20, 2011, Church of the Holy Spirit, Highland. For further information contact Lynch & Sons Funeral Home, Milford at 248-684-6645 or visit www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com

SMITH, DONALD J.

Age 65, passed away July 13, 2011. He was born on May 1, 1946, in Highland Park, to the late Charles and Caroline (Cwanek) Smith. He served in the U.S. Army. He was a Crane operator at Michigan Seamless tube for over 35 years, and was a resident of South Lyon for many years. Don is survived by his children: Matthew (Becky) Smith, Deanna Smith; grandchildren, Madeline, Gwendolyn; siblings Shirley Kozuh, Charles Smith Jr., Frances Farkas, Robert Smith, and Norman Smith. Visitation will be held on July 16, Saturday, from 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. with a funeral services at 11:00 a.m. at Phillips Funeral Home, 122 West Lake Street (Ten Mile), South Lyon. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Humane Society of Livingston County. Online guestbook: www.phillipsfuneral.com

STEINER, RICHARD

Age 54, of Milford, died in the care of his family, July 14, 2011. A Memorial Service is being arranged. For further information please call Lynch & Sons at 248-684-6645 or visit www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com

WEST, DONALD O.

Age 82, of Houghton Lake and formerly of Milford, July 15, 2011. Preceded in death by his beloved wife Marilyn (d.1989). He is survived by his son, John (Dori); grandchildren, Victoria, Jacalyn, Kristyn; step-daughter, Karen (Paul) Walper and many loving extended family members and dear friends. Private Services have been held. Memorials may be made to the Pulmonary Fibrosis Foundation. For further information contact Lynch & Sons, Milford at 248-684-6645 or visit www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com



ROSE, VERNA

Age 84, of Milford, died peacefully, surrounded by her caring family, on Wednesday, July 13, 2011. She was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Leroy (d. 2000). Verna is survived by her children, Brent (Sue) Rose, Sheila (Jerry) Baurhenn, grandchildren, Shannon & Aja Rose, Sara (Eric Glowzinski) & James Baurhenn; siblings Rosetta Horey, Janice Wolfe, Connie Richardson, Marvin Leonard. Services are being held privately. Verna will be remembered for her warm and ever caring heart. She showed a special compassion to the stray cats around her home. Verna would welcome them in and nurse them to good health with love and food. Following with her care for felines, memorial contributions can be made to Pawsabilities Inc. (a 501C3 organization), PO Box 555 South Lyon, MI 48178, they help to neuter & spay stray/feral animals. For further information please call Lynch & Sons Funeral Directors at 248-684-6645 or visit www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com

NORTHVILLE COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Artists wanted for exhibit

The Menagerie Room @ Co Reutter Salon, located at 116 N. Lafayette in downtown South Lyon, would like to bring together artists of all mediums to participate in their "People's Choice Awards" exhibit. Entry deadline is Friday, Aug. 12, with artwork drop-off on Aug. 13. The people will decide the winners, who will be announced at the People's Choice Awards party at 6 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 1. For more information, stop in, call (248) 446-0411, or visit www.menagerieroom.com.

Sen. Colbeck's regular in-district office hours

State Senator Patrick Colbeck's (R-Canton, 7th District) office will now be holding regular in-district office hours to assist residents with any problems related to their interactions with state government. The Woodhaven Community Center and the Plymouth Library have agreed to provide space for the monthly meetings.

In-District Manager Jennifer Trussell will be available to meet with residents individually in order to help assist them with any issues they may be experiencing in obtaining permits, licenses or government aid.

Trussell will be available at the Woodhaven Community Center at 23101 Hall Road in Woodhaven from 10-11 a.m. on the first Tuesday of every month starting Aug. 2 and the Plymouth Library at 223 South Main Street in Plymouth from 6-7 p.m. on the third Wednesday of every month starting July 20.

For more information or to schedule an appointment, please call Trussell at (734) 672-6415.

Psychotherapist, author visits

Downtown Northville's Hearts of Inspiration welcomes Sheri Noga, psychotherapist and author of "Have The Guts To Do It Right", from 7:30-9 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 9.

She'll offer tips on raising well-adjusted and empathic children within a culture that encourages narcissism and indulgence.

The cost is \$5; refreshments will be served. To register, call (248) 773-7664.

Food assistance available

Plymouth and Northville will be participating in "The Emergency Food Assistance Program" (TEFAP), which is a supplemental food program for all income-eligible Wayne county residents.

Distributions will be the third Thursday (July 21) of each month from 10 a.m.-noon at St. Kenneth Catholic Church (14951 North Haggerty Road). All recipients must be pre-registered to become certified for eligibility (meeting both income and residency require-

ments) before being able to receive food on distribution days. Recipients who are not currently on any governmental program (Food Stamps, ADC and General Assistance) will need to provide documentation such as birth certificates or social security cards, proof of income and residence and proof of the number of household members. Bridge Card holders will automatically be qualified to participate but must still register.

For more information and registration, please contact the Plymouth Community United Way office at (734) 453-6879, ext. 2.

Christmas in July

Look inside this month's edition of Hometown Life Inspire for a chance to win a holiday shopping spree. Three lucky winners will win \$250, \$125 or \$75 to celebrate Christmas in July. Find this holiday beach ball on the pages of INSPIRE and enter to win. See more details in the July INSPIRE in print and online at hometownlife.com.

Volunteers sought for Buy Michigan

The Third Annual Buy Michigan Now Festival is searching for volunteers to help make guests experience at the annual three-day festival memorable. Volunteer applications for the festival - which returns to downtown Northville Aug. 5-7 - are now being accepted.

The family-friendly fest which showcases various Michigan entertainers, businesses, products, and educational opportunities with the goal of revitalizing the local economy is looking for volunteers to assist in various areas of the festival throughout the weekend. Michiganders who are interested in volunteering can fill out the volunteer application form online (http://www.buymichigannow-fest.com/volunteer_form.php). Selected candidates will be notified by the festival organizers by mid-July.

Hospice volunteers needed

Compassionate Care Hospice seeks caring, compassionate volunteers with big hearts to serve as friendly visitors for its patients. Their service area includes the counties of Oakland, Monroe, Wayne, Washtenaw and Livingston. Volunteers set their own schedules and typically donate one to two hours of their time per week.

Compassionate Care Hospice is a community-based hospice organization committed to the highest quality of hospice care for patients, their families and other loved ones. Volunteers receive training and on-going coaching, and social opportunities are available as well.

The next new volunteer orientation is fast-approaching and will take place at the office in Canton. Contact Justine Galat, volunteer coordinator, to apply for an interview at jgalat@cch.net or 888-983-9050.

REVENUE

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revenue for the township, and some of this acreage will most likely have frontage on Seven Mile.

Through community input it has become apparent that residents want some variety of options to be included in the master plan. However, the board has also come to realize these options need to be financed.

"We recognize the financial reality, so we need it," Trustee Mindy Hermann said.

A special meeting was held by the Board of Trustees last week, mainly for the purpose of further discussing of the idea of setting aside some acreage. The land, formerly known

as the Northville Regional Psychiatric Hospital property, is township-owned.

The plan for the old hospital property is to have as much community input as possible in the planning of the property. Currently, the concept plan is to have it be a predominantly recreational/park area. Online surveys, questionnaires and community meetings have helped gauge the public's wants.

Supervisor Mark Abbo coined the term "revenue generator" at a previous meeting. The hope would be that eventually the revenue produced would help support the park area and its amenities.

The fear is the community might react against this because of how it might be perceived near the develop-

ment set to go up next door at the REIS site, which is located on the southwest corner of Seven Mile and Haggerty roads.

Several board members pointed out that when REIS begins work, many residents will be surprised at the look the land will take on as trees are cut down and construction begun.

"It will probably shock many people when they see the trees taken out," township Treasurer Richard Henningson said.

The board wants to fully maintain the master plan process as a public one, so keeping residents informed is essential.

"This is a public process. We do have to have respect and give credence to the public's desire of the process," Trustee Marjorie Banner said.

Tipping Point Theatre announces its 2011-2012 season

The achievement of Tipping Point Theatre's fifth season is a milestone that fills the community with a sense of pride for all that has been accomplished, while being mindful of the work still to come. The plays this season are about solving mysteries, experiencing life milestones both marriage and friendship, and celebrating all gifts that come our way.



The Mystery of Irma Vep
By Charles Ludlam
Strange things are going on at Mandacrest, the Hillcrest estate of Lord Edgar and Lady Enid near Hamstead Heath. Lady Enid is Lord Edgar's second wife, but he's not quite over the death of his first, Irma Vep. The house staff also has its own opinions about the

new lady of the manor. Throw in vampires, mummies, werewolves, travels to Egypt and two speedy actors who play all the characters and you have a clever, ridiculously-funny, side-splitting comedy with gothic plot twists (and who doesn't love a surprise ending?).
Sept. 1-Oct. 9
Previews: Sept. 1-2

The Importance of Being Earnest

By Oscar Wilde
Earnest has two women vying for his affections. The problem is, he doesn't exist! Jack Worthing is a pillar of the community. For years, he's also pretended to have an irresponsible black-sheep brother named Ernest living in London who needs bailing out once in a while. Jack's trips to London allow him to pretend

to be Earnest and do as he likes, and that works out well until Jack falls in love with Gwendolen Fairfax, the cousin of his best friend, Algernon Moncrieff. When Algernon is let in on the whole story, including Cecily's fascination with Earnest, he decides to become Earnest and shows up at Jack's country place, creating a whole new set of hilarious problems for Jack, Algernon, Cecily, Gwendolen and everyone in this must-see, classic and timeless comedy.
Nov. 3-Dec. 18
Previews: Nov. 3-4

The Love List

By Norm Foster
What would happen if you came up with a list of the 10 ideal attributes you desire in a mate and then someone fitting the bill suddenly shows up? That happens to

Bill, a boring man his best friend Leon tries to rescue with just this kind of "love list." When Justine, the perfect woman, appears and acts like she's been with Bill for years, the buddies think they may have created a female Frankenstein. When Bill and Leon change some of the qualities on the list, Justine's personality changes for the worse, throwing the pair into mayhem. This fantastic, farcical comedy will have you believing you should be careful of what you wish for.
Jan. 19-Feb. 19, 2012
Previews Jan. 19-20

Fiction

By Steven Dietz
Linda and Michael are successful married writers with a feisty partnership high in intellectual banter and friendly competition that works well until Linda is

unexpectedly diagnosed with a brain tumor and given only three weeks to live. Each keeps a prolific private diary, and Linda tells Michael he may read hers after she is gone, but she wants to read his now. He reluctantly gives in and Linda learns of her husband's infatuation for many years with Abby, a young woman he met at a writer's retreat. But are the diary entries truth or fiction? And is Linda hiding her own secrets? Find out in this drama that proves no life is an open book. Note: Adult Content!
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The Cemetery Club

By Ivan Menchell
Lucille, Doris and Ida are Jewish widows and the surviving members of three sets of longtime best friends. In their attempt to

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LOCAL

Friday Night Concerts

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Fridays through Aug. 26

Location: Town Square, downtown Northville
Details: Free concerts presented by Tom Holzer Ford and the Northville Downtown Development Authority. July 22 - Steve King and the Ditties; July 29 - Zap Toro; Aug. 5 - Buy Michigan Now Festival; Aug. 12 - The Crutches; Aug. 19 - Gia Warner; Aug. 26 - Justine Blazer.

Barnes & Noble Booksellers

Location: 17111 Haggerty Road, Northville

Girls Taking Over the World

Author Tour

Time/Date: 2 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 7
Details: Five authors -- Lara Ziehn, Rhonda Stapleton, Christine Johnson, Sandra Mitchell, and Aimee Carter -- of young adult novels are taking a girl empowerment message on the road this summer with the Girls Taking Over the World book tour. The authors will be visiting libraries and bookstores around the Great Lakes this summer to highlight their girl-centric novels and to talk to young women about celebrating their strength and making their own choices.
Contact: (248) 348-1274

Northville Art House

Location: 215 W. Cady St., Northville
Contact: Northville Art House (248) 344-0497 or www.northvillearts.org for on-going art classes, lectures, events, rentals, volunteering.
Hours: 1-5 p.m. Saturdays; 1-9 p.m. on first Fridays of each month
Details: Admission to Art House exhibits are always free and open

to the public.

"13 Ways to View a Blackbird and Other Thoughts In Thread"
Time/Date: opening reception 5-9 p.m. Friday, Aug. 5; exhibit continues through Aug. 27
Details: An art quilt show featuring two groups of work by artists from across the Midwest. Inspired by the Wallace Stevens' poem with the same name, the exhibit is a vibrant and thought-provoking collection by the Fiber Artists Coalition, a group of professional artists from the upper midwestern United States. Exhibit is free and open to the public.

Northville Chamber of Commerce

Location: 195 S. Main Street, Northville, MI 48167
Contact: (248) 349-7640 or www.northville.org
The Northville Chamber presents the 6th Annual Northville Grub Crawl
Time/Date: 6-10 p.m. Tuesday, July 26

Details: Indulge in Northville's unique collection of restaurants as you sample their signature specialties. Ten restaurants are offering free samples of appetizers and entrée items along with cash bar specials for "Crawlers". Crawlers can use free shuttle transportation to each restaurant or "crawl" on their own. 2011 Participating restaurants are Aubree's of Northville, Brann's Steakhouse & Grill, Buckminster's Pub, Edward's Café & Catering, Five Restaurant, Gaucho Brazilian Steakhouse, Northville Sports Den, Poole's Tavern, Rusty Bucket Restaurant and Tavern and Sizzling Sticks Café Mongolian Style BBQ. Tickets are \$30 prepaid (must be 21 or over) and are now available at Gardenviews, Good Time Party Store or the Northville Chamber of Commerce.
Farmers Market
Time/Date: 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Thursdays
Location: northwest corner of Sheldon and Seven Mile roads
Details: The area is filled with Michigan-made, Michigan-grown products.

Mill Race Historical Village

Location: 215 Griswold Ave., north of Main Street near Ford Field
Hours: 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: 9 a.m. Archives Open; 6:30 p.m. Rehearsal; 7 p.m. Historical Society Board Meeting
Friday: 9 a.m. Archives Open; 4:30-8:30 p.m. Wedding*
Saturday: 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Private Tour; 4 p.m. Private Party; 6-8 p.m. Wedding*
Sunday: 1-4 p.m. Village Buildings Open Free to the Public; **Monday:** 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Heirloom Rug Hookers; 7 p.m. Lions Club; 7 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 755 Class in Church

Tuesday: 9 a.m. Stone Gang; 6:30 p.m. Northville Democrats
Wednesday: 6:45 p.m. Mindfulness Meditation Group
Victorian Festival
Dates: Sept. 16-19
Details: Michigan 21st Infantry Company H encampment on the grounds of Mill Race Village. Step back in time to the period of the Civil War - 1861-1865. From the moment you set foot in their campsite you'll see history come alive. This group takes pride in the authenticity of their clothing and accuracy of their performance. There will be civilians on hand to show life as a post master, laundress, mid-wife, etc. No admission fee.

Cemetery Walk

Time/Date: 4-7 p.m. Oct. 16
Location: Oakwood Cemetery.
Details: This year's cemetery walk will focus on Northville in the Civil War. We will feature some soldiers and their families as well as other citizens and how they were affected by the war. Learn the different aspects and impact of the Civil War on the community in this educational and entertaining presentation. Refreshments following at the Art House; tickets \$10.
Contact: (248) 348-1845 for more information.
Scavenger Hunt
Time/Date: 7-10 p.m. Friday, Oct. 21



Lettuce donation

Civic Concern, the Northville community's food pantry, will be the beneficiary of all the lettuce Northville resident Peter Morris, age 8, is picking. Beginning July 14, fresh produce from home gardeners or produce purchased at the Farmer's Market may be donated to benefit Civic Concern at the Master Gardener's booth in Northville's Farmer's Market. Fresh food for Civic Concern will be received at the Market every Thursday until October.

Details: A Scavenger Hunt that gives you clues which may lead you to some tricks or maybe some treats. Not a race, but a historical and haunting trivia type of hunt through the town of Northville. This is a spooktacular fun event for families and friends; \$40 per person. These events do sell out and tickets may not be available at door. No refunds will be given unless there is an event cancellation; runs rain or shine. No more than 15 teams/8 people per team. You do not need to sign up with 8 people -- you can be matched up that night. Each team needs at least one digital camera and a flashlight
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Contact: Visit www.hauntedhideaways.com for more information

Northville Community Senior Center

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

Genitti's Hole-in-the-Wall

Location: 108 E. Main, Northville
Contact: (248) 349-0522

Maybury State Park

Location: Eight Mile Road (between Beck and Napier roads) State Park
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(\$6 annually for seniors 65 and older).
Contact: (248) 349-8390, Friends of Maybury (248) 349-3858 or FriendsOfMaybury.org.

Northville-Novi Business Networking Breakfast

Time/Date: 7:30-9 a.m. first and third Tuesdays (except Nov. and Dec., which are just the first Tuesdays)
Location: Kerby's Coney Island, 21200 Haggerty Road
Details: Business networking focused on building relationships. The Sunrise Networking Group, LLC (www.sunrisenetworkinggroup.com), or SNG for short, is a group of about 250 business leaders who help each other to build more business by referring people to each other. Cost of breakfast is \$10.
Contact: Fonda Milana 586-232-3009 or fmilana@sunrisefinancial-groupllc.com

Designer Show House and Home Tour Preview Party

Time/Date: 6:30-9:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 23
Location: 800 Griswold, Northville
Details: Visit with the designers; seek their advice; small plate strolling dinner, silent auction and signature cocktail. Advance RSVP required. The self-guided home tour of five Northville area homes will be 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 24 with the last-chance tour from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 25. Sponsored by American Association of University Women Northville-Novi and hosted by Dr. William Demray, DDS.
Contact: www.aauwnn.org

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I know people waiting for letters. United States Marine Corps Corporal Natalie Firth says, "We got the letters today. It definitely brightened up my day!!! It has been terribly hot and exhausting over here, so anything that gives us the energy to smile is amazing."

Firth received letters from students at Silver Springs Elementary School. "Tell the kids, we said thank you and we appreciate all the motivation!!"

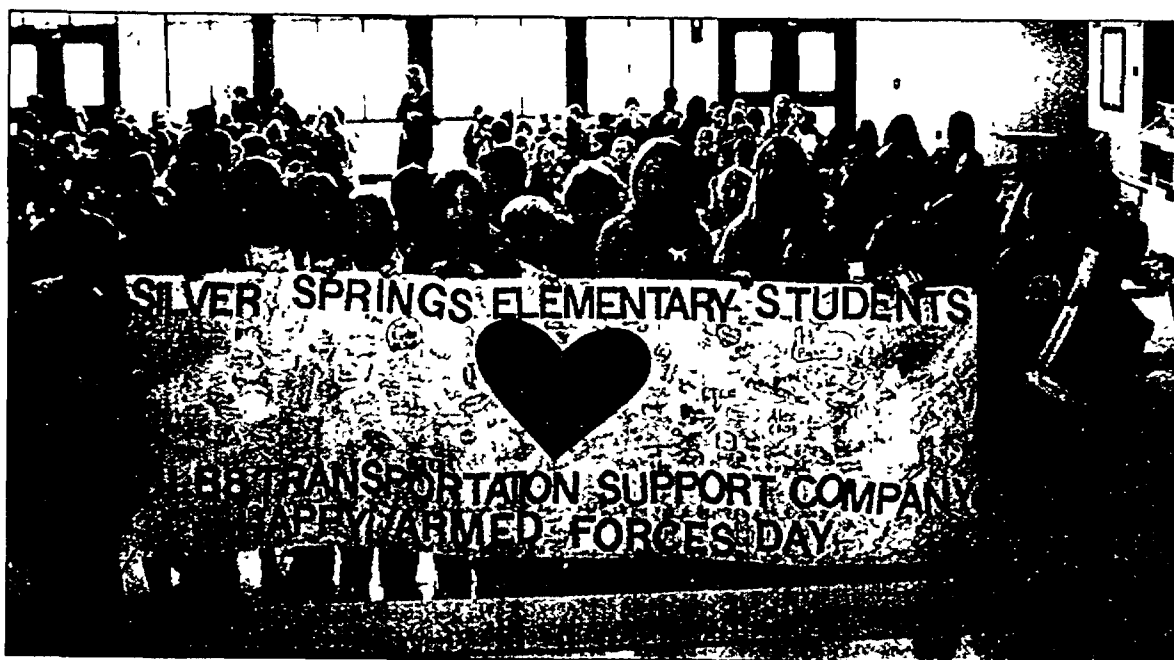
Firth's husband's cousin, Lukas Biondo-Savin, is a student at Silver Springs Elementary School.

Over 300 students at Silver Springs wrote letters in May to celebrate Armed Forces Day, May 21. David Wayne's fifth grade class prepared packages, sending them to men and women currently serving in Afghanistan and Iraq.

"It gives them an authentic purpose for writing," Wayne said, "a real purpose for their effort in writing. Preparing the packages adds a tangible learning lesson as the kids discover what simple things a soldier misses," - things we take for granted: clean socks, skin lotion, snacks and LETTERS!

Cpl. Firth wrote to them: "First of all, I would like to thank you so much for all the goodies and the letters!! We got the box a couple weeks ago, yes WE!!! The guys helped eat everything ... we tend to all share in everyone's care packages."

Country music artist John Michael Montgomery has written a song



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about how important these postage marked bulletins from home are:

"I hold it up and show my buddies, Like we ain't scared and our boots ain't muddy"

And they all laugh, like there's something funny

'bout the way I talk, when I say, 'Mama sends her best, Y'all'. I fold it up and put it in my shirt. Pick up my gun and get back to work,

And it keeps me driving on ...

Waiting on ...

Letters from home."

Thanks, Montgomery, for musically reminding us how important mail call still is to our armed forces personnel. Ask any veteran about mail call. Some will get misty-eyed, recalling love letters from the girl they left waiting back home. Many Americans still cherish letters sent during war era times, when life was simpler, e-mail was a daydream

and Facebook a fantasy. Many Americans are sitting in the back of a truck, in the desert, without text messaging. They're not worried about their cell phone signal and they know they don't have a charge. Instead, they have a duty - they're busy keeping us safe.

Letter writing, as a lost art, is still a valuable opportunity in a classroom experience. Second grade Silver Springs teacher Cheryl Sepich said, "Letter writing to service members is the perfect way to bring everything we have learned this year together into one place. Students are given a real world opportunity to write for an authentic purpose. They are able to show their knowledge of how to construct a sentence, how to use punctuation properly and to use their spelling skills learned over the year. Students can brainstorm with partner's questions they might have about the area that our

service member is stationed and look at a map to help locate it, thus strengthening their geography. To me, this is a win-win situation for everyone involved."

Silver Springs faculty members like third grade teacher Beth Kuriluk genuinely enjoyed having their students write. "I didn't have to ask them, they wanted to do it," she said. Her son, United States Navy Lieutenant Daniel Kuriluk, said: "It meant a lot to get letters, especially the cards made in the shape of flags." Beth says her son felt very connected to her former students who worked to put together his package and send him personalized letters. "It made me feel GREAT!" It meant a lot to Danny. Their efforts were very special to him. Lt. Kuriluk has been flying reconnaissance missions in the Middle East and PRAISE GOD, returned, safely to Northville, last

week.

Faculty members were very supportive, as Sepich said. "I grew up with a dad that was a Navy Corpsman in the Marines, an uncle that was in the Air Force and a brother-in-law in the Air Force. The respect and honor that should be given to all military personnel is deep rooted inside of me. I think it's vital for my students to grow up with a strong sense of patriotism for our county and an understanding that members of our military earn our respect every single day."

Students shined with respect. A fifth grader wrote a letter that my son, Lance Corporal Joseph Eichholtz, Silver Springs Class of 2000, received. Fifth grader McKenna wrote: "I'm a Wisconsin Fan in Michigan. I feel about as welcome as you must in Afghanistan. I know my experience isn't quite so bad. I hope you come home, safe, soon."

"Mom, I laughed, so hard - all the cards and letters from your students were the best, they lifted our spirits and gave us strength to carry on. We especially loved their banner!" exclaimed Eichholtz.

I close, asking you to keep the family of Army Private Brian J. Backus, 21, of Saginaw Township, Mich. in your prayers. www.icasualty.org tells us "Pvt. Backus died June 18, in Kandahar province, Afghanistan, of wounds suffered when insurgents attacked his unit with small arms fire. He was assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 87th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 10th Mountain Division."

Michigan's most patriotic have been hard hit this year! Pray Brian died feeling loved, with a letter in his shirt pocket.

Debbie Eichholtz, Medical LRE at Silver Springs Elementary, Northville Public Schools, will be sharing her thoughts on her son's service regular with Northville Record readers.

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OUR VIEWS

Beat the heat this summer

Taking precautions will make navigating heat much more tolerable

Yes, it's hot out there. We're in the midst of a heat wave that has baked the region for nearly a week now, and isn't supposed to relent too much until next week.

But this is summer in Michigan and heat is part of the equation. For most people, getting outdoors is also a fact of life during the summertime. And around here, there is plenty to do outside.

For example, each Wednesday in South Lyon, Thursday in Northville and Saturday in Novi, we have great farmers markets. There are live concerts in Northville's Town Square on Fridays and at 12 Mile Crossing at Fountainwalk every Thursday. We have numerous community parks and Maybury State Park.

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There are many, many others. Picnics, barbecues, swimming, reunions, boating — they are all synonymous with summer. We encourage everyone to take advantage — it won't be too long before the snow begins to fly again, and we will remember these 90 degree-plus days with fondness.

to keep the sun off your face. Always wear sunglasses.

- Use sunscreen — If you must go outdoors, protect yourself from the sun by putting on sunscreen of SPF 15 or higher. The most effective products will say "broad spectrum" or "UVA/UVB protection" on their labels. Apply 30 minutes prior to going outside and continue to apply as directed, especially if you are going in and out of the water.

- Pace yourself — Start slowly and gradually pick up the pace. If your heart starts to pound and leaves you gasping for breath, stop immediately. Find a cool, shaded area, re-hydrate yourself and rest.

- Never leave a child in a vehicle — Regardless of the temperature outside, NEVER leave a child, infant or a pet unsupervised in a locked vehicle. Even with windows cracked, inside temperatures can rise 20 degrees in less than 10 minutes.

- Know the signs of heat exhaustion — Heat related illnesses can develop several days after exposure to high temperatures and/or an unbalanced or inadequate replacement of fluids. Usually it's accompanied by heavy sweating, paleness, muscle cramps, tiredness, weakness, dizziness, headaches, nausea or vomiting. Those most prone to heat exhaustion are the elderly, people with high blood pressure, and people working or exercising outdoors.

- When the weather forecast calls for extreme temperatures, you need to be informed. Listen to the local news or weather channels, or contact the Fire Department for any health or safety updates.

- If you would rather stay indoors — do it somewhere fun.

If you don't have air conditioning, go to the mall or maybe the library. If you choose to stay home and don't have air conditioning, electric fans may offer some relief and will at least keep the air circulating.

This will not, however, prevent heat-related illnesses if the temperature inside is over 90 degrees. Take cold showers throughout the day to keep your body temperature down.

COMMUNITY VOICE

What's one thing you want to do before summer is over?



"I want to go camping up in the U.P. or do like a backpack trip."

Graham Smith
Northville Township



"I hope to try and get the kids to go to Ann Arbor and walk around downtown."

Julie Verhelle (and daughter Hannah, 11)
Novi



"I haven't gone swimming yet to one of the lakes. I'll even take a pool, to be honest."

Heather Douglas
Livonia

"Stratford. We have three boys, and we have never done that. And probably go fishing at Maybury."

Sharon Karabajakian
Northville Township

LETTERS

Pom wash kudos

The Northville varsity and JV pompon teams want to thank the community and the Good Time Party Store in Northville for their overwhelming support of our car washes held June 4 and 11. We are very appreciative of your generosity and look forward to performing for the community this fall during halftime of the NHS varsity and JV football games!

Diane Maier
Northville Pompon

Really? A walkway?

We are laying off teachers, police and firemen. We are eliminating and cutting back on various student activities. Our local roads are almost impassible due to cracks and holes. The intersection at Seven Mile and Sheldon Road is in dangerous and disgraceful condition. Yet, 200 feet from this intersection we start a \$13 million walking path that the percent of local population using it will be miniscule. Does the word "illogical" come to mind here?

Fred J. Hendra
Northville

Teacher award process

Sorry, Mr. Stewart, but anyone reading your attacks on the long-held and respected tenure system in education will also see your lack of understanding for its purpose. Schools aren't private industry, and most comparisons of public education to private industry are useless; and the result of these comparisons often mean that one is led to believe that the only thing that counts is dollars and cents, and not how to recruit and retain the best educators and provide the best educational experience for our kids. It is about providing them the best, and not the cheapest!

Good teachers go to into the profession as a calling, not just a job. They make a multi-decade commitment to teaching, usually in the same place, and it is not a profession where you can move from one district to another easily. People in private industry regularly move from job to job for advancement, better pay, or benefits, or all of the above. You admitted, Mr. Stewart, that there could be a problem with bias by school administrators, but you still don't feel teachers deserve protection from it.

Anyone in education and familiar with the process of teacher of the year awards will tell you that they are somewhat subjective. The process usually involves nomination of many qualified people, and sometimes a very "popular" teacher can have tremendous support once it is made known that they have been nominated, but others just as qualified to "win" don't. Unfortunately, there is only one winner when there could be many, if not all, deserving of the award. This doesn't diminish the award, it just means it is hard to win when there is tough competition. It doesn't mean that the new winner is performing any better than the 29-year veteran, and they many have learned much from that association with the veteran.

I, too, have hired and fired people, and I can tell you that in my 40 or so years of sales and sales management, I have seen many qualified people advance and prosper. I have also seen more than one pretty average book-flicker and behind-smoocher do the same. It wasn't about putting together the best team, as it should be; it was about the boss putting together "his team." Tenure gives teachers some modest protection against these practices, and your implication that the best of the best lose out because of tenure is unfounded. Any consistently under-performing educator can and should be removed if the proper procedures and

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truthful documentation are used. The issue usually is that administrators don't have that documentation, or are unwilling or afraid to follow the process through.

Finally, "when revenues don't match expenses," it is my view that instead of whining about the prospect of meeting the need, we need to be willing to provide the same educational experience that our parents, grandparents and neighbors provided us — and be willing to pay for it! I would gladly be willing to pay more so that eliminating art, music, foreign language, intramural sports, and many other cuts to programs our parents were willing to pay for, became unnecessary. Fair taxes and those willing to make the sacrifice paid for my great public school education and experience. Sadly, today's children don't have that same support.

Steve Lawrence
Northville Township

Don't raise debt ceiling

Please urge your U.S. senators and Congressman NOT to vote to increase the debt limit above \$14 trillion for ANY reason. All the gloom-and-doom stories about default are B.S. If the government can no longer borrow on our grandchildren's future, they still will collect plenty of money from current taxes. However, they will then have to prioritize what is important to pay and what is not.

They need not default on the debt. However, foreign aid would have to stop. Uncle Sam could no longer play big shot with money he does not have. Whole government programs that have been in existence for years with no benefit to taxpayers like the Department of Education, Department of Agriculture, Department of Homeland Security (which is currently waging war against the American people), Department of Energy (which is presently controlled by environmental extremists like Al Gore, etc.) — all these wasteful, illegal (as defined by the 10th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution) federal bureaucracies should be eliminated. The taxes the federal government collects are sufficient to pay on the debt plus pay for needed programs as determined by a priority evaluation. In other words, the government will have to prioritize just like individual citizens have to do. In truth, the insanity of borrowing on our children's and grandchildren's future should have never been started.

Gerald M. Wiggins
South Lyon

Bleak future

A state's budget is both a moral statement and a vision for the future. The proposed budget for next year reveals a failure to accept moral responsibility on the part of our governor and his cohorts in the Legislature. Their budget offers a bleak vision for the future of Michigan. It demonstrates that corporations are valued over human beings, the rich are more worthy than the needy, and education will leave more children "behind." If Michigan fails to provide the resources to enable children to become gainfully employed and be proactive citizens, our state is in our nation.

Denise "Chip" Black
Milford

On corporate taxes, debt

If Ed Lee's claim (letter, June 23) that the corporate tax rate is the major cause for job losses and businesses moving to foreign countries were not so egregiously wrong and the truth so unforgivably distorted, the claim would be laughable.

If you want the truth about corporate taxes, simply Yahoo or Google "Corporate Taxes Paid." You will quickly learn that the 35-percent tax rate on corporations is a myth that Republicans persistently perpetuate.

Mr. Lee, your Republican underwear is showing.

Most corporations pay no corporate taxes, and those that do pay seldom pay little more than half of the 35-percent statutory rates.

Meanwhile, corporate profits are soaring. The reluctance to hire more workers, I suspect, is not a fear of the economic future; the greater fear is Obama's re-election if unemployment diminishes.

Who really controls the employment market? Do you seriously think the president does? He wishes!

Another distortion of reality Republicans insist through implication and innuendo is that Obama is somehow responsible for our \$14.3 trillion debt. Hogwash!

Check out "National debt by U.S. Presidential terms" at Wikipedia and see a graphic account of which party doesn't mind spending money; the Republicans just don't want to pay for their spending with tax money.

Any attempt to summarize all of the factual causes of the national debt is as ridiculous as blaming Obama for the debt.

You might consider a few of the facts (Pew Center Report, April 2011) regarding the many causes of the recent national debt increases.

- Revenue declining due to recession: 28 percent
- Defense spending increase: 15 percent
- Bush tax cuts 2001 and 2003: 13 percent
- Increase in net interest: 11 percent
- Other no defense spending: 10 percent
- Other tax cuts: 8 percent
- Obama stimulus: 6 percent
- Medicare Part D: 2 percent
- Other reasons: 7 percent

The fiscal year of Obama's first budget began in September 2009, less than two years ago. If blame is to be bandied about, one should at least seek the history of the national debt that recently has become the battle cry of the conservatives.

Patrick Downey
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NORTHVILLE POLICE BRIEFS

Larcenies from autos

1 Two different larcenies, but same stolen item.

It was reported to Northville Township police by two individuals that their GPS devices were taken from their automobiles.

The first case occurred on July 6 and was reported by a 34-year-old Northville woman who said her Garmin GPS was taken from her unlocked car while it was parked at her home on Johnson Creek Drive.

The second incident happened to a homeowner on Sunnyside Lane while he was away on vacation. The 42-year-old Northville man told police he was called by his neighbor while on vacation from June 24-July 2, and was told that his jeep's doors were open and it appeared to have been rummaged through.

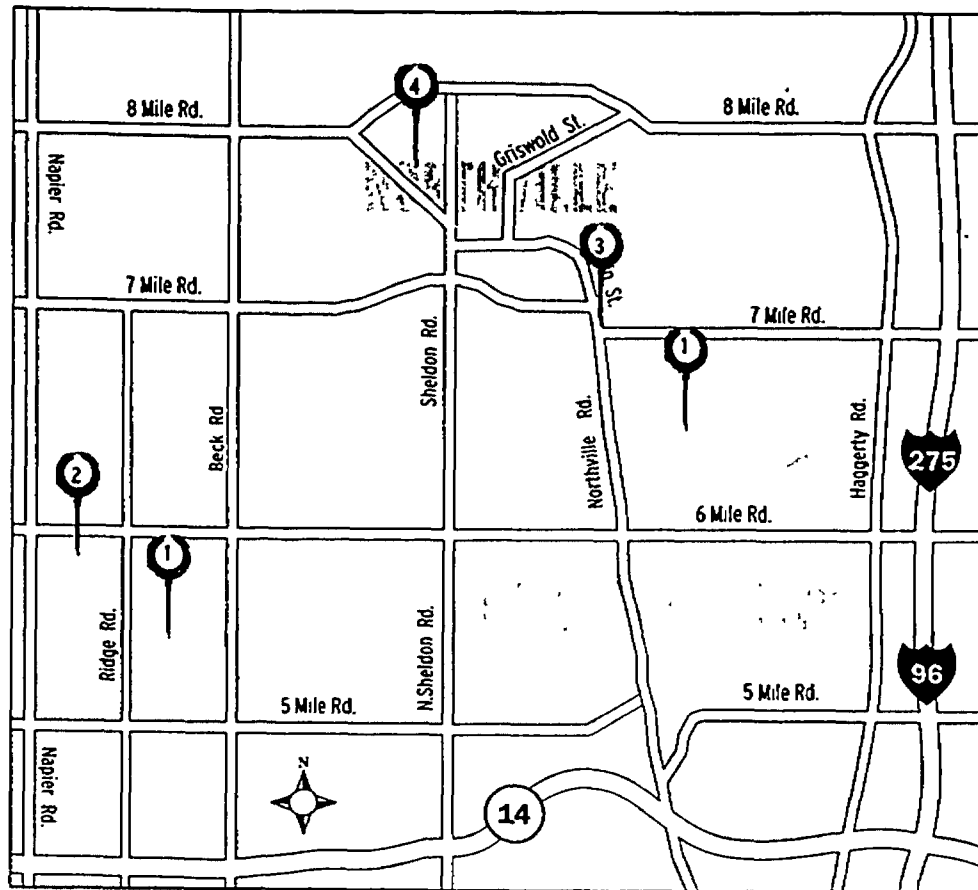
It had been unlocked and the man's Garmin and fuel card were stolen.

Solicitors without permit

2 Two men were issued violations on July 11 for selling magazines door to door without a permit.

Northville Township police were dispatched to the area of Boulder Drive on a report of the two men in neighborhood. They were working for a company and had paperwork to support this, but they said they did not have the proper sales permit in order to do this in the township.

They produced receipts of residents who had subscribed with them that day.



All of the checks were made out to the company.

Operating while intoxicated

3 A 25-year-old Farmington Hills man was arrested for drunk driving after being spotted running the stop sign at Seven Mile Road and Main Street.

While parked at the Goodtime Party Store on July 9, a Northville city police patrol spotted the man's car traveling at an estimated higher rate of speed than the one posted. The reporting officers then

observed the driver go through a stop sign and slam on his brakes at the yield sign. They pulled the man over near Gardner Road.

The report stated the man smelled of intoxicants and had bloodshot eyes. He swayed through his field sobriety tests and had some difficulty. When asked again how much had he to drink the man responded by saying, "too much to be driving."

He was arrested after a preliminary breathalyzer test stated his blood-alcohol content was .13 percent.

Animal ordinance - too many cats

4 Northville city police warn a resident about feeding cats after a neighbor complains their neighborhood on High Street is being overrun by feral cats.

Police were called by a 53-year-old resident and were told by the man that High Street neighborhood was having an issue with feral cats. He said one individual in particular was attracting them by feeding them. The police had received a previous complaint about the 69-year-old man feeding cats prior to this situation.

While speaking with the man about the ordinance the reporting police officer stated seeing at least five cats near the man's porch. The city ordinance states the penalty could be up to 90 days in jail and a \$500 fine.

The man said he would comply with the ordinance, and try to alleviate the amount of cats coming to his home for food.

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Public Act 77

State Sen. Mike Kowall (R-White Lake, 15th District) joined Gov. Rick Snyder (left) at the Capitol July 12 as Public Act 77 of 2011 (Senate Bill 383) was signed into law. The new law gives more flexibility to the administration by allowing the state treasurer and the Michigan Film Office to negotiate with those who apply for Michigan Business Tax film tax credits on the amount of the credit they will receive for the remaining months of the program.

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GUEST COLUMNIST

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OAKLAND COUNTY BUSINESS WORKSHOPS

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

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SBA forum on small business lending

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- Oct. 19: CEED Microloan Orientation
- Oct. 20: Fundamentals of Writing a Business Plan (p.m.)
- Oct. 27: Fundamentals of Marketing Your Business

County Market Research division, and a business reference librarian.

Tuesday, Aug. 9, 6-9:30 p.m. This workshop is free but pre-registration is required.

CEED microloan orientation

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Wednesday, Aug. 10, 9-11 a.m. This workshop is free but pre-registration is required.

Fundamentals of starting a business

This seminar is for anyone thinking about going into business. This course helps aspiring entrepreneurs assess their abilities to lead and manage a company as well as evaluate market and sales potential for their products. The basics of business ownership are introduced, along with resources available to help launch new ventures in Michigan.

Thursday, Aug. 11, 6-9 p.m. Fee: \$30.

FastTrac: listening to your business

The day-to-day responsibilities of running your own business leaves little time to focus on long-term vision, goals and strategies. Find time in your schedule to spend it with Listening to your Business, a half-day workshop from FastTrac. Created for entrepreneurs just like you, Listening to Your Business makes the most of the knowledge you have about your business—and the limited time you have to make it better.

Friday, Aug. 12, 8 a.m.-noon. The fee is \$50.

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Polish Mission hosts grandparents, grandchild workshops this summer

The Polish Mission has begun hosting "The Grandparents Project," made possible by a major grant from the Michigan Humanities Council. The project unites grandparents and grandchildren of Polish, Jewish and German backgrounds who share a common Polish heritage.

The Polish Mission at Orchard Lake Schools will host free two-day and four-day workshops throughout July and August with a goal of reaching 96 families. Workshops are held at 3535 Indian Trail, Orchard Lake.

Two-day workshops are scheduled 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. (hour lunch break at 11:30 a.m.) July 25-26, July 27-28, Aug. 8-9, Aug. 25-26, Aug. 29-30 and Aug. 31 to Sept. 1.

Four-day workshops offer morning or afternoon sessions, from 10-11:30 a.m. and 12:30-2 p.m., respectively. Workshop dates are July 18-21, Aug. 1-4 and Aug. 15-18.

"The Michigan Humanities Council is very excited about this project and how it brings together different generations to share their cultural heritage," said Katie Wolf, executive director for the Michigan Humanities Council.

Each session can stand alone; attendees can mix and match sessions as needed. If grandparents are unable to bring their grandchildren, they may still attend and share their discoveries with grandchildren at a later date. Each family will take home an archival booklet including a pedigree chart, U.S. Census records, ship manifests, maps of ancestral villages, photos, family stories and recipes. At the project's end, families are invited to bring an ethnic dish to pass and participate in a public exhibit.

"Most researchers lament that they did not

ask questions of their grandparents when they had the opportunity," said Hal Learman, genealogist and assistant director of the Polonia Americana Research Institute.

"PARI Director Cecile Wendt Jensen did interview her Przytulski grandparents, but didn't know what to do with the information until she found some vintage maps and a 'how to' book. Her quest to find her roots lead to writing the book, *Sto Lat: A Modern Guide to Polish Genealogy*. Attendees will receive a complimentary copy of *Sto Lat*."

The Polish Mission is part of the Orchard Lake Schools which was founded in 1885 by Polish Immigrants. Its mission is to preserve and promote Polish and Polish-American culture, tradition and history for present and future generations. The Polish Mission organizes programs, courses and events that highlight Polish and Polish-American culture and accomplishments, and ensures a repository for artifacts, archival materials, works of art and publications.

Project sponsors include The Polish Mission, Polonia Americana Research Institute, with outreach via the West Bloomfield Public Library, Jewish Genealogical Society of Michigan, Oakland County Genealogical Society, and the Holocaust Memorial Center.

Sessions may be reserved online at <http://grandparents.eventbrite.com> or by calling (248) 683-0323.

The Michigan Humanities Council is a private, nonprofit organization. For more information, visit www.michiganhumanities.org or call (517) 372-7770.



Blackbird by Laura Wasilowski

Art Quilt Show

The Northville Art House is presenting "13 Ways to View a Blackbird and Other Thoughts in Thread," an art quilt show featuring two groups of work by artists from across the Midwest, Aug. 5-27. Inspired by the Wallace Stevens' poem with the same name, the exhibit is a vibrant and thought-provoking collection by the Fiber Artists Coalition, a group of professional artists from the upper midwestern United States. "Thoughts in Thread" includes equally dynamic and diverse work by the local guild, Paradigm Quilters. Opening reception at the Northville Art House, sponsored by Ameriprise Financial, is from 6-9 p.m. Friday, Aug. 5 during Northville's First Friday Art Walk. The exhibit will continue through Aug. 27 during Art House Gallery hours, 1-5 p.m. Wednesdays-Saturdays. For additional information, call 248-344-0497 or visit www.northvillearts.org. The Art House is located at 215 W. Cady Street and is a facility of the Northville Arts Commission. Admission to Art House exhibits is always free and open to the public.

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Vintage game raises money for ALS research

BY DARRELL CLEM
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

For a third summer, Canton plans to step up to the plate to host a vintage baseball game using rules dating back to the 1860s — all to raise money to fight the disease that killed New York Yankees legend Lou Gehrig.

Local resident Bob Mosher has organized the event each year since he read a magazine article about ALS, or amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, after he and wife Natalie boarded a plane to return home from an overseas trip.

"It's very uplifting to do this," he said. "I feel that ALS is sort of one of our forgotten, horrible diseases. I love baseball, and I love people who are active. This disease can strike anybody.



For a third summer, Canton hosts a vintage baseball game using rules dating back to the 1860s — all to raise money to fight the disease that killed New York Yankees legend Lou Gehrig. The game is 6:30 p.m. Thursday, July 21.



Spectators will see a vintage baseball game using no gloves, foul lines or fences. Players, or "ballists," wear period-reproduced uniforms and recreate the game based on 1862 rules.

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To raise money for the ALS-Therapy Development Institute, Mosher has organized the latest vintage baseball game between the Northville Eclipse and the Detroit Early Riser Base Ball Club, set for 6:30 p.m. Thursday, July 21, in picturesque Heritage Park, off Canton Center south of Cherry Hill.

Admission is free, though anyone attending is strongly urged to bring donations to help fight ALS, a disease of the nerve cells in the brain and spinal cord that control

voluntary muscle movement. Mosher said a silent auction also will occur to raise money. Businesses and individuals who would like to donate items for the auction may contact Mosher by calling (734) 502-7477 or by sending an e-mail to bwphoto1@comcast.net.

Canton's latest vintage game comes 72 years after Gehrig quit his beloved sport and made his famous "Lucky Man" speech in Yankee Stadium, telling the crowd, "I may have had a tough break, but I have an awful lot to live for."

He died two years later at age 37.

Mosher said Canton's vintage baseball game has raised an estimated \$2,000 in the first two years. He conceded raising money has become tough amid an eco-

nomie downturn — though every dollar helps with much-needed research.

Mosher hasn't been personally affected by ALS, but he felt compelled to help fight it after he read the magazine article in *Newsweek*.

"It's a very important event," said Mosher, a retired Ford Motor Co. engineer.

Mosher estimated that 75 people attended last year's game, "and I hope to get around 100 or more this year."

Spectators will see a vintage baseball game using no gloves, foul lines or fences. Players, or "ballists," wear period-reproduced uniforms and recreate the game based on 1862 rules.

That means no spitting, no swearing and certainly no team brawls — reflective of a time when baseball was

perhaps more of a gentleman's game.

ALS-TDI officials have said 5,000 to 8,000 Americans are diagnosed each year with ALS, while as many as 30,000 people are living with the disease at any given time.

Mosher, who in high school played summers for the Royal Oak-area Babe Ruth League, has called it fitting that a baseball game — the perennial American pastime, just as sure as summer arrives — should be organized to fight a disease that killed Gehrig.

All donations collected during the July 21 game will benefit the ALS-TDI, based in Cambridge, Mass. It is the world's largest nonprofit research center focused on fighting Lou Gehrig's disease.

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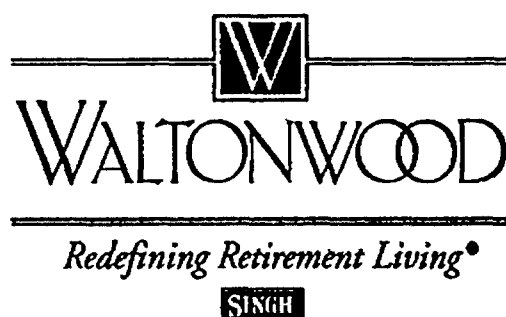
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Sree Lank, 13, does some face painting on July 5 at the Northville District Library for a patron. The library is offering face painting that day, done by its Teen Corps volunteers.



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Face painting

Isabel Aviles, 7, gets a butterfly painted on her face by Kate Knoth, 14, on July 5 at the Northville District Library.

NORTHVILLE ETC.

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GOLF OUTINGS

3rd Annual Northville Mustang Boosters Golf Outing/Silent Auction

Date: Saturday, Aug. 27

Location: Links of Novi, 50395 W. 10 Mile, Novi

Details: All monies raised will go directly to the Boosters and reinvested into our athletic programs and sports teams as needed. Tickets are \$100 per person, which includes a round of golf, lunch, dinner, open bar and access to the Silent Auction. Student cost is \$75 per person, which includes a round of golf, lunch and

dinner. There is also a dinner-only option, which is \$50 per person and includes dinner, open bar and access to the Silent Auction. Hit a hole in one and you could win a 2011 Lincoln MKZ. There will also be a longest drive contest and a closest to the pin contest for both women and men golfers.

Contact: Carrie Slominski at cslomo2022@yahoo.com

13th Annual Good Grief Outing

Time/Date: 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 10

Location: Tanglewood Golf Club, South Lyon

Details: The proceeds from this outing will benefit New Hope Center for Grief Support, a bereavement outreach center located in Northville. New Hope provides free grief support services and resources to men, women, teens, and children throughout southeastern Michigan. The cost for this four-person scramble, which includes 18 holes of golf with a cart, lunch, dinner, contests, and prizes, is \$115 per golfer prior to Aug. 1 and \$125 after. Dinner-only is \$35 per person. Channel 4 traffic and news reporter Lauren Podell will be special guest and emcee.

Contact: For information about sponsorship opportunities or for registration information, contact Pattie Bingham at (248) 348-0115 or www.newhopecenter.net



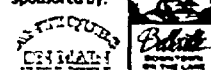
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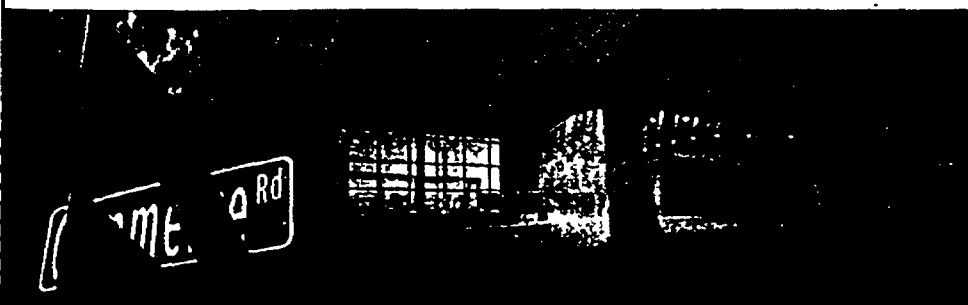
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That's not bad, considering there are only two other schools in our area that didn't make that prestigious list.

So, as you can guess, picking an All-Area team for the boys track and field is never easy, but it's always a lot of fun.

But, like every year, one athlete has to stand out above the rest. Out of all of the selections, this one is always the most difficult. Yet, when all is said and done and the numbers, along with the intangibles, are considered, the 2011 All-Area Boys Track and Field Player of the Year was awarded to a consistently driven runner who made a lot of noise this year not only winning several titles, but improving his time each and every race he ran.

Player of the Year

Edward Clifton, junior, Northville 800 run

Edward Clifton, of Northville, may only be a junior but he has plenty of experience both as an All-Area athlete, having made the cut in both 2009 and 2010, and as a state finals qualifier. The first time he made the trip to Rockford was as a freshman, then again as a sophomore and this year he earned All-State with his performance in the 800-meter run, finishing in sixth with a time of 1:55.05.

"Clifton has consistently run at the highest levels, yet scored a new personal best every time he competed," said Northville coach Gordie McIntosh. "Clifton was a captain this year and served as a mentor and role model, as well as a morale booster for his teammates."

Clifton has plenty of accomplishments to be proud of. He won the KLA Conference title in the 800 and set a new record along the way with a 1:57.8 showing before winning the regional title with a 1:56.2. In the state finals, after training virtually on his own for two weeks, he set another personal best, cutting almost a full second off his previous time.

In addition to running the 800, Clifton was also a key member of the 4x200, 4x400 and 4x800 relay teams for Northville.

First team

Derek Kim, senior, Novi 110 hurdles

Derek Kim is the kind of athlete you can just depend on. When you need points, he'll get them. When you need wins, he's the first to step up and give his best. That's why he's a no-brainer at All-Area, and he's proven his ability with a 2011 All-State performance in the 110 hurdles, too, finishing eighth with a time of 14.93 seconds.

"(He's been a) solid leader all year," said coach Marsha Reid. "He earned points in every meet."

Billy Riga, senior, Detroit Catholic Central 100 dash

Billy Riga is one of those guys that you just love to watch run. He's got speed in reserve, and when he kicks his performance into high gear it's like watching the definition of athlete take the stage.

Riga is a quality runner who was key in several points for the Shamrocks this year,

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Northville Mustang Ed Clifton in a 2010 file photo.

ALL-AREA BOYS TRACK

Player of the Year

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First team

Derek Kim, senior, Novi, 110 Hurdles
Billy Riga, senior, Detroit Catholic Central, 100 Dash
Shawn Shove, senior, Milford, 400 Dash
Sean Suehr, senior, Lakeland, 300 Hurdles
Joshua Carolin, junior, Detroit Catholic Central, 800 Run
Jake Spuller, senior, Detroit Catholic Central, 200 Dash
Garrett Zuk, junior, Lakeland, 3,200 Run
Stone Monarch, senior, Detroit Catholic Central, Discus
Al Myers, senior, Northville, High Jump
Ryan Majsak, senior, Detroit Catholic Central, Long Jump
John Falvey, senior, Lakeland, Pole Vault
George Darany, senior, Detroit Catholic Central, Shot Put
Joe Schubring, senior, Novi, 1,600 Run
Lakeland, 4x800 Relay
Detroit Catholic Central, 4x400 Relay
Detroit Catholic Central, 4x200 Relay
Novi, 4x100 Relay

Second team

Lance Lilla, junior, Novi, 110 Hurdles

Deandre Fordham-Johns, senior, Novi, 100 Dash
Brandon Wallace, junior, Milford, 400 Dash
Davanta Beal-Greer, senior, Novi, 300 Hurdles
Ryan Hofsess, senior, Milford, 800 Run
Mike Jocz, junior, Novi, 200 Dash
Andrew Garcia-Garrison, senior, Detroit Catholic Central, 3,200 Run
Trevor VanAsselt, sophomore, South Lyon, Discus
Derek Cingel, junior, Novi, High Jump
Alex Lambi, senior, South Lyon East, Long Jump
Brent Parzuchowski, senior, South Lyon East, Pole Vault
Mark Becker, junior, Detroit Catholic Central, Shot Put
John-Paul Zebrowski, senior, Detroit Catholic Central, 1,600 Run

Honorable mention

South Lyon: Blake Yard, Nick Dyer, Jake Sexton, Ian Herman, Joel Shekell, Ethan Fanning, Spencer Ruggiero, Corey Worobi, Kevin Parzichuski, Milford: Brandon Bell, Evan Smallman, Cody Shavley, Shawn Welch, Paul Ausum, Brian Kettle, Nate Benton, Ryan Hofsess, Kyle Coggins, Jon Schwartz, Billy Schoenle, Robert Ritchie, Matt Wackerman, Dominic Haddad, Kyle Monagle, Lakeland: James Probstfeld, Scott Neff, Craig Dudley, Nick Furry, Grayson Thomas, Andrew Munerance, Gary Essermacher, Ryan Kelly, Dalton Christie, Eric Assid, Johannes Kaiser, Novi: Brett Giampa

Coach touched hundreds of lives over past 25 years

Lyon remembered for sincerity by former collegiate players

BY CHRIS JACKETT
CORRESPONDENT

Many athletic coaches are well known to the public for the number of trophies they put in a display case, but it is those who change their players for the better as people that really have something to be proud of. That was Doug Lyon.

A 47-year-old Novi resident, Lyon passed away July 9 after a battle with pancreatic cancer. He had changed local soccer players' lives for more than two decades.

A Northville alum, Lyon was on the Mustang boys team's coaching staff after graduating in 1982. He then coached the girls team in the 1990s and eventually became an assistant coach with the Schoolcraft College women's team for more than half a decade in 1999.

A 2001 Canton alum, Sarah Plymale played against Lyon's Northville teams before playing under his tutelage at Schoolcraft from 2002-04.

"Doug was a very relatable guy. He made us feel as though it was more of a friendship/family relationship than just a coach," Plymale said. "He made everyone feel comfortable and found ways to bring compromise to any challenge we had as a soccer family."

"He went beyond the tac-

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Memorial contributions for Doug Lyon would be appreciated and should be sent to: Pancreatic Cancer Action Network, 1500 Rosecrans Ave., Ste. 200, Manhattan Beach, CA 90266

tics and really got to know who his players really were deep down. With that he was able to gain a lot of trust and respect from his players and formed lifelong friendships with many of them."

Lindsey Turkington, who graduated from Sterling Heights Stevenson in 2001 and played at Schoolcraft from 2003-05, not only played for Lyon and head coach Bill Tolsted's Ocelot squad alongside Plymale, but Turkington also worked for Lyon while attending Schoolcraft.

For more than 23 years, Lyon carried on a family tradition by working with his brother, Gordon, as an insurance agent and owner of C. Harold Bloom Insurance Agency in downtown Northville.

"While working with him we had a lot of memorable times," Turkington said. "We went to some work outings at Detroit Tigers games. Work lunches were always fun. Just walking somewhere local

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Road Runner Classic this Saturday at Maybury

BY BRAD EMONS
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

There's a little bit of something for everybody at Saturday's 2011 Road Runner Classic, which will be held on the grounds of historic Maybury State Park in Northville.

The Classic, presented by the Northville Road Runners, will benefit the Friends of Maybury. The event includes a 1-mile run-walk (on a paved trail) beginning at 5 p.m. followed by an 8-kilometer run-walk (on both dirt and paved trails) starting at 5:30 p.m.

Post-race activities include Little Caesars Pizza, live music, libations and home-made baked goods. The family fun event also features story hour, face painting and hands-on activities.

Maybury State Park is located off the Eight Mile

Road entrance, one mile west of Beck.

"All preparations are set up for a really great run on Saturday," race organizer Gay Haf said. "We'll have plenty of water and a lot of refreshments before and after race. We'll take care of the runners."

Cash awards will also go to the overall male and female winners, along with the masters (over-40) male and female champions.

First-, second- and third-place age-group placers will also receive awards courtesy of Sterling Cut Glass, along with finishing medals going all 1-mile participants.

Race day registration, which begins at 3 p.m., is \$30. The 1-mile fee is \$5.

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Northville JV pom pon earns award

The Northville junior varsity pom pon team attended the Mid-American Pom Pon summer camp June 23-26 at Davenport University. The JV team was awarded the coveted Team Unity Award on the final day for the JV level. Throughout the week, the team also received two first place awards in competition for speed learning and kickline and a second place for their original routine on the final day. Over 300 'pommers' were in attendance. The team members, led by captains Chandler Brown, Mikenna Jones and Anna Fillar, includes Taylor Bastianelli, Amber Carson, Mia Chiesa, Isabella Corsi, Maria Demos, Emily Herring, Maddy Holloway, Faith Horbatch, Hannah Karam, Allie Merriman, Nicole Rister, Julia Rosinski and Amanda Valle. The team is coached by Erin Basgall.

Tourney winners

The Northville Cubs 11U baseball team won the championship of the Matthew Bittker Foundation tournament the weekend of July 9. The Cubs went 4-0 over the weekend, allowing only three runs in their first three games. The Cubs beat Franklin in the championship game 7-4 behind the strong pitching of Jacob Moody and Alex Galt. Mourad Tossounian made two spectacular defensive plays at shortstop in the sixth inning to put the game away. With the Cubs holding a 3-2 lead in the second inning, Aram Shahrigian roped a double to left center to drive in two runs, giving the Cubs some breathing room. An earlier highlight of the tournament was Michael Lianas driving a 220-foot home run over the fence in the Cubs third game. The tournament was a fundraiser to benefit pediatric cancer research. The Cubs compete in the KVBSA travel league. Team member Owen Marshall was the 11U home run derby champion at the tournament in Franklin. Each participant was thrown 10 pitches. Marshall smacked seven homers to edge out his teammate Jacob Moody, who hit six. Pictured are Moody, Marshall, Aram Shahrigian and Reed VanTiem.



NORTHVILLE/NOVI SPORTS BRIEFS

Cricket Cup

Novi to host first Cricket Cup 'under the lights' at Ella Mae Power Park

The City of Novi Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department will host Novi's first adult cricket tournament at Ella Mae Power Park in August.

The 2011 Novi Cricket Cup will be held from 6-11 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays, Aug. 6-7 and Aug. 14 and Aug. 20-21.

A modified form of tee-ball, Cricket will be played with a softer ball and abbreviated games. All teams will be guaranteed at least three pool play matches. The top eight teams will advance to a single elimination tournament.

Awards will be provided for the winning team, runners-up and individual trophies will be presented to the best batsman, best bowler and a tournament MVP. Registration fee is \$200.

The deadline for registration is Thursday, July 28, at 5 p.m. A captains meeting for all participating teams will be held at 7 p.m. Friday, July 29 at the Novi Civic Center.

For more information and registration forms, visit cityofnovi.org or contact, Marie McIntyre, sports supervisor, at (248) 347-0588 or mmcintyre@cityofnovi.org.

3-on-3 basketball

The inaugural Wiley's Hoops for Hope 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament will be held Aug. 13 at Novi's ITC Community Sports Park (corner of Eight Mile and Napier) in memory of former Novi basketball player Wiley Moss and his passion for basketball.

Divisions are for boys 13 and above and men 18 and older (Open Division). All of the proceeds of the event will go to Novi Youth Assistance to support their efforts in Drug Education and Prevention. Visit WileyMoss3on3.com for additional details and/or to register; (248) 476-9698.

Cheer camp

Thirty-three junior cheerleaders recently joined the Northville High School Cheerleaders for a three-day camp. The junior campers learned cheers, chants, tumbling skills, stunting and a short dance. They will also cheer with the NHS cheerleaders in the Northville Fourth of July parade on Monday. Campers who attended the camp included Lauren Bailey, Haley Brown, Kanya Crawford, Isabel Danton, Anna Dranginis, Sophia Ehlers, Kendra Fereshetian, Emma Gniewek, Tess Gonda, Kathleen Heiberger, Julianna Kakish, Alexis Khashan, Sydney Kinsinger, Molly Kovtun, Christine Lark, Elena Lenyo, Marissa Malleck, Aubrey Marquette, Kiana May, Leah McWilliams, Megan Moriarty, Brooke Pendleton, Gabrielle Peterson, Abbey Pfeiffer, Jordan Pollitt, Olivia Poupard, Olivia Sherman, Angelina Storm, Leah Styers, Morgan Vereb, Mia Vereb-Hatley, Morgan Vos and Katie Ziparo.

2011-12 middle school athletic admission charge

For the 2011-12 school year there will be an admission charge for home middle school events in volleyball, basketball and swim and dive. The charge will be \$3 adults and \$1 students. The Northville Booster Pass will be accepted at all MS home contest.

Don't miss your chance to purchase a 2011-2012 Northville Athletic Boosters Club Sport Pass. This convenient pass provides admittance to all Northville High School and Middle School sports regular home games.

A one-time cost of \$125 covers your immediate family including your NHS student or stu-

dents or \$50 for an individual pass.

All funds generated from the sales of these passes goes directly to support Northville Athletics.

If you have any questions contact Maureen Owen at (248) 348-0075.

Northville Athletic Boosters will be at Hillside's Transition Day on Aug. 29.

Summer basketball camps being offered

Pat Schluter will be offering up spaces at his annual basketball camps this summer on a first-come, first-served basis.

There are several different camps being offered, including:

Boys and girls shooting camp on Aug. 1-4 at St. James Catholic Church for grades 2-5 and 6-9; boys and girls K-3rd grade basketball camp on Aug. 1-4 at St. James Catholic Church.

For more information about the camps or to register, contact Pat Schluter at coachpats@hotmail.com or (248) 388-6514.

Boosters golf outing

The Third Annual Northville High School Boosters Golf Outing and Silent Auction will be held Saturday, Aug. 27 at the Links of Novi. The last two years have brought in significant funds for the Boosters program, which is anticipating a greater need than ever from Northville's sports teams for the 2011-2012 school year with budget cuts.

Foursome cost is \$100 per person and includes a round of golf, lunch, dinner, open bar and access to the silent auction. The cost for students is \$75, which includes a round of golf, lunch and dinner. The dinner-only option cost is \$50 per person and includes dinner, open bar and access to the silent auction.

If you have items (sports tickets, gift cards, rentals, timeshares, etc.), you would like to donate to the silent auction, or if you would simply like to be a \$250 Golf Hole Sponsor, please e-mail Donna MacDonald at donna10@comcast.net.

If you would like to register for the golf outing, please e-mail Carrie Slominski at cslo-mo2022@yahoo.com.

Fastpitch championship softball coming to Novi

The City of Novi Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department has partnered with Metro Detroit Amateur Softball Association (ASA) and the Detroit Sports Commission to host the 2011 Amateur Softball Association Northern National Girls 14 and Under Class B Fastpitch Championships. The tournament will be held Wednesday, July 27 through Sunday, July 31 at Ella Mae Power Park. Approximately 40 teams will travel to Novi from all over the Midwest and as far away as Pennsylvania, Missouri, Kansas and Nebraska.

The tournament is projected to bring 3,000 people to the area, booking an estimated 900 hotel rooms in Novi.

Opening ceremonies will begin at 6 p.m. July 27; Novi Mayor David Landry and Metro Detroit ASA Commissioner Stu Alderman will welcome players and their families to Novi, followed by food and entertainment at the park.

Be sure to come out and enjoy the high level competition between from 8 a.m.-8 p.m. July 28-31.

For more information, or if you are interested in volunteering for the tournament, please visit cityofnovi.org, or contact Marie McIntyre, sports supervisor, at mmcintyre@cityofnovi.org. For more details on the event, please visit metrodetroitasa.com.

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and having an hour of nothing but good talks and laughs during the day always makes the day go by faster. He was always good company. I believe any of his SC players felt Doug was there for advice or motivation whenever he was needed."

Turkington said Lyon's friendships with his players continued after college. She and other former Ocelots went on trips as a group, and sometimes with Lyon's family, to the Dominican Republic, Searchmont Ski Resort and even Chicago for a Manchester United game.

Lyon's personal connections with his players helped them develop not only on the field as players, but as young adults.

"For me, personally, Doug helped me a lot with my confidence," Plymale said. "He gave me confidence to lead, to take on one on ones better, to be the best that I could be."

With her newfound confidence, Plymale became one of the Ocelots' captains during her second year in the program.

"I have always been my worst critic and he helped to overcome that. He made me

strong on and off the field mentally more than anything," Plymale said. "Any challenges I was facing in my personal life, he made sure to take time out to offer his words of wisdom, which always were great advice and definitely brought me to a better understanding."

Turkington echoed Plymale's statements, adding that Lyon was just as much a friend as a coach to many of the Ocelot players.

"Doug being our assistant coach seemed to keep everything in order, even when players were going through hard times," Turkington said. "Doug was typically our go-to guy. He always kept us positive and made us believe everything would be OK and get better. If anyone needed anything he was ALWAYS there. He had a big heart and wanted the best for everybody. He had a good relationship with all the players that I knew of. Bill and him worked well together."

However, Turkington also said his coaching efforts would not be soon forgotten. Lyon helped Tolstedt through much of Tolstedt's 10-year career that amassed a 191-33-22 record over 10 seasons, many where the Ocelots advanced to the NJCAA national tournament.

"I don't think any

(Schoolcraft) player will ever forget hearing Doug yell 'to the hill,'" Turkington said. "We knew Bill and him weren't happy with our performance or behavior and, with that being said, we were running up and down that hill for a long enough time for us to rethink our situation and try our best to not let that happen again."

"He was always willing to help and be honest about what we needed to do as players to be the best we could be."

When he wasn't coaching, Lyon enjoyed golfing, skiing, curling and vacationing at his cottage on St. Joseph Island in Ontario. He was also a member of the Masonic Lodge in Northville.

He leaves behind his wife of 23 years, Lisa, and children Nate, Neysa and Maya, as well as his parents, Richard and Martha Lyon, brother Gordon and several other family members.

"He will definitely be missed," Plymale said. "There is a great quote I've heard that says 'the goal in life is not to live forever, but to create something that will.' I think Doug Lyon has definitely accomplished that."

Chris Jackell is a free-lance writer and former Novi News staff writer.

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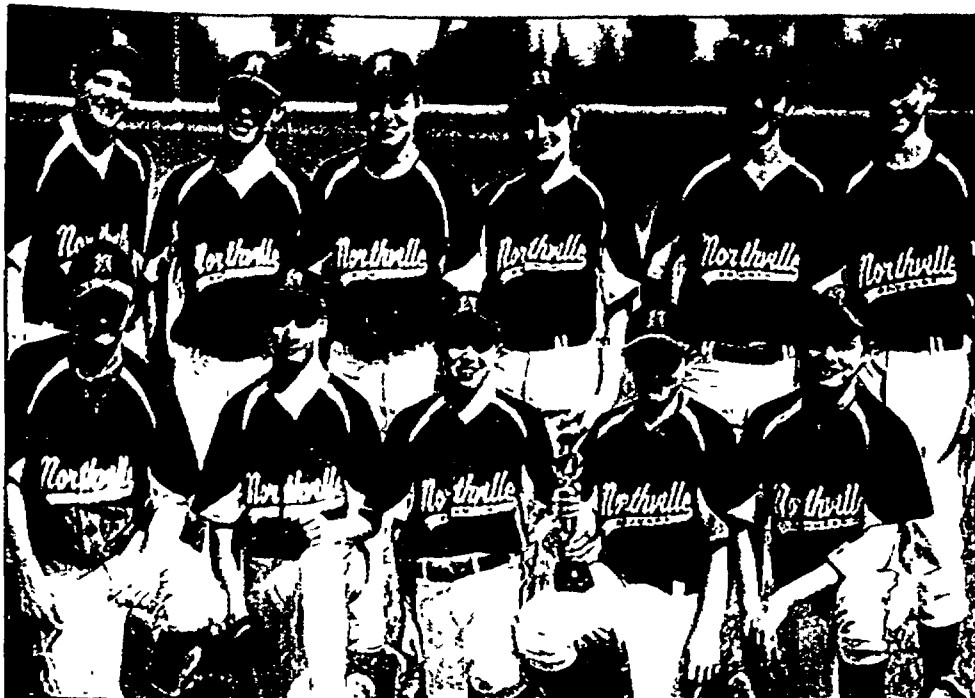
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State champs

The Northville Broncos U-13 travel baseball team had a perfect 6-0 run at the USSSA AA State Championship tournament held in Canton. The team went 3-0 in pool play, winning against opponents Lakes Area Dodgers 5-3; Davison D-Backs 9-1; and the Traverse City Fast 10-1. The semi-final game highlighted strong pitching on both sides and the Broncos came away with a 4-2 win. The Broncos defeated the Southfield Indians 10-2 in the final. The team is part of the Northville Baseball and Softball Association. Pictured (l to r, standing) are Cameron Maxwell, Alex Putman, Evan Flohr, Nick Wilds, Devin Kolb, Dominick Montone; (front) Ian MacKinnon, Steven Grosz, Kevin O'Connell, Jack Satterfield and Justin Zabinski.



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Giants win Series

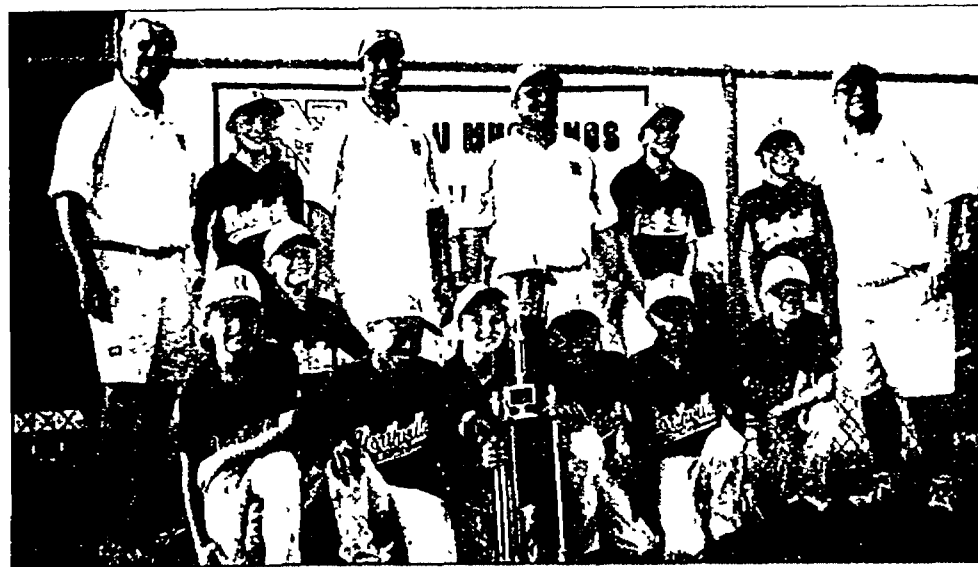
The Giants from the Northville Baseball and Softball Association's G league won the World Series 10-6 over the second seeded and talented White Sox, June 29 under the lights at Northville Community Park. The Giants got to the World Series by first beating the Red Sox on Monday, then the number one seeded team in the tournament, the Pirates, on Tuesday. The Giants are Zack Marks, Kenny Goolsby, Evan Hogan, Malson Heid, Deion and Devon Johnson, Joe McCormick, Max Pelic, Rafael Rosal, Curt Wigent, Ryan Paddock and Ian Rachelson.



MIKE GUSTITUS

Madness champs

The Motor City Madness 10U Red Softball Team traveled to Toledo, Ohio to take on teams from Michigan, Ohio and New York. They came back with the championship by winning the final five games of the Independence Classic Girls Fast-Pitch Softball Tournament. Shown (l to r, bottom) are Maria Gustitus, Jaime Gustitus, Lauren Murphy, Sarah Fish, Anna Dixon; (middle) Heidi Richman, Hannah Biddlecome, Elizabeth Kemp; (back) Anna Biberstein and Julia Lalain.



JOE LACK

Tourney champs

The 10-U Travel Mustangs ended the 2011 baseball season in grand style winning the KVBSA Posey/Jackson Divisional Tournament Championship in Warren, MI. The Mustangs played their best ball of the season, cruising through the winner's bracket and finishing the tournament with a 4-0 record. The Mustangs used a formula of great pitching, aggressive base running, and solid top to bottom hitting to defeat the South Farmington Blues, 16-6; Tri-City Black 18-3, and upend their division rivals, the Motor City Giants, in consecutive games, 16-4 and 19-10. The Mustangs capped an outstanding season that included a runner-up finish in the Ann Arbor Rumble Tournament, a 17-3 regular season record and second place finish in the Austin Jackson Division of the Kensington Valley Baseball and Softball Association and topped the 2011 season off winning the KVBSA Posey/Jackson Divisional Tournament Championship. Pictured (l to r, front) are Ian Danaher, Sean Richard, Aaron Moore, Kevin Townsend, Willie Howe, Alec Stathakis, Brian Politi, Andrew Lack; (back) Coach Bill Howe, Christian Aulepp, Coach Joe Lack, Manager Larry Danaher, Erik Sparschu, Evan Carson and Coach Jim Carson. Nick Bogenhagen is missing from the photo.

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helping them to tie for sixth in the state finals.

Shawn Shove, senior, Milford
400 dash

Shawn Shove doesn't know the meaning of being satisfied with his own personal results, which is why he's perfect for the All-Area team. Shove, his coach, Brian Salyers, points out, is one of those players that is always trying to get his personal best time.

This year, Shove turned in some impressive performances, including third in the Lakes Conference and third in the KLAA, setting a personal best time of 51.4 seconds.

Sean Suehr, senior, Lakeland
300 hurdles

One of the most difficult races in high school track is the 300 hurdles. It's grueling and it's challenging and it takes a special athlete to truly embrace it. Enter Sean Suehr. Not only did Suehr take a third place at the Oakland County Championships, he also won the title in both the conference and regional meets.

"Sean was one of our biggest leaders this year on and off the track," said coach David Browne, who noted Defiance College is recruiting the speedy senior. "They would be lucky to get an individual with his caliber of character."

Joshua Carolin, junior, Detroit Catholic Central

800 run

Catholic Central is so full of talent that it's almost like having an All-Star group to compete with each and every day at practice. One of the athletes who pushed everyone else to be their best was Josh Carolin, a junior for the Shamrocks. But more than that, Carolin made a point of pushing himself all year long, which was evident in the regional meet when he kicked up some impressive dust to take third in the 800 behind some All-State athletes. No doubt, Carolin will be key in CC's aspirations next season.

Jake Spuller, senior, Detroit Catholic Central

200 dash

It's a shame to see an athlete like Jake Spuller graduate. Everything he put his mind toward, he succeeded at, and nothing showed that more than his senior track and field season under the guidance of coach Tony Magni. Spuller turned in some impressive performances for the Shamrocks, making them a team to beat all year long, and one such performance came in the regional when he ran a 21.70 race in the 200 dash for first place to help his team take the overall top spot.

Garrett Zuk, junior, Lakeland
3,200 run

Just watching Garrett Zuk run makes us tired. This junior long-distance runner makes it look easy, winning the regional this year as well as taking All-State status with a fifth at the state finals, setting the school record in the race and winning the conference title. But making it look easy sure doesn't mean it is.

"Garret is easily the toughest and smartest distance runner I have ever coached," said Browne. "He has tremendous work ethic."

With such an amazing array of accomplishments this year, Zuk was a serious contender for Player of the Year against fellow junior Edward Clifton of Northville. It makes for a good showdown next season to see who will bring home that coveted award in 2012.

Stone Monarch, senior, Detroit Catholic Central
discus

With a name like Stone Monarch, you pretty much are guaranteed to be a terrific athlete, right? And it comes as no surprise that his specialty just happens to be hurling a discus through the air as hard and as far as he can.

Monarch is darn good at what he does though, winning the regional title this year with a throw of 146-feet-2-inches. Needless to say, the Shamrocks are going to be missing their pillar in that event next year.

Al Myers, senior, Northville
high jump

Most people have had that dream where they are flying and it just feels so wonderful, making us envy the birds that take to the sky on a daily basis. But not Al Myers. He has no reason to be jealous of our feathered friends because he can already fly.

Myers, who graduates this year, made the state finals three times in his career. On his latest trip, he became an All-State athlete with his eighth-place showing at the state finals, leaping 6-3.

"It was a pleasure to watch him compete,"

said McIntosh. "Myers is one of those athletes that every coach wishes to retain forever. He has a positive attitude and he leads by example."

Myers will compete at Western Michigan University next season.

Ryan Majasak, senior, Detroit Catholic Central
long jump

Other than in the zoo, most of us haven't seen a kangaroo in action, leaping across the open with strides that somehow look natural yet impossible at the same time. That's kind of what Ryan Majasak is able to do when he leaps in competition.

Majasak, who graduates from CC this year, showcased some impressive leaping skills all year long, but one of his most notable performances came at the regional tournament when he jumped 19-5.75 to help his team earn first place overall.

John Falvey, senior, Lakeland
pole vault

Not everyone can learn how to pole vault, and even those who do aren't likely to become an outstanding competitor in the sport. John Falvey, a senior at Lakeland, just has the natural ability to make it look like something he's been doing all his life.

Falvey just missed the All-State mark this year, clearing 13-4.

"John was cruising through the state meet," said Browne. "He (set his personal record) by six inches at the meet before heat and fatigue started to take over."

George Darany, senior, Detroit Catholic Central

shot put

Talk about a guy who knows how to throw things around. George Darany, who has been on several All-Area lists in his career at Detroit Catholic Central, has been known to toss a few football players around, but the reason he made this particular team is because of his ability to throw the shot put. Darany earned All-State honors this year with a sixth-place showing at the state finals, helping his team to a sixth-place overall finish with a throw of 53-6.75. It's too bad he's a senior because Darany is one of those athletes that is almost impossible to replace. His work ethic, desire to succeed and competitive nature are hard to come by.

Joe Schubring, senior, Novi

1,600 run

We're pretty sure that you could ask Joe Schubring to learn how to throw the discus and he'd end up being pretty darn good at it. That's just the kind of athlete this Novi senior is. He does his best, no matter what, and it shows.

"(Joe) stepped up in all areas of the distance part of our program," noted Reid of the All-State athlete who took eighth in the state finals with a 4:21.08 in the mile run. "(Joe) earned points in every meet (and) led the team when it came down to the division championship and our dual meet against Stevenson, another tough distance program. He is a great personality and a competitive athlete."

Lakeland, 4x800 relay

What can be said about Lakeland's 3,200-meter relay team that they haven't said themselves through their performances? The team took eighth in the states to earn All-State status with a time of 8:01.83—an incredible showing in one of the toughest events at the finals this year.

Detroit Catholic Central, 4x400 relay

Distance running is something the Shamrocks are just good at, and it showed in the 1,600 relay this year. The team, led by Magni (who is also the school's long-time cross country coach), took fourth at the state finals with a time of 3:23.98. With that kind of performance, it's hard to believe anyone was able to stay ahead of them.

Detroit Catholic Central, 4x200 relay

Apparently, distance running isn't the only thing the Shamrocks are good at. The Detroit Catholic Central athletes proved to be the best in the area when it comes to the 800 relay event, showcasing their talent at the regional tournament with a time of 1:29.4, which was worth second place and points that helped their team to first overall.

Novi, 4x100 relay

The Wildcats sure know how to put together a relay team. This squad was made up of some speedy sprinters all year long, which culminated in a regional time of 43.7-second showing against some of the best athletes Michigan has to offer. In the time it takes for a burrito to warm up in the microwave, these Wildcats had already ran a quarter of a mile. Pretty impressive, hey?

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



DIANE MAER

Pom camp

The Northville Varsity Pompon team participated in the Mid American Pompon summer camp held June 23-26 at Davenport University in Grand Rapids. The 25-member team, coached by Caitlin O'Connell, received a first place rating in their original routine. The Varsity girls also took home a first place rating in kickline and a second place rating in speedlearning. Seventeen teams were in attendance at the camp. On the last day of camp it was announced that 11 members of the varsity team made the Mid American Pompon 2011/2012 All Star team which performs annually in America's Thanksgiving Day Parade and Opening Show in Detroit. Shown (l to r, bottom) are Sara Lovelace; Kahley Wozniak; Emily Hatcher; Rachael Jarzembowski; Kaye Jakubowski; Charisa Halboth; (middle) Sam Speed; Hannah Smith; Alex DiTommaso; Elizabeth Boshoven; Liz Maier; Marissa Lozser; Megan Carroll; Connie Zuo; (top) Alex Dimitrievski; Taylor Jones; Emily Mikels; Torrey Tassie; Ally Green; Susie Crawford; Leigh Fitzpatrick; Isabel Inchaustegui; Carley Olender; Carly Schoemaker; and Coach Caitlin O'Connell.

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Lawn care pros at MSU have 'go green' tips

Michigan State University's Department of Crop and Soil Sciences lawn care pros offer ample advice for those who want their summer lawns in tip-top shape.

Mow high — recycle clippings. MSU experts say to mow at least 3 inches high and to return clippings to recycle nutrients. You should sweep or blow clippings from walks and driveways onto the lawn.

Taller grass crowds out weeds and promotes deeper roots, they say. Deeper roots help the lawn survive droughts.

You should fertilize in fall for the best results. Be patient in the spring, and wait until May to fertilize if that's your choice. Don't fertilize if the ground is frozen or saturated with water.

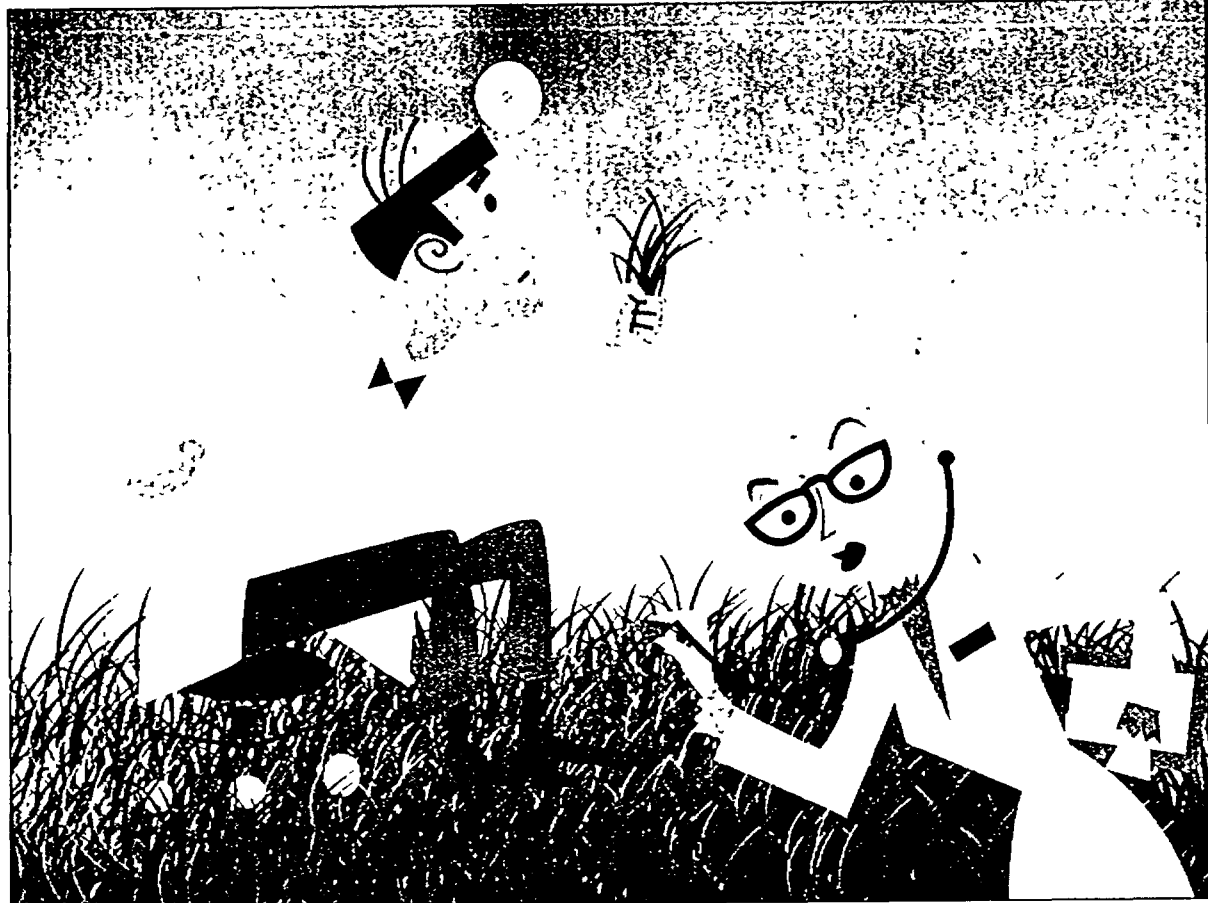
Don't guess, MSU experts add, soil test for proper fertilizer recommendations.

It's important to choose lawn-type fertilizers with low or no phosphorus (the middle number) and to follow directions. Avoid using "triple" products (e.g. 12-12-12).

Confirm spreader setting before applying, the pros say.

You need to clean up and avoid surface water. Maintain a no application zone near lakes, rivers, streams and storm drains. Never discharge clippings near lakes, rivers, streams or drains.

Sweep fertilizer granules from walks and driveways onto the lawn, and wash your spreader on the grass.



When it comes to being water smart:

- Don't soak your lawn and avoid night watering
- Watering should not produce puddles; lighter, more frequent

watering is best

•Brown lawns are OK; dormancy is a natural response to drought, however, some water may be necessary during an extended drought of more than a month

For more lawn tips see: WWW.TURF.MSU.EDU. The website has extensive information on such subjects as moles, home lawn grub control products, Japanese beetles, European chafer pests and more.

Advertising: Check out documents for details

BY ROBERT MEISNER
GUEST COLUMNIST

Q: We are in a mixed use development and the business portion of our condominium, in an effort to encourage foot traffic and improve the bottom line, wants to promote their businesses with signs and advertising in the front of the building and advertise in area publications. What can we do to stop that as residents?

A: It all depends on your documents and what rights the business owners have to provide for advertising, if any, if the association is

responsible for the area where the new signage is being installed, the business owners may have to get permission from the association.

Obviously, the association's potential concerns about attracting more people to the area must be weighed against the business owners' needs to keep their businesses going. In any event, the association should get legal counsel involved who will not be in a conflict between the two warring factions.

Q: We have a problem in our condominium with respect to various people hoarding property in their condominium and, eventually causing a safety hazard. What can we do to prevent the problem?

A: There should be a restriction of a general nature regarding any conduct which would be detrimental to the interests and/or safety of the residents in your documents.

You may also have a specific provision regarding excessive cluttering and, if necessary, some inspection mechanism to ensure that it has not been done.

It is my experience that courts will issue injunctive orders if you can establish that a co-owner is hoarding goods and/or materials which are flammable or otherwise dangerous, including food and drugs. An injunction issued by the court allows the association to enter the premises and remove the hazardous materials at the cost of the co-owner. Obviously, hoarding can be a sign of mental illness and making hoarders remove their items can be traumatic.

You may wish to contact the local social services department to make the process easier and to provide the resident with access to mental health providers.

Robert M. Meisner is a lawyer and the author of Condominium Operation: Getting Started & Staying on the Right Track, second edition. It is available for \$9.95 plus \$1 shipping and handling. He also wrote Condo Living: A Survival Guide to Buying, Owning and Selling a Condominium, available for \$24.95 plus \$5 shipping and handling. Call (248) 644-4433 or visit bmeisner@meisner-associates.com. This column shouldn't be construed as legal advice.

Boomers often like detached condos, but supply lags

BY NANCY AUSTIN
GUEST COLUMNIST

I am on a moving mission. My website is being expanded and I've been asked to list all the senior condo complexes in the area for the 55+ group. Eventually the list will include apartment buildings, assisted living, Alzheimer's units, and other senior living arrangements. The goal is to make it easy for the senior or the adult children of seniors to researching this kind of information.

The information will contain the location of the condo complex, number of units, and amenities; for example, club house, a swimming pool, senior activities, transportation, pet restrictions, barrier-free entrances. The condos will be those situated in

Western Wayne and Oakland Counties. And there could be a few strays, should they be recommended.

The discovery I made and have long suspected, is that there aren't very many specifically designated "senior" with the age restriction specified. Period. I find it amazing. How could such a large area as metropolitan Detroit be so devoid of senior-designated condo complexes. The concentration is definitely on apartment-style communities be they high-rise, one-story, or government subsidized.

Isn't the building industry missing a good bet? Maybe the only builder to catch on has been Dell Webb. The problem is that they are not in the immediate metro Detroit area. They are Downriver in Brownstown or north of our metro area in Grand Ledge. (My sources tell me a similar type of community was to have been built in Canton but now isn't going to happen due to our economy.)

These are the kinds of communities the boomers and others are looking for. Hello?

Does anyone hear me? Yes, I know the status of the building industry. It's in the same situation as the single-family home-building industry. It's not happening at break-neck speed.

But listen up. The boomers are retiring by the thousands. They don't necessarily want to live in the high-rise retirement buildings. They want to downsize into condos. They want to remain independent. They want access to services nearby such as health care, shopping, church, walking trails, health and fitness centers, restaurants, playgrounds for the grandchildren and want to live near their families.

OK, maybe the conclave can't be hundreds of units, but what about a smaller, more compact community. The trend today is away from attached condos to detached condos. The detached units are so much more desirable because you don't have the noise factor from adjoining walls. Because they are detached, privacy is still intact. I saw some really wonderful detached "cottages" as

they were called in Dexter, Mich., called the Cedars of Dexter. They are selling quickly, proving that the demand is there.

New construction is desirable because there isn't deferred maintenance causing the new owner to spend thousands on repairs, nor on massive amounts of updating. Owners want to move in, hang up their coats and hats and begin their new, retired life.

In my search for senior communities in Wayne County, I have found Bradbury Park, and Crestwood Commons in Plymouth. The Villas at Maple Creek are under construction in Canton. Hickory Ridge and Crestwood Manor are in Dearborn Heights and the Meadows in Garden City. Morley Manor is in Dearborn, a high-rise structure, but close to conveniences.

There are other complexes that seniors find attractive because of the substantial number of ranch condos that were built within the complex. But they are not designated senior complexes with the

amenities about which I have already spoken.

Both Botsford Commons and Pendleton Club are in Farmington Hills. Botsford Commons has more than the average amenities. The condos are on the same campus as is the Commons building in which is situated a pool, library, dining room, movie theater, and health-care facilities.

If I have inadvertently omitted any senior condo complex, please let me know. The goal here is to accumulate as complete a list as is possible. Co-ops will be mentioned in a future column. If there are builders reading this who have begun to build a community or may have one on the drawing boards, please let me know. I will include them in the list. Please contact me either by e-mail or by phone at (734) 718-8900 and give me as much detail as possible. I look forward to hearing from you.

Seniors Real Estate Specialist Nancy Austin may be reached at nancyaustin@gmail.com or by calling her at (734) 718-8900

HOMES SOLD-WAYNE

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of April 11-15, 2011, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices

Canton
1514 Central Dr. \$316,000
4505 Copper Creek Dr. \$96,000
4010 E. Cambridge Dr. \$285,000
423 B. Cambridge Dr. \$127,000
2823 Edgemoor Dr. \$134,000

4602 S. Astorville Dr. \$165,000
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4258 L. F. Dr. \$41,000
1944 P. Dr. \$10,000
273 L. Dr. \$28,000

Garden City

4500 E. Dr. \$60,000
6503 E. Dr. \$32,000

Livonia

14229 Ar. Dr. \$71,000
10021 E. Dr. \$118,000
1064 E. Dr. \$68,000
1944 P. Dr. \$10,000
15024 E. Dr. \$103,000
3665 N. Dr. \$265,000

3530 Plymouth Rd. \$500,000
38466 Bayview St. \$191,000
14618 S. Dr. \$104,000
32528 Vermont St. \$160,000

Northville

39587 Dun. Dr. \$235,000
48822 Freestone Dr. \$110,000
15941 Johnson Creek Dr. \$135,000
16904 Yellowstone Dr. \$120,000

Plymouth

4980 Brentwood Dr. \$125,000
1015 Union St. \$118,000

Redford

12266 Central St. \$24,000
13439 Crosley Dr. \$37,000

17669 Five Points St. \$33,000
9349 K. Dr. \$66,000
15644 K. Dr. \$50,000
20040 D. Dr. \$88,000
15331 P. Dr. \$25,000
9371 V. Dr. \$45,000
9745 W. Dr. \$40,000

Westland

32027 Avondale St. \$28,000
38187 Car. Dr. \$39,000
155 N. Dr. \$47,000
38623 S. Dr. \$144,000
27148 T. Dr. \$38,000

HOMES SOLD-OAKLAND

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of April 4-8, 2011, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices

Beverly Hills
30409 Lincolnshire Dr. \$279,000
32093 Weston Dr. \$309,000

Birmingham
816 Knox St. \$625,000
508 Oakland Ave. \$215,000
1577 Stanley Blvd. \$290,000

Bloomfield Hills
4331 Compton Way. \$250,000
520 Newburne Pointe. \$10,000

Bloomfield Township
4674 Coachmaker Dr. \$230,000
2166 E. Hammond Lake Dr. \$144,000
1707 Hamilton Dr. \$275,000
1485 Lochridge Rd. \$850,000
775 Waddington St. \$493,000

Commerce Township
1150 Penarth Ct. \$120,000

Farmington
33495 Adams St. \$67,000
22887 Hayden Dr. \$119,000

Farmington Hills
25234 Chapelwood Dr. \$150,000
23141 Cora Ave. \$118,000
28104 Gettysburg St. \$180,000
21462 Gull Rd. \$121,000
26429 Greystone Trl. \$135,000
26364 La. Dr. \$115,000
26265 Rose H. Dr. \$144,000
39230 S. Dr. \$252,000
39299 S. Dr. \$260,000

Lathrup Village
17554 Cambridge Blvd. \$88,000

Milford
2656 Tall Timbers Dr. \$135,000
12513 Three Acres Ct. \$252,000
325 W. Dr. \$50,000
12913 Yellowstone Valley Dr. \$244,000

Novi
24636 Highlands Dr. \$146,000
27949 Hopkins Dr. \$136,000
26994 Lakeside Dr. \$232,000
4674 W. Dr. \$103,000
47159 Northumberland St. \$435,000

42918 Sandstone Dr. \$258,000
40918 Scarborough Ln. \$322,000
25801 S. Dr. \$168,000

South Lyon
23114 Prescott Ln. E. \$61,000
22155 Swan St. \$28,000
52906 Trailwood Dr. \$125,000

Southfield
21582 Arden Ln. \$50,000
20660 Bradford Ct. \$95,000
28124 Brentwood St. \$54,000
17010 Edwards Ave. \$83,000
29749 Farmbrook Villa Ln. \$30,000
28066 Grayson Dr. \$25,000
23302 Grayson Dr. \$34,000
19265 Melrose Ave. \$63,000
19440 Silvercrest St. \$76,000
18461 W. Dr. \$45,000
26781 W. Dr. \$21,000
25112 Woodvale Dr. S. \$55,000

White Lake
1479 Bathgate St. \$72,000
9581 Portage Trl. \$35,000
722 Rarven Dr. \$280,000
8767 W. Dr. \$237,000

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Real Estate Career

There will be a Real Estate Career Seminar 6:30-7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 21, at Keller Williams Realty, 40600 Ann Arbor Road, Suite 100, Plymouth. Learn about the \$50,000 income guarantee and free pre-licensing course. For more information, contact Lesley Aiello at (734) 459-4700 or laiello@kw.com

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BIRMINGHAM
July 28 & 29, 9-6 a.m.
HUGE SALE - Great prices,
furniture, golf clubs, house-
hold items 930 Safford, bwn
Oak & Quanton Road.

CANTON EVERYTHING
MUST GO! Furniture,
household items and much
more 2 days only! July 21
& 22 45276 Thornhill Rd,
Glengarry Sub., between
Cherryhill & Palmer, off
Canton Center 9am to 4pm

FARMINGTON HILLS
MULTI-FAMILY
ONE DAY ONLY BLOWOUT!
22117 Wingate Ct. Sat., 7/23,
9am-4pm Our downsizing -
Your Gain!! Don't miss!

FARMINGTON HILLS 7/22-
7/23 9-4pm Collectibles Star
Wars, comics, toys, china,
tools, etc 38519 Lancaster,
Farmington Ridge Sub, N of
13 bwn Haggerty & Halsted

FARMINGTON HILLS
Ramblewood Sub-Wide Sale!
July 21-23, 10-4pm. Enter on
Tanglewood, south side of 14
Mile, bwn Drake & Halsted

GARDEN CITY Garage Sale -
Friday, July 22-24th,
10am-5pm Hoosier (over 75
yrs old needs parking), 12
string guitar, collectible Nascar
& figurines, tools, bikes, men's
clothing, men's electric razor,
Marie Osmond toddler dolls,
records, linens, Obama coins,
knick-knacks, hospital bed
sheets & pillows, lots more!
30835 Rosslyn, bwn Ford Rd
& Cherry Hill, E of Merriman

GARDEN CITY 6105 & 6104
Deering N/Ford, S/Warren,
bwn Middlebelt & Inkster July
21-23, 9-5pm Victoria's, fur-
niture, tools, household, misc.

GARDEN CITY Wide variety of
sporting housewares, videos,
games, beautiful oak enter-
tainment center, much more
July 21-23, 9-5 161 Clair St.
2 bks W of Middlebelt, 1 bk
N of Cherry Hill

Garage Sales (711)

HIGHLAND July 21-23,
Thurs-Sat, 9-4pm. Baby
items, house items, fridge,
furniture, etc. 1015 & 1004
Troon, M-59 & Malford Rd.

LIVONIA
Baby Gear Blowout!
July 21-23, 9am-4pm
14112 Hix

LIVONIA
July 21st-23rd, 9-4pm. 16267
Nola Dr., S of 6 Mile, W of
Newburg Holiday decor, craft
& household items, women's
clothing, unfinished doll
house, Trek Bike Basket, bike
seat & Mary Kay items.

LIVONIA 3 family garage
sale Many tools, household
goods, adult clothing, boy's
clothes infant to 6 yrs 7/21-
7/23, 10-4pm 29840 Green-
land, off Middlebelt bwn 5 &
6 Mile Rds

LIVONIA Collector dolls,
antique furniture, Lowrey
organ, household items,
clothes, misc. July 28-30th,
9-5pm. 9085 Deborah Ct East,
off Joy bwn Hix & Haggerty

LIVONIA Help! I have too
much stuff & my husband has
had enough! Household, col-
lege dorm essentials, patio
furniture, clothes and more!
July 21st-23rd, 9-5pm. 33925
Fairfax, N of 7, bwn Farmington
& GIL, enter on Norwich

LIVONIA 18957 Maplewood
1 blk. E. of Middlebelt, off
7 Mile July 21, 22 & 23,
9-4pm. Furniture, toys,
household items & more.

LIVONIA Estate/Garage Sale.
Stamp art supplies & misc.
Thurs & Fri. 9-3 10005
Hubbard off Plymouth Rd
bwn Farmington & Merriman.

LIVONIA Estate/Garage Sale.
Tools, collectibles, gold coins,
sterling silver, apples, old guns
& pocket watches, Fri-Sat,
9-5pm. 20059 Weyher St.

MILFORD 'Guy Stuff'
Garage Sale Power tools,
camping equipment, sport-
ing goods, etc. Thurs/Sat.,
July 21/23 705 Canal St.,
Milford (NE corner of
Canal & Houghton)

MILFORD 48380 Moving sale -
one day only! Sat. July 23rd,
8-5pm. All reasonable offers
are welcome! 1940 Scenic Dr.,
Toll Brothers Lakes of Milford.

MILFORD Sale of July 22, 9-5
126 Peters Rd Baby items,
toys furniture, clothing

Garage Sales (711)

NORTHVILLE
July 22 & 23, 9am-4pm.
Antiques, furniture, house-
hold, upscale kids toys &
clothes, John Deere ride-on
mower barely used 318 S.
Rogers St. bwn 7 Mile/Mann.

NORTHVILLE Estate Sale.
Home down sung Furniture,
home goods, toys, clothes,
355 Orchard, N of 7 Mile, E of
Beck Thurs-Sat., 8:30am-3pm

PLYMOUTH - Garage/Estate
Sale: Kitchen, canning, rice
cooker, ham, books &
more! 4175 Godfredson, Ann
Arbor Rd Sat-Sun, 12-5pm.

PLYMOUTH 10058 Spies Ct.
7/21 thru 7/23, 9am-5pm
Home decor, holiday, toys,
books, Fall, misc.

PLYMOUTH 41924 Brentwood,
off Schoolcraft, bwn Haggerty
and Hines Dr. July 22-23,
9am-5pm Household items,
clothes, a little of everything
priced to go!

PLYMOUTH Annual Yard Sale
at Mayflower Townhouse Co-
Op Sat. July 23rd, 10am-2pm.
400 Plymouth Rd, Suite A,
48170 For info 734-453-6893

REDFORD Garage Sale:
9956 Lucerne July 22-23, 10-
5pm. Off Plymouth Rd, bwn
Beech & Inkster Household
items, furniture, garden items,
books, records, tools, etc

REDFORD Multi-Family Yard Sale - 19360
Denby 7/21, 7/22, 7/23, 7/24,
10am-4pm. Treadmills, Sew-
ing machine, Vacs, Baby Stuff,
Paryte, Avon, Tools.

REDFORD 26640 Glendale, E
of Inkster, S of I-96 7/21-
7/23, 10-4pm. Tools, comics,
clothes, crafts, house items,
collectibles and misc

SOUTH LYON
24401 Forest Lane, 10 Mile &
Dobson Construction
scalloped & tools, door wall,
brdial gown, men's clothes,
furniture misc July 22, 23,
24, 9am-4pm

SOUTH LYON 12363
Nantucket Dr. Centennial
Farm - July 21, 22, 23,
Thurs., Fri., 9am to 5pm, Sat.
9am to 12 noon. No early
birds! Wicker set, large elec-
tric 1 1/2 chair, washer/dryer, 2
dining sets beds, tools, Red
Hats clothes & hats misc

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Household items, furniture,
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Mile Rd. (at Rushon) Unit #23

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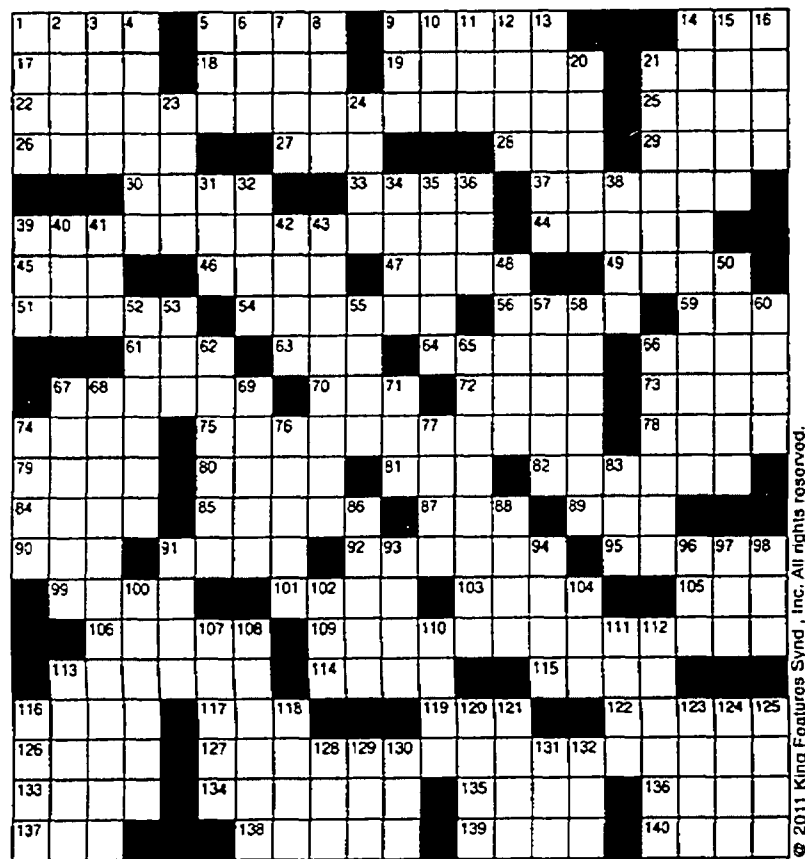
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- ACROSS**
- Sagan or Sandburg
 - Swamp sound
 - Montana city
 - Monterrey
 - Mrs. Pukizer
 - Winner
 - Piece of fencing?
 - He was "The Thing"
 - WREN
 - Brooklyn
 - For — (cheaply)
 - Comic Costello
 - Na Na
 - Mascagni
 - Poet Wilcox
 - Lohengrin's bird
 - African antelope
 - LARK
 - The Optimist's Daughter
 - Bonanza material
 - Coveleski or Musial
 - Vichyssoise
 - Tip one's topper
- DOWN**
- Long-tailed parrot
 - Sanford of "The Jeffersons"
 - Scandinavian city
 - Giffon greeting
 - Fool
 - Missouri airport abbr
 - Valuable instrument
 - Screenwriter Nora
 - Ed
 - Dash —
 - Jewett
 - Inland sea
 - QUAIL
 - Depravity
 - Easy stride
 - 80 B4 of gossip
 - Parent's shape
 - Physicist Fermi
 - Corset part
 - Alfredo
 - British big shot
 - Monsieur "The Cruel"
 - Tulsa commodity
 - Cheat at hide-and-seek
 - Preposterous
 - Sweetheart
 - Turn over
 - Dancehall
 - dress
 - Invasion
 - Frankfurter's field
 - CRANE
 - Church official
 - Ontario staple
 - Channel
 - Address
 - Hagen
 - Patron character
 - Tote material
 - Be
 - Important
 - PAR-TRIDGE
 - Actor Novello
 - Kindle
 - Heart burn?
 - Time for a sandwich
 - According to
 - German port
 - Racing legend
 - Guy Fr
 - Grande
 - FBI workers
 - Man (84 film)
 - Not as fatty
 - Neighbor of Ger.
 - Prosperous times
 - Non-non-chalance?
 - Nil
 - Cranks' comment
 - Swiss canton
 - Explosive initials
 - Golf's gadgets
 - Avod
 - DUCK
 - Toomey or Philon
 - Iowa city
 - Musty
 - Japanese religion
 - Hard on the eyes
 - Astrology term
 - Brown or Baxter
 - Vino center
 - Concurry ridge
 - Writer Roger's St Johns
 - Formerly known as
 - Morito
 - One who no's best?
 - Distinctive period
 - One room
 - Singer Elliot
 - Bela noire
 - Adorable
 - Australian
 - Tenor
 - One of the Judds
 - Tolstoy title
 - start
 - Coastal
 - Play ground?
 - Bedding
 - AI large
 - Word with dog or state
 - "never on Sunday"
 - Good-humored
 - Amatory
 - CARDINAL
 - Dame
 - Anacondas
 - As well
 - Purses
 - Colony pots
 - Ring counter
 - Andreth or Guomo
 - Fiber source
 - Swamp
 - Death of a salesman
 - Empower



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 POTATO TERRA AONE TUX
 EVERYWHERE IS LAYASIDE
 DEM EAT HEAD COLIN
 FAIRM REAMED NOLTE
 VAPORS MUSLIN DUCT
 AWARE PAMPER WALKING
 MAIR SWARM JOWEL ELV
 PITT ENVY SPOON ELIWE
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How to keep networking during summer vacation

Anthony Balderrama, CareerBuilder Writer

For many people, regardless of age, summer is a time when work is low on your list of priorities. Perhaps all those years of three-month summer vacations as young students conditioned us to think of June, July, and August as reprieves from using our brain. Even many offices let their workers leave early on Fridays during the summer.

For job seekers, the summer months can be particularly troublesome due to several factors. Aside from wishing they were outside sunning at the pool rather than inside typing up a résumé, many job seekers have children at home for three months and need to entertain them. Not to mention scheduling conflicts of the employers who are off at some resort enjoying the sun and don't have time for interviews. Despite these problems, however, summer isn't a lost cause for job seeking.

Why summer is a good time to job hunt

"Conducting a job search during the summer can be tricky, and it is important to avoid the biggest hazards for job seekers during the summertime -- timing and schedules," says Patty Coffey, a partner in the information technology division of staffing firm Wymann. "Candidates shouldn't feel discouraged if the interview process takes extra time, and those who can withstand a longer process may just find that perfect job."

In fact, Coffey offers these five tips for job seekers to keep in mind during the summer: **Some industries slow down in summer**

"Employees of many companies may actually have more time to interview candidates in the summer, when they aren't on vacation, because it isn't a busy time for their organization," she explains.

Don't assume no one's hiring

"95 degrees outside," Coffey reminds. "If you stop your job search, you could miss out on some great opportunities. And you may face less competition if other job seekers are buying into the summer slowdown myth."

Be prepared to act quickly

"While summer vacation schedules can

prolong the interview process, they can also expedite it," she cautions. "If the schedules of all involved align, companies will speed up interviews -- to even just one day -- to avoid the complexity of scheduling multiple meetings."

Starting in the summer gives you more breathing room

"Summertime is typically a less hectic time to transition to a new job. Prospects can get acquainted with the company when fewer people are in the office and things are slower. It can also be less traumatic for families if a move is involved, since children



wouldn't have to switch schools mid-year," Coffey says.

Use summer hours to your advantage

"Many companies have a more lax schedule in July and August," she reminds. "Bosses are often on vacation or may take a long lunch, so employees can slip away unnoticed. Vacation days are more accepted -- boss won't think it is odd if you take a vacation day or two in August. In fact, you could even consider taking a 'job search vacation' where you conduct a week-long blitz of intense searching and interviewing."

How to network and make connections in the summer

Now that you know summer is the perfect time to job hunt, and maybe even the secret to landing a job while everyone else has given up, you need to know how to do it. We asked some career experts to give their best advice for making the most of summer

picnics and sports games in order to advance your career. Here's what they think you should be doing:

"At the summer barbecue or pool party, networkers should listen as well as talk. Listening establishes rapport and people are more likely to help you when they feel listened to. Job seekers should never say, 'I'm unemployed.' It sounds passive and negative. If you are networking and not employed, the best thing to say is 'I'm in [a] career transition.' It puts you in the driver's seat. If you were caught in a downsizing, never say 'I lost my job' or 'I was laid off.'"

Instead say, 'My position was downsized' or 'my department was eliminated.' Then, it sound less like the layoff was about you and more like it was about the financial operations of the company." - Marky Stein, career coach and author of "Fearless Resumes: The Proven Method to Get a Great Job Fast"

"The challenge of summer networking is that so many of the venues and places are outside. Most of us are not walking around with our briefcases and resumes in hand. We forget that these summer places offer real opportunities."

"[My] Best advice: Keep your business cards with you wherever you go -- in your pocket of wallet or glove compartment of your car. If you have a smartphone, learn to use it by immediately uploading a new contact into it and beaming your contact info to the person you have just met. Be careful:

since these are usually social or recreational, do not come across as too pushy. Keep it low key!" - Larry Chiagouris, professor of marketing at Pace University

"The best thing about networking [at picnics, softball leagues or tennis matches] is people get to know the real you, the person behind the suit, the face and the personality. Be yourself! And connect with them on LinkedIn."

"Considering most conversations either begin or end up focusing on what you do for a living, have that elevator speech planned but don't sound too canned. Bring business cards or connect with new contacts on LinkedIn but know going into it what you're looking for. Identify what you want such as a company you want to work for and/or specific jobs and put yourself in the position to ask new contacts for help." - Vicki Salemi, author of "Big Career in the Big City"

"At times, professionals forget the conversation starters and ways to look for making connections to build their networking. Ask probing questions to find out more about the other person. Don't talk all business but ask them about their personal interests outside of work, their family, their occupation and what made them select that industry, where they like to vacation and what are their dreams and aspirations. When you find a common connection that is when the real magic begins to happen."

"I challenge people to keep asking questions on various topics until they find a common interest. I've personally done this and found people who attended the same university, from the same home town or like to vacation in the same type of relaxing vacations. This is how to build a professional network that can lead to long-term rapport." - Sarah Hathorn, CEO of Illustra Consulting, a corporate and individual professional consulting firm.

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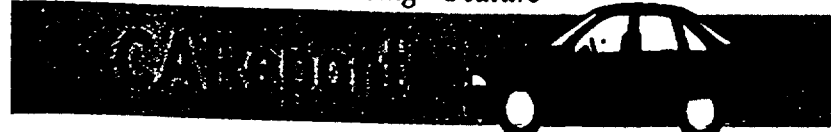
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Advertising Feature



By Dale Buss

The economic woes of America's twenty-somethings have forced Scion to broaden its demographic target to include the rest of the Millennial generation, up to age 35. "It's a function of affordability and the state of economics for 18- to 24-year-olds, with high unemployment," said Owen Peacock, national marketing communications manager for Scion. "They're focused on things like college and debt load. At the end of the day, do you go with a small target or go after those who can actually buy a car now? So you need to adjust."

The change is just one among a number that are reflected in a new Scion advertising campaign for the tC, its highest-volume model, that "stars" the Greek god Zeus in a series of humorous videos. The effort is also Scion's first marketing push to focus on a special-edition car, its most extensive use of humor in a broad advertising effort, and its richest use of video elements on social media.

It's a time of vast recalibration for Scion overall. Sales were up 28 percent for the brand for the first half of the year compared with a year earlier, even despite a messed-up supply chain because of the natural disaster in Japan in March. And just as Toyota

planned when it launched Scion as a separate brand in 2000, it enjoys the industry's strongest regard with young consumers, according to a recent survey by TrueCar, along with Mitsubishi and Mazda.

But Scion never has reached Toyota's initial expectations, as sales tailed off to only 46,000 last year after peaking at 173,000 in 2006, in large part due to how hard the Great Recession hit young buyers. Moreover, Scion's quirky models, especially in their second generations, haven't been able to distance themselves enough from the competition.

The Zeus campaign is aimed nominally at bolstering tC, a coupe that is by far Scion's highest-volume model these days. The online-only ads, titled "On the Set with Zeus," depict a Greek king of deities who is helpless, even in his omnipotence, to figure out a coffee maker or to woo a human actress, even while he makes fun of "Greek yogurt" and brags about his itimesharei on Mount Olympus.

The ad that also recently began appearing on TV, on young-skewing cable-TV networks such as Comedy Central and Spike, is the one that most highlights Scion tC, in a "high-voltage" bright yellow "created" by Zeus. Scion



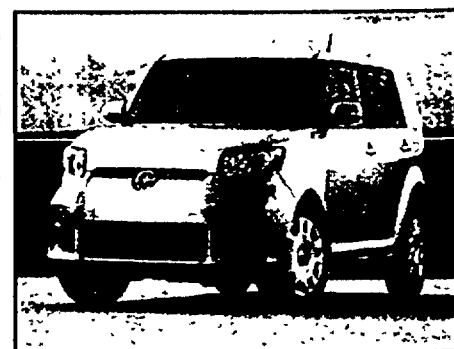
Scion's xB model was the brand's top seller until recently.

is selling only 2,200 of this 2012 tC Release Series 7.0, each also featuring contrasting black sideview mirrors, a customized body kit by Total Racing Development, push-button ignition for the first time in any Scion vehicle, glossy black-alloy rims and other design accents "inspired" by Zeus. There's also an original interactive game built around the "halo" model that has debuted with the new iPad edition of The Onion.

"Usually we might do online flyers and handouts at auto shows when we're introducing a halo version," Peacock said. "Until now, we've never even featured one in a billboard. But we wanted to try something new. Also, the car has a beautiful yellow color, and it really pops. It has a really good package, so we figured, 'Why don't we just put this up there and make it the centerpiece of a campaign and see what we've got?'"

And for right now, the tC coupe definitely is Scion's focus. The boxy xB model actually was Scion's best-seller of its three nameplates last year, but sales dropped nearly 20 percent from 2009, to about 20,400 units, thanks to

The tC has become the focus of Scion's new marketing efforts.



the recession and as a spate of other little-boxi models from competitors, such as Nissan Cube and Kia Soul, eroded xB's design edge. Last year, tC sold only about 15,200 units, off 15 percent, making it Scion's best performer on a year-to-year basis. Sales of the third model, xD, declined by 30 percent last year, to about 10,100 units.

Last fall, Scion executives said they hoped to more than double sales of tC with a 2011-model-year redesign, a larger and more powerful update, that went on sale on October 1. At that time, they said, they planned to target Scion's traditional demographic. So far, their plan seems to be working: First-half tC sales in the United States were nearly double year-earlier figures, at nearly 13,000 units, far eclipsing those of the xB and xD and fueling the brand's year-over-year showing. Adding further optimism is the planned fall launch of a new model, the iQ "microcar" hatchback, with a unique "3 + 1" seating arrangement that's been well received in Europe and other markets – and, reportedly, an FR-S rear-drive coupe next spring.

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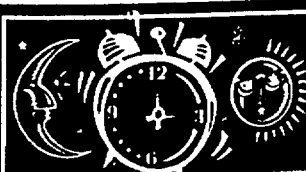
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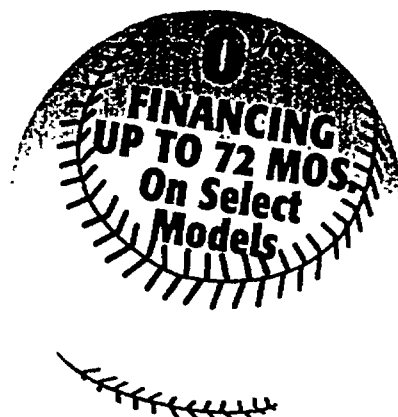
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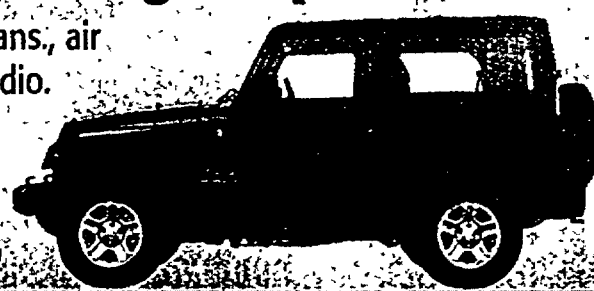
31 MPG! Power seat, satellite radio, aluminum wheels. Stk. #211791



\$179^{00*} Mo.

2011 Jeep Wrangler Sport 4x4

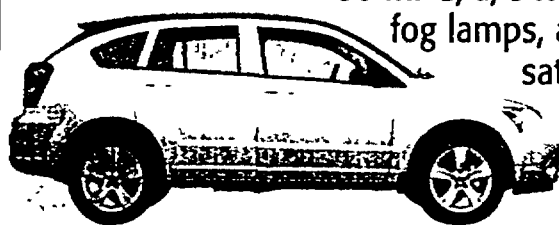
V6 engine, automatic trans., air conditioning, satellite radio. Stk. #211384



\$229^{00*} Mo.

2011 Dodge Caliber Mainstreet

30 MPG, a/c with Chill Zone, power seat, fog lamps, aluminum wheels, Sirius satellite. Stk. #211797



\$239^{*} Mo.

2011 Jeep Compass

Automatic trans., 30 MPG! Remote start, power windows, power locks, cruise. Stk. #211880



\$249^{00*} Mo.

2011 Jeep Liberty Sport 4x4

V6 engine, automatic trans., aluminum wheels, satellite radio. Stk. #211488



\$259^{00*} Mo.

2011 Dodge Journey Mainstreet Edition

Pentastar V6, heated seats, popular equipment, third row seating. Stk. #211711



\$279^{00*} Mo.

2011 Chrysler Town & Country Touring Edition

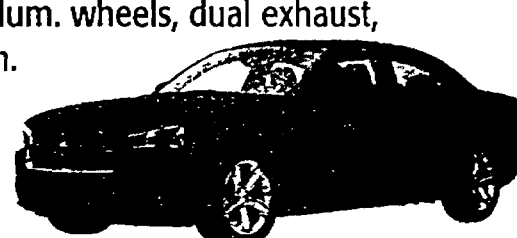
Pentastar V6, auto trans., pwr dual sliding doors, pwr liftgate, pwr seats, 3-zone temp control, stow-n-go seating. Stk. #211282



\$289^{00*} Mo.

2011 Dodge Charger

Pentastar engine, auto trans, alum. wheels, dual exhaust, U-Connect, Touring Suspension. Stk. #211634



\$299^{00*} Mo.

2011 Jeep Grand Cherokee Laredo

Pentastar V6, automatic trans., power windows, power locks, alum. wheels, Flex fuel. Stk. #211013



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2011 Ram 1500 SLT Crew Cab

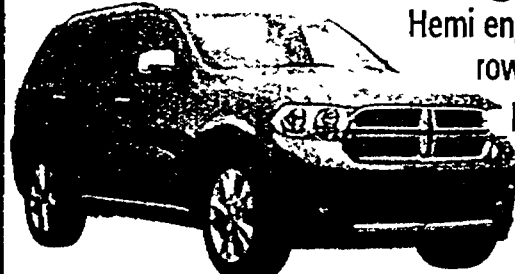
Big Horn, Hemi engine, remote start, tow package, 20" wheels. Stk. #211424



\$359^{00*} Mo.

All New 2011 Dodge Durango Crew

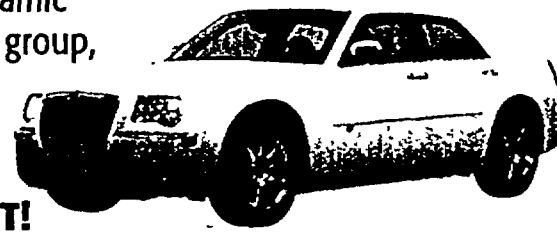
Hemi engine, automatic transmission, 3rd row seating, electronic stability program, dual exhaust, power seats, HDD radio. Stk. #211591



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