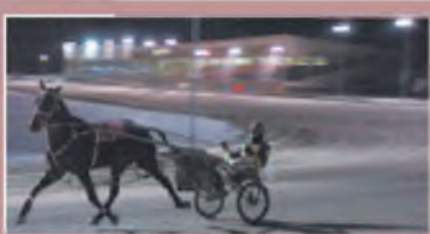


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## Buy, sell art

The Northville Art House's second annual Art from the Attic, an exciting opportunity for metro-Detroiters to both buy and sell art for a great cause. The Art House will accept donations of used or new art on Feb. 21-22. These donations can include two-dimensional fine art, quality prints and photographs as well as three-dimensional, sculptural work. The public may then purchase this art at a ticketed, opening reception on Friday, Feb. 24 or during the public sale Feb. 25-26.

"Last year's event was a great success," said Sue Taylor, chairperson of the Northville Arts Commission. "We had some incredible pieces and the sale was truly exciting. This year, we already have donations of art by local artists, as well as significant pieces from private collectors, including a lithograph by Alexander Calder."

Donors must price the art themselves, and can choose to receive 50 percent of that price if the item sells, or donate all proceeds to the Northville Art House. These gifts to the Art House are tax deductible to the fullest extent of the law.

"The Northville Art House is a vital organization in southeast Michigan," says Taylor. "Our monthly exhibits of art as well as our classes for adults and children are valuable resources in this time of deep cuts in the cultural arts."

For more information about donating art, or to purchase a ticket for the opening sale and reception, contact the Northville Art House at (248) 344-0497 during office hours of 1-5 p.m., Wednesdays-Saturdays. The Art House is located at 215 W. Cady Street in downtown Northville and is a facility of the City of Northville.

# Township pays CPARD \$36k

## Citizens group wins legal fees in 7 Mile property meeting battle

By Lonnie Huhman  
Correspondent

Four years of legal proceedings between the residential activist group Citizens for Public Accountability and Responsible Development and Northville Township have come to a close

after the township consented to the court's order to pay CPARD's \$36,000 in legal fees.

Northville Township had previously appealed the Michigan Court of Appeals to reconsider its decision that said the township was in violation of the Open Meetings Act for the minutes it

approved for a July 2008 meeting dealing with the development put forth by REIS-Northville L.L.C. (REIS). However, the court denied this last July.

CPARD member Stephen Emsley said Northville Township initially wanted to pay half of their legal fees, but relented to all of

it after faced with the possibility of more court proceedings. Emsley stands firmly behind CPARD's original stance.

"I am not the official spokesperson for CPARD and have not polled all of the members, so

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## Future City Competition



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Northville Christian School eighth-graders present their Michigan Regional Future City Competition model at the Jan. 30 competition at Novi's Suburban Collection Showplace. From left are Courtney Snell, Josh Renas, and Kendall Kirkland. The school's entry was called "Superior Vis" — which generated its residents energy needs from geothermal and piezoelectric — or energy collected from vibrations. The competition is sponsored by the Engineering Society of Detroit.

## Driver in hit-and-run fatality turns himself in

By Lonnie Huhman  
Correspondent

The driver allegedly involved in the fatal hit-and-run in downtown Northville early in December turned himself into police and is now cooperating in the case that caused the death of 25-year-old Joshua Green.

According to Northville City Police Detective Matt Clemence, the driver willingly turned himself in nearly two weeks ago, and now the case information has been sent to the Wayne County Prosecutors office for potential charges.

Clemence said the investigation is ongoing and no other information can be given at this time because there are no official charges.

According to Northville City Police, on the early morning of Dec. 3 Green was hit by a dark colored SUV-type vehicle while

walking southbound on Griswold Street near Main Street with a group of friends. He was taken to Botsford Hospital in Farmington Hills, but was declared dead several hours later from the injuries sustained.

Captain Michael Carlson said Green and his friends were walking toward downtown Northville on the edge of Griswold Street in the area usually used by bicyclists.

Green's friends did run after the fleeing vehicle as it turned right on to west Main Street, but lost track of it as it turned right again on to Hutton Street. They reported the vehicle model and make as possibly being a black Honda CRV.

That night both township and city police responded to the scene near the intersection in downtown Northville while Michigan State Police were present to assist in reconstructing the accident.

## 'Connection' project to begin

By Lonnie Huhman  
Correspondent

All of the pieces are in place, and work on the Comerica Community Connection will be in full swing now that Northville City Council has approved the project budget and contract for inspection services.

The connection will provide a public linkage between the Marquis parking lot and Main Street and complete a pedestrian spine running from CVS on the north, through the walkway and town square, to the underutilized parking lots south of Mary Alexander Court.

By a 5-0 vote Monday night, the council agreed with the recommendation put forth by Downtown Development Authority Director Lori Ward. Northville resident Dominic Maltese has

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# Spinergy: New way to get fit comes to Northville

By **Lonnie Huhman**  
Correspondent

A unique type of fitness location has come to downtown Northville, and it's bringing the stationary bicycle workout into the new century.

Spinergy, which is located inside Northville Square, will be having its grand opening/open house on Friday, Feb. 10. "Your ride comes to life" is their motto and after visitors check out the bikes, projection screen and the rest of the studio it will not be surprising to see some of them return for a good sweat.

The idea came to co-owners Dennis Lauderback and Dave Gawthrop after they thought about combining their passions for bicycling, community and exercise together.

"We are offering something for everyone, from the beginner wanting to learn to the serious cyclist wanting to stay in shape," Northville resident Lauderback said. "Our hope is to build a community of

enthusiasts."

There are four core reasons that they make Spinergy so unique. All of the elements are brought together to give participants a great upper and lower body workout in an awesome environment.

It starts with the bikes, which are RealRyders. There are 20 of them lined up in several rows. The riders can tilt and lean on them giving them the feeling of sitting on a real bike. Gawthrop said there is nothing like these bikes.

In front of the bikes on the wall is the 16-foot-by-9-foot projection screen. Scenes from Napa Valley to the Pacific Coast Highway, along with a local ride along 7 Mile Road going west out of Northville, are played to give the bikers or spinners a very life-like experience. In addition, the fans provide the feeling of a much needed cool breeze while music is played to add to the motivation and fun.

Next are the skilled instructors leading each workout session; Lauderback said they

are key. One is South Lyon resident Tom Nicholson, who competes as a tri-athlete and is an avid cyclist. He said his goal is to help individuals with all abilities reach their fitness goals.

"This is a total body workout that resembles a realistic road ride," Nicholson said. "It's really quite awesome."

Finally, what Lauderback and Gawthrop like most about this opportunity is Spinergy's location in downtown Northville. They said they have received a lot of support from the local merchants and residents. Both are looking forward to the open house and getting things going.

"This is something unique and different, and we couldn't be happier to have found this location," Gawthrop said.

To find out more about Spinergy and the various exercise packages offered go to [www.spinergy-fitness.com](http://www.spinergy-fitness.com) or call them at (248) 344-1514.

The grand opening will be from 4:30-8 p.m. tomorrow. Classes begin the next day.



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Dennis Lauderback, left, and Dave Gawthrop will soon open their bicycle exercise studio "Spinergy" in Northville Square. The pair will be open at the end of the first week of February.

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**CORRECTION**

The letter titled "District responds to speaker" by Mary Kay Gallagher that appeared in the Feb. 2 edition of the Record was not intended as a letter to the editor for publication. It was sent by the district through a ListServ email for the school community only.

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# Court adjourned

## Reporter takes memories of 27 years into retirement

By Darrell Clem  
Observer Staff Writer

She watched the old 35th District Court burn, kept meticulous records of heart-wrenching crimes, taught fledgling colleagues the ropes and spent most of her career working for a judge who seemed like a father after she lost her own.

Memories abound and emotions are running high as Carol Richardson retired Tuesday and ended a 27-year career as the longest-serving court reporter ever for Plymouth-based 35th District Court, which serves Northville, Plymouth and Canton.

"I love my job," Richardson, 58, said as she sat in her third-floor office. "I love the people I work with. Every day is a different challenge. Every day is a different reward. I've grown from a child to a woman here. My lessons in life came from working in this court."

Her departure as chief court reporter and secretary to Judge James Plakas has saddened her friends and colleagues.

"This is a sad, sad day in my life," said Kay Jasin, a decade-long court reporter for Judge Michael Gerou. "I came here from a law office with no court experience. Carol taught me everything I know. She is my best friend."

### Followed a judge

Richardson, daughter of Lorraine Paterson and the late Thomas Paterson, grew up in Redford and is a 1971 graduate of Bishop Borgess High School. She spent four years attending Henry Ford Community Col-



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Carol Richardson has seen big changes with new technologies in court reporting. She retires Tuesday as the longest-serving court reporter in 35th District Court history.

lege and the University of Michigan-Dearborn, earning her legal assistant degree.

Richardson worked seven years for then-attorney John MacDonald and served with him during his 24 years as a 35th District Court judge before he retired three years ago.

"Carol is a very competent individual. She's loyal and reliable," MacDonald said. "She's a fine person."

Plakas recalled how Richardson helped him when he succeeded MacDonald. Plakas had times he would have forgotten to impose

court fines if she hadn't reminded him.

"She was crucial to my transition from attorney to the bench," he said.

Richardson's duties have involved keeping a verbatim record of court proceedings, providing transcripts such as when cases are appealed, working as the judge's secretary and helping attorneys who are trying to reach settlements. She spent almost her entire career with MacDonald.

"He was like a father to me," she said. "He was my rock. He took over when my dad died (15 years ago)."

### Helping others

Divorced with no children, Richardson, a Canton resident, has cherished her ability to help people who found themselves thrust into the court system, and she has gained a wealth of knowledge from her job.

"I love law," she said. One of the most challenging aspects of her job has been complying with a 28-day deadline for providing a verbatim transcript when a case is appealed.

"I've worked many evenings and weekends on transcripts," she said, calling herself "a perfectionist" when it came to grammar and punctuation.

While listening to emotional cases involving child abuse, rape and other violent crimes, Richardson also had the difficulty of making a record of highly technical information. "Some of the medical terminology is really challenging," she said.

She has never forgotten the time she lost all of her court records when an accidental fire destroyed the former 35th District Court in Plymouth in July 1997. "We stood outside and watched the building burn," she said. "We had to start from scratch with our records."

Richardson and others worked out of the trunks of their cars, in office space provided by nearby Unisys, in other district courts and,



Carol Richardson worked for Judge James Plakas the last three years after spending 24 years with former Judge John MacDonald.

finally, in mobile housing on Plymouth Road, across from where the new court opened three years later.

She vividly remembers entering the new court. "It was so beautiful."

Richardson proudly speaks of 35th District Court. Long before court consolidation became a buzzword, it handled cases from Plymouth, Northville and the townships of Plymouth, Canton and Northville. It was on the forefront of video-arraignment technology and same-day sentencing.

Court officer Dave Fendeleit has known Richardson since his days as a Northville police officer.

"She is extremely pleasant and at the top level of efficiency," he said. "She makes my job

easier. "She's a good person, and it's going to be a loss when she leaves."

Yet, leave she will come Tuesday. She plans to spend some winter months in Nevada visiting relatives such as her brother, Michael Nawrot, and his three children. She plans to return to her favorite vacation spot, Maui, and she intends to travel to places such as Brazil and Bali.

"I've got the travel bug," she said with a smile.

No matter how far she travels, however, 35th District Court and its employees will remain in her heart.

"It has been a great career," she said. "It's going to be very, very sad to leave."

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## Science day



During science day at Northville Presbyterian Preschool, Lisa Higley taught children about what we use water for, how much water our bodies need, what happens when water freezes and the water cycle in general. The children then went back into their classrooms and used salt to melt ice and made a water cycle mobile. The science day was for the 4- and 5-year-old classes.

## NORTHVILLE SCHOOL BRIEFS

### Nobody injured in Northville school bus accident

A Northville Public Schools bus carrying 25 Northville High School students was involved in a traffic accident around 2:25 p.m. Monday. The vehicle involved was Bus O, which was rear-ended while stopped at the traffic light at 6 Mile and Sheldon roads as it was traveling east on Six Mile to the satellite stop at Winchester Elementary. No student injuries were reported, and students on the bus were transferred to another back-up bus at the Northville Township Municipal Building for completion of the run. The bus driver involved was not injured, and was not cited in this incident.

### Silver Springs earns Raz-Kids grant

Silver Springs was awarded the 2011-2012 Northville Educational (NEF) Innovative Grant to purchase the computer reading program called Raz-Kids. The awarded totaled \$959.40.

Raz-Kids gives students the opportunity to read animated leveled books and take interactive quizzes at home and also at school. Students can listen to books read aloud, read with vocabulary and pronunciation support, and read without support. Teachers can assign appropriate reading levels and specific books and track student reading progress. Students can improve reading comprehension and reading fluency anywhere with Internet access.

### Northville student perfect on ACT

Jahanzeb Jahania, son of Dr. Salik and Sylbiyah Jahania and a junior at Northville High School, earned a top composite score of 36 on a recent ACT test. Nationally, while the actual number of students earning a composite score of 36 varies from year to year, roughly one-tenth of one percent receive a top score. Among test takers in the high school graduating class of 2011, only 704 of more than 1.6 million students earned a composite score of 36.

The ACT consists of tests in English, mathematics, reading and science. Each test is scored on a scale of 1-36, and a student's composite score is the average of the four test scores. Some students also take ACT's optional Writing Test, but the score for that test is reported separately and is not included within the ACT composite score.

In a letter recognizing this exceptional achievement, ACT CEO Jon Whitmore said, "While test scores are just one of the many criteria that most colleges consider when making admission decisions, your exceptional ACT composite score should prove helpful as you pursue your education and career goals."

ACT test scores are accepted by all major U.S. colleges, and exceptional scores of 36 provide colleges with evidence of student readiness for the academic rigors that lie ahead.

### Students honor Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Artwork and essays created by Northville Public Schools' students honoring the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., are currently on display at the Northville District Library through the end of February. The display is located on the library's lower level in the open area adjacent to the main stairway.

In classrooms across Northville's 11 school buildings, students and teachers took the opportunity on Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, January 16, to reflect on Dr. King's message of peace and equality through teacher-led activities that included book talks, selected speeches, writing reflections, art projects, skits, and discussions about how Dr.

King's work changed our country. The student work on display at the library is just a sample of the meaningful ways in which students, teachers and staff gave thought to the principles taught by Dr. King. The theme of this year's Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day student activities was "Walk in the Footsteps of Dr. King."

"Everyday in our community and in our schools we do our best to follow in Dr. King's footsteps and live by the principles he taught," said Lynne Mossoian, director of Special Services for Northville Public Schools and chairperson of the school district's Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Planning Committee. "We hope this display of student writings and artwork will serve as a reminder to all of us that the journey toward greater understanding and respect for one another is both worthwhile and ongoing."

"Our sincere thanks to the Northville District Library for helping us to share this inspiring student work with the entire community."

### Course selection time

It is time for parents and students to plan course selections for Northville High School 2012-13 school year. Wise planning now will guarantee a smooth start in the fall. Students will receive information packets for registration based on the following schedule:

- Class of 2013: Tuesday, Feb. 14
- Class of 2014: Wednesday, Feb. 22
- Class of 2015: Tuesday, Feb. 28

All seminars will be held at 9:20 p.m. in the Northville High School auditorium.

An Online Catalogue can be found on the NHS Website under "Classes" [www.northville.k12.mi.us/nhs/classes.htm](http://www.northville.k12.mi.us/nhs/classes.htm).

Again this year, students are asked to identify a Career Pathway as described in the course catalogue and select classes with this information in mind. Students are encouraged to check admission requirements for universities they may be interested in attending to insure proper preparation.

- Each grade level has approximately one week to complete the registration information and return the information to the Counseling Office.

- Course request sheets must be signed by student and parent.

- All course request forms are due back into counseling on March 2 for the class of 2013 & 2014. The due date for the class of 2015 is March 9.

In addition to completion of a Course Request Sheet, all students must also sign into Student Connect <http://www.northville.k12.mi.us/webconnect> and list the courses they have selected for next year.

### Curriculum Night

Northville Public Schools Early Childhood and Extended Day Programs present Curriculum Night from 6:30-8 p.m. March 8 in the Northville Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main Street.

Designed for families new to the programs, this evening will provide parents with information on the programs, curriculum and enrollment procedures.

Child care will be provided at the licensed Main Street location. Children must be at least 33 months old and toilet trained. Sign up by March 1 by calling (248) 344-8465.

### Senior All Night Party tickets on sale now

Tickets are on sale for the Northville High School Class of 2012 Senior All Night Party, to be held Sunday, June 3, 2012, following the graduation ceremony.

To purchase tickets for a graduating senior, or to volunteer or donate, please visit the SANP website at [www.nhssanp.com](http://www.nhssanp.com), and download and complete the SANP forms. Parent permission forms must accompany all ticket forms.

## NORTHVILLE ON CAMPUS

### Grand Valley State University

Angela Ramsey was named to the Dean's List for the fall 2011 session. She is a 2009 graduate of Northville High School and is currently a junior at GVSU majoring in social work.

### Iowa State University

Northville's Thomoas Wayne Arnold, a political science major, was recognized for outstanding academic achievement by being named to the 2011 fall semester Dean's List. Students named to the Dean's List must have earned a grade

point average of at least 3.50 on a 4.00 scale while carrying a minimum of 12 credit hours of graded course work.

### Bowling Green State University

Several students from Northville – Emma Boylan, Andrew Bray, Rachelle Gudobba, Molly Ladhoff, and Lauren O'Brien -- were named to the Dean's List for achieving grade point averages of 3.5 or better on a 4.0 scale. To be chosen for the Dean's List, undergraduate students must carry no fewer than 12 letter-graded credit hours per semester.

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## State honors choir



Four Northville High School students were selected as members of the 290-voice MS-VMA High School State Honors Choir at the annual Michigan Music Conference on Jan. 19-21 in Grand Rapids: (l to r) Katie Step, 12th grade; Samantha Kargilis, ninth; Annelie Herrmann, 10th; and Lauren Wickett, 11th. Nearly 600 high school and middle school singers were invited to perform with the state honors choirs, having been selected from more than 2,000 students across the state. These students were selected based solely on their music/vocal merit, through a succession of auditions. Invitation to the state honors choir represents one of the most prestigious honors in the music education community. In conjunction with the conference a concert was held at DeVos Hall in Grand Rapids on Jan. 21.



## NORTHVILLE POLICE BRIEFS

### Fatal pedestrian accident

**1** A 60-year-old Northville woman was struck and killed by a car on 7 Mile Road at Gerald Avenue around 9:30 p.m. Feb. 2.

A Mercury Sable was traveling west on 7 Mile Road when the pedestrian entered the west-bound lanes in the path of the vehicle and struck the windshield.

The car was driven by a 24-year-old Redford female, who was not injured in the crash. She had no other occupants in the vehicle.

The pedestrian was treated at the scene by the Northville Township Fire Department and transported to Botsford Hospital where she later succumbed to her injuries.

The investigation is ongoing.

### OUIL

**2** A 24-year-old Dexter man was arrested for drunken driving on Jan. 28 after Northville city police found him parked behind the Cooke School building.

The reporting officer was on patrol on Taft Road when the driver was observed pulling into the school's drive and then going to the rear of the building. It was after



hours, so the officer followed to investigate. The man said he was lost and was following a friend.

The officer reported smelling intoxicants on the man's breath as he spoke. He said he had three beers at a bar in downtown Northville. After swaying during some of the field sobriety tests and having trouble with the alphabet part, the man was given a breathalyzer. He was above the limit at .10 percent.

### Suspicious Person

**3** Instead of stopping a breaking and entering in progress, North-

ville city police instead arrived at a residence on Beal Street to find an intoxicated man sitting on the front porch swing.

On Jan. 29, a Northville woman called police and said it sounded as if someone was trying to

break into her home. She was on the second floor at the time and heard noises, but was unable to see anyone.

The police said the 26-year-old Livonia man was extremely intoxicated and confused when they

found him sitting inside the enclosed porch area. As he was swinging back and forth he was banging the wall. The police found no evidence of an attempted break-in and the woman did not want to pursue trespassing charges.

The man was transported to the hospital due to his condition. He could not provide police with much information at the time.

### Trespassing

**4** A warehouse building in the 16000 block of Northville Road has become the play area for some intruders and now the owner will be cutting down the tree, which has been used to gain entry into the location.

According to a Northville Township police report, it appears as if individuals, possibly kids, have been climbing a tree near the building and then getting in through a roof hatch. Nothing has been reported stolen or broken, but the owner did want to file a report. The report did say some fire extinguishers were set

off inside the building.

The identities of the intruders are unknown.

### Reckless Driving

**5** A 26-year-old Northville man was arrested after being stopped for going 107 mph in a 45 mph speed zone.

The police report stated a Northville Township police officer was on stationary speed patrol near 8 Mile Road and Spring Lane on Jan. 25 when a Ford Edge was observed traveling at a high rate of speed on east-bound Eight Mile. It was further observed speeding through the intersection at Haggerty Road and then on to I-275.

Police stopped the man near Six Mile Road after clocking him at 100 m.p.h. while passing other vehicles on the freeway. He said he was out for a drive. And when asked why he did not stop earlier he said he was looking for a good spot.

The police will not pursue fleeing and eluding charges.

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# Two to earn Eagle Scout rank on Feb. 12

John DeSilva and Kyle McCormick will be awarded their Eagle Scout rank at a Court of Honor Sunday, Feb. 12, at the First Presbyterian Church in Northville. John and Kyle have been scouts together in Troop 755 since they both joined in fifth grade. They are seniors at Northville High School.

One of the requirements to achieve the rank of Eagle Scout is to plan, develop and complete a service project that helps a school, religious institution or the community.

Last spring, Kyle planned and organized the collection of over 500 pieces of sports equipment and more than 15 bags of clothing for the Boys & Girls Club of Detroit. Items gathered included four bikes; four Razor scooters; a set of golf clubs; and countless skateboards, footballs, basketballs, and soccer balls. McCormick and volunteers then spent a



Kyle McCormick (left) and John DeSilva (right) are pictured with Troop 755 Eagle Advisor Bill Phillips.

day at the Boys & Girls Club of Detroit distributing the equipment in a free raffle. As a child's number was called, he or she was able to browse among the items and choose an item. More than 50 children attended the event. The interaction also served as a meet-and-greet to

help acquaint children between the ages of 6 and 15 with Boy Scouts. As a result of this project, hundreds of useful items that were no longer used (and collecting dust in garages) were repurposed to grateful kids just as summer was getting underway. Highlights of Kyle's

Scouting career include back packing in Alaska for two weeks and scuba diving in the Florida Keys. Kyle plans on attending Michigan State University this fall and pursuing a career as a lawyer.

John DeSilva was able to bring his experience with the Northville High

School Robotics team to his Eagle service project by running a Robotics camp for elementary and middle school students called RoboCamp. The goal of RoboCamp is to spark an interest in engineering, science and technology in students at a young age to foster a future community of thinkers.

John planned, organized, and ran four hands-on camps for 160 elementary and middle school students based on Lego robots. Preparation for the summer camp began months earlier with advertising, managing the applications and preparing camp supplies. Valassis Communications Inc. donated 18 laptops that John prepared with Lego Robotics software so that each group of campers had their own laptop to view interactive directions and program their robot. Running the camps required the coordination of over 60 volunteers to assist the camp-

ers with programming and robot building comprising over 1000 volunteer hours.

"By far the most rewarding aspect of the project was interacting with the students at the camp," said DeSilva. The campers enjoyed building and programming robots to complete various tasks and participating in numerous science games and experiments.

John has enjoyed many high adventure trips with Troop 755 including backpacking in Alaska, sailing a tall ship in the Florida Keys, canoeing the Minnesota Boundary Waters and dog sledding in Canada. Although John had not made a final decision on which college to attend, he plans to major in computer science and enter the field of software engineering.

The boys join a select group of roughly 5 percent of Scouts in the United States who earn the rank of Eagle Scout.

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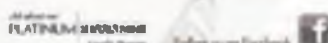
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Michael Tolkacz and Joshua Gage were honored for receiving the Boy Scouts of America Eagle Rank on Dec. 29 at Our Lady of Victory Church in Northville.

# Pair receive Scouting's highest honor, Eagle

Troop 777, chartered to the First United Methodist Church of Northville, announced that Michael Tolkacz and Joshua Gage were honored for receiving the Boy Scouts of America Eagle Rank on Dec. 29 at Our Lady of Victory Church in Northville.

The two 18-year-olds are both from the Northville/Novi area, attend Our Lady of Victory Church and are 2011 graduates of Catholic Central High School in Novi. Joshua now attends The University of Michigan and Michael attends Albion College.

"I am very proud of both of these fine young men and honored to have had the opportunity to participate in their character formation," said Scoutmaster Dave Rabahy. "They come from families with very strong traditional values of duty to God and community service.

For Joshua's Eagle Project, he developed and executed the 1st Annual Clothing Drive at Our Lady of Victory Parish for the benefit of The Society of St. Vincent de Paul. His project not only entailed the collecting of clothing but also establishing a connection between the Society and the OLV Parish so that the clothing drive could be run easily on an annual basis.

Joshua and his team of 40+ volunteers spent more than 55 hours to collect over 200 bags of clothing. The project produced over 10,000 articles of clothing to help families in need. Joshua also established contacts with both entities and provided a booklet with detailed plans of how to run the project annually.

Michael's Eagle Project was a three-fold process. The first part consisted of collecting toiletry items after masses during the month of July to be shipped to sons and

daughters of the Dearborn and Macomb County Chapters of the Michigan Military Moms.

The second step was a bottle drive at church as well as a neighborhood drive in his Meadowbrook Glens' subdivision. The drive helped collect over \$700 to be used for shipping packages.

The final step in the process was to sort items, deliver them to the Dearborn and Macomb counties' packaging locations and then help package boxes for soldiers overseas. Overall, Michael and fellow scouts from Troop 777 helped in some capacity to send over 150 packages to soldiers overseas.

Joshua and Michael's path to Eagle Scout included earning the prestigious Ad Altare Dei Catholic Religious Award. Joshua participated in the 2008 high adventure trip to Philmont Scout Ranch in the mountains of New Mexico, and Michael attended the National Scout Jamboree at Fort A.P. Hill, Va. in 2010.

Both young men thanked their families, Our Lady of Victory church for allowing them to use their facilities while they collected and sort-

ed their items, the scouts and leaders of Troop 777 for helping them complete their projects, and especially the Northville and Novi communities for jointly coming together to help them achieve their goal and for supporting two worthy organizations.

Joe Salvia came to the Court of Honor as a representative for Congressman Thaddeus McCotter to present both Eagle Scouts with A Certificate of Special Congressional Recognition and to present Michael with the Distinguished Service Award for Service to American Veterans.

"The positive impact of their presence will echo around town and down the ages everywhere they go," said Rabahy. "Their parents and families can take pride too in having initiated and contributed to such outstanding citizens and dignified human beings."



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Eagle Scout candidate Jason Miller, 17, works on refurbishing the shelves in the Northville District Library's Book Cellar on Dec. 29. Miller and a few of his fellow Scouts from Troop 755 worked on painting the downstairs book room's walls and re-staining its shelves during the Christmas break. Funds for the project were provided by the Friends of the Library.

# Eagle Scout project is one for the books

By Julie Brown  
Staff Writer

Jason Miller, 17, an Eagle Scout candidate, chose to work on the bookshelves at the Book Cellar of the Northville District Library for his project.

Miller and other Scouts spent five days over Christmas vacation painting and staining the shelves, said Joe Thomas, a Friends of the Library member. The Friends group provided funds for the project.

The Book Cellar is a used book store

within the library. Volunteer Thomas emphasized that no millage money or tax dollars were used on the Scout project.

"They did just fine," he said of the Scouts. "They came in and worked hard." The work was done just before and just after Christmas.

Thomas said there aren't a lot of Eagle Scout projects done at the library.

"We still have a lot of work to do, but it's much improved," he said of the area.

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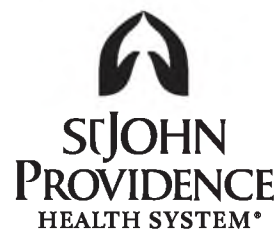
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By Nathan Mueller  
Staff Writer

Ken Bank is living his dream. As the owner of Bank's Vacuum, the Northville resident always wanted to provide "the same personable customer service experience in multiple locations" that started when the company was founded in 1956 by his grandfather Herman Bank.

Not only is he doing that with 11 locations across southeast Michigan, but he is even expanding operations in Novi, a city one of his stores has called home since 1992.

"It's very exciting," he said of his growth in Novi. "I want to show my customers that I am making a commitment to the community to be in the area."

Bank's Vacuum has been in two locations in Novi, first on Grand River Avenue between Novi Road and Main Street and then in the Novi Town Center. The new location is at 43015 Grand River, between the fire station and party store near Main Street.

Bank bought the 3,650-square-foot building, which is nearly triple the size of the existing store, to better serve his customers with a larger showroom floor and additional parking.

He said the store has all the brands the big box stores carry, but also the "higher quality brands that choose not to distribute at the big boxes."

Bank's also offers 24-hour service, parts and accessories for various vacuums and are factory-authorized to repair nearly every brand of vacuum cleaner.

"We provide a one stop forum where consumers can try and compare every vacuum before they buy it," he said.

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Ken Bank has found a new home for Bank's Vacuum in Novi at 430175 Grand River in a shop he's refurbishing for his vacuum cleaner sales and service center. Bank's will carry lines of both commercial and home vacuums and carpet cleaners.

#### NORTHVILLE BUSINESS BRIEFS

##### Massage Envy leases in Northville

Mid-America Real Estate-Michigan, Inc. announced a 4,007 square foot lease in Northville Village at 17915 Haggerty Road. Jack Uhazie of Mid-America Real Estate-Michigan, Inc. represented the landlord, Northville Village Center, in this transaction. Massage Envy is the new tenant.

##### Holiday sales better for most Michigan retailers

Two-thirds of Michigan retailers rang up better holiday sales, with most retailers boosting sales by more than 5 percent, according to the latest Michigan Retail Index, a joint project of Michigan Retailers Association and the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago.

"It was a good holiday season, and the second consecutive year of positive holiday results," said MRA President and CEO James P. Hallan. "Sales were strongest early in the season and remained positive throughout — we would have been surprised if the final numbers had been different than they turned out."

Michigan retailers went into the season more bullish than national forecasts. On average, the state's retailers projected a 6 percent gain over the previous year. While the final average was a 4 percent gain, 53 percent of retailers improved sales by more than 5 percent, and 13 percent by 0.1 to 5 percent.

Nationally, the U.S. Commerce Department said sales rose by 0.4 percent in November and 0.1 in December. The National Retail Federation said a narrower category it defined as "holiday sales" grew by 4.1 percent.

The Michigan Retail Index for December found that 43 percent of retailers increased sales over the same month last year, while 35 percent recorded declines and 22 percent saw no change. The results create a seasonally adjusted performance index of 59.1, down from 63.2 in November but up from 58.3 in October.

The Index gauges the performance of the state's overall retail industry, based on monthly surveys conducted by MRA and the Federal Reserve. Index values above 50 generally indicate positive activity; the higher the number, the stronger the activity.

Looking forward, 46 percent of retailers expect sales during January-March to increase over the same period last year, while 18 percent project a decrease and 36 percent no change.

That puts the seasonally adjusted outlook index at 71.8, down from 75.8 in November.

##### Schoolcraft hosting mother/daughter Micro-Lending workshop

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**Details:** Singalongs, finger plays and creative movement for children ages 2 years and up; free.

#### MOVIES AT THE MARQUIS

**Location:** Marquis Theater, 135 E. Main Street, Northville  
**Time/Date:** doors open at 6:45 p.m.; movies begin at 7:30 p.m.; through Feb. 25  
**Details:** The Northville Downtown Development Authority invites you to this classic movie series, sponsored by Tom Holzer Ford. Each of the individual movies will be sponsored by the Downtown Northville merchant listed below. Tickets are \$3 in advance at the ticket sponsor location, or \$5 at the Marquis the night of the show.  
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**Feb. 25:** "Bye Bye Birdie"; Keller Williams Realty Northville

#### "WIN WIN" WINE & BEER TASTING FUNDRAISER

**Time/Date:** 7-10:30 p.m. Thursday, March 8  
**Location:** Northville Sports Den  
**Details:** A benefit for "The Leader In Me" program at Silver Springs Elementary. Cost is \$30 per person; adults only. Live and silent auctions. Wear your favorite sports shirt. Tickets will be limited to 170. Presented by the Silver Springs Dad's club and TLIM Parent Lighthouse Team.  
**Contact:** Dana DeMink (248) 347-6047

## "Cheaper by the Dozen"



"Cheaper by the Dozen", presented by Spotlight Players Feb. 17-19 and Feb. 24-26 at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill, includes several local residents. From Canton: Drex Morton (Father, Mr. Frank B. Gilbreth), Miki Somers (Ernestine), Alex Smith (Dan), Jenessa Hubbard (Anne); and from Northville: Kristin Heitmeier (Mother, Mrs. Lillian Gilbreth) and Annie Heitmeier (Martha). Tickets are \$18 for adults; \$17 for seniors and students under 19. Visit [www.spotlightplayersmi.org](http://www.spotlightplayersmi.org) for more information.

## PROJECT

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been retained to provide inspection services for the \$800,000 project, which will have a \$100,000 contingency fund. The project contingency is around 12.5 percent of the construction costs. Ward said this would be used for change orders throughout the project.

The funding for the contingency is coming from the original project budget (\$30,000) and unutilized project contingency funds established previously for the Downtown Streetscape Project (\$70,000).

Ward said the plan was to use Jim Penn, the city's building inspector, as the inspection overseer. However, she said his busy workload with residential construction has prohibited him from taking on the additional work. Maltese then seemed to be the most logical choice.

According to Ward, Maltese is currently part of the project team, having provided estimating and value engineering services throughout as a sub-

consultant to Cooper Design. She said he has also played a large role in the bidding process by assisting the DDA and city in the interviewing, vetting and selection of the contractor.

He has over 25 years providing building inspection and project management. A few of his responsibilities include overseeing the completion of the construction work, monitoring the quality of workmanship and trade performance, and completing weekly observations of onsite progress, which includes eight to ten hours of onsite time.

Councilwoman Nancy Darga put forth an amendment to the approval motion requiring Maltese to be under Cooper Design's insurance. Cooper Design, based in Ann Arbor, is the project architect. They will be providing some of the construction administration on the project along with city staff. Bernco Inc. is the construction contractor.

Ward said construction staging has begun on the project and Bernco is prepping for interior demolition to begin this week, with the exterior rear "pink" addition to follow within two weeks.

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Deadline: Tuesday 9:45 a.m. for Thursday

#### DROPIEWSKI, JOHN A.

Age 55, of South Lyon, passed away February 5, 2012. He was born on September 30, 1956, in Detroit, son of Clyde and Jo Ann Droiowski. He was a dedicated and loving husband, son and brother. John was an inspiration to many. Even though John was physically challenged, he enjoyed camping, traveling with his wife and a full-time career. He will always be remembered as simply a great man. He is survived by his wife of 33 years Deborah; his mother, Jo Ann Droiowski and his brother Bruce (Karen) Droiowski. He is also survived by his nieces and nephews: Amy, Angela, Justin, Ryan and his best friend, his Boston Terrier, Max. He was preceded in death by his father and his sister Claudia. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated Friday, February 10, at 11:00 a.m. with visitation at 10:00 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 830 S. Lafayette, South Lyon. Online guestbook [www.phillipsfuneral.com](http://www.phillipsfuneral.com)



#### ELIAS, FRANK C.

Frank was born on October 3rd, 1921 in Lincoln, NE and passed away late Saturday night, February 4th, 2012 surrounded by family in Novi. An accomplished man, Frank lived his life fully. Enlisted in the Navy at age 18, he attended both Texas A&M and MIT, earning his Bachelor of Science in Engineering. He went on to earn his MBA from the University of Chicago and served in the Navy as a CPO Aviation Chief Radio Technician for 4 years. In those years, Frank served his country in World War II focused on LORAN (Long Range Navigation). Frank was a feisty man, proposing to his wife Mickey after only the 4th date, they were married 66 wonderful years. He was an exceptional workman and photographer and was passionate about capturing all the beauty in the world on film. He especially liked photographs of his daughters and three "squeezers" (granddaughters) as they vacationed all the way from Florida to Hawaii. Always a hard worker, Frank's track record throughout his career as a very skilled designer and builder spanned from low income housing to commercial properties to the occasional kitchen for family and friends. He was particular about detail and extremely good at what he did. Through multiple retirements he continued to get back to his craft - always excited about home projects and improvements to be done. Frank passionately loved his family and is survived by his beloved wife Mickey; his daughters, Linda (Craig) and Pam (Dean); his grandchildren, Emily (Brent), Erin (Eric), Megan (Howard), Tyler, and Chris; and his great granddaughters, Clara, Sasha, and Skyler. He will be missed dearly by his sister Rose Tippery and nephews Mark and Mike Tippery. Frank is also fondly remembered by many long term friends and colleagues. A memorial service will be held Thursday, Feb. 9, 2012 at 7pm, with visitation beginning at 6:30pm, at the First United Methodist Church, 777 W. 8 Mile, Northville. In lieu of flowers, donations suggested to the FUMC of Northville, National Park Foundation, or a charity of choice. [www.casterlinefuneralhome.com](http://www.casterlinefuneralhome.com)

#### FRISKE, JULIA ANN

Age 66, of Milford for over 35 years, passed away on February 4, 2012. For more information visit: [www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com](http://www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com)

#### HENDRICKS, GEORGE

A long time resident of Highland died on February 4, 2012 at the age of 87. He was preceded in death by his wife, Mildred, in 2001, and is survived by children, Sandie (the late Jerry) Syke, John (Liddy) Hendricks, Denise A. (Ed Eckhout) Hendricks, Pam (Charlie) Landauer, Bobbie (Noel) Henry, Mike (Denise M.) Hendricks; eleven grandchildren, nine great grandchildren, David Perry and many dear friends. A Funeral Liturgy will be held at Church of the Holy Spirit, 3700 N. Harvey Lake Road, Highland, on Thursday, February 9, at 10AM. Burial will follow at Highland Cemetery. For further information please phone Lynch & Sons Funeral Directors, Milford, at 248-684-6645 or visit [www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com](http://www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com)

#### STEPHEN, MARY

Age 86, of South Lyon, passed away February 2, 2012. She was born on December 1, 1925 in Fraserburgh, Scotland, daughter of the late George and Mary Fraser. On January 19, 1949, Mary was united in marriage to James Stephen. They recently celebrated their 63rd wedding anniversary. She was a dedicated member of the First Presbyterian Church of South Lyon. She is survived by her beloved husband, James, her son James (Adrienne), Christine (Arthur) Schneider and Cora (Mark) Houghan. She is also survived by her grandchildren, Jamie (Sasha) Stephen, Adrienne (Kyle) Jones, Stephen, Tracie and Lauren Houghan and Rita Lynch & Sons Funeral Directors, Milford, at 248-684-6645 or visit [www.phillipsfuneral.com](http://www.phillipsfuneral.com)

#### JOHNSON, JOHN C.

Age 74, February 6, 2012. Mr. Johnson served under Admiral Stansfield Turner in the US Navy, where he was an electrical engineer on a minesweeper, and was a longtime resident of Novi. He is survived by his beloved wife of 52 years, Ellen Johnson. Mr. Johnson is also survived by his two loving children: Holly (Robin) Scott, and Robert W. (Julie) Johnson; four grandchildren, Justin, Ryan, Zachary, and Joshua. Memorial Service will be held on Monday, February 13, at 11:00 AM from the Detroit First Church of the Nazarene, 21260 Haggerty Road, Northville 248-348-7600. Memorial donations may be made to the charity of your choice. Online condolences can be sent to: [obriensullivanfuneralhome.com](http://obriensullivanfuneralhome.com)



#### TYLER, GLENN DONALD

A lifelong resident of Milford, died on February 5, 2012, at the age of 86. He is survived by Margaret, his beloved wife of over sixty-three years; his daughters, Sharon (Richard) Gardner, Carolyn (Gene) Wisniewski, Julie (Douglas) Flees; daughter-in-law, Wanda Tyler, his sister, Shirley (Wilfred) Grondin, nine grandchildren and five great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his son, Glenn Tyler. Mr. Tyler served in the U.S. Navy during WWII, made his career as an accountant with the General Motors Proving Ground, and enjoyed working with grounds maintenance at Kensington Metro Park in his retirement. A Funeral Service will be held at Lynch & Sons Funeral Home, 404 E. Liberty Street, Milford, on Friday, February 10, at 10AM with Deacon Archie Noon, Chaplain officiating. Burial and Military Honors will follow at Milford Memorial Cemetery. Friends may visit Thursday 4-8PM. For further information please phone 248-684-6645 or visit [www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com](http://www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com)

#### MAKI, IDA JANE (TAYLOR)

Age 89 was granted her angel wings Sunday, January 29, 2012 at Bloodgett Hospital, Grand Rapids, MI. A celebration of life will be announced later for this spring/summer in Newberry, MI. Ida Jane was born January 11, 1923 in Newberry, MI to Rowcliffe (West) Taylor and Fred Taylor. She raised her family in Milford, MI where she was a member of Christ Lutheran Church. She had many interests and talents including family, cooking, sewing, and gardening. Because of her knack for being able to fix anything, her husband lovingly dubbed her "Fix-it-Freddie", after her father. She was always giving of her time and compassionate to those around her. She was good friend and confidant to many. She had a sharp wit and amazing memory right up until her last years. She is survived by her sister Katherine Macki; 4 children and their spouses - Ernie and Linda Maki, Rose and Charley Hall, Peggy Perry, and Roger and Edward Maki-Schramm; 6 grandchildren, and 11 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her son, Dale, and husband, Tauno.



#### VERHEY, KAREN LEIGH

Passed away February 1, 2012 at her home in South Lyon, MI.; Karen was 59. Karen's mother Allene Crossman and her husband Robert were at her side with family members en route from San Jose, CA and Pittsburgh, PA. Karen enjoyed working with her friends from Wilderrest in Brighton, MI and was past president of the Huron Valley Audubon Society for five years. Karen was devoted to the reintroduction of osprey to southeastern Michigan and regularly co-presented educational programs to school and nature groups. A private service is planned. Contributions to Hospice of Michigan and the CJD Foundation will be appreciated in place of flowers.

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Holy Days: 9 a.m., 5:30 and 7:30 p.m.
Reconciliation: beginning 9 a.m. Saturdays or by appointment
Priests: Father Bob LaCroix, pastor and Father Michael Zuelch, associate pastor

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Location: 29000 Meadowbrook Road, south of 13 Mile Road
Contact: (248) 669-9400, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday-Thursday or visit www.crosspointemeadows.org.
Sunday Worship: 11:15 a.m.
Bible study classes: 10 a.m. for all ages
Details: Nursery and older children programs available. Worship blends

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Location: Ridge Wood Elementary School, 49775 Six Mile Road, Northville
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FAITH COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Location: 44400 W. 10 Mile Road
Contact: (248) 349-2345 or visit www.faithcommunity-novi.org
Sunday Worship: 10 a.m.
Book of Revelation Study
Time/Date: 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays and 9:30 a.m. Wednesdays
Details: Come and learn what John is writing about, what the symbolism means, and how this book still speaks to us today.
Faith Journeys
Date: third Sundays
Details: Following worship and fellowship, someone will share with them they have experienced God in their life and the difference that has made.

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Location: 217 N. Wing
Contact: (248) 348-1020
Sunday Worship: 10:45 a.m. and 5:45 p.m.

Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.

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

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

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF NOVI-FAMILY INTEGRATED CHURCH

Location: 45301 W. 11 Mile Road
Contact: (248) 349-3647 or firstbaptistchurchofnovi.org
Family Bible Hour: 9:45 a.m.
Family Worship: 11 a.m.
Bible Study: 6 p.m.
Family Movie Night: 5:30 p.m.; fourth Sunday of every month

FIRST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

Location: 21260 Haggerty Road, north of Eight Mile Road
Contact: (248) 348-7600 or visit dfcnazarene.org
Sunday Schedule: 9:15 a.m. Worship service with Praise Band, children's Sunday School and Adult Bible Fellowship; 10:15 a.m. Fellowship and refreshments; 11

a.m. Traditional worship service, Children's Church, Youth Sunday School and Adult Bible Fellowship; 6 p.m. Evening Service, Children's program, Youth Worship Service
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

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE

Location: 200 E. Main St.
Contact: (248) 349-0911 or visit firstpresville.org
Sunday Worship
Time: 9:30, 11 a.m.
Single Place
Time/Date: 7 p.m. every Thursday
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## OUR VIEWS

# Local leaders

## They make Northville community special

Leadership is a rare trait. One isn't born with the ability to use one's skills to help a group achieve a common goal. It's learned through teachings and experience. By example, leaders nurture future leaders.

In Northville, we are blessed with these individuals, and they're part of the reason our city and township are desirable places to live, work and visit.

Take Joan Wadsworth. For more than 18 years, she served on the Northville Board of Education, helping to shape this district into one of Michigan's best. She was elected to her fifth term in 2008, but she and her husband, Steve Calkins, are moving to Dublin for his appointment to the Irish Competition Authority.

"Joan has had a tremendously positive impact on the children, families, teachers and staff of Northville Public Schools," said her successor as board president, Dottie Garrity.

Wadsworth, who has an M.B.A. degree from the University of Michigan, also participated in her church and volunteered in community and political activities during her 26 years in Northville, according to longtime friend Tom Watkins (a leader in his own right, formerly serving as our state's superintendent of schools).

"Joan Wadsworth, you are a good woman and you have left your mark on our schools, children and the overall greatness of the community we all proudly call home," said Watkins.

Filling her shoes won't be easy, but nine individuals were ready to step up to the challenge to serve on the school board and take on that leadership role with Cynthia Jankowski receiving the appointment. She has been developing her own skills as a leader, working with her homeowners association and professional paralegal organizations.

How about John Werth, township public safety director? He was recently named president of the Southeastern Michigan Chiefs of Police and will lead an organization that represents more than 100 agencies in the counties of Wayne, Oakland, Macomb and Washtenaw. His responsibility will be to educate other leaders, namely those in Lansing, about public safety legislation's impact.

The idea to expand Werth's leadership beyond the township came from another one of our fine local leaders, Chip Snider, township manager.

"John's election to president represents the culmination of my vision for his tenure," said Snider.

Good leaders groom leaders, and this is a perfect example.

Sometimes they come in pairs, like Northville's husband-and-wife team of Jeanne and Greg Stempien. Professionally, she has been a Wayne County Circuit Court judge for nine years, and he's been a practicing attorney for more than four decades.

Both, however, have also sat on the Board of Trustees for Schoolcraft College — Jeanne from 1986-92 and Greg from 1998 to 2011.

Leaders know the value of serving and are willing to volunteer their time to make their communities better. In return the board recently honored the local couple by designating a portion of the college's Trustee Scholarship as the Greg and Jeanne Stempien Scholarship Fund.

And in forming future leaders, Jeanne introduced her law clerk to Schoolcraft. Many Northville students are assuming leadership roles, learning from their elders just what it takes to lead a community to become a great place to live and do business.

All of these leaders make our community proud.

## COMMUNITY VOICE

### What's your definition of a perfect Valentine's Day gift?



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**Connie Bradshaw**  
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**Jan Stinton**  
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**Mary Elser**  
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"I think a cozy, romantic dinner and special notes and phone calls from my kids."

**Bernice VanBuhler**  
Novi

## LETTERS

### Manipulation wrong

I am writing with response to the appearance of Ryan Holliday and Joel Penton at Northville High School. I very much appreciated Mary Kay Gallagher's response which was sent to all parents who have children in the Northville school district.

What is most troubling is the use of manipulation to expose students to a particular form of Christianity, which in turn gives a bad name to all Christians. Those who are not educated about the breadth and variety of Christian expression might think that this kind of behavior is representative of our faith. It is not; these are extremists. When Jesus told his followers "to go and make disciples of all nations" (Mt. 28:19), he did not intend for them to show up as "wolves dressed in sheep clothing" (Mt. 7:15) and start proselytizing when they had been invited to speak/sing about motivation. The after-school concert was deceitful.

The work of Christians is to proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ in a public way that is inviting and allows people to breathe, think, pray and respond. St. Benedict, one of the greatest Christians to have ever lived, spoke of a "gentle invitation" to the spiritual life.

I am grateful that the Northville school district will do a more careful job of exploring the background of any speakers who come to our schools.

**Dorian McGlannan**  
City of Northville

### Romney can't relate

According to Wilbur "Mitt" Romney, the "very poor" and the "very rich" constitute only 5-10 percent of the population; the rest of us, 90 percent to 95 percent, are "struggling."

Where does he get these numbers? How did he ever get so wealthy dealing with numbers of dollars?

From his viewpoint, someone earning \$200,000 per year must qualify as struggling, and someone earning \$10,000 is merely somewhat poor (or are they considered "struggling"??).

According to almost all (non-Republican) sources, 15-20 percent of Americans are living below poverty standards. For a Republican to admit that some "very rich people" reside in the U.S. is a step in the right direction. But, when that Republican states that "\$375,000 isn't much money and is willing to bet someone \$10,000 as readily as most of us would bet a beer or a cup of coffee ... living on Social Security, statements like that scare hell out of me.

How could Wilbur ever relate or begin to understand the problems or predicament of millions of Americans?

**Patrick Downey**  
Novi

### Energy park a step in right direction

An energy park as part of the Seven Mile Park is a wonderful idea. There's already an operating oil and gas well on the site. Why not add other, more modern, ways to generate electricity and use the site as a classroom? This seems consistent with Northville Township's motto, written on our seal, "Looking to-

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struction or public safety — if the majority of our neighbors vote for it, we are obligated to pay our share to support it.

In other words, if a person is opposed to union representation, but a majority of fellow workers vote in favor of it, the union must still be supported financially. That's what majority rule and democracy is all about.

I am opposed to right-to-work legislation because I expect each of us to pay our fair share to support the benefits we enjoy.

**William Berry**  
Northville

### Donate old cell phones

Many of us start off the new year with resolutions for the future. Why not include a pledge to give back to those in need here in metro Detroit? The best part? You can get started on your resolution right now.

If you received a new phone for the holidays, you can easily turn that device into a lifeline by recycling it or putting it in the hands of someone who needs it.

Recycling and giving back to people in need couldn't be easier. Many retailers in our area have implemented recycling programs to help consumers recycle their phones and other electronics. One such retailer is Verizon Wireless. Through Hopeline from Verizon, the company accepts wireless devices, batteries and accessories in any condition from any manufacturer or service provider. The phones can be dropped off at any Verizon Wireless store throughout metro Detroit or dropped in the mail with a postage-paid label, and the company will either refurbish them or dispose of them in an environmentally sound way.

These refurbished phones can either be put directly into the hands of a domestic violence survivor, or turned into cash grants for local domestic violence organizations. Not only does your device go through the proper channels to get recycled, but it also ends up in the hands of someone who needs it.

**John Granby**  
president, Michigan/Indiana/  
Kentucky Region for Verizon  
Wireless

### In a dream world

President Obama believes speech writers but forgot his own history.

He asked industry to create new products and educate workers to produce them in this country. Boeing developed a fuel-efficient aircraft, built a factory and trained workers in South Carolina. Obama's NLRB shut it down because workers could choose to be non-union in that state.

Suggestions to work your best do not apply to union shops. Pressure comes from union stewards to slow down and keep more employees working. This is not competitive in a world economy. Boeing has been hurt by costly strikes.

The president bragged about his energy policy, but outlawing oil drilling and a pipeline from Canada makes one ask "What energy policy?"

The speech was sincere and well delivered, but this man lives in a dream world.

**Hank Borgman**  
Farmington

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Mission fundraiser

The members of Meadowbrook Congregational Church, 21355 Meadowbrook Road, in Novi, will be sponsoring a spaghetti dinner fundraiser on Sunday, Feb. 12, from 11:00 to 12:30. They are raising money for the purchase of a dependable mission vehicle to be utilized by the Pilgrims Presence missionaries in the Pokot community of Kenya. All friends and neighbors are invited to attend.

Fireman's Ball

The 9th Annual Northville Township Charity Fireman's Ball will be held from 6 p.m.-midnight Saturday, Feb. 11 at the Italian American Club of Livonia.

For ticket sales or donation information, please contact Tommy Hughes at (734) 219-3961 or firemansball3961@gmail.com.

All proceeds benefit the Northville Township Professional Fire Fighters Charity Fund.

Ontario Research

The Northville Genealogical Society presents a comprehensive over-

view of significant resources and useful strategies for successful Ontario research at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 12 at the Northville District Library (212 W. Cady Street).

Learn where to look and how to conduct your genealogical investigation in Ontario. Ask questions and get helpful answers from this month's presenter, experienced family researcher Kathleen Ann LaBudie-Szakall.

At 1:15, preceding Kathleen's presentation, there is an informative roundtable discussion. This month's topic explores the wealth of information available at the internet site FindAGrave. The public is welcome to attend both sessions, free of charge.

Individual help on genealogy is offered by society members in the Local History Room at the library from 1-3 p.m. Mondays and also by appointment. For more information, call Suzanne Monaghan at (734) 243-7866 or visit [www.rootsweb.com/~mings](http://www.rootsweb.com/~mings).

How to Have a Healthy Heart

St. Mary Mercy Hospi-

tal, is hosting a presentation for Ladies' Night Out entitled, How to Have a Healthy Heart on Wednesday, Feb. 22 in the St. Mary Mercy Hospital Auditorium. Bone density screening, blood pressure screening and massage will be offered from 5:30-7 p.m., and the lecture will be from 7-8:30 p.m. The speaker is Endovascular Services Medical Director and Interventional Cardiologist Delair Gardi, MD, St. Mary Mercy Hospital.

Registration for this event is required. There is no charge, but a \$5 goodwill donation is requested to benefit Marian Women's Center Programs. Please contact the Marian Women's Center at (734) 655-1182 to register, or register online at [stmarymercy.org](http://stmarymercy.org) and click on "classes and events".

100th anniversary



More than 200 Northville Girl Scouts, kindergarten through 12th grade, celebrated the 100th birthday of Girl Scouting on Jan. 26 with a dinner and dance at Burton Manor in Livonia. Winnie Odom, Membership Specialist from Girl Scouts Heart of Michigan, joined the girls and their parents for dinner and dancing. The Girl Scouts enjoyed a four-course dinner and danced to music played by disc jockey Shane Buttwell. Juliette Gordon Low started the first Girl Scout troop on March 12, 1912, in Savannah, Georgia. A few years later, her dream for a girl-centered organization was well on its way. From the original 18 girls, Girl Scouting has grown to 3.1 million members. Today, over 50 million women are Girl Scout alumnae.

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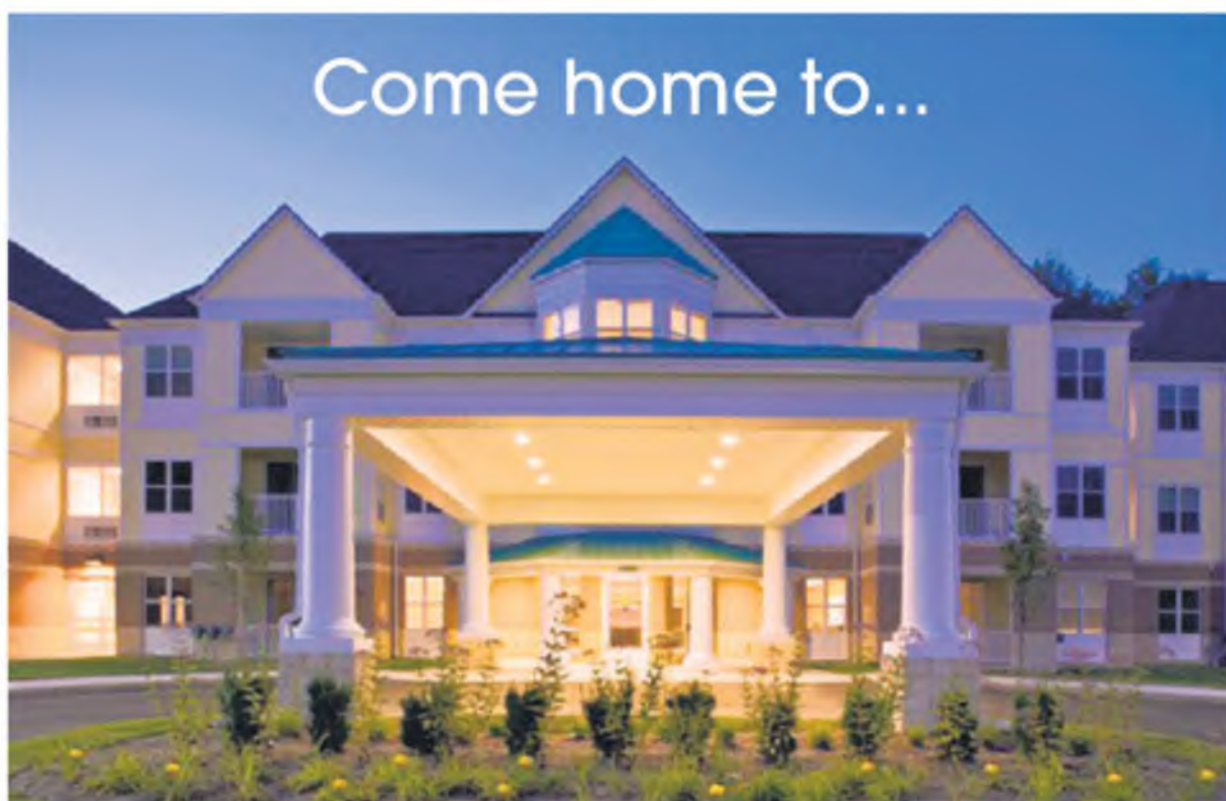
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### ENGAGEMENT

**Brazen & Wright**

Nick Brazen and Angie Wright, both of Royal Oak, are engaged to be married.

The groom-elect is the son of Ed and Cindi Brazen, of Northville. He graduated from Northville High School (2001) and Western Michigan University, and he works for Astellas Pharmaceutical.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Gaby Wright, of Clinton Township, and Tony and Kathleen Wright, of Fremont, Ohio. She is also a graduate of WMU and is employed at Brose in Auburn Hills.

A June 3 wedding is planned at Mill Race in Northville with a reception at The Inn at St. John in Plymouth.



Nick Brazen and Angie Wright

### NORTHVILLE NEWSMAKERS

**Morrow earns Anthony C. Wayne Award**

Brian Morrow, deputy chief of the Juvenile Division of the Wayne County Prosecutors Office and a resident of Northville Township, was recognized with the prestigious Anthony C. Wayne Award for his work in creating a Teen Court program in Wayne County on Jan. 20 at the 2011 Wayne County Employee Achievement Awards Ceremony held at the Guardian Building in Detroit.

Teen Court is a juvenile diversion program in which trained, high school-age teen jurors sentence real delinquency cases that have been



**Brian Morrow**


screened by the Prosecutors Office specifically for this program. Thus, in every case, the juvenile offenders that are selected to come before the Teen Court have no prior records of delinquency and have committed relatively minor misdemeanors. The teen jury is completely responsible for fashioning a sentence that is appropriate for the offender, and typically include requirements such as the payment of any restitution, community service, letters of apology and individual and substance abuse therapy, when the facts necessitate it. In every case, the offender cannot commit any new offenses during the time the offender is under the term of supervision dictated by the teen jury, which typically lasts between three to six months. If, however, the


juvenile offender successfully complies with the Teen Jury's sentence, the offender's case is dismissed without him/her having a juvenile record for the offense.

Under Morrow's supervision, the Prosecutors Office began the Teen Court program in 2006 and currently operates four teen courts -- one in the 34th District Court in Romulus and three which are held in Detroit Public School high schools (Denby, Southeastern and Central).

The Anthony C. Wayne award is given to only one supervisor within Wayne County each year. In order to win the award, the supervisor must have demonstrated outstanding leadership qualities over a considerable period of time and/or must be responsible for implementing a project of major significance to the county.

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### Taste of Northville



Northville's annual Taste of Northville Business Showcase is scheduled for noon-3 p.m. Saturday, March 10 at Northville High School. The showcase will feature interactive exhibits from retail, service and non-profit businesses at this fun family-themed event. This year's theme is "March Madness....a Slam Dunk of an Event!". Several area top-rated restaurants provide samples from their menus to event attendees. "The Business Showcase is a great opportunity for our local businesses to showcase their products and services," said Northville Chamber Executive Director Jody Humphries. "It's also a fun way for residents to spend an afternoon getting information about our local businesses and to sample great food from our area restaurants and caterers." Business participants are encouraged to provide promotional giveaway items and company literature. The event attendees vote on Best Restaurant and Best Business displays. Call the Northville Chamber of Commerce for more information at (248) 349-7640 or visit [www.northville.org](http://www.northville.org). Sponsors include Community Financial Credit Union, Compass Self Storage, Craig David Butler Studios, Hidden Spring Veterinary Clinic, Monroe Bank & Trust, Northville DDA, and Wynwood of Northville.

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#### MEETINGS

##### Northville Public Schools

###### BOARD OF EDUCATION

**Date:** Second and fourth Tuesday of the month

**Time:** 7:30 p.m.

**Location:** Old Village School

##### City of Northville

###### CITY COUNCIL

**Date:** First and third Monday of the month

**Time:** 7:30 p.m.

**Location:** City Hall, 215 W. Main St.

###### DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MEETING

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# Winning the race



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Horses race around the track at Northville Downs on Jan. 21.

## Northville Downs survives changing times

By Brad Kadrich  
Observer Staff Writer

Severino "Bags" Bagozzi worked at Northville Downs for decades, right up until the day he died.

Ron Bondie of Plymouth Township has been there since 1964, and really doesn't see himself leaving any time soon, despite the fact he's moved into his 70s.

Much of the rest of the staff has been around 35-40 years, according to Michael Carlo who, along with his brothers, now runs the track, started more than 100 years ago when a group bought the property and started the Wayne County Fair.

That kind of longevity, and loyalty, is part of what Carlo said makes Northville Downs successful.

"We've got a great core of people who've been with us a long, long time," said Carlo. "We've got families who've been racing with us for 40-50 years."

### Long-time staffers

Bondie is one of those lifers. He's worked race tracks since the mid-60s, when his father was a mutuel clerk at Hazel Park Raceway and took him to work. His father's boss eventually offered him a job as a messenger. His work pleased the boss, who told him to leave an application while he went off to enlist in the Army, and there'd be a job waiting for him when he got out of the service.

"I enjoyed what I was doing; the public is always interesting to talk to," Bondie said. "Pretty soon I went from working the thoroughbreds, and they asked me to work at the harness tracks, so I was working the afternoon tracks (post-time 3:30), and then at 8:30 for the harness tracks."

The Downs got started shortly after the turn of the 20th century, when a group of people bought the property — the track sits on about 50 acres, according to Carlo — and carved out a track.

"We used to have farmers bring their horses down to the oval to race them before it was a company, before it was legal, before it was anything," Carlo said with a smile.

That's when it was the Northville Driving Club, before a group led by Carlo's great uncle, John Carlo, came along in the mid-1940s and started the company that has run racing there ever since.

### Family style

The family business



Northville Downs driver Donald Gribbin leads his horse, Promiscuous, to a stall in the track's paddocks after the fourth race on Jan. 21. Northville usually has 14 races on the race nights, Fridays and Saturdays.



Visitors to Northville Downs watch races from other race tracks on Jan. 21. Bettors can place bets on any race that's simulcast to Northville Downs.

passed on to Lou Carlo (Mike's dad), and is now run by brothers Mike, John and Edward. Mike came back to the family business after a few years doing sales and marketing for horse racing publications in New York.

"It's in the blood, it's what we know, it's what we do, it's what we love," said Carlo, who grew up at the track. "The attraction for my brothers and me is the on-going legacy, keeping it going."

Business was good. The track would run six days a week and used to race in the summer, when the weather was good and the economy was OK. The state Legislature then passed legislation that forced Northville Downs into winter-only racing, with the larger Hazel Park Raceway allowed to keep its summer schedule.

"In some ways it's been a little better," Carlo said. "In the 80s and 90s it was better, because you weren't fighting a nice golf day or sum-

mer baseball. In January-April, there's not a lot going on. We became something to do."

There were easy years, and there were difficult years. The establishment of the lottery, and casinos, hurt business — "It didn't seem like it at the time, but the lottery really was competition," Carlo said — and Northville Downs was, according to Carlo, on the verge of closing its doors in the late 1990s.

### Good timing

Then came a break, when the Detroit Race Course closed down.

"We got all their business the next year," Carlo said. "We were right back in business."

And right back in business pretty well. Northville Downs runs live racing Fridays and Saturdays from January through April, and simulcasts from other race tracks — a practice that became legal in 1995 and

started at Northville Downs in 1996 — 12 hours a day, seven days a week year-round. Last year, some \$53 million was bet at Northville Downs.

Carlo said the track still remains a popular attraction because the staff makes sure it's a "fun night out" for people. You can still make a minimum bet of \$1, which means it doesn't have to be an expensive night. And in-track promotions — for instance, one person every live racing night gets a shot at winning \$100,000 — keep it interesting for the patrons.

"This is just a great night out," Carlo said. "You can come here with \$20 and watch four hours of racing, bet on every race, and still not spend your \$20."

Players who don't want to bet on the horses have other attractions at Northville Downs. The track runs a charity poker room and roulette, among other things.

"The poker player is different, and that's good for us," Carlo said. "The more products I can give you, the better it is."

The Carlo family has ridden the ups and downs of the roller-coaster existence of horse racing over the years.

"Horse racing is an industry that has taken a beating the last 10-15 years, with the proliferation of on-line and casino gambling," Carlo said. "It's been a struggle to keep the track going, and keep it going for the families here who've made Northville Downs their lives. That's the allure for us."

Bondie, for one, is grate-

### THE MONEY TRAIL

A look at annual breakage fees paid by Northville Downs to the City of Northville (NOTE: Fiscal 2012 only counts July-December 2011):

Fiscal Year	Monthly Total	Avg
2007	385,879	32,156
2008	327,923	27,326
2009	259,504	21,625
2010	243,055	17,754
2011	220,392	18,366
2012	106,039	8,836

## Track, city maintain good partnership

By Brad Kadrich  
Observer Staff Writer

A certain amount of breakage out at Northville Downs Race Track is actually a good thing, for the track and for the City of Northville.

That's because the "breakage" — revenue from racing that comes from the odd pennies to the dime of winning bets — is actually money that goes into the city's general fund budget.

And the city is glad to have it.

"It's revenue we can use as we see fit," Northville City Manager Patrick Sullivan said. "The state intends it to offset some of the costs we have for police/fire protection and traffic. It's a pretty big geographic area."

The breakage revenue was established by the state in the early 1990s. Northville uses it largely to provide police service at the race track. All other costs or service to the track, such as police, fire, department of public works are paid for by other General Fund revenue, primarily property tax.

In Fiscal 2011, Northville Downs paid the city more than \$220,000 in breakage revenue an average of some \$128,366 per month. Between July-Decem-

ber 2011 (the first six months of Fiscal 2012), breakage revenue has averaged just under \$8,900 a month, for a total of \$106,039.

Both those totals are far removed from Fiscal 2000, when the city received a whopping \$641,000 in breakage revenue. But it's still a profit.

"We work hard to maintain our profitability, but everyone is getting their money," said Mike Carlo, who runs the track with brothers John and Edward. "Whether we make money or not, the city makes money. It's good for the city, and it's good for us."

The money isn't the only factor in the relationship between the city and the race track. Northville Downs contributes to the city in a number of other ways, hosting events such as the Farmer's Market, the Summer Solstice and Jingle Bell Runs and other charitable events.

The track is also a staging area for the Fourth of July parade, and Mike Carlo, who runs the track with his brothers, John and Edward, sits on the Northville Chamber of Commerce.

"They've been a good neighbor," Sullivan said. "It's been a pretty good partnership."

ful they've succeeded, and he doesn't see himself, despite his age, giving it up any time soon.

"I love what I'm doing, I love the people I get to meet," said Bondie, who counts actors Mickey Rooney and Ann-Margaret

among the people he's met. "I love what I'm doing ... I want to be around to enjoy it. They'll probably have to take me out of here on a gurney."



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Mustangs Jeffrey Hewlett, left, and Andrew Poterala, right, team up to pressure Spartan Vince Tomasi on Jan. 31.

## Cagers collect two home wins

### Northville on a four-game winning streak

By Sam Eggleston  
Correspondent

The Northville Mustangs control their own destiny at this point of the season when it comes to their hunt for the Central Division title.

The squad, coached by Todd Sander, has to win its final two divisional games to guarantee at least a piece of the first-place pie. The squad was scheduled to play South Lyon Tuesday (after the sports section went to press) and will take on South Lyon East tomorrow. South Lyon defeated Northville, 57-50, earlier this season.

But, then again, if Northville goes 1-1, depending on what Salem, which is tied with Northville currently for first with a 6-2 mark, and Novi accomplish this week, they could end up either in first, second or third place when the division numbers are finalized.

The Mustangs took several big steps toward their goal of a division title with two huge home wins last week, defeating Stevenson, 55-52, Jan. 31, and Novi, 53-47, last Friday.



Mustang Stewart Henzi, right, tries to deny Livonia Stevenson Spartan Josh Campbell access to the basket during the team's Jan. 31 meeting in Northville.

Against Stevenson, the Mustangs went a perfect 9-for-9 shooting in the first quarter and a total of 15-for-18 in the first half. The closest they even allowed the Spartans was

six points in the second half, but the game was never in any danger of slipping through the Mustangs' fingers. "This was one of our most complete games

start to finish," said Sander. "We were hot from the start and never looked back. I was really pleased with our execution." Junior forward Stewart Henzi scored Northville's first points and followed that up with a perfect 3-for-3 shooting effort from the floor, a steal and two rebounds. The first quarter ended with a Mustangs 18-7 lead.

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## Mustangs have year's best meet

### Squad puts it all together to defeat rival Stevenson

By Sam Eggleston  
Correspondent

Northville swimming coach Rich Bennetts said his team was going to have to bring their best times and most effort of the season if they wanted to get the best of their longtime rival Stevenson last week.

The Mustangs did just that, adding yet another tally to the long list of great dual meets between their team and the Spartans. In the end, after some hairy moments, the Mustangs emerged victorious, narrowly edging their foes, 97-89.

"This was a great swim meet," said Bennetts. "These two teams have a history of some great dual meets and this one did not disappoint. We started off the meet with our 'A' medley relay getting disqualified, but the boys never gave up, they kept fighting and once we took an unexpected first place on the diving board the swimmers were able to use that momentum and get one, two and three in the fly. After that, we just had to hang on, and we did."

The victory puts Northville at 8-1 overall and undefeated in the conference with an 8-0 record. They are 3-0 in the Central Division as well.

Northville didn't have a lot of first-place victories in the meet. Only four events were captured by the Mustangs. Bennetts noted that their depth earned the win, and "in high school swimming, second, third and fourth out-

#### ON TAP

The Northville Mustangs swimming and diving team is slated to be back in the pool at 6:30 p.m. today when they host South Lyon. The team will then compete in the MISCA meet this weekend.

scores the other team." Taking first for Northville were Troy Cini, who surprised Stevenson with his win in the diving event, had one, as did Chris Kim in the 200 freestyle and Scott Wang in the 100 butterfly. The team also won the 200 freestyle relay with a team of Andrew Westphal, Dawson Laabs, Kim and Spencer Miller.

"Stevenson has some really good swimmers on their team and we knew how tough this was going to be," said Bennetts. "I am proud of the boys for really showing some guts out there tonight. Things don't always go your way, but we proved tonight that if we just keep fighting and not worry about the score until the end, things work out."

Taking second-place finishes for the Mustangs were the 200 medley relay team (Nick Hayes, Josh Lie, Laabs and Adam Curry), Wang (200 IM), Miller (50 free), Akbar Ariswala (100 fly), Dennis Kim (500 free) and Filippo Miavaldi (100 backstroke). Taking third were Denny Teng (200 free), Westphal (200 IM and 100 free), Sam Boyea (50 free), Frank Zhang (100 fly) and Chris Kim (500 free).



Shown (from left, front) are Chris Kim, Matt Smelt, Aaron Zalewski, Alec Latta, Greg Putman, Dawson Laabs and Filippo Miavaldi; (back) Mike Miller, Josh Dufresne, Spencer Koblinski, Adam Curry, Spencer Miller and Phil Bondy.

## Six Mustangs ink letters of intent

### All of them will play soccer at the collegiate level

By Sam Eggleston  
Correspondent

Northville High School excels at exporting two very important commodities into the collegiate world — amazingly bright students and outstanding athletes.

It was the latter that got all of the attention last week, however, as six Mustangs soccer players sat down and signed their National Letter of Intent to indicate which college they were committing themselves to next season.

"Signing a National Letter of Intent or agreeing to play athletics in college is a great accomplishment," said Northville athletic director Bryan Masi. "We are extremely proud of all our student-athletes who make this decision."

Four girls soccer standouts and two all-star boys soccer players signed their letters last Wednesday — the first day they could sign to their college of choice, according to NCAA rules.

Mallory Weber agreed to play for Penn State University next year while Alyssa Moulds will play

for Concordia College. Jenni Borawski won't be far from home, signing to play for the University of Detroit, and Samantha Jarrett will be even closer, inking an agreement with Schoolcraft College. Brian Alumbaugh will be headed to Long Island University next year to continue his soccer career and Chris Palushaj will be attending Spring Arbor College.

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On Feb. 1, Northville High School had six soccer players sign agreements to play in college (from left): Mallory Weber — Penn State University; Alyssa Moulds — Concordia College; Jenni Borawski — University of Detroit; Samantha Jarrett — Schoolcraft College; Brian Alumbaugh — Long Island University; and Chris Palushaj — Spring Arbor College.



# Williams earns McDonald's All-America hoop nod

Meredith Williams, a senior and starting point guard at Northville High School, has been nominated as a 2012 McDonald's Basketball All-American.



Williams

"The McDonald's All-American Games presents the finest opportunity to preview the country's best up and coming basketball talent," said Morgan Wooten, chairman, McDonald's All American Game Selection Committee. "This year's nominees represent some of the top student-athletes in the country. We are privileged to acknowledge these individuals for their success on the basketball court, in the classroom, and in the community."

Only 293 high school senior girls from across the coun-

try were nominated for the 2012 McDonald's All-American Game. A total of six were from Michigan, including Williams. Players were nominated by high school coaches, athletic directors, principals and members of the McDonald's All-American Game Selection Committee.

"Meredith has been a great leader not only for the Northville girls basketball program, but the overall Northville athletic department," said Bryan Masi, Northville High School athletic director and one of Meredith's sponsors through

the selection process. "She excels on the field of play and in the classroom. It is a great honor for her just to be nominated as a McDonald's All-American. We are very proud of her."

Williams has played in the Legion Basketball Group for more than four years and has won the admiration of its head coach. Legion is one of the premier AAU Girl's Basketball travel programs in southeast Michigan.

"For the 16-plus years of our organization's operation, I've had the privilege of working with some tremendous young people and some of the area's most talented athletes," said William Jones, director and head basketball coach of the Legion Basketball

Group. "Without question, Meredith Williams is tops among that group. Meredith is a perfect example of a young woman who has balanced athletic excellence with academic achievement. These accomplishments only underscore her capacity as a teammate and her genuine interest in the success of the team above self."

"On the court, she really understands the strategy of the game and can execute. At Legion, we tend to run a Princeton type offense so Meredith was a great fit based on her ability to make good decisions, move the ball, and make shots. I'm proud that Mer has been part of Legion and will continue to play with us."

This past summer, Williams

averaged 13 points per game and was very effective defensively. Jones credits her with playing a major role in the Legion's recent successful run at the U.S. Junior Nationals, which were played in Indianapolis, Ind., last July. He said that success gave further visibility to the Legion program as well as to Williams, who was selected to the All-Star Team

Williams' opposing coaches also complimented her abilities. "As an opposing coach, I have always admired Meredith not just for her exceptional basketball skills but more importantly for her leadership and sportsmanship," said Bill Kelp, girls varsity head basketball coach at Novi High School, Northville's arch rival.

## NORTHVILLE SPORTS ROUNDUP

### Four Mustangs named to All-Conference team

The Northville Mustangs competitive cheerleading team had four girls earn All-Conference nods last week.

All four of the Mustangs are three-round starters for the team with two of them being seniors, one a sophomore and one a freshman. Earning All-Kensington Conference were senior Rachel Polanski, who is a back spot with the team, and senior Castille Asmann, who can be found in the base position. Sophomore Suzie Gutowski, also in the back spot, was also named to the team, as was freshman flyer Ryan Jeannotte.

### Hockey team bows to Lions

In what would prove to be a one-sided affair, the Mustangs hockey team went head-to-head with South Lyon last week and lost, 6-2.

The squad scored one goal in the first period and one in the second while the Lions snatched three in the first, one in the second and two in the third period.

Scoring the first goal for Northville was Clay Neal, who was assisted by AJ Bradley. The second goal was scored by Bradley with Kenneth Kosinski and Neal earning assists on the play.

For South Lyon, the first goal was scored by Colin Titile before Jared Vincek added the second and JP Maki-

Luhiluuma tacked on the third, which was ultimately the game-winner. Scoring in the second period for South Lyon was Ryan Betz, while Jake Telep added one in the third and Cory Haas tallied the final score with just 30 seconds left in the game.

### Mustangs fall to John Glenn

The conference championship was not meant to be for the Northville Mustangs wrestling team. The squad, coached by Bob Boshoven, took on Westland John Glenn in an attempt to earn the conference title, but when all was said and done it was the Rockets who earned the victory, taking 11 of the 14 matches during the meet.

Northville did bounce back to beat Waterford Kettering, however, to put their season record at 17-7 in dual meet competitions.

Northville also competed in the KLAA individual championships last week at Howell High School.

Taking second was Trevor Maresh (171 pounds), falling by just one point to Grand Blanc's Christian O'Quinn, a two-time all-state wrestler. Travis Compo (135) finished fourth while Alex Coe (152) took sixth, as did Max Mudar (145) and Ijji Raza (119). Sean Wagner finished seventh and Nick Mencotti and Andy Boyd each took eighth.

— Sam Eggleston



JERRY HARRIS

## Overtime

The Northville High School bowling team fought the good fight at the Wayne County Championships, forcing Southgate Anderson into overtime after a three-game tie. The Titans defeated the Mustangs in the championship's quarterfinals. Pictured are (from left, back) Coach Mike Sugiyama, Megan Sonnenberg, Coach Jerry Harris and Coach Ian Lovdahl; (front) Chai Gibert, Megan Hicks, Rachel Kemp, Malavika Seetha and Samantha Sugiyama.

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# 'Cats avenge injured teammate with Baseline win over Novi

## Novi holds back Northville comeback; D'Annibale out for season

By Chris Jackett  
Correspondent

The crowd got their money's worth last Friday as Novi avenged a loss from earlier in the season to defeat baseline rival Northville.

After losing senior forward Ally D'Annibale to another ACL injury three nights prior, Novi (11-3, 6-2 KLAA Central) got a slow start against Northville (9-5, 5-3 Central). However, the 'Cats went up big at halftime and held on late as the Mustangs clawed back into it, eventually winning the baseline battle 42-36 for the north side of Eight Mile.

"I'm just really happy with our defense tonight," Novi coach Bill Kelp said. "That was our best defensive game. They got a lot of people who can score on that team and for the most part we did a nice job."

Although both teams struggled to score in the first quarter, which ended with Novi ahead 4-3, the second quarter was the game changer.

After Novi senior Abby Chandler (two assists) chased down and cleanly stripped Northville junior Brittany Berehulka (four points on 0-for-12 shooting, three rebounds) of a first-quarter breakaway, Chandler dished a pass off to senior Abby Robinson (three points) early in the second quarter as she was falling out of bounds. Robinson made the basket as she was knocked to the ground and hit the extra free throw to give Novi a 9-5 lead. The Mustangs would never get within a basket again.

"She made some great plays," Kelp said of Chandler. "That's her game, is defense and especially defense on the ball. She played a heck of a game, too. I mean, that's what we needed, everyone to play a great game and they did."

From there, the teams traded trips to the free throw line. Novi went 7-for-8 and Northville's Alex Moynes (17 points on 2-for-4 shooting) went 5-for-6 over a five-minute span without any field goals.

Up 16-10, Novi senior Sam Pavlika (eight points, four rebounds, four



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Stevenson's Allie Koestering (23) and Mara Murray (30) tie up Northville's Kendra Brenner (22) during Tuesday's KLAA Central Division clash.

steals) hit a three pointer, spent a 25-second span dribbling in place at half court while the other nine players stood still and then hit a jumper to close out the first half with a 21-10 lead.

"They might not do a ton of scoring, but they do a ton of little things people don't realize," Kelp said of the Pavlika sisters. "They have a knack for the ball and we're blessed to have them."

Five different Wildcats contributed to the lead, but only Moynes had scored for Northville, with eight of her 10 first-half points coming from the free throw line.

"Novi did a great job of guarding her," Northville coach Todd Gudith said. "They know she's our key and they certainly made it difficult for her to get any kind of shots off. So what she did get was from the free throw line mostly. So take her out of our offense and that makes the other four on the floor have to work twice as hard to try to make everything else work. Credit to Novi, those kids played super hard tonight and they were seeking revenge."

The Mustangs turned the tempo up in the second half and battled back, but the deficit remained 11 at 28-17 after three quarters despite others helping Moynes on offense.

With Novi ahead 37-23 in the final four minutes, the Mustangs' shots finally started falling and also

comeback were senior Aly Bates (seven points, six rebounds) and senior Meredith Williams (two points on 0-for-10 shooting, five rebounds, two steals).

"I thought Aly Bates did a nice job getting to the rim, getting to the foul line, but for the most part it was a team effort," Gudith said. "No one carried us in the second half. It was just everybody stepped up and gave us that extra push to try and give us a shot."

As a team, the Mustangs shot 6-for-44 (13.6 percent) and 2-for-16 (12.5 percent) from distance despite winning the rebounding battle 28-22. Novi shot 12-for-31 (38.7 percent) and 1-for-5 (20 percent) from distance.

**NORTHVILLE 49, STEVENSON 46 (2 OT):** The girls basketball race for first place in the KLAA's Central Division was turned upside down Jan. 31 as Northville pulled out a win over previous leader Livonia Stevenson.

The Mustangs got a clutch buzzer beater from Kendra Brenner at the end of the first overtime and then made 5-of-6 free throws in the second OT to improve to 5-2 in the Central (now tied with Stevenson and Novi).

"We had a play drawn up, we started to execute it pretty well," Northville coach Todd Gudith said of Brenner's bank shot, which was launched near the elbow area at the free throw line. "It broke down. We wanted our kid to get to the rim. She got stopped, ran out of time and there's nothing you can do but turn and pull. Lucky enough she caught glass and it went in."

Stevenson (9-3, 5-2) squandered a chance to remain in first place all alone in the Central.

The Spartans won the first meeting between the two teams, 44-43, but could not complete the sweep.

Brittany Berehulka and Meredith Williams each scored 13 for the Mustangs, while Alex Moynes added 10. Brenner added seven, but her banker to end the first OT was the shot of the night.

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first half, shooting 5-for-5 from the floor and hitting both shots from the free-throw line.

Gertley and the Mustangs continued their strong play into the third quarter, holding off an attempted comeback by the Spartans to maintain a 46-36 lead heading into the fourth. MacDonald and Hewlett combined for nine points from the free-throw line.

Northville held on for the win in the final stanza as they kept Stevenson off balance and forced them to shoot from the outside. MacDonald and Henzi ended the day with six rebounds each while Gertley led the scoring with 25 points. MacDonald added nine while Hewlett and Henzi had eight each.

Against Novi, the Mustangs added their second win over the Wildcats this season. Sander remarked that it's the first time in at least 17 years that Northville beat Novi more than once in a single season.

Northville started the game on a true tear, going up 21-4 behind the lead of MacDonald, who poured in 11 points, including a three-point shot. And it was good for Northville that they were able to take such a commanding lead — the Wildcats came back with a vengeance over the next three quarters trying to make up the difference.

"We came out on fire, and it was fun to watch," said Sander. "But, we knew they would make a run at us and they just never stopped."

In the second quarter, the Wildcats scored 10 points while holding Northville to just five, a feat they nearly repeated in the third quarter as they poured on the defensive pressure and kicked up their outside shooting, cutting the Northville lead to 36-32 by the time the final quarter began.

As a team, Novi hit seven three pointers



JOHN HEIDER  
STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Mustung Jeffrey Gertley drives to the basket during Northville's Jan. 31 game against Livonia Stevenson.

throughout the game and, eventually, took a five-point lead in the fourth with 4:30 left in the game.

But Northville refused to let it end that way.

"Guys made plays down the stretch as we refused to lose," said Sander.

"This was a strange game in how it evolved. Games against Novi always end up close. The will and poise of our team in the last five minutes was pretty special. We locked down on defense and became really efficient again on offense."

Northville had to use contributions from everyone in the game in order to reclaim the lead and, eventually, the 53-47 victory. Throughout the final quarter of play, the Mustangs found scoring from every corner of their offense. Gertley scored five points, including 3-for-3 from the free-throw line, while Henzi scored two free throws and MacDonald hit a big three pointer. Hewlett went 3-for-4 at the charity stripe for three points and Andrew Meacham scored four points.

Northville was led by MacDonald, who scored 14 points in the game, while Gertley added 13, Meacham poured in nine and Hewlett had eight. MacDonald also had seven rebounds, seven assists and a steal on the night.

### NOTICE TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Charter Township of Northville Planning Commission has scheduled a public hearing for Tuesday, February 28, 2012, at 7:30 P.M. to consider amendments to Chapter 170, Zoning Ordinance, Article 14, Commercial Recreation District; Article 15, Office Research and Technology District; Article 16, Industrial District; Article 17, Consumer Industrial District; Article 18, Schedule of Regulations; Article 19, Uses Not Otherwise Addressed; Article 20, Development Options; Article 21, Lighting Standards; Article 22, Nonconforming Uses, Buildings and Structures; Article 23, Tree and Woodlands Replacement; Article 24, Landscape Standards; and Article 25, Floodplain Control. The meeting will take place at the Northville Township municipal offices, 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI. A full set of the articles with the proposed amendments can be viewed at the Northville Township municipal office building during regular business hours 8:00 A.M. - 4:30 P.M., Monday-Friday.

The public is invited to attend this public hearing and express their comments or ask questions. Written comments will be received by the Northville Township Planning Commission at 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48168. A full set of the articles with the proposed amendments can be viewed at the Northville Township municipal office building during regular business hours 8:00 A.M. - 4:30 P.M., Monday-Friday.

Robert Nix, Chair  
Planning Commission

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### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE NOTICE TO THE RESIDENTS OFFICE CLOSING

The Charter Township of Northville Administrative Offices will be closed on Monday, February 20, 2012 in observance of Presidents' Day.

**As a reminder, the last day to pay WINTER taxes, without penalty, is Tuesday, February 14, 2012 by 4:30 p.m. TAX PAYMENT POSTMARKS ARE NOT ACCEPTED.**

The offices will reopen at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, February 21, 2012.

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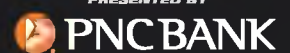
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Mustang Yara Moussaed competes at Plymouth High's gym against Canton on Jan 3.

## Gymnastics team continues to improve

### Scores keep going up, but first win remains just out of reach

By Sam Eggleston  
Correspondent

The members of the Northville Mustangs gymnastics team aren't hanging their heads despite a slew of tough losses so far this season. Instead, the team is focused solely on the positives this year has brought.

First and foremost on that list are increasingly better scores in each and every meet. Secondly, the team isn't without some impressive individual standouts.

Last week against Brighton and Howell, the Mustangs turned in a 136.95 performance, finishing just shy of Brighton's 138.1 and Howell's 142.225.

"The girls are steadily improving all around, but we still need to work on showcasing more difficult skills to be considered really competitive at this point," said coach Erin McWatt.

The team was led by Daisy Ference, who scored an impressive 9.65

#### ON TAP

The Northville Mustangs gymnastics team will compete again at 6:30 p.m. on Valentine's Day when they visit Livonia Churchill.

on the bars.

"Although we're weaker on bars in terms of skills, it's becoming one of our more consistent events," said McWatt.

Also earning high marks was Alyssa Breen, who turned in an 8.8 with her floor routine. Taylor Dempsey collected an 8.725 on the beam while Morgan Price turned in an 8.45 with her vault performance.

The Mustangs also competed in the Canton Invitational — one of the most competitive tournaments on their schedule — last week. Complete details were not available by deadline, but the Mustangs' Ference took first on vault, second on bars and third on floor to win the All-Around medal.

# Boyd undefeated in youth wrestling meet at Ferndale

Hillside eighth grader Brendan Boyd thrilled Northville youth wrestling fans on Sunday at the Ferndale Superbowl Smackdown. Brendan won his final match 8-6 with an overtime takedown, going undefeated for the day and taking home his third gold place medal of the season.

Also earning gold were fifth graders Grant Hood from Silver Springs and Michael Merritt from Winchester. Winchester second-grader Jake Merritt earned his second gold medal this season.

Two Mustangs won third place medals, Thornton Creek third graders Andrew Hayek and Jeff Varner. Andrew wrestled in the more challenging open division, which is comprised of athletes who have already wrestled competitively for more than two years. "It was a tough group of kids out there in most of the divisions!" said parent Janet Dietrich. "The majority of the kids participating in



Jake and Micheal Merritt both won first place at the Ferndale Super Bowl Smackdown.

Northville's youth program are still considered novices and have not attended tournaments for two years yet; therefore, only the bravest young men choose to challenge themselves by competing in the

open division."

Two Silver Springs fifth graders took fourth place honors. Alex Jones wrestled along with classmate Parker Dietrich, who wrestled in the open category for the first time.

Five additional competitors worked hard on the mat Sunday. Silver Springs first graders Boden Dietrich, Mason Jennings and their classmate Nathan Jones put forth terrific effort. Fourth graders Jacob Bisdorf of Ridgewood and Aidan Hayek of Thornton Creek each met tough opponents. Aidan was brave enough to compete in the Open.

The Mustang Youth Takedown Club competes in the Michigan Youth Wrestling Association. Their next contest will be Sunday at Dexter High School. For more information regarding youth wrestling please e-mail [nvyouthwrestling@mail.com](mailto:nvyouthwrestling@mail.com).

— Submitted by Debra Eichholtz

## NORTHVILLE SPORTS BRIEFS

### Rowing Club

Northville Rowing Club is looking for current Northville High School students interested in rowing during the spring 2012 season, March through early June.

Rowing, also called Crew, is a co-ed club sport consisting of both men's and women's teams. No prior experience is necessary -- all you need is a willingness to learn and a desire to compete.

Interested students are strongly encouraged, but not required, to attend winter conditioning throughout the remaining February and March schedule to learn technique and have a general understanding of the sport.

Please plan to attend the spring team Meeting at 7 p.m. March 1 in the NHS Forum along with a parent or guardian.

### Middle school swim

The Northville Hillside Middle School girls swim team dominated the Middle School State Finals last recently in Holt, MI. The Hillside girls set two new school records in the 200 medley relay and the 400 free relay. Hillside won four of the events and reached the podium in several others.

### Spring baseball camps

The fifth annual Northville Mustang spring training baseball camps will be held in the high school gymnasium from 9 a.m.-noon on Saturday, March 17 (hitting) and Sunday, March 18 (pitching/defense) for players ages 7-14 years. Cost is \$45 per session if registered by March 9; \$50 after and at the door. Cost includes a camp T-shirt. Visit [northvill- emustangbaseball.com](http://northvill- emustangbaseball.com) to print off your registration form.

# Cheer team takes sixth in conference

### Squad 10th out of 21 teams in KLAA

By Sam Eggleston  
Correspondent

The Northville Mustangs competitive cheer-leading team has been saying all season long that they are in a year of experience building and learning.

To show just how competitive Northville's cheer program is, even in a rebuilding year, the squad went into the KLAA Conference and Association championships last weekend at Novi High School and walked away with a sixth-place finish in the Kensington Conference and 10th in the KLAA. Overall, there are 21 teams in

#### ON TAP

The Northville Mustangs competitive cheer-leading team will compete in the DeltaPlex Cheer Invitational Saturday in Grand Rapids.

the association.

The Mustangs qualified for the gold championship pool after finishing in second in the Central Division. The gold championship pool was made of the top three teams in each of the KLAA divisions.

Northville finished with 698 points overall, a total that came after an eight-point penalty in round three.

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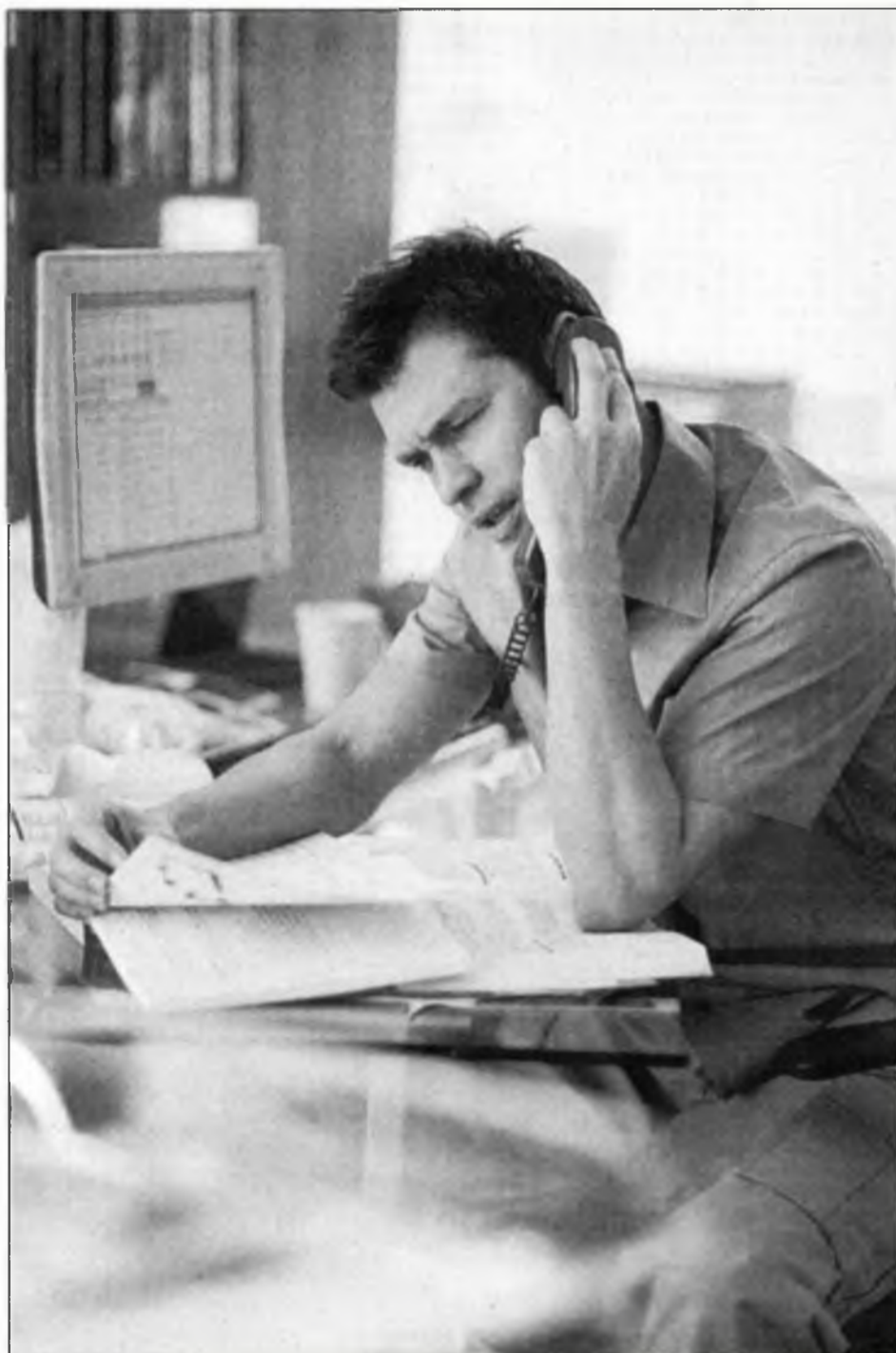
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Reacting to a natural disaster or emergency not only means ensuring the immediate safety of employees, but also planning how the business will continue to function in the aftermath. Even if your business is not located in an area that is a likely target for a natural or man-made disaster, you need to be prepared for the unexpected with a comprehensive business continuation plan. The Better Business Bureau advises business owners to develop a plan of action should their business face a disaster.

Creating a disaster plan for your business is a great way to start the new year. According to the Insurance Institute for Home and Business Safety, one in four small businesses forced to close because of a disaster never reopens. Business that have a business continuity plan in place — and use it during and after disaster strikes — typically experience less damage, loss and downtime than businesses without a plan.

"If your business lacks an emergency plan, a natural disaster can turn into a business catastrophe," said Patrick Bennett, BBB director of community relations. "But a solid emergency plan can give you a lot of peace of mind and a greater sense of security."

After you've made plans to ensure the safety of your employees, BBB offers the following advice to help keep your business operating and meeting your



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- Don't be caught off guard. Consider the different types of disasters — fire, flood, tornado, etc. — that can occur and how your business would respond differ-

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ing. This could mean enabling employees to work from home or finding an alternate location for your office or store.

- Prepare your staff. Identify essential staff who are core to the operations of the busi-

ness and keep a list of their phone numbers (home, work, pager, cell) and e-mail addresses that can be accessed by employees from several locations (home, Internet, etc.).

- Communicate, communicate, communicate. Devise an emergency communications plan that outlines how your business will communicate with employees, customers, vendors and other key external contacts in the days following a disaster. Contact vendors and suppliers to confirm their emergency response plan procedures. Be prepared to use alternate vendors for essential supplies and equipment. Have your back-up equipment kept in good working condition.

- Have an up-to-date inventory of your assets. Review your insurance policies to ensure that you have adequate coverage for items you cannot afford to lose. A standard policy may not cover business interruption losses.

- Store your documents safely and efficiently. Keep duplicates of personnel, payroll, payables and receivables and other essential records at an off-site location. Regularly make back-up copies of important computer files.

- Establish a succession of management for the company. Determine who will manage the company if key leaders are unavailable.

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## Yes to inspect request often best

By Robert Meisner  
Guest Columnist

**Q:** We live in a detached condominium and every year the Board of Directors undertakes an exterior inspection of all of the units for maintenance purposes. However, this year we received notice that they are offering an interior/exterior inspection to the interior of the unit, but that would be the financial responsibility of the individual co-owner. Our bylaws state that the association has access to the units as necessary for maintenance, repair or replacement of any of the common elements and to make emergency repairs

to prevent damage to the common elements. However, I feel that an interior inspection is an invasion of my privacy. Would it be

within my rights to refuse the interior inspection?

**A:** It appears from your question that they are making the interior inspection an option which you do not have to accept. If that is the case, you can obviously opt not to have an interior inspection. On the other hand, to the extent that the association believes that it needs to inspect your unit for common element problems, I think there is a good argument that that cost should be defrayed by the association. If, on the other hand, the inspection of the unit deals with problems that are within the co-owner's responsibility to maintain repair or replacement, then that is something that should be the co-owner's responsibility. You should determine exactly why and what is going to be the subject matter of any inspection in the interior of your unit and whether it is mandatory or not.

**Q:** The president of our board wants to know whether we should get involved in endorsing any local candidates for election. Do you have any comments on that?

**A:** The association, through its board, should, in my judgment, steer clear of endorsing candidates entirely. Endorsing a candidate and coming out on the wrong side of an election could certainly end up doing the association a disservice. The best bet is to make this announcement at a board meeting. Let the co-owners know that the association will not be getting involved in any local politics. Obviously, there may be an unusual issue which directly affects the association like an express train going through the middle of the project where some involvement by the association, either politically or legally, would be required, but that is in a rare situation.

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 [meisner-associates.com](http://meisner-associates.com).

### HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS - WAYNE

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1603 Mulberry Ln	\$153,000
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2260 S Lilley Rd	\$80,000
48641 Saltz Rd	\$65,000
43628 W Arbor Way Dr	\$51,000

41688 White Tail Ln	\$123,000
GARDEN CITY	
32137 Alvin St	\$85,000
33354 Alvin St	\$75,000
6963 Dover St	\$54,000
LIVONIA	
28575 Broadmoor St	\$135,000
19658 Donna St	\$125,000
29228 Elmira St	\$45,000
16888 Fairfield St	\$130,000
36212 Fairway Dr	\$280,000
14625 Flamingo St	\$148,000
14191 Houghton St	\$115,000
35174 Munger St	\$220,000
32315 Wisconsin St	\$125,000

31637 Wyoming St	\$123,000
NORTHVILLE	
16731 Carriage Way	\$114,000
40745 N Northville Trl	\$316,000
49848 Parkside Dr	\$365,000
19431 Scenic Harbour Dr	\$295,000
18525 Steep Hollow Ct	\$487,000
PLYMOUTH	
48042 Ashwood Dr	\$395,000
13743 Hilltop Dr W	\$425,000
49310 Plum Tree Dr	\$236,000
13450 Saint Andrews Sq	\$407,000
10468 Trailwood Rd	\$285,000
REDFORD	
20380 Gaylord	\$25,000

12720 Laverne	\$38,000
18368 Macarthur	\$35,000
26327 Margaretta	\$46,000
9648 Sioux	\$31,000
18618 Sumner	\$21,000
8847 Woodbine	\$30,000
WESTLAND	
34216 Arrowhead St	\$86,000
33229 Creston St	\$62,000
35040 Melton St	\$77,000
8110 Pickering Pl	\$211,000
2128 S Harvey St	\$90,000
1324 Sharon St	\$30,000
1360 Shoemaker Dr	\$31,000
7475 Woodview St	\$20,000

### HOME SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS - OAKLAND

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Oct. 17-21, 2011, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

BIRMINGHAM	
1898 Henrietta St	\$160,000
515 Lewis St	\$200,000
578 Woodland St	\$200,000
BLOOMFIELD HILLS	
4716 Overton Cv	\$370,000
69 Barden Ct	\$150,000
304 Barden Rd	\$850,000
BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP	
2110 Eagle Pointe	\$133,000
422 Fox Hills Dr N	\$26,000
1189 Foxwood Ct	\$500,000
4851 Haddington Dr	\$257,000
1627 S Hill Blvd	\$75,000
1239 S Timberview Trl	\$150,000
1959 W Spinningwheel Ln	\$225,000
1401 Woodglen Ln	\$196,000

COMMERCE TOWNSHIP	
3105 Belle Terre	\$138,000
9464 Chaumont Dr	\$180,000
4942 Parkgate Dr	\$350,000
3206 Rio Vista St	\$90,000
5668 Strawberry Cir	\$369,000
6054 Strawberry Cir	\$284,000
2713 Trillium Hills Dr	\$59,000
FARMINGTON	
23631 Bicking Ct	\$70,000
34740 Whittaker Ct	\$200,000
FARMINGTON HILLS	
25832 Beecham Rd	\$188,000
25861 Beecham Rd	\$129,000
31720 Bristol Ln	\$200,000
31729 Coronet Dr	\$140,000
20824 Deerfield	\$347,000
21420 Gill Rd	\$167,000
27985 Kendallwood Dr	\$180,000
22850 Montclair St	\$218,000
35295 Quaker Way	\$171,000
29270 Stillwater	\$231,000
37871 Thames Dr	\$175,000
FRANKLIN	
27201 Gardenway Rd	\$335,000

26620 Woodlore Rd	\$300,000
Lathrup Village	
27430 California Dr SW	\$75,000
27440 California Dr SW	\$75,000
18823 San Quentin Dr	\$127,000
18160 Wiltshire Blvd	\$125,000
MILFORD	
3174 Katie Ln	\$280,000
1970 Mystic Hills Dr	\$214,000
1186 Riverside St	\$260,000
774 S Milford Rd	\$63,000
1983 Scenic Dr	\$335,000
NOVI	
24570 Bethany Way	\$310,000
25742 Buckminster Dr	\$222,000
41454 Chattman St	\$250,000
40548 Lenox Park Dr	\$230,000
40552 Lenox Park Dr	\$240,000
24335 Lynwood Dr	\$415,000
26993 Maxwell Ct	\$45,000
51158 Mayfair Ter	\$45,000
24435 Nantucket Dr	\$338,000
24826 Olde Orchard St	\$33,000
25160 Seeley Rd	\$590,000
2489 Shawood St	\$35,000

24487 Venice Dr	\$190,000
22053 Worcester Dr	\$400,000
SOUTH LYON	
61008 Evergreen Ct	\$61,000
822 Fairhaven Dr	\$235,000
23941 Prescott Ct	\$61,000
24706 Ravine Dr	\$19,000
52816 Willowbrook Dr	\$61,000
SOUTHFIELD	
21145 Glenmorra St	\$75,000
25331 Lois Ln	\$120,000
27470 Spring Arbor Dr	\$70,000
15999 W 11 Mile Rd	\$14,000
18301 W 13 Mile Rd Unit A23	\$54,000
18880 Webster Ave	\$110,000
29145 Wellington Rd E	\$39,000
WHITE LAKE	
1338 Clearwater St	\$159,000
430 Coledale Dr	\$265,000
21 Danforth St	\$330,000
255 Hurondale Dr	\$120,000
8944 Lakeview Dr	\$50,000
918 Sloane Ct	\$188,000
9384 Steephollow Dr	\$115,000
8195 Timber Trl	\$120,000

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