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## Chamber meeting

The Northville Chamber of Commerce will host their Annual Meeting and Citizen of the Year program at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 19 at The Inn at St. John's 44045 Five Mile Road, Plymouth.

Election of Chamber Board of Directors and introduction of the 2011 Citizen of the Year are on the evening's agenda. Appetizers and cash bar are provided

by the Inn at St. John's. Registration fee for the event is \$35 per person. Contact the Northville Chamber office to pre-register at chamber@northville.org or (248) 349-7640.

## Whoooo's There?

The Friends of Maybury are sponsoring an owl program at 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 15 at Maybury State Park (meet at the concession building, 8 Mile road entrance, west of Beck Road). Come learn all about one of Michigan's most mysterious birds, the owl. You even get to dissect an owl pellet.

For more information, call (248) 349-8390 or www.friendsofmaybury.org.

## Blood Drive

The fall NHGC blood drive is coming up from 1-7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 13 at Northville Hills Golf Club Subdivision's Fitness Center, 15561 Bay Hill Drive.

You can give blood every 56 days. You are eligible to give if your last donation was on or before Aug. 18, 2011.

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John McGuire

## John McGuire passes away at age 103

### Northville icon founded Guernsey Farms Dairy

By Lonnie Huhman  
Correspondent

John McGuire's last supper was topped off with a bowl of Guernsey's fudge whip ice cream, and according to his family, he wouldn't have had it any other way.

McGuire, the founder of Guernsey Farms Dairy, passed away last Friday at the age of 103 leaving behind a full life and big family. All 14 of his children and larger extended family have congregated in Northville this past week to remember the man who had such a huge impact on

them as well as the entire Northville community.

"He was my hero," his son Marty said.

That sentiment was echoed by each family member. John embodied the American spirit and his story captures this notion perfectly.

It all started on his family's dairy farm in Fowlerville, Mich. where he first learned the ins and outs of dairy production. That was where he wanted to stay, but the Depression Era came and made farm life diffi-

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## Jubilant over jug



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The Northville Mustangs celebrate their retaining of the Baseline Jug on Oct. 7 after their 37-32 victory over Novi. For more, see today's Sports section.

## Darga opposes using tax money for business signs

By Lonnie Huhman  
Correspondent

Nancy Darga is all for helping downtown merchants through the business assistance program, but the Northville City Council member does not want taxpayers paying for signs.

The latest round of matching grants for the business assistance program (BAP) was approved by the City Council, despite Darga's no vote. Twelve downtown merchants applied for funding help totaling nearly \$20,000. One of the bigger projects planned will see new

awnings placed on each apartment at the MainCentre building.

For Darga the sign issue has been an ongoing one.

"I have a real big issue of taxpayers' monies going to signs when it's only specifically for that guy," Darga said. "I have no problem changing awnings or fixing the buildings because that aggregately increases the real estate value of downtown."

However, her issue is with the city using tax dollars on a sign for business that could go out of business two months from now.

Downtown Development Authority director Lori Ward

said funding is not usually granted for signs, but this time around 2nd Street Hair Salon was granted over \$1,600 for work that includes a free standing sign. Ward said in this cycle several applicants did request help with paying for signage, but were rejected.

BAP will continue next spring with total available funds of over \$60,000.

In other council decisions, • The city signed a municipal credit contract with the Suburban Mobility Authority for

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## School bus stops added

By Lonnie Huhman  
Correspondent

The Northville school district has made changes to its busing program, providing high school and middle school students with additional stops.

Specifically, the district has added two bus routes that are aligned with the secondary satellite stop program. The satellite program was implemented over a year ago, according to Superintendent Mary Kay Gallagher.

She said these changes are in response to some particular concerns expressed by parents.

There is now an expanded satellite bus stop at Northville High School for students attending Hillside Middle School. This bus will arrive at approximately 7:48 a.m. Meads Mill students will continue to use NHS as a satellite stop as well.

In addition, there is an expanded satellite bus service for NHS from Hillside. The satellite stop at Amerman Elementary will be used for those residing north of 8 Mile Road. However, for those residing south of Eight Mile a satellite stop

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George Fomin will portray Asa Sha at the Cemetery Walk on Oct. 16.

## George Fomin portrays Asa Sha during the 2011 Cemetery Walk

Have you ever wondered who haunts a cemetery at night? This year's Cemetery Walk, sponsored by the Northville Historical Society, will give you some answers. Come meet several past residents of Northville and learn about their lives and times. To mark the sesquicentennial of the Civil War, all the characters waiting to meet you this year will have a connection to the Civil War.

This family-friendly annual event is from 4-7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 16 at Oakwood Cemetery on Cady Street, one block south of Main Street between Center and Rogers streets. Timed tours will depart every 10 minutes with the entire tour taking about one hour. Complimentary refreshments will be served next door at the Art House and the current art show and gift shop will be open to view.

For your comfort and safety, attendees are

encouraged to wear comfortable clothing and sensible shoes, and to carry a good flashlight. You may want to use insect repellent. And please, no strollers.

What was it like for a mother or father to send their son off to war? How would you carry on running a farm if your sons were away in the war? What if the unthinkable happened and your child was killed. He may or may not be sent home for burial. How would a widow with small children survive if her husband was killed in the war? These and other questions will be explained and discussed during the tour.

The War Between the States shaped an entire generation of American citizens. The effects of the Civil War were felt long after the battles ceased and victory was declared for the Union troops. Sympathy for those maimed, widowed or orphaned by the war lasted throughout the end of the 19th century.

### DETAILS

Tickets for the Cemetery Walk are \$10 per person in advance, \$8 per person for groups of 10 or more, and \$15 at the gate if tickets are still available.

Tickets may be purchased at the Cady Inn in Mill Race Village (9 a.m.-1 p.m. Monday-Friday) at Knightsbridge Antique Mall, 42305 W. Seven Mile Road (248-344-7200), or by mail to the Northville Historical Society, 215 Griswold, Northville, MI 48167. Tickets are for reserved starting times, beginning at 4 p.m. and then every 10 minutes (except 5:40 and 5:50 p.m.). Please state the time requested when ordering tickets. This will be strictly adhered to. Sorry, no refunds. The event is held rain or shine. For more information contact (248) 348-1845 or visit [www.millrace-northville.org](http://www.millrace-northville.org).

Submitted by Abbie Holden, Northville Historical Society

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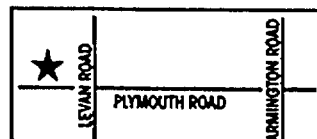
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# Watkins among 3 Leadership Detroit honorees

By Julie Brown  
Staff Writer

Northville resident Tom Watkins, state school superintendent from 2001-05, is among 2011 Leadership Detroit award recipients through the Detroit Regional Chamber of Commerce.

The awards ceremony will be held 5:30-7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 20, at the Legend's Club, inside Joe Louis Arena.

Watkins, president and CEO of TDW & Associates, is receiving the Life-long Leadership award.

Watkins started Counterpoint Runaway Shelter at age 21. He has served as an elected member of the Wayne County Charter Commission; management consultant with Plante Moran; director, Wayne Center; director, Michigan Department of Mental Health, 1983-90; co-developer of Michigan's and Florida's first charter school. Watkins is knowledgeable about U.S. relations with China and contributes on the topic to Michigan newspapers and radio outlets.

"It's always an honor to be recognized for the work one does," said Watkins, who has six sib-



Tom Watkins

lings. "They remind me you never do anything by yourself. I've only been able to accomplish things with great teams I've worked with over the years."

Leadership Detroit is a longtime program he went through in his early 20s shortly after it started. Organizers select emerging leaders from business, government, education and nonprofit areas, "people who are going to be around for awhile to provide leadership."

They go to seminars and follow-up programs such as on the culture of Detroit. "Another month may focus on diversity," Watkins said, also citing education, criminal jus-

tice and other areas to help leaders have a better understanding of issues impacting the Detroit region.

Watkins, 57, came to Northville in the early '80s, and came back in 2001. He was in Florida in between where he ran a major business organization.

"To me, it's outstanding," he said of his hometown. "It fits my lifestyle very well. It doesn't take much to be in the country as well." He likes nearby Hines Park for bicycling, also citing good schools and downtown Northville.

Watkins agreed crime and the state of public education in Detroit remain the top issues for the region. The city and suburbs are connected.

"You can't have a strong region without a strong city," Leadership is jump-starting the economy of the city and region.

"What happens to the children of Detroit impacts us all. Those children without an education today are going to be adults without much hope for tomorrow."

That child could grow up to be an employee, customer or have more nefarious ideas. There

are too many prisons with functionally illiterate prisoners from urban areas, he added.

"It will sink us all if they don't" get a good education, Watkins said. "When you're at the bottom of the pool, you only have two choices." Detroit Mayor Dave Bing and the broader community are working "to really push off the bottom into the 21st century."

Watkins grew up in Washington, D.C. He went to Michigan State University after Henry Ford Community College, earning an MSU bachelor of science degree in criminal justice focusing on juvenile justice.

Watkins also attended Wayne State Universi-

ty and earned a master's degree in social work administration. He's an all but dissertation candidate for a doctorate in education leadership at WSU.

Watkins is dad to two kids, son Daniel in Northville and daughter Katherine, a student at Northeastern University in Boston.

Watkins added that Leadership Detroit has helped in leadership roles for education, mental health and business.

"That foundation is something you can build on throughout your life," he said.

This is the 33rd year for the chamber program, said Dan Piepszowski, senior director/

community leadership and development. There are 69 leaders in the current class. Piepszowski's a program graduate leading his fourth class.

"Just the breadth of his experience is really amazing," Piepszowski said of Watkins. "Tom's been able to take his leadership skills and his knowledge and really spread that across a broad spectrum of the community."

The cost to attend Oct. 20 is \$30 for annual and lifetime members and \$40 for non-annual and non-lifetime members. For more information, contact Dan Piepszowski at (313) 596-0315.

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## BUS

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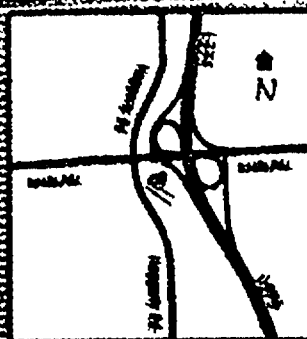
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# Horror story features Northville

**By Julie Brown**  
Staff Writer

Growing up in Northville, Joe Williams, 24, admired the horror writing of Stephen King as well as Rod Serling's *Twilight Zone*.

This year, his *Detroit Macabre* collection of horror stories was published by Cincinnati-based Post Mortem Press.

"It's definitely a horror fan's book," said Williams during a recent interview at downtown Northville's The Next Chapter Bookstore & Bistro. One story, "Step in From the Rain," is set in Northville and features the Wagon Wheel as its bar.

Williams, who attended Our Lady of Victory



School, hangs out with his friends at that bar with friends. "We'll go there for karaoke night occasionally," as well as playing pool, he said.

The story, which uses adult language, tells of longtime Wheel bartender Wally and his encounters with customer Katrina. Twelve of the 13 stories in *Detroit Macabre* are based in Michigan.

Williams and his wife will soon move into a Farmington Hills home. He graduated from St. Mary's Preparatory in Orchard Lake and Wayne State University with a bachelor's degree in English.

"I'm back there right now for a master's in creative writing," he said of the degree he plans to finish in August 2012. Williams also does freelance writing for *Real Detroit Weekly*.

Williams, son of Sha-

ron and Michael of Northville, has three siblings 28, 26 and 15, the youngest at Novi-Detroit Catholic Central High.

"Everyone in my family is very supportive but they don't necessarily read it," he said of his horror writing, which his dad does read. "My wife can't read it either because she can't do horror."

*Twilight Zone* writer Richard Matheson is among those Williams admires. Williams is working with a band, Tea Leaf Green, doing adaptations of their songs.

Post Mortem is also publishing a Williams novel, possibly by December 2011, about a boy who's kidnapped with a bag of toys. "The toys sort of come to life and teach him what he needs to know to get out of the basement," said Williams of the novel, which is awaiting illustrations.

He describes *Detroit Macabre* as half classic horror like Alfred Hitchcock, the other half more modern with blood and gore. Two New York Times bestselling authors provided review quotes for *Detroit Macabre*.

Williams said horror doesn't require quite as much research as other genres. "It's all fantastical scenarios," he said.

For his WSU master's,

he'll write a novel or collection of short stories. Williams is working on a Western.

"That does take a lot more research than horror typically," he said. "In that sense, it's definitely more difficult to write."

He's had Western short stories published, along with work in *The Wayne State University Literary Review*, *The Road to Hell*, *The Western Online* and others.

"It's the closest big city," he said of Detroit. "I'm down there all the time for school."

Detroit's Gothic architecture helps for setting horror stories. "It certainly doesn't hurt that you have these blocks after blocks of abandoned buildings."

Williams and Trevor Snyder, who wrote the *Detroit Macabre* introduction, know some Detroiters are sensitive to using the city as a setting for horror work. "I think there's an oversensitivity in Detroit," said Williams, noting Stephen King made Maine popular for horror writing.

"I need a big city setting," Williams said. "This is the only big city I know."

He's surprised Detroit hasn't generated more big-name horror writers. "There's a lot of horror writers in any big city, New York or Chicago," he



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Northville native Joseph Williams opens his book "Detroit Macabre" at The Next Chapter bookstore on Main Street.

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# Many enjoy health 'expo'-rience

By Stacy Jenkins  
Observer Staff Writer

You might say seniors Shirley Friedman, Pearl Stephenson and Harley Wood enjoy expo-hopping.

The Oak Park residents were spotted at the third annual Senior Fall Health & Living Expo, sponsored by the Observer & Eccentric/Hometown Newspapers, held Oct. 4 at the Wayne State University Oakland Center in Farmington Hills.

"We love the expos," Friedman said. "They're so entertaining and you can look around and get a lot of little things you need."

The trio had been to a senior expo Monday in Royal Oak and they have their eyes out for others happening in the area.

"I think there's a big market for things for senior citizens — and this gives seniors the opportunity to talk to the vendors," Stephenson said.

The expo included more than 40 vendors, representing everything from health service providers to senior retirement communities and more. Health screenings, including spinal checks and oral health



Seniors mingle in the community room during an expo hosted by the Hometown Newspapers.

checks, were also available.

This year's expo included free seminars on estate planning, identity theft protection, insurance planning and investment strategies.

Baby Boomers learned how to maximize their retirement income in a seminar led by O&E financial columnist Rick Bloom, of Bloom Asset Management in Farmington Hills.

Katie D'Avanzo and Samantha Moery were on hand from the Farmington Family YMCA, to let seniors know about the many exercise classes and water aerobics programs that are offered, as well as the SilverSneakers program at the Y.

SilverSneakers fitness program is designed especially for older adults, and is included as a covered benefit by many health

insurance plans. More information is available at [www.silversneakers.com](http://www.silversneakers.com) or at (888) 423-4632.

Moery said they're grateful to have been a part of Tuesday's expo, so they could share the information with a lot of people.

"We have something to offer the senior community that maybe they weren't aware of before," she said.

Kristine Anderson, community outreach coordinator for Fox Run retirement community in Novi, was among the vendors at the expo.

"We had a very nice turnout," she said. "People who come to these types of events are good planners."

She noted that this is a good thing for Fox Run, since planning is part of the decision to move into a retirement community.

Geraldine Hall, of Clawson, enjoyed taking a break with friends at the expo.

"I love it," she said. "I like the different vendors and I like picking up all of the free information. I'll take it all home with me and read it later."

Sheldon Lubin, of Oak Park, was happy to say he was a big winner at the expo.

"I won movie tickets," he said, smiling.

Choya Jordan, expo organizer and marketing manager for the Observer & Eccentric/Hometown Newspapers, said this year's event was a success, drawing about 500 visitors.

"The success was, in part, due to the Wayne State University Oakland Center; the wonderful vendors and the informative guest speakers," Jordan said. "Many of the attendees that I spoke with after the event indicated that they enjoyed many of the speakers and found the information very helpful. This is exactly the type of response that I hoped to hear."

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Through a partnership with the University of Michigan Solar Race Team, Amerman fourth graders apply their knowledge of electricity by designing, testing, applying technology (digital scales, calculators and spreadsheets) and then racing solar cars built using Lego's kits. Kayla Shaw (right), with Shelby Warford, shows off a car. The two girls are now students at Hillside Middle School.

## Amerman honored for closing gender achievement gap in science

Northville's Amerman Elementary School is being honored as a Michigan Association of School Boards (MASB) 2011 Michigan's Best Award recipient for successfully tackling a significant gender achievement gap in science, where boys were outperforming girls. Amerman's winning program earned the honor in the Improving Student Achievement in Math and Science category for its innovation and impact on student achievement.

By developing hands-on programs and materials and engaging the community to enrich its science activities, the Amerman School Improvement Team has been able to improve science proficiency for its female students from 52 percent to 100 percent over the past 12 years.

The program is unique in that it employs action research, engages community groups (especially those focused on women), and uses a three-dimensional model of curriculum. The "3-D" approach includes curriculum components that align with grade level content expectations, paired with real-world applications. This one-of-a-kind approach has led to several unexpected grant sources for Amerman to supplement resources and materials. In addition, the program enjoys many parent volunteers, who, along with students and staff, enjoy working with technology, electricity, solar energy and Legos, to name a few.

"As the father of two daughters, I'm proud that our girls at Amerman have had the opportunity to learn from role models and parents that they too can be engineers, sci-

entists, doctors, or astronauts," said Amerman Principal Dr. Stephen Anderson. "Both boys and girls have found out how fun it is to apply learning thanks to the great parent involvement we've received."

Northville Public Schools Superintendent Mary Kay Gallagher said, "This much-deserved recognition by MASB is reflective of more than a decade long partnership among Amerman students, staff and parents, as well as many community groups, to engage young girls, and all students, in a meaningful way in understanding and applying science in real-world situations."

MASB Michigan's Best entries are judged by an independent panel of experts in each area, based on uniqueness, the critical need served, and evidence of impact on student achievement. More than 150 entries were received from school districts across the upper and lower peninsulas. Each winner receives a trophy for display at the school and \$1,500 to sustain their efforts. Amerman, along with the other Michigan's Best Award recipients, participated in two rounds of judging and represent the top honor in each of the nine categories for MASB's Education Excellence program.

Representatives from Amerman and the Northville school district will be on hand to accept the award at the Oct. 29 Michigan's Best Awards Ceremony, which will be part of the MASB Annual Convention. The awards ceremony is co-sponsored by MASB and SET SEG School Insurance Specialists, the

## Northville schools implementing International Baccalaureate

By Lonnie Huhman  
Correspondent

The introduction of the International Baccalaureate program into the Northville Public Schools curriculum gives students another approach to their education, one that is more holistic, according to Assistant Superintendent of Instructional Services Robert Behnke.

An informational meeting was held for parents to give them a better idea what this new approach is and how it can benefit their children. Behnke said the IB curriculum has two facets: the Middle Years Programme (MYP) and Diploma Programme (DP). Janice Henderson, both the curriculum and IB coordinator for Northville, said IB is about educating the whole person. It's a team approach to learning about different subjects and how these various ideas relate to each other in the world.

"It encourages learners to take intellectual risks and share responsibility for their own learning," Henderson said.

The district is implementing the program this

year, and Behnke said this year's eight-graders would be eligible to earn MYP certification during their sophomore year in high school. Things are now getting underway, and some teachers will be receiving additional training in the next three months to become better acquainted with IB.

The MYP is for students ages 11-16 and a teaching philosophy acting as an overlay for the entire curriculum, meaning each student from grades sixth through 10th will be impacted by this new program. However, the certificate a student can earn in 10th grade is a voluntary choice.

The goal of MYP is to provide a framework of academic challenge that encourages the student to embrace and understand the connections between traditional subjects and the real world, helping them become more critical and reflective thinkers.

The DP is for high school students in 11th-12th grades and it would be a voluntary choice for students wanting to earn an IB diploma. The high school will still have its advanced placement

courses and the Michigan Merit program would still be adhered to as well for students not interested in IB.

This program is taught over two years and, according to Behnke, has earned recognition for preparing for students for success at higher level schools. Students in this program will study six courses at higher or standard levels, which are internationally-based. The idea is for students to challenge themselves with more in-depth learning on a cross-range of subjects.

Financing for IB is coming from the Northville Educational Foundation, which has committed \$300,000 to getting the program implemented properly over the next four or five years. Fundraising by the NEF and donations have gone a long way in making this happen, Behnke said.

Superintendent Mary Kay Gallagher said this is a great fit for the district and will only "broaden the opportunities for Northville students."

Other areas schools with IB are Novi and the International Academy of Bloomfield Hills.

### NORTHVILLE ON CAMPUS

#### Ball State University

Three Northville students graduated in summer 2011 with bachelor of business administration degrees: Nicholas

Mical, accountancy; Andrew Stolaruk, computer information systems; and Patrick Swartout, sales and business marketing.

### NORTHVILLE SCHOOL BRIEFS

#### "It's a Wonderful Life"

The Northville High School Drama Club and NHS Stage Parents announce the sale of tickets for the Drama Club's fall production - "It's a Wonderful Life".

Show dates and times for "It's a Wonderful Life" are Nov. 10, 11 and 12 at 7 p.m. and Nov. 12 at 2 p.m.

Ticket prices are \$10 for adults, \$8 for students and \$5 for seniors age 55 or older. You may pre-order tickets via e-mail at [nhsdramatictickets@comcast.net](mailto:nhsdramatictickets@comcast.net). Be sure to include your name, performance(s) you wish to attend and number of each type of ticket you are ordering. You will receive a reply with instructions on where and when you may pick up your tickets.

#### District announces early release days

Northville Public Schools recently announced the creation of a new plan for additional professional development and training for teachers during the 2011-2012 school year as part of the recent contract settlement with the Northville Education Association.

Work on the District's Improvement Plan and School Improvement Plans will take place during four (4) Early Release Days throughout the school year. Students will attend school during the times listed below. Transportation will be provided to and from school.

The early release days for 2011-12 will be Oct. 31; Dec. 8; Feb. 15 and May 8. Times are:

A.M. Kindergarten: 8:50-10:55 a.m.  
P.M. Kindergarten: 11:40 a.m.-1:45 p.m.

Elementary: 8:50 a.m.-1:45 p.m.  
Middle School: 8:15 a.m.-1:07 p.m.

High School: 7:21 a.m.-12:17 p.m.  
High School (Cooke): 7:50 a.m.-11:56 a.m.

Cooke School: 8:10 a.m.-12:16 p.m.  
Hillside (Old Village): 8:20 a.m.-12:26 p.m.

Old Village School: 8:30 a.m.-12:36 p.m.  
Extra Care childcare options will be available for students currently enrolled in Kids Club through the Early Childhood Education and Extended Day Program. For more information and registration, please visit <http://www.northville.k12.mi.us/earlychildhood> after Oct. 10.

#### Early Learning Series

Northville Public Schools presents the Early Learning Series for parents with children from birth to 5 with educational consultant Cathy Shapero as the presenter. She will provide relevant information to provide balance in your child's life to maximize learning. Workshops include:

Oct. 18-Healthy Routines to Support Academic Growth

Nov. 15-Supporting Your Child's Physical, Emotional and Intellectual Development

March 13-Understanding and Embracing Your Child's Personality and Learning Style to Maximize Learning

The workshops are free and run from 6:30-8 p.m. at the Northville Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main. Free child care is provided for children 33 months and toilet trained (pre-registration required). Donations will be collected for Northville Civic Concern.

For more information or to register, please contact the Early Childhood office at (248) 344-8469.

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Regional Transportation (SMART) in order to receive \$5,890 in municipal credits for the senior transportation program.

• A city clerical employee retired last month and that position will not be filled, according to Sandy Wiktorowski, finance director/treasurer. She said the position's duties will be absorbed by

other staff members. To help ease the workload of the remaining staff, implementation of a lockbox service was approved by the council. The savings to be realized from not filling the position is approximately \$82,000.

• The city will use the Comerica Bank lockbox service which directs users to mail specified payments to a post office box rather than to city hall. Two separate lockboxes would be utilized, one for tax payments and one for utility bill payments.

## Passages

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COON, HAZEL R.

October 3, 2011 age 94 of Northville. Beloved wife of the late Stanley L. Dear mother of Shirley (Fred) Millard, Sally (Jim) Foote, Sandra (Rick) Dow. Loving grandmother of 10 grandchildren, 9 great grandchildren and one great great grandchild. Predeceased by daughter Sylvia and son-in-law Jim Burns, son Tommy Coon, grandsons Stan Millard and Jimmy Burns, siblings Betty (Don) Perry and Frank MacFarlane. Visitation was held Sunday at Vermeulen Funeral Home, 46401 W Ann Arbor Rd (btwn Sheldon and Beck) Plymouth. Funeral service was held Monday at Trinity Presbyterian Church, 10101 W Ann Arbor Road (at Gottfredson) Plymouth Interment Grand Lawn Cemetery. To share memories please visit vermeulenfuneralhome.com

## DEGALAN, LORNA A.

Age 88, 10/4/11. Beloved wife of Thomas for 67 years. Funeral was at Our Lady of Victory Church. Donations to Capuchins or St Vincent De Paul. Condolences obriensullivanfuneralhome.com

## DEGUERRE, WILLIAM R.

Age 71, of Northville and Hubbard Lake, passed away peacefully October 5, 2011. He was born May 28, 1940 to William and Frances (nee Brown) DeGuerre. Bill received his Bachelor Degree from Olivet College. For 26 years he worked as an accountant with Realtron, a computerized real estate company. Bill was an avid movie watcher, he loved the classics, Laurel and Hardy were among his favorites. He was an active member of New Life Lutheran Church, where he founded a movie night. He also enjoyed collecting miniature automotive replicas, sports paraphernalia, movies, and music. Bill is survived by his sister Lois Grant, his niece Deborah (Daniel Ketterborn) Grant-Ketterborn, his nephew Raymond (Pam) Grant, and his great nephews, Chad and Trevor. He was preceded in death by his parents and his sister Shirley DeGuerre. A funeral service was held Saturday, Oct. 8, 2011 at Casterline Funeral Home. Pastor James N. McGuire with Fellowship Presbyterian Church officiated the service. He will be laid to rest at Belsyde Cemetery in Ferguson, Ontario. In lieu of flowers, donations are suggested to New Life Lutheran Church, 25 E. Kirche In The Woods Dr., Spruce, MI 48762.



GLOVER, JOYCE H.

Age 71, of South Lyon, MI died on September 27, 2011 at her residence. She was born on December 1, 1939 the daughter of Charles N. and Ethel (Parr) Glover in Blue Island, IL. She enjoyed a long career with Aerospace Corporation in El Segundo, CA, and was avidly involved in genealogy research after her retirement. She is survived by her niece, Julie Dean (Robbie) Wingett of Royal Oak, MI; her nephew, Edward B. (Kim) Smith of Whitmore Lake, MI; great nieces and nephews Edward, Jessica, Jonathan and Hannah Smith. Burial took place Monday, October 10 in Anna, IL. Memorials may be made to the Anna Methodist Church in Anna, IL. To leave online condolences visit www.craonline.com.

## HERRINGTON, ANN (NEE SMITH)

Age 88, passed away October 9, 2011. A resident of Milford since 1959, she was born in Staten Island, New York on January 10, 1923. Preceded in death by her husband, Donald, son, Charles; daughter, Regina, she is survived by her children, Elizabeth Close, Ellen (Roy) Seppanen, William (Dianna) Herrington, Mary (Eric) Shea and Andrew (Michele) Herrington, many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, extended family members and dear friends. A Funeral Service was held at Lynch & Sons Funeral Home, Milford, Wednesday, October 12 with burial at St. Mary's Cemetery, Milford. For further information please phone 248-684-6645 or visit www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com

## MCCLURE, PATRICIA J.

Age 75, of Northville, died 10/7/2011. Beloved wife of John, mother of 3. A funeral service was held 10/11/2011 at Casterline Funeral Home of Northville.



MCGUIRE, JOHN T.

Age 103, longtime resident of Northville, passed away peacefully in his home October 7, 2011. He was born September 6, 1908 in Howell, Michigan to Thomas E. and Lucy E. (nee Loughlin) McGuire. He was united in marriage to Elise "Pat" McGuire on November 19, 1938. They spent 65 loving years together until her death in 2003. John completed a dairy program at Michigan Agricultural College, which is now known as MSU. While there, he developed formulae to produce ice cream, chocolate milk, buttermilk, sour cream and egg nog. His last formula, developed at the age of 80, was Hot Fudge, Butterscotch and Chocolate Syrup. He founded Guernsey Farms Dairy in 1940 with a simple business philosophy, "Produce good products, maintain the quality and give good service in delivering them to the customer." Guernsey Farms Dairy's first location was on Center Street in Northville and moved to the current location on Novi Road in 1966. John's way to make ice cream with the finest ingredients continues today at Guernsey Farms Dairy. He was an active member of Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church since 1942 and was one of the church's oldest members. He was one of the first Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers. John, along with his wife Pat, were faithful supporters of Maryknoll missions and traveled to three continents visiting his son Tom and many other missionaries in the field. He was a member of Knights of Columbus, St. Vincent DePaul Society, OLV School Men's Club, Usher Club, and Knights of Equity. He was also a member of the Allied Ice Cream Association and Dairy Tech. He truly loved his family, which at present are 200 members and growing. He was fond of horses, cows, Mom's flowers and his vegetable garden. He is survived by his adoring children Tom (Florence) McGuire, Pat (James) Lawson, Jim (Helen) McGuire, Mary (Tom) Wicke, Peg Lullis, Hugh McGuire, Joe (Ardie) McGuire, Mike (Donna) McGuire, Fran (John) Hardy, Lucy McGuire Rita (Tom) Rice, Marty (Linda) McGuire, Paul McGuire, and Karen (Paul) Kinnile, his sister Julie (Cliff) Busha; his sister-in-law Annie McGuire; 50 grandchildren; 84 great grandchildren, and 1 great great grandchild. He was preceded in death by his beloved wife, his parents; his brothers, James, Bob, and Joseph; and his sisters Frances, Sarah Mae, Nan, Marie, and Lucy. A Mass of Resurrection will be celebrated today, Thursday, October 13, 2011 at Noon. Father Denis B. Theroux will preside at the mass. Mr. McGuire will be laid to rest next to his wife at Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Fowlerville. The family would appreciate memorial contributions to St. Patrick Senior Center, 58 Parson, Detroit, MI 48201 or St. Paul's of the Cross Retreat Center, 23333 Schoolcraft Rd., Detroit, MI 48223. Arrangements entrusted to Casterline Funeral Home, Inc. of Northville.

## NEWKIRK, RICHARD M.

Age 76, a longtime resident of Northville, passed away peacefully October 7, 2011. He was born June 2, 1935 to Dallas and Jessie (nee Cann) Newkirk. He proudly served in the United States Army during the Korean Conflict. Richard was united in marriage to Lorraine Haskin on June 5, 1965, they spent 42 years together until her death in 2007. He received his Bachelor of Economics from Dartmouth College and his Masters Degree from Northwestern University. He worked as an investment banker for many years. Richard was a proud alumni, he participated in many of the special events at Dartmouth. He enjoyed playing bridge, golfing, and skeet shooting. Richard was a Life Master at duplicate bridge, a title awarded to him by the ACBL. A lover of politics, he looked forward to the conversations he had with friends. Richard is survived by his cherished friends Renee, Kristin, and Marin Kolas, and Robert and Patricia Ratz, his stepdaughter Jill (Larry) Culby; his grandchildren Ryan (Marieke) Culby, Jennifer Culby, and Aisa Hart, and his great-granddaughter Lily. He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, and his stepson Richard Hart. A graveside service will be held Monday, October 17 at 11am at Acacia Park Cemetery, 31300 Southfield Road Beverly Hills, MI. Contributions would be appreciated to the Dartmouth Alumni Assoc., 6066 Development Office, Hanover, NH 03755 or the Michigan Humane Society, 30300 Telegraph Road, Ste 220, Bingham Farms, MI 48025. Arrangements entrusted to Casterline Funeral Home of Northville.



TOMCZAK,

## LAURENE THERESE

Age 50 of East Jordan, died Friday, Oct. 7, 2011 at Hiland Cottages in Petoskey. She was born Sept. 30, 1961 in Detroit, Michigan, the daughter of Joseph and Dolores (Hartman) Tomczak. Laurene was a waitress at Mountain Jacks in Farmington Hills and was employed for Cherry Lanes in Dearborn Heights for many years. She attended Holy Spirit Church in Highland. She loved spending her time doing crossword and jigsaw puzzles, gardening and reading. Laurene is survived by her mother Dolores Tomczak Karlskin of East Jordan, three daughters, twins Ashley Hochstein of Kalamazoo, Amanda (Steve) Hambleton of California, and Breanne Hochstein of East Jordan. Her two brothers Joseph (Karen) Tomczak of Farmington Hills, James Tomczak of Central Lake, along with her sister, Carolyn (Ron) Williams of Livonia and her black lab Lucky. She was preceded in death by her father and sister Catherine Kwiatkowski. Visitation took place Wed., Oct. 12 at the Central Lake Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. A Mass will take place at 10:00 a.m., Thurs., Oct. 20, 2011, at Holy Spirit Catholic Church in Highland Michigan. Memorial donations may be directed to her daughters. Arrangements have been handled by the Central Lake Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. Please sign her online guestbook at mortensenfuneralhomes.com

## UNGVARI, ALOYSIUS

Age 76, of Northville, died 10/3/11. A funeral service was held 10/7/11 at Casterline Funeral Home of Northville. Contributions to a charity of giver's choice.

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## Pipes Spooktacular



Resounding Art in a Sacred Space, the concert series of St. John's Episcopal Church, 574 S. Sheldon Road in Plymouth, invites the public to attend Pipes Spooktacular, the first concert of its 2011-2012 season. The concert will be held at 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 30. Pipes Spooktacular is an annual Halloween-themed event at the church, and features spooky and silly music for organ and other instruments. This year's concert will feature the church's Minister of Music Julie Ford, and special guests Johnny Kash on organ, vocalist Jackie King, and the church's Youth Choir. The family-friendly event will last approximately 45 minutes, and will conclude with special treats. Concert-goers are encouraged to attend in costume. An admission donation of \$5 for individuals and \$15 for families is suggested for this concert. For more information on this program, the concert series, or the parish, please telephone (734) 453-0190, ext. 16, or visit the church website at www.stjohnsplymouth.org.

## NORTHVILLE COMMUNITY BRIEFS

### Have a Heart for Hunger

Northville Yoga Center will host a YOGAthon from 6-9:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 14. Members, friends of members, and any other practicing yogis and yoginis who love children and love to practice yoga, while having fun in the process, are invited to practice yoga for one, two or three hours. All that's required is that you make a donation to support Have a Heart for Hunger www.haveaheartforhunger.org. All of the evening's proceeds will support this huge, heartfelt, local effort to feed hungry children in Metro Detroit and around the world.

The event is recommended for those who have an active (at least once a week) and ongoing yoga practice, either at Northville Yoga Center or elsewhere. You may show up at anytime during the evening's practice, which will be continuous, and join the facilitated practice in progress. You may leave whenever it's right for you. Please see our web site for the details of the event. www.northvilleyogacenter.com.

### Plot and scene writing workshop

Northville author Jessica Hatchigan will present a writing workshop called "It Was a Dark And Stormy Night ... Then What? How Best-selling Authors Create Pageturners via Plot & Scene Structure" from 10-11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 29 at the Northville Art House.



Hatchigan

"Bestselling authors write great stories," Hatchigan said. "Great stories are built from mastery of plot and structure. Constructing plots and structuring scenes -- engineering great stories -- is an art, but it is a very learnable one. The workshop will focus on the techniques any writer can use to create compelling stories."

Hatchigan is the author of two children's novels published by Avon Camelot and of three young adult romances written under her romance writing pen name Katrina West.

The presentation will be 20 to 30 minutes long, followed by a question-and-answer period.

The workshop is one of a series. The writing workshop series also will be published electronically and available for purchase as online video downloads before the end of this year.

Cost is \$8 if prepaid; \$10 at the door. For more information, or to reserve a place, call (248) 380-1422 or email workshop@myfastmail.com.

### Children's Christmas Workshop

Northville Historical Society's 33rd Annual Children's Christmas Workshop will be held Saturday, Dec. 3 in the New School Church at Mill Race Village.

Children in grades first through sixth are invited to participate in the opportunity to make seven old fashioned, hand-made gifts for the spe-

cial people on their Christmas lists. The intent of the workshop is to surprise family members with the gifts that the children have worked on and made themselves.

There will be a morning session from 10 a.m.-noon and an afternoon session from 1-3 p.m., accommodating 150 children total.

Enrollment is \$15 per child, payable by cash or check made out to the Northville Historical Society.

Registration is always the Friday, Nov. 4 at 218 W. Dunlap in Northville from 6-6:30 p.m. for Historical Society members; 6:30-7 p.m. for non-members; and 7 p.m. for Scout troops. Contact the Stockhausens at (248) 349-2833 for more information.

### Toddle Time Tuesday's

Bring your toddlers and preschoolers to their own special drop-in play time at the Northville Community Senior Center gym, 303 W. Main Street from 10 a.m.-noon on Tuesdays through April 24 (except Dec. 27 and April 10).

Toddle Time is a wonderful opportunity for toddlers to learn socialization skills through unstructured play. Tots can run, jump, play ball, laugh and giggle with other tots in a big, safe gym atmosphere.

Children must be accompanied by an adult for the entire time. Some toys are available however, we recommend that parents bring a ride or push toy. Please bring exact change (\$3 per child) and pay attendant. No fee for adults.

For more information, contact Pat Brown.

Recreation superintendent, Northville Parks & Recreation at (248) 449-9949 or pbrown@ci.northville.mi.us.

### Holiday Lighted Parade

Entries are now being accepted by the Northville Chamber of Commerce for the annual Holiday Lighted Parade on Friday, Nov. 18. The 2011 parade theme is "Holidays Around the World" and entries are invited to follow the theme in order to compete in three award categories. Bands, floats, dancers and entertainers are welcome to perform in the evening parade that kicks off the holiday season in downtown Northville.

Applications are available on the Chamber of Commerce website at www.northville.org.

The Holiday Lighted Parade begins at 6:30 p.m. and travels through the streets of downtown Northville. If your group would like to be a part of this annual tradition, please contact the Northville Chamber of Commerce at (248) 349-7640 or visit www.northville.org.

### Wood's new book

Steve Wood, painting instructor and TV host, announces the release of his new book, "Welcome to my Painting Class.....YIKES! His book is available online at Barnes & Noble, Amazon and www.anyonecanpaint.com for \$9.95. Steve teaches a monthly class that the Northville Senior Center.



## MCQUIRE

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cult. He went to Detroit to find work, and eventually he found his way with several different dairy companies.

Dairy work was a natural fit for him, and because of this he wanted to expand his knowledge. He enrolled in the dairy program at the Michigan Agricultural College, which is now known as Michigan State University. It was in college when he first started developing his formulas that would make Guernsey so well loved.

"Quality isn't expensive, it's priceless," his son Tom said of his father's philosophy for the products the dairy made.

He founded Guernsey's (named after the cows the milk came from) in 1940 in downtown Northville on Center Street. The dairy was, and remains, a family-run operation. Each child had a job to do and for many in the community their first job was at the dairy.

"He was a grand teacher, not only for us, but to those who worked at the dairy," his daughter Rita Rice recalled. "He led by example and taught many how to have a good work ethic."

Life was not all dairy and ice cream though. He made a huge impact on the community by giving his time to Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church. He played a key role in establishing the church's school. His family says his faith played a big part in why he lived so long.

"A man of God" was how his daughter Fran Hardy described him. This faith led him to reach out to others through mission trips and giving to the needy. To this day Guernsey donates dairy products to the St. Patrick Senior Center in Detroit.

He will be memorialized today, Oct. 13, at Our Lady of Victory. For the family it will be a time to celebrate his life.

"He was a hard-working, compassionate man," Fran said. "He will always stand as an example of what makes a great person."

## First bill



Rep. Kurt Heise (left) announced that Gov. Rick Snyder (seated) has signed legislation that allows local police to use money from the sale of forfeited property for more than drug-related investigations and activities. Public Act 161 allows police departments across the state to use proceeds from the sale of forfeited property as alternative funding for all law enforcement activities. These funds can only be used to supplement, not replace, budgeted amounts for police protection. "This legislation gives agencies the option to responsibly use the funds where they see fit," said Heise, of Plymouth. "Michigan's local governments are struggling financially, as local police agencies face tough budget decisions that impact public safety, this is an important alternative source of funding to keep police on the streets." The bill was suggested to Heise by Canton Supervisor Phil LaJoy, a former state representative. This is Heise's first bill that has been signed into law.

# Your Invitation to Worship

## Brighton

**LORD OF LIFE LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
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810-227-3113  
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www.hscrc.net  
at the corner of Winans Lake & Musch Rd.  
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2nd & 4th Saturdays at 8:15 a.m.  
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Pastor Nick Ruffer

**NEW LIFE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP**  
120 Bishop St., Highland  
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• Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
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Pastor Danny McLean  
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Sunday Worship 8:00, 9:15 & 11:00 a.m.  
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734-453-0190  
www.stjohns.org  
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8:45 AM - Eucharist with Contemporary Music  
11:00 AM - Eucharist with Traditional Music

## Northville

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Sunday Worship - 9:00 am & 10:15 am  
Sunday School and Children's Programs  
www.ncclife.org  
41355 Six Mile Road  
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8000 Six Mile Road  
Northville, MI 48178  
248-374-7400  
www.wardchurch.org  
Traditional Worship at 9:30 & 11 a.m.  
Contemporary Worship at 9:30 & 11 a.m.  
Children's Programs available at 9:30 & 11 a.m.  
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Rev. Dr. Dennis Senior Pastor  
www.fpcnorthville.org

## Milford

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620 General Motors Rd., Milford  
Church Office: (248) 684-0895  
Regular Sunday Service: 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.  
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Jun-Aug - Sunday Service: 9:30 a.m.  
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Young Adults Sunday 8:30 p.m.  
Website: info@firstbaptist.org

**OAKPOINTE Church**  
1250 South Hill Rd.  
(248) 665-3560 www.opcmilford.org  
Contemporary Worship Service: Sunday 10:30 am  
Adventureland Children's Program: Sunday 12:30 am  
Middle/High School Youth Groups  
Sunday Evening Open House  
Life Groups: Various Times & Locations

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

**MILFORD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
238 N. Main Street, Milford MI (248) 684-2805  
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Rev. Suzanne Paul, Minister  
Website: http://www.newhopeuu.org

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Worship 10-10:30 a.m.  
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## Novi

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

**FAITH COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
44400 W. 10 Mile, Novi, 248-349-2345  
1/2 mile west of Novi Rd.  
www.faithcommunity-novi.org  
WORSHIP AND SUNDAY SCHOOL - 10 AM  
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21355 Meadowbrook Rd. in Novi at 8 1/2 Mile  
248-348-7757 • www.mbcoc.org  
Sunday Worship 10 a.m.  
Rev. Arthur Ritter, Senior Minister

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50200 W. 10 Mile Road, Novi  
Saturday Worship 5:15 p.m.  
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Phone (248) 912-0043  
www.oakpointe.org

## South Lyon

**CROSS OF CHRIST LUTHERAN**  
(Missouri Synod)  
Pastor Terry Nelson  
437-8810 • 486-4335  
Gravel Rd. at 10 Mile  
Worship: 10 a.m.; Sunday School: 10 a.m.;  
Adult Bible Study 9 a.m.

**Fellowship Evangelical Presbyterian Church**  
22200 Portac Trail, South Lyon Ave. at 1 Mile Road  
Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday School 11:00 a.m.  
Refuel Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.  
Youth at 6:30 p.m.  
Rev. David Brown, Pastor  
248-437-2222 • www.fellowshippepc.org

**The Church of Christ**  
21860 Portac Trail • South Lyon, MI 48178  
248-437-3585 • www.southlyoncoc.org  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Praise and Worship  
Wednesday Midweek Ministries 7 p.m.  
Rob Calhoun, Pastor

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10774 Nine Mile Road  
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Worship, 11:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Evening, 7:00 p.m.

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28930 Wixom Rd.  
Wixom, MI 48393  
9:30 a.m. - Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. - Morning Worship  
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## Wixom

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Rev. June M. Smith, Pastor  
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Fr. Michael Zuelch, Associate  
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**HOLY CROSS EPISCOPAL**  
40700 W. Ten Mile Rd. • 248-427-1175  
Sunday Worship 7:45 am & 10 am  
Healing Service Wednesday 11:45 am  
Rev. Ann Weber, Rector  
holycrossnovi@gmail.com

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF SOUTH LYON**  
60820 Margate Ave St. South Lyon 48178  
Phone: 248-437-2983  
Sunday School 9:45 a.m. • Worship Service 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Service 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.  
Senior Pastor: Rob Fretwell / Assoc. Pastor: Randy Whaley  
Website: www.fbcsouthlyon.com  
Email: fbcsouthlyon@comcast.net

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
640 S. Lafayette (248) 437-0760  
Sunday Worship: 8:15, 11:00 am & 6:00 pm  
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Nursery Provided  
Reverend Sandra Wilcoxe  
southlyonumc.org

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Gathering in Jesus Name  
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Thursday 7:00 p.m.  
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## LOCAL

KIDS 4 AFGHAN KIDS  
ANNUAL FUNDRAISING  
HOEDOWN AND  
SILENT AUCTION

Date: Friday, Oct. 14

Location: Amerman Elementary School

**Details:** Hoedown tickets (\$5) may be purchased at the door and include a hot dog dinner, music, square dancing and entertainment. Everyone is welcome. Silent auction includes sports tickets, hotel stays, autographed sports memorabilia, kid friendly outings, restaurant meals and gift cards: <http://www.32auctions.com/my-auctions> On-line bidding concludes at 5 p.m. Oct. 13. Bidding continues in person at the hoedown (no admission charge for the silent auction.) On-line bidders may use a "buy it now" option or a proxy bid if they don't attend. Proceeds support K4AK's project in Afghanistan: <http://www.kids4afghankids.com/index.php>.

## WHOOOOO'S THERE?

Time/Date: 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 15

Location: Maybury State Park (concession building)

## GET LISTED!

**Submit:** Send calendar submissions via e-mail to [cstone@gannett.com](mailto:cstone@gannett.com); or by fax to (248) 685-2892; or by mail to Northville Record, 101 N. Lafayette, South Lyon, MI 48178.

Items must be received by noon on Monday to be included in Thursday's newspaper.

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

off 8 Mile Road entrance)

**Details:** Come learn all about owls. You'll even get to dissect an actual owl pellet. Free and open to the public, scouting groups, etc. No RSVP required. Put on by Maybury State Park and the Friends of Maybury.

Contact: Tracy Ball (734) 787-0062

## CEMETERY WALK

Time/Date: 4-7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 16

Oakwood Cemetery

**Details:** Don't miss this year's exciting all new Cemetery Walk. Who are the pioneers buried at Oakwood Cemetery? Tickets

(\$10; \$8 for groups of 10 or more; \$15 day of event) are still available at Knightsbridge through Saturday; in front of Art House during First Friday Art event; and at the gate of Oakwood Cemetery on Sunday beginning at noon.

Contact: (248) 348-1845 or visit [www.millracenorthville.org](http://www.millracenorthville.org)3RD ANNUAL HAVE A  
HEART FOR HUNGER

Date: Saturday, Nov. 12

Location: Northville High School

**Details:** Soup supper from 4-7 p.m. Pack meals for the hungry. NHS production of "It's a Wonderful Life" at 2 and 7 p.m.

Contact: [www.HaveA-HeartForHunger.org](http://www.HaveA-HeartForHunger.org)NORTHVILLE CHAMBER  
OF COMMERCE

Location: 195 S. Main Street, Northville, MI 48167

Contact: (248) 349-7640 or [www.northville.org](http://www.northville.org)

Annual 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.

Chamber Annual Meeting

Time/Date: 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 19

Location: The Inn at St. John's

**Details:** The Citizen of the Year announcement is made, along with brief Chamber business that includes election of new Board of Directors. Cost is \$35; registration deadline is Oct. 12.

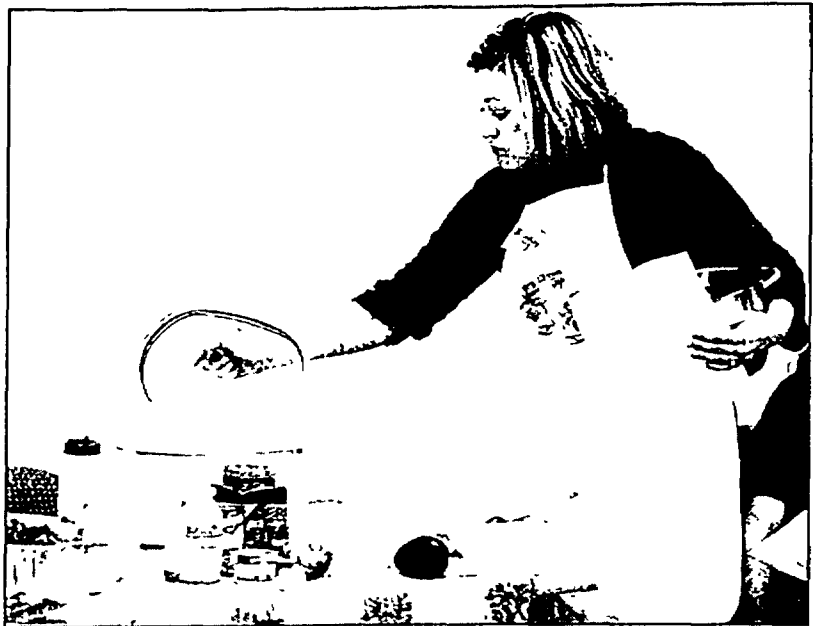
Joint Mixer

Time/Date: 5-7:30 p.m. Wednesday, October 26

Location: Karl's Cabin 6005 Gotfredson Road, Plymouth

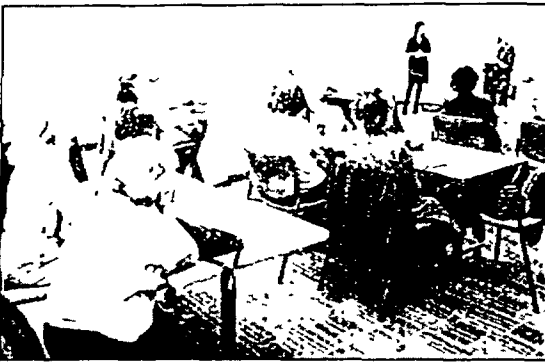
**Details:** Members of the Plymouth and Northville Chambers will meet for a joint mixer. Event is free; registration by Oct. 25. [chamber@northville.org](mailto:chamber@northville.org)

## Facts and snacks



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Lindsay King, with the house-call physician group DRS, demonstrates her chicken chili recipe at the Oct. 4 "Facts and Snacks" series kick-off at the Northville Community Senior Center. Through Nov. 15, there will be a series of Tuesday meetings at the center on a variety of healthy living topics. Reservations are suggested. The series begins on Tuesdays at 11 a.m.



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# The waiting is the hardest part

By Debbie Eichholtz  
Guest Columnist

## MARINE MOM'S MUSINGS

From the moment we suspect we are pregnant, women become experts at waiting. We await the results of the test. We wait for doctor's appointments. We wait nine months — sometimes a day or two more. We wait between feedings. We wait for them to walk and talk. We wait for preschool, kindergarten, elementary school, middle school, high school and college to be complete. We wait for practice to end, the game or match to conclude and the season to finish. Diane Olson of Livonia, has only been waiting for six months, but it's been the longest possible wait. Lance Corporal Alec Olson, 21, has been in Afghanistan, as a Grunt in the United States Marine Corps. She waited for him to come home.

"I'm vibrating inside," Diane told me, "just waiting to be there."

Alec graduated from Livonia Franklin High School in 2008 and completed USMC Boot Camp on Feb. 20, 2009. Diane remembers concern, reading Alec's first letter from boot camp, "I think I've made a terrible mistake!" Michael Olson, Alec's dad is quick to point out that his tone of voice changed after that letter. Following extensive infantry training, Alec deployed to Camp Detroit, just east of Marjah in the Taliban occupied Area of Operations. His military operations specialty is a SAW (semi-automatic weapons) Gunner. "I'm going to hug him!" Diane said. Her exact words, when she saw him for the first time were, "Oh my God, I missed you so much!" This mother believes, "Alec was my tick-

et to heaven." So many of us rely on our faith to help us through trying experiences, "Believe in the power of prayer," Diane advises. "We've had nothing but support from neighbors, friends and family. My church has been so supportive." Diane explained how hard deployment is on a family.

"Not seeing his face. We've talked a few times and he sounds OK, but tired." It's so hot there. Nothing's ever cold. There's no place to get relief. He can't sleep — it's so hot. Flies." Laughing, she said, "It was a wonderful place to celebrate his 21st birthday — there's no alcohol and all the women are wearing burkas!"

Like all Marines, Alec's time in Afghanistan has been life-threatening. Diane recalls, "There was a sniper in February. We didn't hear from Alec for four weeks and three days after it happened." Alec's friend, Brandon, from Toledo, was hit. A bullet penetrated his helmet and caused bleeding in Brandon's skull. "It's not easy to remember that. You get really worried," Diane said. Phil, from Cleveland, was also shot in the shoulder. Alec was not hit, but was in the same general area as his friends. "We didn't know if he knew about Brandon and Phil or if he was OK." This homecoming was an opportunity for the Olson family to meet Alec's war hero friends, Brandon and Phil, and their families.

Diane's USMC Camp

LeJeune, Jacksonville, N.C., homecoming story: "He was supposed to get in at 10 p.m. We left Michigan at 5 a.m. and drove straight through with just potty breaks and food. We took an unplanned detour for a couple of hours and we all got kind of tense thinking we were going to be late. Got to the hotel at 8:30 and it just happened that the family of one of his best friends was walking in at the same time. We had never met face to face, but his mom and I had been texting and talking on the phone. It was SO wonderful to finally meet her! We made it on base before 9:30, but didn't get to put his sign up on the fence (dam) and so, of course, the buses were late, lol. We didn't want to get lost in the crowds of people waiting for their Marine, so we kind of stood on the side and waited for him to find us. It was really dark and mosquitoey, but so worth the drive! I was jumping up and down (internally), just so anxious to see him for myself and know that he was really safe."

Alec said, "We'll be deployed again next June." Consequently, in the Olson family, "We don't leave the house or finish a conversation unless we say 'I love you.'" Anticipating the next deployment, Diane knows what to do: "Next time, I'll send Musinex. There's no cold medicine, and diarrhea medicine; there's nothing there to make it stop. But I'll worry about that tomorrow. Let's just live for today."

The Olson family's words of wisdom for other military families: "When I see a flag at half mast, my heart just breaks. Support your military families. I wear

my 'My Son is a Marine' pin proudly because you never know when you'll meet another proud Marine parent."

Diane expresses concern for military wives whose husbands have served along Alec's side. "I don't know how they do it!"

Alec came home just in time to stand up in the wedding of his 23-year-old brother, Sean, Aug. 13 as the best man. The reunion, according to Diane, "was really wonderful because our other son (Sean) was able to come with us. We were able to be together as a family. I just couldn't take my eyes off of him; he looked and sounded so good

— tired but good."

Diane beams with pride. "Alec is the fourth generation in my family to go to war. It wasn't something that I was anxious for him to do, but I am extremely proud of him and all the other members of our military who do a job that needs to be done. God bless our military and keep them safe. God bless America!"

Diane Olson is my tutor. I've made mental and written notes on her advice. I'll take bug spray with me to Camp LeJeune for my own homecoming. I'll arrive early and hang my 'Welcome Home IKE' sign on the fence bordering the base's entrance. My son,

LCpl. Joseph Eichholtz, is redeploying soon. Just like Diane, I've become intimate with waiting, wondering and worrying. My calendar doesn't have a date in red. Any minute now, there might be a phone call. There might not. It's a lot like waiting for labor to begin, complete unknown. The U.S. Government's Operational Security rules deny my son from telling us when he'll leave war-torn Afghanistan. I'm longing for our homecoming.

Debbie Eichholtz, Medical LRE at Silver Springs Elementary, Northville Public Schools, regularly shares her thoughts on her son's service.



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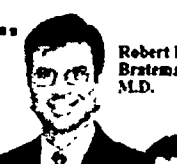







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## OUR VIEWS

# Prevention

## Every family needs a fire escape plan

Since 1922, the United States and Canada have set aside the Sunday through Saturday period in which Oct. 9 falls as Fire Prevention Week. It was the Fire Marshals Association of North America that sponsored the first National Fire Prevention Day in 1911, deciding to observe the anniversary of the Great Chicago Fire of 1871 as a way to keep the public informed about the importance of fire prevention.

One hundred years later, fire services around the country including here in Northville and Novi, are doing what they can to educate the public about fire prevention.

Several years ago, the City of Novi combined its Fire Department Open House with the Fall for Novi event, which was held a few weeks ago. The City of Northville's open house is actually a weeklong event that concludes from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. this Saturday at 215 W. Main. Northville Township's open house is from 9-11 a.m. Saturday at 45745 Six Mile.

The message of protecting your family from fire is an important one. Just two weekends ago, three people died as the result of a house fire in Oak Park.

The statistics tell it all. According to NFPA, on average, seven people die in home fires every day. Adults age 65 and over face the highest risk of fire death. Records for 2009 show that one home structure fire was reported every 87 seconds, and in the United States fire departments responded to 362,500 home structure fires, which caused 12,650 civilian injuries, 2,565 civilian deaths, \$7.6 billion in direct damage.

While the focus of this year's Fire Prevention Week is on safe cooking, the importance of smoke alarms and home fire escape planning, the underlying message is for residents to take responsibility for fire safety in their own homes. Statistics show why that's so important:

- **Cooking equipment is the leading cause of home structure fires and associated injuries, and was tied for the third leading cause of home fire deaths.** Unattended cooking was by far the leading cause of these fires.

- **Roughly two-thirds of home fire deaths happen in homes with no smoke alarms or no working smoke alarms.** About one in five smoke alarm failures was due to dead batteries. Working smoke alarms cut the risk of dying in reported home fires in half.

- **Less than one-fourth of Americans have both developed and practiced a home fire escape plan.** Almost three-quarters of Americans do have an escape plan; however, less than half actually practiced it.

One-third of Americans households who made an escape plan estimate they would have at least six minutes before a fire in their home would become life-threatening. Recent studies have shown that fires are growing bigger and moving faster because of the amount of man-made products we are putting in our homes. Common items, such as upholstered furniture, carpeting, plastic audio/video media and toys, all contribute to intense fires. It can take less than three minutes for a room to flashover, which is when all of the exposed surfaces of all combustible materials within the room are ignited.

Winston Churchill once said that "he who fails to plan is planning to fail." No truer words have been spoken when it comes to home fire escape planning. Determining who will be responsible for young children, older adults and others who may need assistance is part of creating a home fire escape plan that works best for your household. Practice it regularly so that everyone knows what to do when the smoke alarm sounds.

Taking responsibility for your family's safety is important every day of the year.

We urge you to take some extra time during Fire Prevention Week to ensure smoke alarms are working and practice a home fire escape plan. Do it for yourself, do it for family. Fire safety is everybody's job.

## COMMUNITY VOICE

### Have the recent deaths from contaminated cantaloupe affected your produce purchases?



"No. We ate cantaloupe this summer and we're fine."

Judy Somershoe  
Northville Township



"I don't buy cantaloupe. You never know when it starts next."

Mary Sen  
Bloomfield Hills



"No, because we bought right after that, and my daughter said they weren't shipped to Michigan."

Donna Wiskol  
Livonia



"No, I wouldn't buy cantaloupe. For a while, I heard it was five different things (that caused it)."

Shirley Petcavage  
Redford

## LETTERS

### Best busting practices

The recent privatization of custodial services in Northville Public Schools is another attack in the war on unions, and another weakening of the public school system that helped make our nation great. Michigan's governor may not be openly waging war on the labor unions like the Republican governors of Wisconsin and Indiana, but a new back door attack via "best practices incentives" pressures local school boards to do the dirty work of union busting, shifting the blame from Governor Snyder and keeping protests of these practices quiet and local.

The loss of Northville's custodial services to a private, not-even-local company follows the recent privatization of transportation services, and food services is next up on the chopping block.

The governor has played a shell game with School Aid Funds that were guaranteed to K-12 public schools after the passing of Proposal A. By moving higher education funding out of the state's general fund (to balance the state's poorly managed budget) and into the School Aid Fund, (which showed a surplus of \$670 million for 2011-12) Snyder has manufactured the crisis of a \$300 per-student-cut instead. To gain back some of this funding, school districts like Northville are scrambling for extra dollars doled out by the governor only if they institute his "best practices," like bidding out services such as transportation, custodial and food services.

This is a sneaky move that uses school boards to kick out unions and privatize services, leaving teachers unions the last defense against privatized education in our schools, and teachers are already under attack.

The push to privatize public education in this country is a profit-seeking measure by the insatiable rich in this country who see public education as one of the last potential cash cows. They've wrung all the money out of mystery financial instruments and poor and middle-class mortgages. Now they see an untapped market with millions of regenerating consumers — children and their parents. We must fight this trend, and hold our school boards accountable for giving in to this pressure. If local school boards statewide reject the governor's "best-practices" for what they really are — busting practices — we can send the message to Mr. Snyder that we value our unions AND public education in Michigan.

Nancy Morris  
Northville

### To those whom much is given, much is expected

Northville Public Schools needs to take a very close look at what they are teaching our children. Our leaders are expected to make decisions based on their moral compasses even when faced with budget concerns. Per the U.S. Census survey (2005-07), the median family income for Northville was over \$100,000. Over 95 percent of all median family incomes across the country are lower than ours. Our children have been provided rooms filled with books, educational toys, educational resources and internet access, and within our greater community we have libraries,

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gardens, parks and recreation opportunities. Although the economy has caused hardships throughout our community, our children are not suffering.

The recent decision to privatize janitorial services in the schools which results in the layoff of 39 dedicated employees was described as necessary due to budget constraints. It has been sold as a necessary cut "as a means for further protecting the district's general fund dollars devoted to educating students."

Scaring parents into believing the board is making the only choice is both lazy and disturbing. This community shows time and time again that we will support our children. If the school system needed to delay purchasing text books, the parents would provide. If programs needed to be cut, parents would provide. Our children are in every conceivable activity, dance, music, sports. We will not allow our kids to be shortchanged, so why is this idle threat constantly heard? Just ask any teacher if they are wanting for resources or volunteers. Where one volunteer would suffice they get five. We spend extra money on programs such as "Leader in Me." What better leadership training then to be taught to care about the people that have loyally served them? As parents, we were never given the choice of what we wanted as an example for our children.

This debate should be neither pro or anti-union, and I'm hoping political beliefs did not interfere with ethical decision-making. Once a year preparing food for a soup kitchen, donating used clothing and goods, and providing can goods are all trivial charity efforts compared to the lesson we are missing by not involving our children in the district's belt tightening.

The 39 janitors were willing to take as many cuts as the rest of the school employees. Why were they not allowed the opportunity? Wasn't bus privatization enough? Current state government may be "requiring" privatization but it does not make it right. Privatization works in large districts with fraud and poor organizational structure or in very small communities with limited resources. It has been proven not to work as sold in many, many other districts. Why can a for profit company provide

services cheaper? They can't. Slave owners once justified owning slaves was necessary to compete, that all the plantations were doing it. Did it make it right? Is this what we want to teach our children? That it is OK to look the other way when you take away family health care, pensions and you deny a living wage. Do not expect of others what you will not expect for yourself. Our children are the best and the brightest, they will be our future leaders and they should be taught compassion for those with less. Hard work at any profession should be respected and honored. How much more effective would it have been to say, we won't have x this year but Mr. Randazzo still has a job. Do you think any of our students would complain? I doubt it. I think as parents we are better than that. So why aren't our leaders giving the kids a chance to really learn what it takes to be a success?

I just ask that all involved in this decision take a moment and consider they may have made a mistake.

I hope all parents discuss what it means to be a productive member of a society and let those 39 individuals know that they did matter.

Karen Garby  
Northville

### Legislators laughing

Obfuscation, smoke and mirrors, illusion, fool the voters ... what's new?

Throughout the years, our honorable (?) state legislators have virtually awarded themselves inflated salaries and benefits second only to California's legislative body. They're entitled, they claim, because they perform a full-time job in spite of their other pursuits (e.g. contractors, lawyers, consultants, accountants, insurance brokers, etc.) or seeking another elective office or appointment to a government job that would provide another pension when term limits force them to move on. The gimmick created to ensure pay increases without political repercussion: the representatives and senators must vote against any pay increase recommended by a nebulous entity created by statute. Thus, their income has grown to almost \$100,000 per an abbreviated year.

Recently, our honorable (?) legislators conspicuously agreed to share the sacrifice expected of most state employees. The token effort by the House (96-11) in favor of immediately eliminating the \$5,300,000 annual health care benefit for almost all legislators was a sham. The House members were well aware that the Senate version of the bill would prevail, and all but 16 would be guaranteed state paid health insurance that, according to my math, amounts to \$36,000 per year per legislator (148) for the rest of their lives after only six years on the "job."

... Only one other profession, that I can think of, requires no training, education, or experience. The difference between the two is a legislator must be old enough to vote, but, significantly, the other pros' income depends on performance and output.

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Patrick Downey  
Novi

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**Wednesday Schedule:** 5:30 p.m. Family Meal, \$4 per person, \$12 per family; 7 p.m. Children's Caravan, Club 56, Bible Study, Quilting, Adult Classes, Youth Blast  
**Thursday Schedule:** 6 a.m. Men of Purpose Prayer Group

## Church art show



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Lillian May and Doris Knapp, right, take a look at some of the artwork on display at the Northville Presbyterian Church on Oct. 4 for its 19th annual Fine Art Exhibition and Sale "Sharing the Gift Within You". The show, free to the public, will remain up through Fri., Oct. 7 at 8 p.m.

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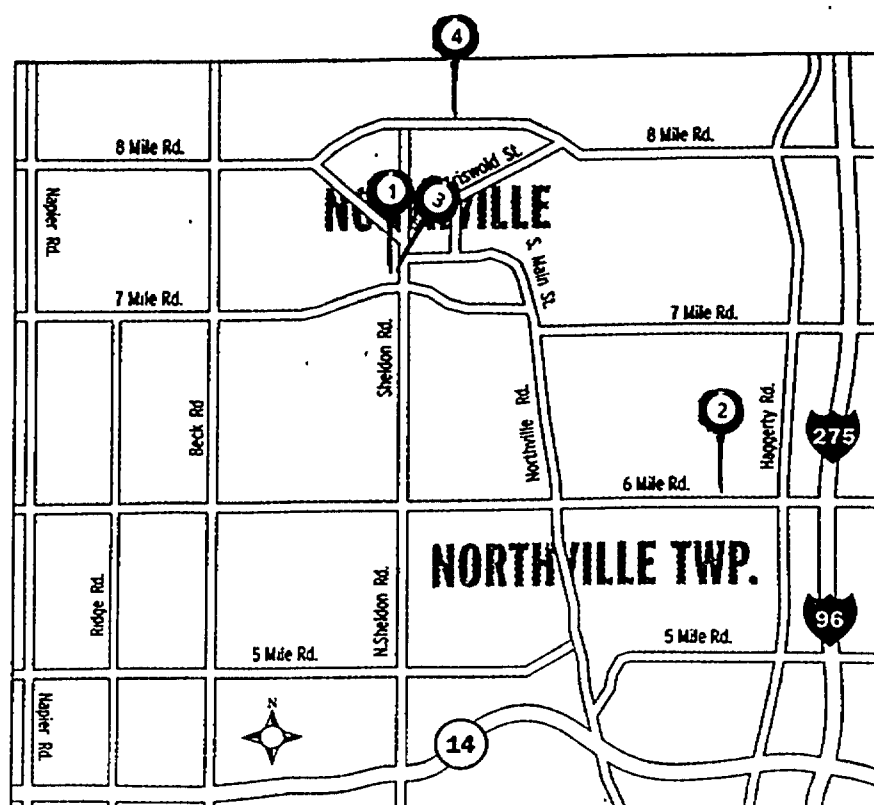
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## NORTHVILLE POLICE BRIEFS



### MDOP

**1** Unknown individuals have damaged the Northville Bennett Arboretum pathway along Sheldon Road.

On Sept. 10, contractors with Pro-line Asphalt reported to Northville Township police that one section of the retaining wall had been damaged by bricks. Apparently, several bricks were removed and used to hurl at the wall. In addition, two portable bathrooms were knocked over.

### Narcotic Possession

**2** A 24-year-old Northville man is arrested for possession of drugs after police pull him over for having a headlight out.

The man was spotted by police driving down Six Mile Road, near Northville Trail, with one headlight burnt out. Upon making contact with the man, the police reported smelling marijuana inside the car. At first the man said someone else had smoked it.

Eventually he confessed to having marijuana in his backpack in addition to four Adderall pills. He was arrested for narcotics and possession of paraphernalia.

### Larceny of Mail

**3** A Livonia woman reports to police some mail of hers was missing and she suspects it may have been stolen.

The woman has a post office box at the Northville Post Office on Wing Street. She said she has two keys to it, but one is missing. Recently she was expecting two pieces of mail, but they never arrived. So on Sept. 8 she filed a report.

### Marijuana Possession

**4** A Farmington Hills man is arrested for marijuana after picking his son up from school.

On Sept. 6, Northville city police pulled the man over for making an illegal left-hand turn at the intersection of Eight Mile Road and Novi Street. When the man opened theNovi Street door of marijuana was detected by the police officer. The man was with his 11-year-old son and wife at the time.

The report stated it was estimated the bag contained around 2 ounces of marijuana. The man was arrested for possession.

Compiled by correspondent Lonnie Huhman

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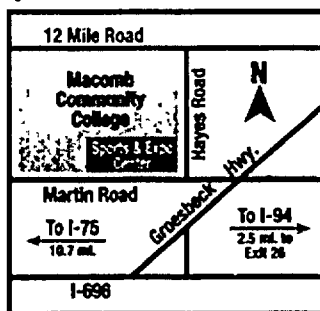
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# Northville teacher returns from Afghanistan

Northville third grade teacher Khris Nedom recently returned after visiting Afghanistan, her first trip back in eight years.

Nedom said she made the trip "for a very sad reason" - to attend the funeral of Seraj Wardak, the Afghan man who inspired, and served as the Afghan director of, Kids 4 Afghan Kids (K4AK).

Nedom taught school in Afghanistan in the early 1990s. In 1998, after she had returned home to teach in Northville, she invited a former colleague, Seraj Wardak, to visit her class. His stories of the poor and difficult living conditions of the children in rural Afghanistan prompted the students to begin the non-profit K4AK. The charity has since raised the money to build a medical clinic, school for both boys and girls and an orphanage that houses 50 boys in a remote village southwest of Kabul, also named Wardak.

Although Seraj Wardak had immigrated to the U.S., he returned to Afghanistan to his father's town (his father had been an Afghan Army general). "He came back to Afghanistan to settle in this remote, rural village to run the project. He lived a humble life on a meager salary. All he had, and every penny we raised, went to the village," said Nedom. "This earned him enormous respect from people in the area."

Four thousand men lined the streets on the day of the funeral to pay their last respects to Wardak, who died earlier this month after a car crash left him brain damaged and comatose.

## HOEDOWN

Jalal Wardak will attend K4AK's annual fundraising Hoedown which begins at 6 p.m. on Oct. 14 at Amerman Elementary School in Northville. Everyone is welcome. Tickets (\$5) may be purchased at the door and include a hot dog dinner, square dancing and entertainment. For information on K4AK or the Hoedown, visit <http://www.kids4afghankids.com/index.php>. There will also be an 85+ item silent auction including sports tickets, hotel stays, sports memorabilia, and gift cards. Bidding concludes at 5 p.m. Oct. 13 at [http://www.32auctions.com/my\\_auctions](http://www.32auctions.com/my_auctions). Bidders can use a "buy it now" option or use a proxy bid if they don't attend the Hoedown.

Nedom said the men attending the funeral included government officials, village elders, people from different warring tribes as well as both Taliban supporters and Taliban resisters.

"People who had been fighting each other the day before attended," she said. "They literally laid down their arms for the day out of respect for Seraj."

A hearse drove Wardak's casket from Kabul. When it approached the village, the orphans ran to, and swarmed, the vehicle. They insisted on carrying the casket on their shoulders to its final resting place on a hill overlooking the school, clinic and orphanage built with money raised by K4AK.

"It was incredibly touching," Nedom said.

In addition to the sadness of attending the funeral of a long time colleague and friend, Nedom, the U.S. director of K4AK, was faced with the problem of finding a new Afghan director for the project-someone who, like Wardak, would support and fight for the project's goals in a country in which many people are desperately trying to hold on to their traditional way of life, and in which girls' education and other outside ideas are often bitterly opposed.

Nedom discussed this project manager role with Wardak's brother, Jalal, a former Afghan Air Force pilot and war hero during the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan. He defected with a Russian MIG from the Russians and flew it to a U.S. air base in Pakistan where he turned it over to U.S. forces. It was the first Russian MIG to end up in American hands. After the Soviet war, Jalal joined the Taliban's air force, happy to have his country out of Soviet control and back in the hands of Afghan citizens. Soon, however, he decided that "the Taliban was not the answer." He returned to his job as a cab driver in the U.S.

Jalal agreed to become the new Afghan director of Kids 4 Afghan Kids. In addition, after the funeral, village elders from a several hundred square mile region gathered together and wrapped a turban around Jalal's head in an ancient ceremony that hasn't been used for 160 years.

"They anointed him with power as the elder of the Wardak tribe,"



Brothers Jalal (left) and Seraj Wardak stand in front of a guest house in Wardak that was built with money raised by the Northville charity, Kids 4 Afghan Kids (K4AK). Seraj served as K4AK's Afghan Director before his death earlier this month. Jalal is the new Afghan director.

said Nedom. "Out of a deep respect for both Jalal and Seraj, they made Jalal the person to go to for wisdom and advice for over 300,000 people."

How did it feel to finally be back in Afghanistan? "Sad and hard to leave," Nedom said. "The orphans were worried about what would happen to them after Seraj's

death. I told them we wouldn't let his legacy die. I also reassured them that I would still be their 'mom' and we would never let them down."

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Location: Old Village School

### City of Northville

#### CITY COUNCIL

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

#### DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MEETING

Date: Third Tuesday of each month  
Time: 8 a.m.

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

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

#### PLANNING COMMISSION

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

Location: City Hall

#### HOUSING COMMISSION

Date: Second Wednesday of every month  
Time: 3 p.m.

Location: Allen Terrace, 401 High St.

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

Location: City Hall

#### ARTS COMMISSION

Date: Second Wednesday of every month  
Time: 7:30 p.m.

Location: Art House, 215 W. Cady St.

#### BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION

Date: First Monday of every month  
Time: 8 a.m.

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Location: Northville City Hall, Meeting Room B

### Northville Township

#### PLANNING COMMISSION

Date: Last Tuesday of month

Time: 7:30 p.m.

Location: Township Hall, 44405 West Six Mile

#### BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Date: Third Thursday of month

Time: 7:30 p.m.

Location: Township Hall

#### ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Date: Third Wednesday of month

Time: 7:30 p.m.

Location: Township Hall

#### BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION

Date: Third Monday of month

Time: 7:30 p.m.

Location: Township Hall

#### YOUTH ASSISTANCE

Date: Second Tuesday of every month

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12:30 p.m.: Pinochle

##### Friday

11 a.m.: Poker

11:30 a.m.: Walking Club

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1 p.m.: Movie

##### Monday

8 a.m.: Walking Club

9:30 a.m.: Mah Jongg

10 a.m.: Beginning Line Dance; Oxydise

11 a.m.: Adv. Line Dance

12:30 p.m.: Pinochle/Euchre

##### Tuesday

8 a.m.: Walking Club

10:30 a.m.: Yoga

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##### Wednesday

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Karen Rogers, left, and Linda Leedy check out some pumpkins at the Thurs., Oct. 6 Northville Farmers' Market. The market, which is located at the northwest corner of Seven Mile and Sheldon in Northville, will continue Thursdays from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. through the month of October.

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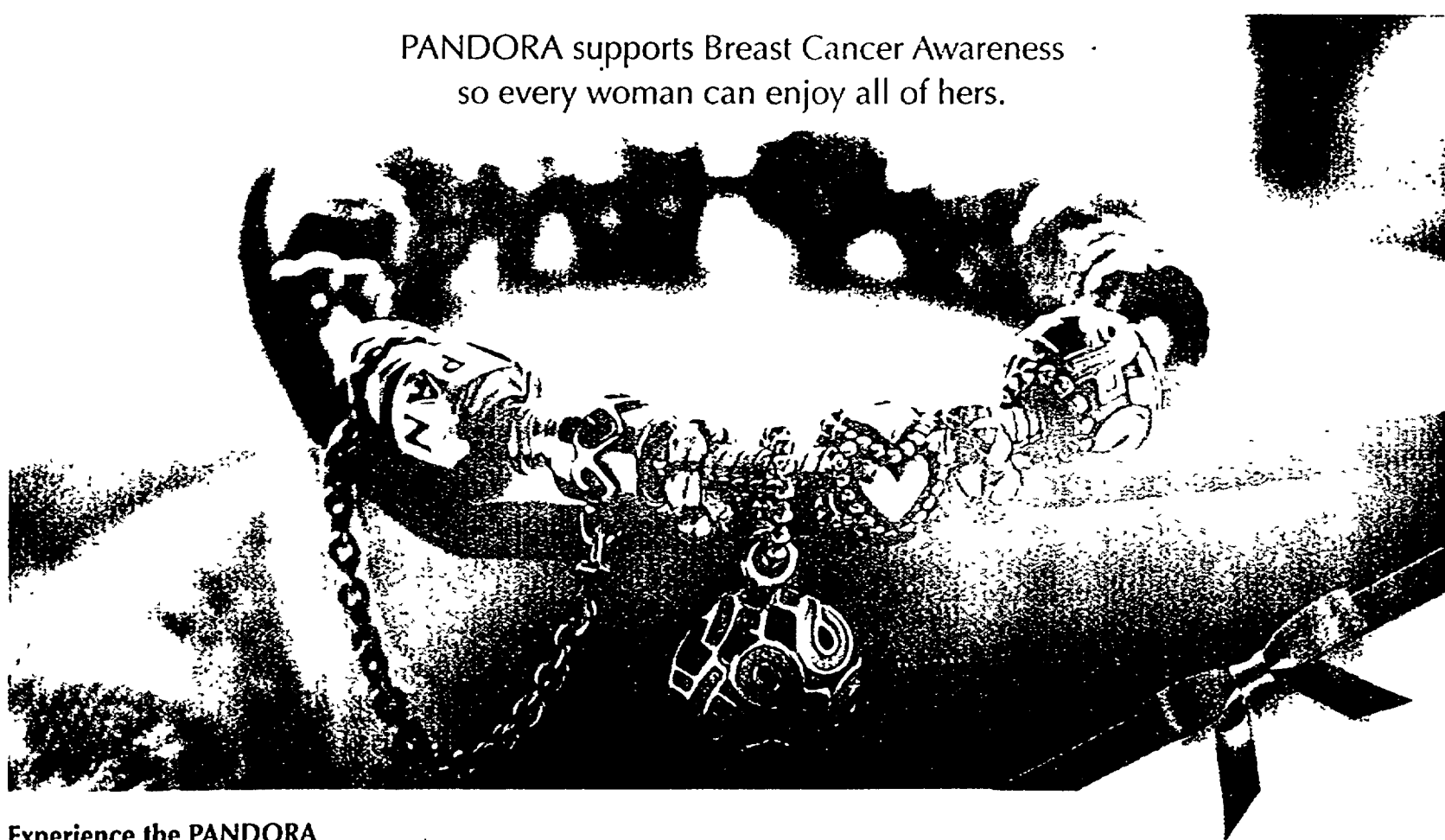
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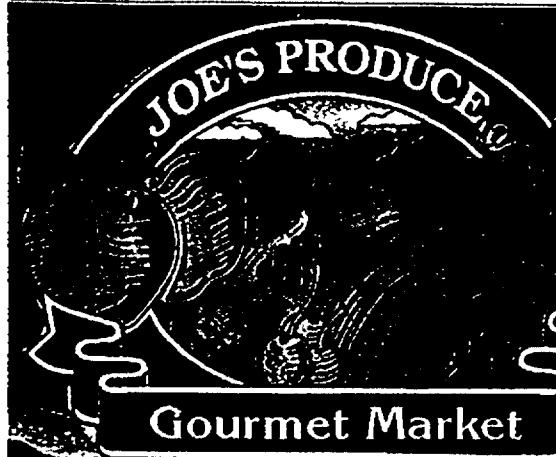


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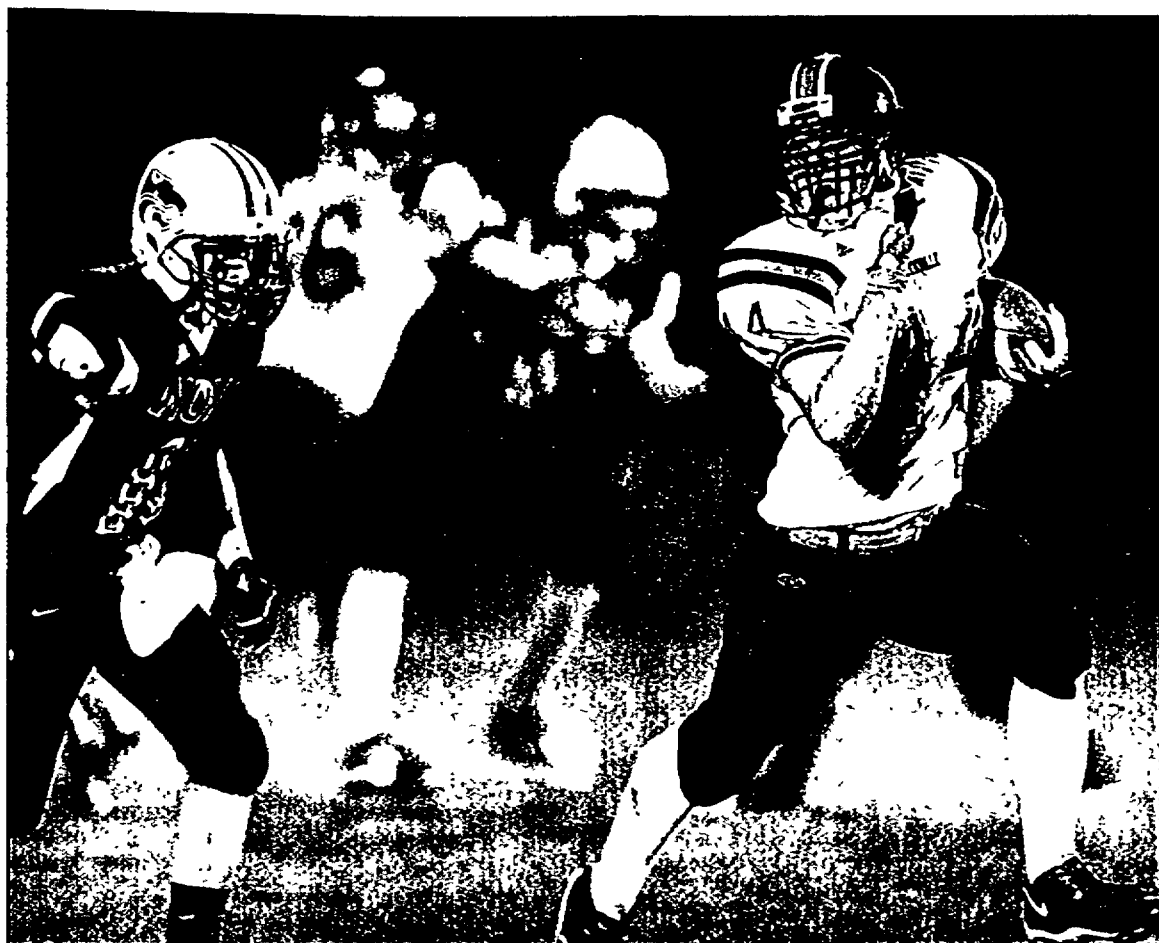
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Mustang Billy Mitchell looks in his rear-view mirror for Wildcats as he scrambles for a second half touchdown run on Oct. 7.

## 'Stangs retain Baseline Jug

Northville gets best of Novi in 37-32 gridiron slugfest

By Chris Jackett  
Correspondent

Northville squandered two 17-point leads, but held on to defeat Novi 37-32 last Friday in a thrilling baseline battle to keep the Baseline Jug for a third straight year.

The Mustangs (7-0, 5-0 KLAA Central) went up 6-0 on their third play of the game, a 38-yard touchdown run by senior Billy Mitchell (149 yards on eight carries), and never looked back despite the missed point after kick attempt.

"Before the game, I told our players that I believe they are better individuals, better football players and a better team than Novi and they proved me right," Northville coach Matt Ladach said. "They're a well-coached team. They played hard and they played with passion. My

hats go off to their staff and their players. They were well prepared and they did a very nice job. I'm just happy we came out with the win."

The scoring was heavy in the first half, providing plenty of excitement on the warm fall evening.

Novi (3-4, 3-2 Central) answered the first touchdown with a 36-yard field goal by junior Justin Danks, but Northville followed up with a pair of one-yard touchdown runs by senior Jeffrey Gertley (75 yards on 18 carries) and senior Jeffrey Hewlett (nine yards on five carries). Senior Jeff Sims nailed both point after kicks to give the Mustangs a 20-3 lead 2:58 into the second quarter.

"It was tough on our kids, but we played hard, they played hard," Novi coach Todd Pennycuff said. "We came out on the short end. We made

some mistakes. That's part of learning the game and it's part of life. It's all how our kids respond. Hopefully they're going to learn that they have to come back and we have to play next week."

Not about to be embarrassed at home, Novi senior quarterback Derek Ince (14-for-30, 264 yards) aired out a 55-yard touchdown pass up the right sideline to senior Logan Regnier (89 yards on two catches), which Danks followed with a kick to make it 20-10 Northville.

"Ince is a special, special kid," Pennycuff said. "When the lights go on, his game steps up about five notches. He's a good leader and probably one of the better quarterbacks I've ever had."

The Mustangs rebounded with a 48-yard pass up the center from Gertley (10-for-23, 157 yards) to

senior Andrew Poterala to regain a 17-point lead after Sims' kick, but Ince found senior Michael Jocz (96 yards on seven catches) just 69 seconds later to narrow the margin.

Just 42 seconds later, Regnier weaved a 61-yard punt return up the middle for a touchdown. Ince's two-point conversion pass failed, taking Novi into halftime 1:18 later with just a 27-23 deficit to battle.

A field goal by Danks 4:31 into the second half cut Northville's lead to 27-26, but Novi would never go ahead as Sims nailed a 21-yard field goal and Mitchell took in a 52-yard run with 50 seconds left in the third quarter. Sims' point after made it 37-26 Northville.

"I know we can say this all the time with rivalries,

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## Champions!

Northville boys run to county title; Sims sets school record

By Sam Eggleston  
Correspondent

It appears Mustangs harrier Dan Sims and Northville alumni and former standout cross country runner Jasen Turnbull are going to be compared side by side for years to come.

Turnbull, during his four-year campaign as one of Northville's top runners from 2002-2006, made it clear he was something special. From school records to state finals runs, he became known as an elite harrier in Michigan.

Sims, apparently, is striving to be the same. Not only has he been compared to Turnbull on Northville's home course of Cass Benton, he just set a new record last week by becoming the fastest Northville harrier at Willow Metro Park. Sims ran a 16:18.31 — good for third overall and first in the Northville record books. The time bests Turnbull's 16:18.7, which was set during his 2006 senior season. That was the same year Turnbull was the overall conference champion.

At the Wayne County invite, Sims ran to third place — a race to second place that was tight between he and Plymouth's Derek Gielarowski, who was Sims' shadow until the final 800 meters when the Wildcat runner finished with a strong kick.

"Dan is a quick study when it comes to racing," Cronin said, adding he hopes Sims can

### ON TAP

The Northville Mustangs boys' cross country team will be back on the course when they run in the KLAA championship meet next Thursday.

use this experience when he sees Gielarowski at the KLAA championships Oct. 20. "They are the best two runners in our conference right now, and that should make for a fantastic conference final." And Sims might not be the only one who will be getting compared to some of the former Northville greats — Nick Noles become the first Northville freshman to go sub 17 minutes at Willow Metro in over 20 years, noted coach Chris Cronin.

"Nick races tough," Cronin said of Noles' 16:55, which was good for 11th place. "His focus is what impresses me the most. He knows the plan and executes."

Overall, Northville had three freshmen run in the top seven and were able to secure victory — a feat that speaks volumes of the young talent the Mustangs possess.

Jason Lerner finished in 15th for Northville with a time of 17:05, while Edward Clifton, who is still recovering from illness, ran to 28th overall in 17:24. Jason Ferrante was 35th in 17:30 while Sean McCullough was 40th in 17:33 and Matt Sierra was 50th in 17:43.



CHRIS CRONIN

Northville boys cross country runners Dan Sims, Nick Noles, Jason Lerner, Edward Clifton, Jason Ferrante, Sean McCullough and Matt Sierra pose with the newest trophy to put in the school's display case — the Wayne County Invitational championship plaque.



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Northville's Tyler Gardner competes in the Oct. 7 MHSAA regional tennis tournament at Novi Middle School.

## Catholic Central, Northville escape tough regional

Boys tennis teams both prove they are still some of the best around

By Sam Eggleston  
Correspondent

There was no doubt that the Northville Mustangs and the Detroit Catholic Central Shamrocks were two of the favorite teams to escape their regional last week — but due to the sheer talent in that particular post-season tournament, there

was nothing that could be certain.

In the end, when the smoke cleared, the Shamrocks and Mustangs joined the Novi Wildcats as the three teams to head to the state finals from their regional bracket. Catholic Central won the tournament with 29 total points, taking first-place finishes at two

singles, three singles, first doubles, second doubles and fourth doubles. Novi finished second with 23 points and Northville, which won the first singles flight, took third with 18 points. Hartland did not score enough points to advance as they took fourth with 12 points, followed

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### ON TAP

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by Lakeland, Brighton, Walled Lake Northern, Howell, Milford and Walled Lake Western, respectively.

"Tyler Gardiner won the number one singles flight, defeating Novi and Catholic Central's number ones in the process," said Northville coach Matt Stetson. "Tyler enters the state tournament at 27-1 on the year at number one singles."

Gardiner also won the KLAA tournament and the regional while Northville, as a team, took second in the KLAA tourney behind Novi.

Catholic Central's Eric Guindi won the two singles flight, beating Northville's Anthony Rossi in the second round before toppling Novi in the finals for the title.

At three singles, CC's Michael Trupiano defeated players from Hartland, Novi and Lakeland to earn the title, while teammate Andrew Hinrichs fell in the final of the fourth singles flight to Novi.

Willy Willson and Kevin Hodges, Catholic Central's outstanding first doubles duo, defeated Novi in the final to earn the regional title. They defeat-



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Catholic Central's Michael Dube plays on Oct. 7 during the MHSAA regional tennis tournament held at Novi Middle School.

ed teams from Milford and Hartland to earn the honor of playing the championship round.

At two doubles, Shamrocks Matt Hermiz and Gabe Apaza took the top spot, defeating Howell and Hartland players before upending Novi in the final match.

It was nearly the

same scene that played out in the fourth doubles flight, where Catholic Central's Hamilton Cauffiel and Steve Jakubik defeated a duo from Novi to win the title. They had to defeat a squad from Walled Lake Northern and then Northville's Ben Crabill and Andrew Schafer to get to the finals.

# Shamrocks edge Rice in rivalry game

## Catholic Central's defense holds off Warriors to secure victory

By Sam Eggleston  
Correspondent

Undeclared.

The word just rolls off the tongue nicely, doesn't it?

The Detroit Catholic Central Shamrocks will get to keep saying that for the time being thanks to another victory last week. This one came in the form of a 21-19 win over long-time rival Brother Rice, a Catholic League Central Division foe.

The victory was sweet in several ways. First and foremost, it was over their bitter rival. Second, it prevented Brother Rice coach Al Fracassa from getting his 400th victory. And, of course, it was in front of their home fans.

The victory did have fans on the edge of their seat, especially for the last five minutes of the game. If it weren't for the hard-nose play of the Shamrock defense, the story would likely get

### ON TAP

The Shamrocks football team will be back on the field tomorrow when they host Orchard Lake St. Mary's at 7 p.m.

St. Mary's is currently 6-1 on the season with a loss to Toledo St. John's Jesuit (34-24) and wins over Grand Rapids West Catholic (35-0), Highland Park (44-0), University of Detroit (34-0), Columbus St. Francis de Sales (42-21), Brother Rice (10-9) and DeLaSalle (35-10).

Last year when the two teams met, the Eagles escaped with a 14-7 victory.

told in a different light.

With five minutes left in the game, the Shamrocks found themselves leading 21-13. The Warriors were relentless, however, pushing down the field and scoring with their running attack on a 1-yard

scamper by quarterback Nick Rao to make it 21-19.

The Shamrocks got the ball back but went three and out, though they did succeed in draining all of the Warrior time outs before punting the ball away to their own 44 yard line.

On third down, Catholic Central defensive tackle Matt Godin made it clear why he was a University of Michigan recruit as he blew through a double team with an inside move and sacked Rao for a seven-yard loss.

The final play of the Warriors' comeback was broken up as Rao attempted a pass that was stopped by the defensive backfield.

Catholic Central quarterback Kyle Cooper went 6-for-8 on the night, picking up 125 yards and putting two touchdowns on the board with one being snagged by David Racey, who had 52 yards receiving.

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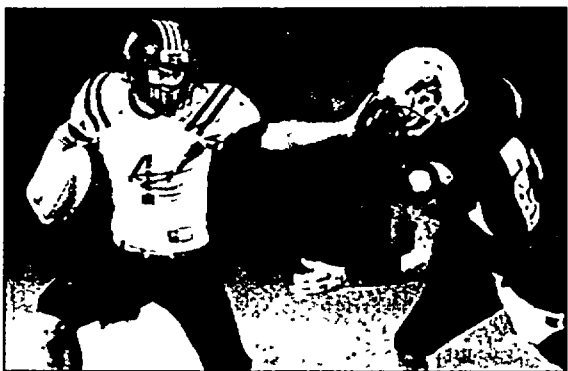
but it doesn't matter what the records are in this game," Ladach said. "I've been in this rivalry since 2000 now. It doesn't matter who the coaches are, it doesn't matter who the kids are, it comes down to passion. I am so proud of how our kids responded to the adversity we faced at the end of the first half."

The Mustang defense made a huge series of stops with five minutes remaining. With Novi on second and goal on Northville's two-yard line, the Mustangs stuffed rush attempts by Ince, junior Lucas Buck and senior Zach Masserant.

"We just didn't get the blocks for him," Penny-cuff said of Masserant's rush attempt. "We've got to make those plays. When you get down on the one-yard line, you need to make those plays and we didn't make the plays and they made some plays. It's 32-37 and that's how it goes."

Ince did connect with Jocz for a 41-yard touchdown with 3:06 left in the game, but Buck's two-point conversion rush failed, leaving the Wildcats in a 37-32 hole. The Mustangs' defense held tight and won by the same score. Senior Brett MacDonald led Northville's defense with 11 tackles (nine solo).

"We were in a situa-



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Mustang QB Evan Gertley tries to keep Wildcat Derek Cingel at arm's length during their 2011 Baseline rivalry game.

tion where we were playing to win and we felt we weren't going to be conservative and that," Penny-cuff said. "We were playing to win a game. We had nothing to lose. This was basically a playoff game for us. If we could have converted on that, it would've helped us and changed some things there, but when you can't score down here on the one-inch line, you're not going to win many ball games."

The Mustangs' legs were working all night, outgaining Novi 277-89 yards and 434-353 in total yards. Northville had 21 first downs on 74 plays, compared to Novi's 13 on 55 plays.

The Wildcats kept Northville off the board in the fourth quarter with strong efforts from senior Derek Cingel (11 tackles, five solo), junior Jon Mencer (10 tackles, four solo), Masserant (nine tackles, five solo)

and senior Alex King (eight tackles, five solo).

### Three in a row for freshmen

Last Thursday, the Northville H.S. freshman football team recorded their third consecutive victory by beating the Novi Wildcats, 25-0. The Mustangs had a balanced attack by scoring two touchdowns on the ground and two touchdowns by the air. Marcel Simmons scored both of the rushing touchdowns and Aaron Huggins connected twice to Kevin Bak for the passing touchdowns. The Mustang defense was also stellar in the shut out victory. A major turning point in the game occurred when the Wildcats had first and goal at the Mustangs 2-yard line and were unable to score and had to turn the ball over to Northville on downs.

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Northville girls varsity pack (from left) Rachel Coleman, Gina McNamara, Erin Zimmer (back), TALEEN SHARIGIAN and Erin Dunne.

## CC soccer team wins, ties

By Sam Eggleston  
Correspondent

It's always good when a team can come into the post season with some momentum, which is exactly what the Detroit Catholic Central Shamrocks soccer team managed to do with a win and a tie last week.

The squad, coached by Joe Nora, pounded out a 2-1 victory over rival University of Detroit Jesuit in Catholic High School League play before tying Midland, 2-2.

"It was senior night and we dedicated our effort to the seniors," said Nora of the win over U of D. "The

### ON TAP

The season will continue for the Shamrocks soccer team when they play in the district tournament next week.

seniors stepped up, leading us to victory and also securing second place in the Catholic League Central Division."

Scoring in the contest was Nate McLean on a pass from Spencer Dunn, followed up by a goal from Phil Ritchie, which was assisted by Matt Kleinknecht.

Earning the victory in goal was Stephan Galindo.

Against Midland, the Shamrocks found themselves in the hole, 1-0, early. The Shamrocks fought back, however, and kept the game close throughout and finished with the non-league tie.

"It was a true team effort," said Nora. "We got strong minutes from every player today."

Earning the win in goal was Alex Pastor. Scoring for the Shamrocks were Cameron Dunn, who took an assist from Mark Breaugh, before Dan Platonov found the back of the net off a pass from Jake Hackman.

The Shamrocks are now 5-5-5 on the season.

## Mustangs girls harriers still on a tear

Squad basically wraps up division title, takes second at Wayne County invite

By Sam Eggleston  
Correspondent

See Northville's girl's cross country team.

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Now see Northville's girl's cross country team win — again and again and again.

Victories and top-tier finishes are becoming old hat to the Northville Mustangs harriers who have been busy all season showcasing their talent all over southeast Michigan. Last week, the team continued to run at the highest levels, winning against South Lyon, 15-48, in a dual meet before going on and taking second in the Wayne County Invitational behind state-ranked Grosse Pointe South.

Northville started the week with a dual meet victory that basically wrapped up the Central Division title for the team. They are now 4-0 in dual meets.

Leading the way for Northville was Erin Zimmer, who ran to first place in 19:55, followed by Rachel Coleman in second with a 20:03, Erin

### ON TAP

The Northville Mustangs girl's cross country team is slated to be back in action when they run in the KLA Conference meet next Thursday. The Mustangs will be looking to defend their 2010 KLA title.

Dunne in third with a 20:22, Katie Vandervoort in fourth in 20:34 and Alison Robinson in fifth in 20:42.

The Mustangs weren't running up to full speed, either, being hampered with standout runner Gina McNamara out with an illness and up-and-coming freshman TALEEN SHARIGIAN not participating in the race.

Northville then went to run against Wayne County's best harriers as they raced in the Wayne County Invitational and took second last Saturday.

Grosse Pointe South won the meet with 31 points and Northville took second with 41 points.

"Our focus today was to pack run at both the var-

sity and JV races," said coach Nancy Smith. "The varsity team executed the plan perfectly with their top five runners running 14 seconds apart."

Leading the way for Northville was SHARIGIAN, who took sixth overall in 19:39. She was followed closely by Coleman, who raced to seventh in 19:40. Both runners earned first-team All-Wayne County honors.

Next in was Dunne, who ran to eighth in 19:43, followed by Erin Zimmer in ninth with a 19:48 and Alison Robinson in 11th in 19:53. McNamara ran a 20:16 for 16th place and Nicole Mosteller ran a 20:43 for 26th.

Northville also won the junior varsity race with 21 points, well ahead of second-place Salem, which had 54 points.

Leading the way for the JV was Vandervoort, who was first overall in 20:35. Taking second was Claire Courtney while Grace Doolittle took third. Becky Chase finished in sixth while Kelly McHugh was ninth, Kate Knott was 10th and Julia Slatin was 11th.

## Season comes to end for girls golf team

Camilla Zhao will continue as individual qualifier

By Sam Eggleston  
Correspondent

It's never easy to advance in the post-season when your region is chock full of some of the best talent in the state.

The Northville Mustangs girl's golf team,

coached by Mary Jane Ossola, discovered that last week when their season came to an end in the regional tournament. The squad finished sixth overall with a total score of 375. Winning the regional was state-ranked Grosse Pointe South with 318 points, followed by Troy with 337. The third team out of the regional was

Churchill with a 363.

The Mustangs did qualify Camilla Zhao, who Ossola said "had a wonderful 37 on the south course" and went on to finish with an 82.

Behind Zhao was Lindsey Matych, who shot a 90, followed by Shannon Williams with 100, Bailey Winter with a 103 and Emily Foland with a 104.

### NORTHVILLE SPORTS ROUNDUP

#### Northville rowing going strong

The Northville Mustangs Rowing Club has competed in four regattas so far this season — two of which were held in Michigan and two in Ohio.

The squad, which is relatively new having started in the 2010-11 school year, has had impressive placements for all of the team boats despite going up against experienced, well-established teams.

Last weekend, in Columbus, Ohio, the row team entered seven boats in races against teams from Ohio, Indiana, Pennsylvania and Michigan. The squad's boy's junior varsity 4+ team finished third in their event, bringing home their first-ever bronze medal.

Northville will compete again November 6 in Wyandotte at the American Heritage River Regatta where teams will race on the Detroit River.

#### 'Stangs tankers defeat Rocks

The Northville Mustangs girl's swimming and diving team made short work of the Salem Rocks last week, earning a 120-66 victory.

Some of the highlights from the meet include first places by: 200 medley relay team (Maddy Kipke, Catherine Cui,

Shannon Lohman, Briana Schoenek), 1:56.14; Catherine Cui (200 individual medley), 2:17.69, and (500 free), 5:21.15; Schoenek (50 freestyle), 25.98 seconds, and (100 free), 56.46; Andrea Meister (diving), 228.65 points; Shannon Lohman (100 butterfly), 1:02.72; 200 free relay (Shannon Lohman, Susan Morris, Emily Butler, Schoenek), 1:47.98; and Kipke (100 backstroke), 1:03.99.

#### Volleyball has roller coaster week

The Northville volleyball team earned eight wins, four losses and two ties last week — a true roller coaster of competition and results.

The squad earned a win in their home game against South Lyon in a hard-fought night as they won three matches, 25-18, 25-19 and 15-6. They lost two, 23-21 and 25-16.

In an away game against Novi, the squad lost in three games, 25-21, 25-23 and 25-17.

In the Northville Invitational, the Mustangs beat Dearborn, Wyandotte, Howell, John Glenn, Stevenson and H. H. Dow. The team took losses to H.H. Dow and Farmington and tie Stevenson twice.

— By Sam Eggleston

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## Varsity corrals Bobcats, 22-10

The consistent varsity Colts sent yet another team home with a loss on Saturday, and as the sun set and the lights came up on the Northville field, it was clear why this team is undefeated, with only two more games to play in the regular season.

The Bobcats offense came out looking big and strong and throwing the football. Fortunately for the Colts, the Bobcats passes usually had no receiver waiting. Additionally, the Bobcats' offensive blocking was ineffective, allowing the Colts to shut down ball carriers. Tackles by Alec Coppeck, Zachary Prystash and Ty Kilar, followed by tag team tackles by Isaiah Popp and Jacob Walker held the Bobcats. Finally, as the Bobcats appeared ready to score, they threw another pass, but this time it was intercepted by Colt Alessandro Gonzales. Unfortunately, the Colts were so close to their own goal line that when they tried to move out, the officials called a poor pass attempt intentional grounding, and the penalty yards resulted in a safety. Now the Bobcats had two points.

The Bobcats continued throwing incomplete passes. Colt Alex Putman broke up one pass attempt, and then the Colts suffered a 15-yard penalty for roughing the passer. Gonzales interrupted another Bobcat pass, preventing them from scoring. This fired up the Colts, and after the turnover the Colts offense took control. Coppock carried the ball for a first down on the 43 yard line. Next Prystash carried, then a complete pass from Coppock to Gonzales put the ball on the 14. Now the QB David Dillon kept the ball for two carries, and scored. Kicker Cole Gingell delivered two more points for a score of 8-2. Another touchdown came a few minutes later, this time with a pass from Dillon to Coppeck, and the Colts were up 16-2.

The first half was almost over, but the Colts had obtained possession yet again. With expert blocking in a series of plays by Ethan Moss, Timothy Elliot, and Anthony Feisel, the Colts were ready to score and well into Bobcats territory. The Colts called a time out with only seconds on the board, and then Mason Pitt snapped to Dillon, who threw to Gonzales. The buzzer sounded while the ball was in motion and the stunned Bobcats watched Gonzales catch

## ON TAP

Northville Colts face the Livonia Orioles at home on Saturday, Oct. 15 with freshman at 11 a.m., JV at 1 p.m. and varsity at 3 p.m.

the football for six more points, making the score 22-2 at the half.

In the second half, the Colts offensive machine struggled. Numerous penalties stymied forward motion. When the Bobcats lost possession of the ball near the goal line, the Colts, unable to progress forward, incurred a safety, and the score inched up to 22-4. The Bobcats kept trying their passing game but suffered an interception and then fumbled the ball, which was recovered by Mason Williams. Still, they were bound to score, and finally did bring in a touchdown for six points. The Colts held tight despite their lead. Colts defense-man Artan Tagani broke up another pass attempt and the Colts foiled an onside kick attempt by the Bobcats.

At the end of the day, the Colts homecoming game did not disappoint their fans, who are, no doubt, still talking about the exciting touchdown at the end of the first half.

— Submitted by Kristina Dunne

## JV tames Bobcats, 21-6

The JV Colts celebrated their homecoming with a 21-6 victory over the cross-town rival Novi Bobcats. The undefeated Colts (6-0) utilized a steady run game and aggressive team defense to defeat the Bobcats.

The Colts opened the game on defense and quickly let the Bobcats know yards would not be easy to come by. Ryan Doroudian, Ryan Silberg and Elijah Gash all made tackles for loss and forced the Bobcats to punt on their first possession. Reading the Bobcats defense as he approached center, Abe Khoury hit Dylan Sandhu with a slant pass to open the game for 7 yards. Khoury then handed the ball to Elijah Gash who eluded tacklers and scored on a 53-yard run putting the Colts ahead early. Marcello Gonzalez converted the extra point kick and the Colts quickly led 8-0.

The Bobcats couldn't manage a first down after Gonzalez and Patrick Walker combined on a tackle on first down followed by

tackles from Gash and Anthony Abbott to force another punt. Nick Prystash returned the Bobcats punt to the 45-yard line where the Colts offense took over. The Colts moved the ball after runs from Khoury and Gash, but the Bobcats defense made a key stop on fourth down and took over near midfield. The Colts defense again proved dominant. Silberg recorded a tackle in the Bobcats backfield, and Ryan Figueroa added another tackle behind the line of scrimmage. Ryan Doroudian then shot through the Bobcats line and dropped the Bobcats runner for an 8-yard loss. The Colts took over on offense and after runs from Joey Borthwick, Khoury and Gash the Colts threatened on the Bobcats 24-yard line. The Bobcats defense once again stalled the Colts drive and took over on downs as the quarter expired and the Colts ahead on the scoreboard 8-0.

The Bobcats moved the ball on the ground to open the second quarter and managed their first down. However, the Colts Ben Brady, Anthony Abbott and Khoury made tackles and Silberg broke up a fourth down pass to turn the ball over to the Colts on the Bobcats 36-yard line. Gonzalez ran three consecutive times for big gains and pounded the ball to the Bobcats 5-yard line. Gash drove to the end zone for the second score of the game, increasing the margin 14-0 Colts. Joey Borthwick made a touchdown saving tackle on the following kickoff and the Bobcats took over on the Colts 40 yard line. Silberg continued to play strong defense with an 8-yard sack on first down. Brady followed with a tackle and Khoury stuffed a run for no gain. The Bobcats, however, were able to move the ball into Colts territory. The drive was short lived as Ryan Doroudian broke through the line and hit the Bobcats quarterback as he attempted to pass forcing the ball in the air. Jeffery Varner came down with the ball for the Colts halting the Bobcats drive and killing their momentum with the interception.

The Colts used the defensive momentum to propel their offense. Robert Johnson ran for 37 yards to the Bobcats 44-yard line. Gash then recorded his third touchdown of the half with a high-light reel touchdown breaking tackles and zipping through Bobcats tacklers. The Colts led 21-0 with less than a minute left in the half. On the ensuing kickoff,

Andrew Lack recovered a fumble to give the Colts the ball with 0:22 left in the half. Daniel McLaughlin hit Sandhu with a 15-yard pass and then connected with Spencer Gonda for 13 more yards to the Bobcats 2-yard line with seconds left. As time expired in the half, the Bobcats intercepted in the end zone and the Colts went into halftime with a comfortable 21-0 lead.

Gonda opened the third quarter recovering an onside kick by the Bobcats. The Colts fumbled on first down and the Bobcats recovered and took over on the Colts 42-yard line. The Bobcats couldn't move the ball and both teams managed little offense in the quarter. Evan Carson forced a Bobcats fumble and Bothwick, Gash, Khoury, and Brady added tackles for the Colts to keep the Bobcats off the board in the quarter.

The Colts continued to play outstanding defense to open the fourth quarter. McLaughlin, Alex VanNocker, Abbott and Lack made tackles on the Bobcats first drive of the fourth quarter and Logan Bry made a fourth down tackle to end the Bobcats momentum. The Colts offense couldn't move the ball consistently and turned it over to the Bobcats on the Colts 31-yard line. The Bobcats scored late in the quarter to close the gap to 21-6 and Nick Prystash recovered the Bobcats onside kick to preserve the victory for the Colts.

Gash led the offense with 161 yards on the ground and 3 touchdowns. Marcello Gonzalez added 54 yards. Ryan Silberg led the defense with 6 tackles and a sack and Ben Brady added 5 tackles for the undefeated Colts.

— Submitted by Joseph Lack

## Freshmen top Novi for homecoming win

On a sunny, fall Saturday afternoon, the Freshman Colts (6-0) enjoyed a homecoming win against their local rivals, the Novi Bobcats. Things started out shaky for the Colts with a 26-yard run by a Bobcat ball carrier for a touchdown in the first few minutes of the game. The Colts quickly responded with a nice run by Patricio Gonzalez, Nick Lauderback and Brennan Vanriper. Isaiah Gash finished off the drive by the Colts with a 39-yard scamper into the end zone. On the Bobcats ensuing possession, Jackson Weedmark, Mick Farrell and Aid-

an Hayek brought down the Bobcats offense with strong tackles and the Bobcats were forced to punt. The punt was blocked, however, and the Colts took over on the Bobcats 28-yard line.

The Colts continued the momentum in the second quarter with a Farrell handoff to Gash for a touchdown and an extra point run in by Vanriper.

The Bobcats couldn't do much on their possession with their runner tackled in the backfield by Brady Withey and Farrell for a loss. Colts held the Bobcats with the help of expert tackle, Joseph Chiaravalle. On their next drive, the Colts made quick progress to the end zone, with a handoff from Farrell to Vanriper for a gain of 9 yards, a pitch back to Gash for a first down and a handoff from Lauderback to Aidan Hayek for a 5-yard run up the middle for the score. Weedmark ran in the extra point. The Bobcats were held by Zachary Shoemaker, Chiaravalle, Withey and Gash all making important defensive stops and with the ball back in Colts' control before the half, Ryan Logan and Weedmark carried the ball well into Bobcat territory. Vanriper outsmarted the Bobcat defense and scored. Farrell handoff to Weedmark for the extra point ended the half with the Colts sporting a 21-point lead.

The second half showed the Colts continued defensive strength with important tackles by Jordan Morgan, Aidan Oliver, Alexander Ladach, Andrew Hayek and Adam Harp allowing minimal Bobcat progress on their first drive attempt. Despite this, the Bobcats managed to evade the Colts to score a touchdown but the Colts were still firmly in the lead.

As the game motored into the fourth quarter, Gash had a clean 40-yard run up the middle for a touchdown with no extra point. The Bobcats answered back with a touchdown on their next possession but Lauderback disrupted the intended pass preventing the extra point. The Colts quickly responded with a nice run by Logan on the kickoff return to midfield. Then Vanriper had a 42-yard run bringing the Colts firmly into Bobcat territory. Farrell finished things up with a quarterback keeper into the end zone helped out with some key blocks by Gash. The freshman Colts did not disappoint and took home the win with a final score 40-18.

— Submitted by Amber Slusser

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## Varsity victorious for homecoming over Multi-Lakes, 43-12

A gorgeous, warm, fall Sunday afternoon in Northville was the prime beginning to an outstanding game and homecoming celebration with Michael Townsend kicking off the Northville Varsity Stallions' (1-5) sixth game against the Multi-Lakes Gators at NHS Field. The festivities began with the 2011 Stallions team members and parents being introduced out on the field at the 50- and 30-yard line. Parents were greeted by their sons with a lovely carnation presented by Unit Director Anita Pirone. Carries by Townsend, Jordan March and Evan Simoff resulted in a Stallions first down. Afterwards, the entire Stallions defense brought down a Gators carry. Simoff and Pelland tackled Gator carries as well and then Townsend carried to the Stallions' first down. Simoff rushed the next three balls to another first down, then was tackled by Gator defense. Encroachment was called on the Gators and the penalty result was another first down for the Stallions. Simoff then carries the next two plays and the resulting Stallions touchdown was carried by Pelland. Townsend's kick was good for an additional two points on the scoreboard.

Less than 20 seconds later, Jack Peterson recovered an onside kick for the Stallions. Another touchdown was executed by Simoff with a 53-yard run. The kick made by Townsend was successful for another two points. An incomplete pass by the Gators was broken up by Simoff. Nick Green and Jack Przibende brought down Gator offense along with JaQuan Crawford tackling Gators twice. First quarter ended with the Stallions leading with a score of 16-0.

Simoff and Pelland made the next several carries to a Stallions first down. Townsend's pass is complete to Deion Johnson who made the run for Stallions' third touchdown. The kick by Townsend was good for an additional two points. Stallions kicked off to a Gator who was quickly knocked down by a host of Stallions strong defense. Mark Merritt and Parker Meyers effectively tackled Gator offense. Johnson and Jack Peterson and Kenny Goolsby also knocked down Gator offense. There was a holding penalty on the Gators on Stallions' Barnes. Connor Elliott made the next carry and Gators called a time out on the field. Barnes carries twice to a Stallions first down. Jake Gourd knocked down a Gator pass at the line, late in the second quarter, then Elliott recovered a fumble on the field and ran to the make the Stallions third touchdown with 16 seconds left on the board. The second quarter ended with the score of 30-0, Stallions.

## ON TAP

The Stallions play the Rochester Ravens Sunday at Avondale High School. The freshman game is at 11 a.m. followed by JV at 1 p.m. and varsity at 3 p.m.

lions. Halftime festivities included introduction of seven previous Stallions — now NHS players — on the 30-yard line. The decoration team led by GM Martha Michalak did a fabulous job, having color picture posters of each team member and cheerleader hanging on the fence for display along with balloons. The Stallions' waterboy, John Metrusias was totally on his job on this very warm October afternoon. Music was enjoyed by all. Stallions' Unit Director Anita Pirone and Dawn March and GM Martha Michalak were applauded for their fine organization of efforts during this season.

The third quarter led off with the kick by Barnes, caught by a Gator and resulted in a Gator first touchdown. A flag on the play was called on a Stallion for illegal holding. Gators got a first down as a result but Logan Goering knocked down Gator offense on their attempted carry. Elliott, Goering, Barnes execute the next carries resulting in a Stallions first down. Barnes is strong on the next two carries along with Elliott. Mohamed Beydoun, Green, Crawford and Elliott executed the next tackles. March's defense stopped another Gator carry and the third quarter ended with a score of 30-6, Stallions still in the lead.

Nicholas Green made the first tackle of the fourth quarter, assisted by Goering, Meyers and Elliott. The Gators managed a touchdown in their attempts, but after the kick, Rami Alawadi received the ball. Barnes made a run and then the fourth Stallions touchdown was carried by Elliott! Barnes' kick resulted in two extra points. A Gator run for touchdown was then called back due to an illegal block in the back. Stallions' Johnson then tackled a Gator on their next run. Goering and Elliott attempted the next carries to a Stallions first down. Jack Peterson then rushed the ball for the fifth Stallions touchdown! Green, and Goolsby and Johnson made the last three Stallions tackles on Gator offense. Stallions have the takeover on downs at the end of the game. Stallions triumph at the end of homecoming 2011 with a score of 43-12.

— Submitted by Kathy Crawford

## JV stops Gators, 10-6

The JV Stallions (3-3) did not disappoint their fans on a beautiful eighty-degree Homecom-

ing day. The Stallions defeated the Multi-Lakes Gators 10 to 6 in a hard fought game. The mighty Stallions defense shut down the high powered Gator spread offense which had previously averaged more than 30 points per game — by holding the Gators to a single touchdown!

The Stallions defense started strong in the first quarter after the Gator offense began at their own 45-yard line. Michael Williams made a touchdown saving tackle by stopping a Gator runner at the Stallion 15-yard line. Grant Hood next made a big play by sacking the Gator quarterback for a five-yard loss. Tackles by Sahil Tolia and Williams forced a critical fourth down; Cameron Dixon made a strong tackle and forced the Gators to turn the ball over on downs with 6:14 remaining in the first quarter at the Stallions own 5-yard line.

After two unsuccessful runs plays the Stallions offense faced a challenging third-and-20. Quarterback Jonathon Michalak threw a twenty yard pass to Tyler Troyer who made an amazing catch after the ball was tipped, bringing the Stallions fans to their feet. Shane Rankin and Dixon made tough runs to move the ball to the Stallion 41-yard line. With 5:32 seconds left in the first quarter, Michalak threw a 61 yard touchdown pass to Troyer in what turned out to be the Stallions only touchdown. Jacob Moody kicked the extra 2 points on a perfect kick giving the Stallions an early 8-0 lead.

The Stallion defense held the Gators on their next possession. Tackles by Alex Karam, Brady Leverton, Aaron Moore, Andrew Mertz and Dixon limited the Gators to short gains. A blocked pass by Troyer brought up an important fourth-down play. Jack Debrabander tackled a Gator runner, forcing a turnover at midfield.

The Stallions offense, unable to move the ball on three successive plays, punted. Troyer's long punt had the Gators starting at their own 14-yard line. Tackles by Leverton and Jordan Grewe stopped Gator runners for losses. On fourth down, the Gators attempted a double reverse that was blown up by Dixon. The ball was turned over on downs with 4:18 left in the second quarter.

The Stallions offense stalled after three plays and a penalty. Troyer again kicked a long punt punting the Gators offense at their own 14-yard line with 1:46 left in the second quarter. The Gators passing attack moved the ball down the field with amazing speed resulting in a Gator touchdown. The points after kick was blocked by Troyer and Rankin, preserving the Stallion lead at 8-6 as the half ended.

The second half was marked by strong defensive efforts by both teams. The Stallions were led by Spencer Ishaq, Eric Sparschu and Karam who tackled Gator ball carriers in the

third quarter. With the ball on Stallion forty yard line, Jack Petrovar made a strong tackle forcing a turnover on downs with 3:01 left in the third quarter. On the next possession the Stallions offense was unable to move the ball. The Stallion defense refused to relinquish the lead. Defensive stops by Dixon, Leverton, and Alex Iafraite forced a critical fourth down with 7:57 left in the fourth quarter when Moore sacked the runner for a one-yard loss forcing another turnover on downs.

The Stallion offense responded with tough runs by Rankin before an interception by the Gators. The Stallion defense was up to the challenge and responded with big plays. Moore had a strong tackle, resulting in yet another turnover. On the following offensive series, the Stallions were led by Rankin who made a nice run to the 50-yard line with 2:57 left in the game. The Stallions were forced to punt. Troyer punted the ball fifty yards into the end zone giving the Gators one last chance starting at their own 20.

The Gators lost yards when Rankin tackled a Gator runner for a loss. Rankin later forced a Gator safety increasing the Stallion lead to 10-6. The Gators attempted an on-side kick which Troyer recovered, sealing the Stallion victory.

— Submitted by Martha Michalak

## Freshmen wrestle Gators, lose 7-6

On Sunday morning, the freshmen Stallions (3-3) set out again to show why they are becoming the pride of Northville. Following hayrides and pep rallies, Stallion coaches had the team tuned up for prime-time to show their best stuff this homecoming weekend. This game also had rivalry written over it as the opposing Multi-Lake Gators had beaten Northville not once but twice last year. So as a loud-speaker called every player's name, they galloped out into a colorful homecoming scene with posters on every fence, waving pom-poms and a sea of festive fans cheering "Go Stallions!" This 2011 team was truly fired up and ready to show the big and fast Gators what a difference a year can make.

Following opening ceremonies with proud parents, Northville's Orange Crush unit took the opening kick. They quickly opened fire with speedy running from Brett Rankin and Jack Bugar, who received strong support from teammates including John Metrusias and Shawn Skiver. Northville continued to pound away like a sledgehammer as Jack Rathwell, Mitchell DeGroff and Cooper Leverton teamed up to advance the ball to the Gator 25-yard line before the opening

drive stalled. But as the Gators took possession, Northville's defense clamped like angry crocodile hunters. The Gators opening sweep right side was blown up by charging defensive backs Tyler Vos and DeGroff. Linebackers Mark Baker and Leverton crashed down on the second play again, allowing no gain. On third down, defensive ends Hunter Galindo and Robert Reynolds cut like chainsaws into the backfield forcing a fleeing Gator quarterback to throw the ball away. And on fourth down, defensive tackle Luke Smith burst through like a grizzly bear to drop a Gator flat in his tracks. The Stallion defense was hotter than Cajun Gator gumbo as the first quarter ended scoreless.

As the second quarter opened, Northville had first down on the Gators 35-yard line and the crowd was now finding its groove. To help fire up fans, some Northville dads even jumped in line with their cheerleader daughters and pretended to have some pre-teen rhythm. Amazingly, this improbable recipe worked as on the next play, quarterback Vos swept right and faked a reverse handoff, freezing defenders. This allowed Vos to break around the corner and dart the distance for a Stallion score with 9:30 left in the half. As players celebrated this team-wide effort, homecoming festivities had now shifted into full swing and the Multi Lake Gators were sent to their sideline reeling.

Hunter Galindo launched the following kickoff so hard it seemed to reach orbit, giving the Gators no chance for a return. Pumped up Stallion defenders followed up with some simply textbook teamwork. As a Gator running back tried his luck up the middle, aggressive lineman John Hamilton wrapped him up tight, linebacker Baker delivered a jolting shoulder pad and Vos recovered the resulting fumble. The Stallion offense quickly took over pushing forward to the Gator 40-yard line before finally turning over on downs. So at this moment, coaches yelled for the Stallion defense to step up to the challenge again and wow — did they ever. Big plays from Cameron McMahon, Harrison Asher and David Oiko helped quickly deny the Gators and gave Northville one more end zone shot with seconds left until halftime. Like a gunslinger, quarterback Vos launched a pass from the 35-yard line that receiver Baker divvied for and just missed. And with just one play and 12 seconds remaining, Vos swept right with stiff arms extended as he tore a path to the end zone. But amidst a swamp of Gators, he was stopped just short at the 10 as the first half expired with Northville leading 6-0.

The Homecoming halftime show was spectacular as Northville's finest cheer team per-

formed under sunny skies to grooving music. The beautiful freshmen girls were led by Emma Asher, Olivia Steele, Julia Lewis, Jenna Boksha, Sofia Petix, Anna Skedel, Sophia Bojrab, Morgan Vos, Samantha Hines, Kate Story, Abby Redwine and Sofia Ishaq. The squads spirit and energy lit the stands up like a bonfire and got hearts, fists and feet pumping across the board.

As the third quarter began, Grant Gattoni struck first stopping the Gators opening kick return for absolutely no gain. The Gators managed one long run before Stallion defenders clamped down and went seriously Gator hunting. Jack Kamickas crashed in with a powerful tackle, followed by hits from Smith, Spencer Thakady and Domenic Rodriguez. But eventually the Gators ripped one more long gain setting up a first and goal on the Stallions 7. The tide appeared to turn Northville's way when Robert Reynolds stripped the ball from the Gators running back, but officials called him down on forward progress at the 2 yard line. The Gators soon converted along with an extra point to take the lead 7-6 with 5:30 left in the third quarter.

After collecting the ensuing kick, Rathwell flexed his muscles and wrestled his way back to midfield. Running back Leverton added an offensive spark as he shot through defenders that missed or just bounced off him. But on the next play the Gators picked off a pass setting up first down on their own 42. As the fourth quarter ticked down, Stallions defenders knew they needed to bond like brothers to deny advances and give their team a final shot. This defiant stance was highlighted by a flying open field tackle by Nick Gattoni and Rodriguez charging through the Gator line for another quarterback sack. Playmaker Reynolds capped it off as he again stripped the ball and forced a Gators fumble which Rodriguez recovered with just 8 minutes left in the game.

The fired up Stallions were now in position mount a final drive. In fact, so much enthusiasm filled the air that even injured lineman Gabe Xuereb joined the cheer team to help give Northville a boost. But despite best efforts all-around, the Stallion running attack just could not string together enough yardage as time ticked away. The Gators desperately protected their lead in the final minutes and won this battle by the narrowest possible margin, 7-6. Stallion Nation had hoped for a different result, but they took pride knowing their team played their hearts out showing the difference a year can make.

— Submitted by Jack Baker

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Unless otherwise noted, all classes take place at the Oakland County Executive Office Building Conference Center, 2100 Pontiac Lake Road in Waterford. For pre-registration and location specifics, visit [www.oakgov.com/peds/calendar](http://www.oakgov.com/peds/calendar) or call (248) 858-0783.

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Thursday, October 13, 6-9 p.m. Fee: \$30.

### Legal & Financial Basics for Small Business

This workshop covers many of the key legal and financial issues faced by both new and existing small businesses in Michigan. The program initially focuses on the many management and liability concerns faced by entrepreneurs,

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Tuesday, Oct. 18, 9 a.m.-noon. This workshop is free, but pre-registration is required.

### CEED Microloan Orientation

Many small business owners face obstacles when trying to obtain a business loan. The recognition of the serious need for working capital for existing businesses, start-up or expansion, equipment purchases, and job creation is not the priority it once was. If you have a need for alternative financing consider the MicroLoan Program. Discover the requirements and process necessary to apply and obtain a microloan. Program presented by the Center for Empowerment & Economic Development (C.E.E.D.)

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Thursday, Nov. 3, 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m. This workshop is free but pre-registration is required.



The Cummins Bridgeway community service team with Make-A-Wish recipient Sara and her parents at the company's Sept. 28 silent auction event at company headquarters in New Hudson.

## Cummins Bridgeway helps to make wishes come true

Employees from Cummins Bridgeway in New Hudson came together for their 3rd annual silent auction on Sept. 28 to help raise funds for the Make-A-Wish Foundation of Michigan — a nonprofit organization that grants wishes to children with life-threatening illnesses.

The event raised enough money to grant the wishes of three children, including a trip to Disney World and a cruise. Cummins Bridgeway was honored to have one of the recipients and her parents attend the event. Along with the employees, more than 65 customers and vendors lent their support by providing auction items or donating directly to the Foundation.

"Cummins Bridgeway's mission is to make people's lives better by serv-

ing and improving the communities in which we do business and providing assistance for good people to overcome the barriers they face," says company president Greg Boll, a Northville resident. "Our partnership with Make-A-Wish has been a tremendous experience for our employees, customers and vendors. Seeing a child's wish come true is a gift in itself."

Cummins Bridgeway, LLC, established in 2003, is the distributor for Cummins diesel engines and power generation equipment and related products and services serving Michigan, Ohio, Western Pennsylvania and surrounding areas. The Cummins distributorship has a long, rich history dating back to 1937.

## To tip or not to tip

By Dan Hoops  
Guest Columnist

While visiting my favorite Starbucks recently, I noticed their clever attempt at increasing their customer tips by converting the tip jar into a challenge: vanilla vs. chocolate. I asked the barista whether the challenges worked. Sadly, no.

When it comes to customer tips, many are unaware of the actual tax implications for these gratuities. Many do know that tips are includable as gross income (just look at the seventh line on your 1040 -

"wages, salaries, tips, etc."), but there is more to it than the employee's gross income. Of course, right?

If tips exceed \$20 in a month, these amounts are required to be reported to the employer. Any monthly amount below \$20 is not required to be reported. However, these amounts are still considered income and should be included in the employee's calculation of their wages, salaries and tips — even if the amount is not reported on the employee's W-2.

The employer has a duty to withhold federal income tax from their employees' reported tips, as well as withholding for Federal Insurance Contributions Act ("FICA") or Social Security and Medicare taxes from employee wages. The employer is then required to remit to the Internal Revenue Service the withheld taxes and the employer's portion of the FICA for the employees' wages (including the tip income).

In the service industry, many workers rely heavily on customer tips to make their living. The IRS understands the reality of service workers, as well as the reality of many employ-

ers who underreport tip income because it reduces their FICA obligations. Although cash tips may be more difficult to track within one storefront, employers need to understand that the IRS can figure out what the actual (or a very good estimate) amount of the employees' tips should be. If these amounts appear under reported, a fairly routine IRS audit would determine how much should have been withheld from the employees. This could result in under reporting income tax penalties to the employees and FICA trust fund penalties to the employer.

Where tip reporting gets complicated is if an employee works in more than one establishment (where individual tips are less than \$20 each month, but the aggregate tips exceed \$20 in a month), splits tips with other employees (such as a server splitting her tips with a busboy), or receives something other than a cash or credit card tip. The income and FICA obligations remain the same. So long as the employee lives by and files their return under the basic rule that any tips (including something of value) are taxable, there should be no problem.

Now that I have your attention, how should you proceed with reporting your tip income if you are an employee? The IRS has two forms that were designed for workers who receive tips in their employment: Forms 4070A and 4070. The purpose of the Form 4070A is for the employee to maintain a daily log of all tip income received throughout the month. The Form 4070A also includes a box where the employee can list the names of any other employees with whom their daily tips are split, including the amounts.

The Form 4070 is a summary of all of the tips for the particular month transferred from the Form 4070A and is given to the employer for purposes of withholding the appropriate amount of

federal income and FICA taxes. Employees who proactively prepare and deliver the Form 4070 to their employers are able to protect themselves if they are audited and it is proven that the amount of taxes were under-withheld by the employer. Although the employee still has a duty and responsibility to report all of their income, the IRS may be sympathetic and will abate any penalties for the employee under reporting their income.

If you are an employer in the service industry, receiving monthly reports from employees may become quite burdensome. The IRS understands this and in 2001 established a program for employers to participate; employers can actually execute an agreement with the IRS to establish their tip reporting and FICA protocol. This program can be found on [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov) by searching for Publication 531.

From the consumer's perspective, I have been accused of being too generous in my tipping. If the IRS would allow a deduction for each tip I've made, I could only imagine the daily reports I would need to maintain. I am hopeful, however, that when I do make a tip for wonderful service that the employer is mindful of its obligations to its employees. — as I would hate to see my generosity contribute to an unnecessary tax problem for the baristas I intended to tip.

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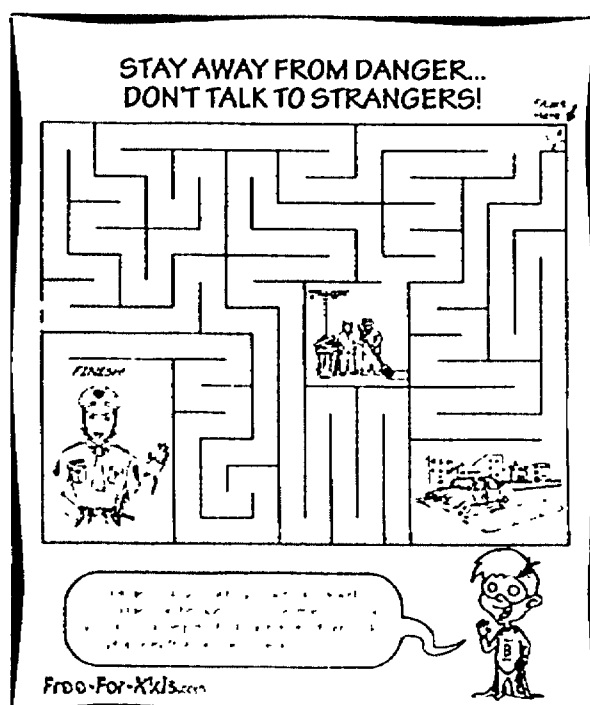
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## Local Realtor tapped for Leadership Academy

By Julie Brown  
O&E Staff Writer

Seventeen Realtors who have demonstrated personal and professional success in their respective local markets recently were selected to participate in the 2012 class of the National Association of Realtors Leadership Academy, an initiative designed to nurture and inspire new leaders in the real estate industry.

The only Michigan Realtor chosen was Gary J. Reggish, 45, a Livonia resident and broker/owner of Remerica United Realty in Novi. Reggish is immediate past president of the Western Wayne Oakland County Association of Realtors, now the Greater Metropolitan Association of Realtors.

He is also vice chair of the RPAC Trustees (Realtor Political Action Committee) for the Michigan Association of Realtors, State and Local Issues Committee for the National Association of Realtors, Board of Directors member for the National Association of Realtors and two-time winner of the prestigious Realtor of the Year award by the Western Wayne Oakland County Association of Realtors.

The 2012 Leadership Academy class is comprised of Realtors from 11 states, and the



Gary J. Reggish was chosen for the 2012 class of the National Association of Realtors Leadership Academy. Reggish, a Livonia resident, is broker/owner of Remerica United Realty in Novi.

first international participant from southern Brazil. The participants will gain and expand upon existing leadership skills and abilities while learning more about NAR as the voice for real estate.

The Academy starts Nov. 9. "I'm totally excited. The cool thing is NAR looked at over 100 individuals," Reggish said. "I was just elated to hear I was one of 17 chosen to participate. Just the opportunity to net-

work with the best of the best, you couldn't buy this opportunity."

He looks forward to learning more about national initiatives. "It gives us the ability to really interact with the NAR staff," he said.

"It really helps individuals clarify your own personal goals from a higher level of thinking, and provides a window to how we can achieve our highest potential."

Reggish is also pleased about the international perspective "which is really exciting. It's going to provide the perfect way to meet new colleagues whose values, communication styles, beliefs are significantly different from your own. It causes you to stretch your thinking."

Training will last about a year and take place in Anaheim, Calif., Chicago and Washington, D.C. "My agents are going to have firsthand exposure through one on one training and office sessions."

He'll also share knowledge through the local real estate association with the public. "It really is an exciting opportunity." He compared it to personal business coaching combined with brainstorming with an international flavor.

Academy participants, who had to undergo an application

and interview process conducted by the Academy Advisory Board, will undergo a challenging series of team-building exercises and workshops.

Since the Academy was formed in 2008, over 100 Realtors have graduated and many advance to serve in volunteer leadership positions within their respective state and local associations, as well as within NAR.

Reggish said he'll bring back "an enhanced perspective" he's eager to share.

Bill Martin, state association CEO for the Michigan Association of Realtors, said, "This is highly competitive." The NAR has over a million members nationwide.

"Being selected is quite an accomplishment. We couldn't be more proud," Martin said.

"I think Gary is going to be such an integral part of this Academy," he said. "Gary's so well-versed in so many of these things already. He has a lot more to offer, I think, as an individual participant than the Academy has to offer him."

Martin found out about the selection the same time Reggish did. "I think Gary Reggish is the exact person they had in mind, young, vibrant and certainly an asset not only today but into the future," Martin said.

## 'Wind rights' law evolves

By Robert Meisner  
Guest Columnist

**Q: Do you know anything about a relatively new real estate issue concerning Wind Power Leases as I am interested in possibly utilizing my farm land for that purpose?**

**A: As the wind energy market has**

matured, the issues relating to the leasing of surface property necessary to build wind farms has become

more sophisticated and complex. As a land owner, you should not blindly sign any lease offered. Negotiations in virtually all facets of the wind lease, from lease compensation, uses and reserve rights to restoration security and renegotiation options, have become highly evolved and creative. Land owners should be introducing new protections and presenting new proposals to share in the revenues of the wind farm or benefit from better than expected wind production. You should consult with a knowledgeable expert regarding the latest compensation structures and land owner requested provisions as well as the possibility of new pooling and co-tenancy arrangements that are at the vanguard of negotiating these types of contracts. You also should be mindful of the severance of "wind rights" as opposed to a mineral right and the implications this has for wind leases. In short, this is a whole new area of the law which has just "blown in."

**Q: Does Michigan law recognize an easement by necessity for utilities?**

**A: The answer is simply "no." In effect, the Michigan Court of Appeals said that owners of parcels lacking access to utilities cannot claim such access rights as a matter of law by necessity. Instead, they must obtain additional easements for utility access which may be an added cost of development. The decision is a good reminder that the terms of an express easement are paramount and that the scope of an easement for ingress and egress will not ordinarily be broadened by the court so that drafters of easements should insure that all potentially desired uses are included in the easement conveyance.**

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.

## Reader reaction to Senior Living column: Write on!

By Nancy Austin  
Seniors Real Estate Specialist

Apparently, this Senior Living column has met with a great deal of enthusiasm. I have received numerous calls and e-mails and will share some with you.



Nancy Austin

### Senior Living

Theresa from Canton says, "It's great information." Joyce from Farmington: "I have read your article pertaining to detached condos in the Farmington Observer. We are retired, but are not interested in any type of retirement community. We are interested in looking for either a ranch home or a detached ranch condo. It seems like Realtors do not do much in the way of listing houses available anymore in

the paper or have open houses. How some place is to be found without either is mind-boggling."

I explained that many ads are online in the classified section of the paper; Craig's List, Trulia, Zillow, Realtor.com and MoveInMichigan.com, to name a few. I admit, however, that if you are not computer-minded, the search is not an easy one. Most Realtors have the information available to them through the Multiple Listing Service (MLS).

R. G. responded: "We are very interested in Del Webb. We have seen them in Florida. I hope they will build in Canton or even towards Ann Arbor or Howell."

C.K. called to say: "I am a landowner who has been trying to do something nice with my property instead of seeing it divided into a subdivision. It would be unique to the State of Michigan. I've been working on it for over seven

years." More on this later.

Karen from Canton: "Your articles are so informative. I look forward to reading them in the Observer."

Kathie, marketing manager for Village of Redford: "I read your article ... with great interest. It contained valuable information for area seniors, mainly those looking for independent living. The Village of Redford, offers the vast senior housing options all on one 33-acre campus. We are a continuing care retirement community and have served area seniors since 1945. We offer independent living apartments and ranch-style cottages, assisted living and memory support studios as well as sub-acute rehabilitation and skilled nursing services. Residents who live in our community are offered first priority to health care as they age and their needs change."

The director of American House Dearborn Heights

writes to say, "... our community is different from other American Houses because we have 51 Villas (like a condo) in the back of our main building. Private entrance, front porch, full kitchen with appliances, stacked washer/dryer, 1 or 2 bedrooms, ranch style, emergency pull cords in bedrooms and bathrooms."

I can't believe how many people have responded by telling me how informative and necessary this kind of a column is for seniors and for the adult children of seniors. I've been approached by readers in stores, at church, and at meetings. There is much more to come. There is a substantial need for this kind of information.

In the meantime, I will keep researching and writing. It's a pleasure to help you, readers.

Seniors Real Estate Specialist **Nancy Austin** may be reached at nancy-austin@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 July 4-8, 2011, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices

CANTON	
8272 Chatham Dr	\$80,000
1243 E Crystal Cir	\$195,000
42340 Glen Cove Ct	\$155,000
49713 Lansdowne St	\$300,000
43932 Leeann Ln	\$98,000
45475 Muirfield Dr	\$290,000
47630 Pavilion Rd	\$340,000
4748 Pond Run	\$168,000
48415 River Way Dr	\$240,000
41912 Riverwood Ct	\$120,000
42263 Saratoga Cir	\$97,000
4241 Sherwood Cir	\$203,000
2060 Stanton St	\$295,000
1873 Stonebridge Way	\$335,000
495 Waterview Ct	\$345,000
GARDEN CITY	
30835 Barton St	\$72,000

30708 Brown St	\$93,000
27525 Chester St	\$66,000
33012 Hennepin St	\$54,000
28897 John Hawk St	\$61,000
30948 Marquette St	\$63,000
LIVONIA	
14809 Auburndale St	\$90,000
28650 Broadmoor St	\$36,000
11884 Camden St	\$77,000
14553 Cavell St	\$170,000
20628 Chestnut Cir	\$260,000
20336 Deering St	\$75,000
27407 Dover Ave	\$115,000
19230 Fairlane Ct	\$263,000
36340 Fairway Dr	\$270,000
14216 Fairway St	\$139,000
18233 Floral St	\$44,000
9521 Hartel St	\$75,000
9800 Hartel St	\$107,000
27870 Long St	\$70,000
31655 Norfolk St	\$142,000
35492 Oakdale St	\$153,000
34066 Orangelawn St	\$44,000
31275 Pickford Ave	\$225,000
30164 Richland St	\$101,000
14740 Ronnie Ln	\$95,000
32223 Scone St	\$147,000

14196 Stonehouse Ave	\$103,000
15621 Sunset St	\$70,000
31511 W Chicago St	\$165,000
34207 Wood St	\$157,000
NORTHVILLE	
45017 Broadmoor Cir S	\$335,000
312 Buchner Hill Dr	\$185,000
48724 Freestone Dr	\$98,000
16193 Johnson Creek Dr	\$145,000
40630 Meadow Trl	\$275,000
39428 Oakmont Ct	\$242,000
17398 Parkshore Dr	\$72,000
48821 Rainbow Ln S	\$305,000
39832 Rockcrest Cir	\$107,000
225 S Center St	\$97,000
39494 Village Run Dr	\$191,000
120 West St	\$180,000
17442 Williamsburg Ct	\$555,000
PLYMOUTH	
39546 Birchwood Dr	\$167,000
49561 Donovan Blvd	\$90,000
915 Hartsough Ct	\$164,000
9237 N Sheldon Rd	\$135,000
40431 Newport Dr	\$66,000
40835 Newport Dr	\$60,000
101 S Union St	\$154,000
REDFORD	

14049 Breakfast Dr	\$141,000
16901 Five Points St	\$13,000
16017 Leona Dr	\$44,000
19545 Olympia	\$27,000
13583 Sarasota	\$70,000
14075 Seminole	\$22,000
11437 Sioux	\$53,000
19335 Woodworth	\$35,000
20017 Woodworth	\$20,000
WESTLAND	
1651 Ackley Ave	\$29,000
2034 Alanson St	\$47,000
30014 Ann Arbor Trl	\$102,000
30743 Birchwood St	\$85,000
30762 Birchwood St	\$82,000
33610 Blackfoot St	\$90,000
6911 Deerhurst Dr	\$80,000
6538 Geronimo St	\$79,000
7352 Haller St	\$40,000
462 N John Hix St	\$22,000
8234 Perrin Ave	\$89,000
35359 Rosslyn St	\$50,000
930 S Venoy Rd	\$36,000
313 Stephanie Dr	\$144,000
532 Worchester St	\$68,000

### HOMES SOLD-OAKLAND

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of June 27 to July 1, 2011, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices

BEVERLY HILLS	
16217 Birwood Ave	\$114,000
16031 Kinross Ave	\$248,000
16994 Kinross Ave	\$215,000
BIRMINGHAM	
1035 Chestnut St	\$249,000
647 E 14 Mile Rd	\$246,000
1340 Puritan Ave	\$585,000

673 Smith Ave	\$515,000
2525 Yorkshire Ln	\$180,000
BLOOMFIELD HILLS	
727 Parkman Dr	\$324,000
BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP	
6223 Dakota Cir	\$1,800,000
6181 Eastmoor Rd	\$360,000
6861 N Adams Rd	\$114,000
1627 S Hill Blvd	\$51,000
4626 Stoneleigh Rd	\$200,000
3483 Sutton Pl	\$800,000
COMMERCE TOWNSHIP	
1735 Fenwick Dr	\$50,000
5267 Lancaster Ln	\$260,000
3548 Trentwood Dr	\$158,000
FARMINGTON	
30789 Shiawassee Rd	\$33,000

FARMINGTON HILLS	
22185 Averhill St	\$14,000
31235 Bycroft St	\$118,000
36177 Old Homestead Dr	\$180,000
33230 Raphael Rd	\$175,000
29705 Ravenscroft St	\$140,000
21577 Riverwalk Ct	\$230,000
30727 Shiawassee Rd	\$31,000
20973 Sunnydale St	\$120,000
22559 Vacri Ln	\$165,000
FRANKLIN	
26061 Hawthorne Dr	\$1,300,000
NOVI	
45167 Bartlett Dr	\$334,000
29308 Douglas Dr	\$153,000
24474 Fairway Hills Dr	\$193,000
26548 Glenwood Dr	\$535,000

51112 Hallfield St	\$45,000
40537 Lenox Park Dr	\$230,000
23360 Meadowbrook Rd	\$123,000
27580 Sloan St	\$45,000
24185 Westmont Ct	\$300,000
South Lyon	
54763 Grenelle Cir E	\$323,000
24057 Prescott Ct	\$61,000
54388 Royal Troon Dr	\$233,000
SOUTHFIELD	
29449 Candiewood Ln	\$60,000
19026 Goldwin St	\$89,000
27960 Larkmoor St	\$72,000
28602 Red Leaf Ln	\$37,000
18327 Winterset Dr	\$115,000







# How To Decode Employment Ad Phrases

By: Larry Buhl,  
CareerBuilder

Contrary to many job seekers' fears, employment ads are more likely to be wish lists than demands. But reading these ads, it's often hard to tell what these companies are actually wishing for. It's a good idea to decode confusing phrases before you apply, so you'll avoid wasting time on jobs out of your reach, and not overlook that perfect fit position.

## Experience required, or preferred?

- **Experience preferred:** The company hopes you have done most of the tasks in the job description. If you haven't you won't automatically be disqualified.
- **Experience required:** You should have done most of the tasks of the job advertised. However, the exact amount of experience they want is sometimes negotiable. And remember that your experience can be in a particular field or position, or you might have more general experience or transferable skills that you can apply to the specific job advertised.
- **Will train:** It's fine if you don't have direct experience. In some cases -- rare, but it happens -- companies want people without experience, so they won't have to unlearn the ways of a previous employer.

## Senior-, junior- or entry-level?

Entry-level jobs require the least experience and are open to candidates just out of school. You should have a few years of experience for a junior-level position, and you must be highly proficient with more than five years of experience, generally, for a senior-level role.

Sometimes the level is implied but not stated in the title itself. For example, "senior administrative assistant" (senior) will require more experience than "administrative assistant," (junior) which will require more experience than "receptionist" (entry level).

Also consider the size of the company. A senior position in a large firm may require decades of experience; in a small company a few years may be adequate.

## Knowledge and proficiency

- **Working knowledge of:** This means that you should be familiar with the topic, tool, technique or software, but it's not necessary that you've used them.

- **Proficient in:** You have handled certain tasks and tools in the past, but may not know the finer points. If you have a year of hands-on experience, that should be enough.

- **Command of:** You are so experienced with a task, skill or software that you could teach others how it works.

## Personal qualities

Phrases that seem like meaningless jargon are actually ways of finding intangible personal qualities. Some examples:

- **Highly motivated:** They want to be sure you have passion and commitment for the job and you're not applying just for a paycheck.

- **Team player and/or good interpersonal skills:** They want to know if you work well with others, even if your job requires working independently. Being able to collaborate when necessary is important for most jobs.

- **Works well under pressure:** They want to make sure you won't flip out if your deadline is pushed up a day or two.

- **Thinks outside of the box:** They want you to have some original and innovative ideas. Then again, they don't want a loose cannon; teamwork almost always takes precedence over genius, no matter what the want ads say.

Be specific in your own résumé.

As confusing as want ads can be for job candidates, résumés can be just as confusing for employers, according to Hassan Akmal, director of career services for DeVry University in Sherman Oaks, Palmdale and Oxnard, California. Akmal recommends working with a counselor who will help you use the terms correctly on your résumé. "You don't want to mislead a hiring manager by inflating your skills. For example, don't say you are experienced in a language when you only know a few words."

## Should you apply?

Most career counselors recommend applying even when you don't fit all the criteria. "With so many applicants today, if a company demands a certain number of years of experience, they will find many [candidates] to choose from, but sometimes they will choose a candidate with less experience who shines in other ways," Akmal says.

Jenna Gausman, a career counselor at Santa Monica College, says it's okay to apply for a position that is one step higher or one step lower than your level of experience. "You never know if the organization might just have the opportunity to bring someone up to speed if you don't have all the experience they want. Putting time into a really good cover letter as to why you are ready for the next step will help the candidate land an interview."

Larry Buhl researches and writes about job search strategy, career management, hiring trends and workplace issues for CareerBuilder.com. Follow @CareerBuilder on Twitter.



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# CarReport

The Hometown Edition

## CHRYSLER PRODUCTS HELP BRANDS LEAD THE PACK

By Dale Buss

No wonder Chrysler executives went out of town last week and announced their September sales before their traditional mid-day monthly slot. The company posted a whopping 27-percent increase in U.S. sales last month, to 127,334 units compared with 100,077 units, the best relative performance of any of the top-tier automakers by volume for the month.



Dale Buss

It was sort of like how Florida is trying to jump the gun and host its presidential primary before Iowa. But Chrysler's news apparently was too exciting to wait. Not only were its overall sales up significantly in September, but the retail-sales component soared by 50 percent.

That's right: In the sales component that most reflects the

mood of the buying public, Chrysler and its dealers far outperformed the fleet-sales component that is tied to commercial purchases and is far more volatile.

Northland Chrysler-Jeep-Dodge General Manager Jack McInerney agrees that consumers' concerns about Chrysler's 2009 bailout "have gone away, especially after the company paid back the government." But the Oak Park dealership is seeing rising sales and showroom traffic these days mainly because Chrysler and its brands are nailing the products that they need to appeal to car buyers these days.

"People feel good about Chrysler and our brands again and their local roots, but if we don't have what they're looking for - which we didn't always have a few years ago - they're going to move on," McInerney said. "And they're not."



Jeep's new Grand Cherokee has become a great lease option.

Reid Bigland, Chrysler's head of U.S. sales, said in a release last week, "Irrespective of the economy, strong products equal strong sales, and with our retail sales up a whopping 50 percent, that is exactly what we have. We have now gained more retail market share than anyone else in the country. There is no double-dip downturn going on around here."

So what is going on around Chrysler? For one thing, its brands have re-emerged with clear vibrancy under Fiat ownership. Chrysler, Jeep, Dodge and Ram Truck brands each posted sales increases in September, led by a 42-percent surge for Ram truck. Ram pickup sales were up 45 percent, for the best sales month of any this year and the best September sales since 2007.

Jeep sales once again were strong, as they have been all year, up 24 percent over a year

ago. Chrysler said they were driven by availability of the new Compass, whose sales were up 306 percent over a year ago. Grand Cherokee sales rose 78 percent through September compared with sales of an older version a year ago. And Wrangler and Liberty each posted double-digit sales increases.

McInerney said that Grand Cherokee sales have been strong for the entire year since their introduction and that Northland is able to accommodate more buyers now because of easier availability of lease deals. Three years ago, almost all transactions for the previous version of the Grand Cherokee were leases, he said; that dropped to nearly zero during the depths of the recession. Now, it's back up to 30 to 40 percent.

"It's much easier looking at affording a Grand Cherokee with leather seats and a moon roof for

about \$38,000, if you can pay \$450 a month for three years in a lease, versus having to put down \$5,000 to \$6,000 down to get the vehicle for twice as long," he said.

Even the Chrysler brand with the thinnest product line, Chrysler itself, has been making the most of things: Its new 300 sedan, for instance, just got an uncharacteristically strong recommendation from Consumer Reports, which is highly influential with many American consumers.

"The ride is fantastic, whether it's all-wheel or rear-wheel-drive," McInerney said about the 300. "Plus you've got a moon roof, back-up sensors and cameras, and even a little window shade in the rear. Plus it's a great-looking car. It really brings people into the showroom."

Thus, with 300 sales up by 50 percent for the month because of the new model, compared with a year ago, the Chrysler brand logged its best sales month since August 2008 and the best September sales since 2007.

Perhaps the most remarkable element of Chrysler's run is that it has occurred without resorting to the deep-incentives ploy that American automakers too often have used over the last several years, to the long-term detriment of their brands. In fact, according to an analysis by Edmunds.com, Chrysler was the only major automaker besides Toyota to lower U.S. incentives in September from August, down by 2.5 percent while Toyota's dropped by 1.9 percent.



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