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Robostangs open house

The Northville High School FIRST Robotics team, Team 548, the Robostangs, announces their annual open house event from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, March 3 at Northville High School (come in the front entrance and follow the signs directing you to the shop and computer room).

At this event, you will have the opportunity to see the robot in action and experience the inner workings of their award-winning team. All ages are welcome. There will be entertaining activities and experiments for children.

Rename the Senior Center

The Northville Senior Advisory Commission has developed a survey to give community members input on renaming the Northville Community Senior Center building at 303 W. Main Street.

The building, which was built in 1954, was originally named the Northville Community Center. After renovations in 2003/2004, the building was renamed the Northville Senior Community Center, then revised to its current name.

Although the building still houses the Senior Adult Services program, in recent years, activities in the building have expanded beyond traditional senior programs. These activities include athletics in the gym, fitness classes for all ages, meeting and banquet rooms available for rent, and adult enrichment classes that appeal to adults of all ages. The building also houses Northville Youth Assistance and Senior Transportation.

Complete the four-question survey no later than March 8 and give your opinion on a building name. Visit

<http://www.survey-monkey.com/s/GJC-GYPW>.



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Allison Long prepares to vote at Northville's Precinct 6 - around noon on Feb. 28. By that time, there had been about 300 voters at the city offices on Main St., with a few more absentee ballots.

Romney wins in Northville

Santorum takes 2nd

By Lonnie Huhman
Correspondent

After a tight contest, Mitt Romney gained a much-needed victory in Michigan with voters from around the state selecting him as their candidate for the Republican presidential nomination. Romney gathered 41 percent of the votes statewide while Rick Santorum registered 38 percent.

Voter turnout in the Northville community as a whole was around 25 percent with a total of 5,793 votes being cast in Northville Township and 1,258 within the city. Romney won in the township with 3,020 votes to Santorum's 1,225, and in the city Romney won again with around 56 percent of the vote.

Dianna Massa, city clerk, said the day went well over-

all and turnout was steady at both precincts. At Precinct 1 the city received 194 absentee votes and took in 354 at the poll while Precinct 2 had 229 absentee votes and 481 voters at the poll.

Northville Township Clerk Sue Hillebrand said the turnout — 27 percent — was about what she expected, but as always she hoped it would be higher. She said it appears that it was a slow and relatively smooth election day at all the precincts, and she added they had about the same number of poll voters as absentee.

At the polls, many voters said they came out because they see it as their civic duty, while others said they were looking for a change.

Northville Township res-

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Get a taste of local businesses at chamber event

By Julie Brown
Staff Writer

The Northville Chamber of Commerce will present the annual Taste of Northville Business Showcase at Northville High School's cafeteria from noon-3 p.m. Saturday, March 10.

"It's like an exhibit hall of our local businesses to showcase their products and services. Residents come to this event to learn more about businesses in the community. Face to face interaction," said Traci Sincok, associate director of the chamber.

Admission is \$5 for adults, \$4 for seniors 65 and up, \$2 for kids under 12. Coupons are available all around town for a dollar off.

"It's a way for our businesses to get some direct

marketing. That's part of our mission to help our businesses be successful," Sincok said.

Vendors should contact the Northville Chamber of Commerce at chamber@northville.org or (248) 349-7640, Ext. 22, to R.S.V.P. Residents don't need reservations and can just buy tickets at the door.

"There's all sorts of giveaways. There's food," with restaurants bringing samples, Sincok said. Monroe Bank & Trust brings a Money Booth each year.

Monroe Bank & Trust, Craig David Butler Studios, Community Financial, Compass Self-Storage, Hidden Spring Veterinary Clinic, Northville Downtown Development Authority, Northville Public Schools, Tom Holzer

DETAILS

Event: Taste of Northville Business Showcase

Date: Saturday, March 10

Time: noon-3 p.m.

Location: Northville High School cafeteria (northside of 6 Mile between Sheldon and Beck roads)

Cost: \$5 for adults, \$4 for seniors 65 and up, \$2 for kids under 12.

Contact: Northville Chamber of Commerce at chamber@northville.org or (248) 349-7640, Ext. 22

Ford, and Wynwood of Northville are the sponsors.

Organizers get 65-75 vendors, Sincok said, and about 700-800 residents each year. It is a longtime event that has grown to require more space at the high school.

"It's really a fun event. Our theme this year is March Madness, getting people fired up about the college basketball."

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Refund of bonds could save township \$300k annually

By Lonnie Huhman
Correspondent

In order to save money in the future, the Northville Township board of trustees approved a plan to refund the bonds used to finance the building of the township municipal offices, fire station and renovation of the police station.

The board approved the resolution to refund these General Obligation Limited Tax Bonds, which were issued in 2003 in the principal amount of \$15 million. The refunding is not to exceed \$10,150,000. Northville Township Supervisor Mark Abbo commended the township's finance department for seeking this out and trying to find the best fiscal options.

According to the resolution, the prior bonds remain outstanding in various principal amounts and Northville

Township has been advised the bonds could be redeemed and thereby secure savings for the township and benefit its taxpayers.

Thelma Kubitskey, Northville Township's director of finance, said this will save the township \$300,000 a year in interest. She compares it to refinancing a mortgage. With interest rates lowered, it's only logical to go ahead.

"There are favorable interest rates that we can get, so it's prudent that we now go forward with this process," she said.

The township will go through a two-month process that includes seeking bids. Kubitskey said bonds like these are usually pursued by banks. The goal is to find the best bid that can pay off the old loan and start a new one at a lower rate.

The best bid will be selected to take back to the board for its possible approval.



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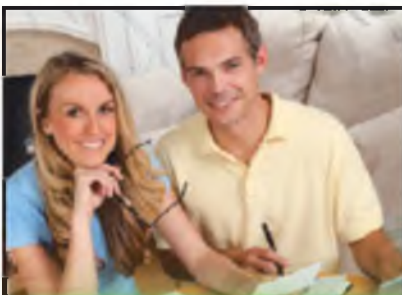
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Blood drive campaign



The American Red Cross and Trinity Health gathered at Laurel Manor Banquet & Conference Center on Jan. 25 to celebrate the success of their 2011 blood drive campaign. St. Mary Mercy was recognized as the top Trinity Health facility with the highest number of units collected, 405 pints from its five blood drives. Pictured (l to r) are Carol Furlong, director, Donor Services, American Red Cross Southeastern Michigan Region; Garry Faja, president and CEO, Saint Joseph Mercy Health System; David Spivey, president and CEO, St. Mary Mercy Hospital; Jan Searight, senior HR consultant, St. Mary Mercy; Jeannie Cox, administrative assistant, Marketing/PR, St. Mary Mercy; Marianne Simancek, director, Community Outreach, St. Mary Mercy; Sally Santoni, operations manager, Radiology, St. Mary Mercy; Trudy Smith, site coordinator, American Red Cross; Cyndi Niva, HRIS coordinator, St. Mary Mercy; and Jim Aldrich, performance improvement specialist, St. Mary Mercy.

\$250,000 grant awarded for cleanup of The Garage site

By Lonnie Huhman
Correspondent

A nearly \$250,000 Brownfield Redevelopment Program Grant Contract has been signed by the City of Northville to help move forward the cleanup project planned at the future site of The Garage restaurant.

By a 5-0 vote, the city council approved the grant contract and development agreement with the owners of the restaurant, which will be located at 202 W Main Street, the former Gardenviews location.

According to Patrick Sullivan, city manager, The Garage owners approached the city about the grant because it can only be applied for by local governments. It was applied for in November.

"Basically, we are a pass-through for the funds," Sullivan explained. "It's a pot of money the state has set aside for environmental cleanup to help facilitate economic development."

The development agreement commits the property owners to cover any costs not covered by the grant, Sullivan said. The grant will also reimburse the city staff for its time in administering the grant, which will be up to \$7,500. However, because of the grant's stipulations the City of Northville will be in charge of overseeing the project.

After expressing concern regarding liability and who is named in the insurance, councilwoman Nancy Darga offered an amendment to the approval motion to have the city named as an additional insurer. She said her support is wholly behind the effort, but she

said the agreement could leave the city exposed to potential issues.

The commercial property's cleanup, which consists of four parcels in a total area just under a half-acre in size, will be funded through the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality program called the Clean Michigan Initiative. This program uses bond funds to provide cleanup assistance for properties which require remediation to facilitate future economic development.

According to Sullivan, the building had formerly housed gas station, auto repair and dry cleaning operations, which led to the soil and ground water there to be contaminated for many years. In 1993, it was confirmed there had been a release of fuel and oil at the site. At the time, 80 cubic yards of petroleum-impacted soil were removed.

Since 1999, the MDEQ has spent over \$660,000 at the site for investigation and interim response activities.

The scope of this new project entails removing portions of the cement from the main level of the building and in the basement to get at the impacted area. Its estimated 150 tons of soil will be properly removed and disposed of during the cleanup.

The Garage will be a dining facility with a bar, outdoor patio and banquet room. Owners Bill and Mark Evasic expect to invest around \$1.4 million into developing the restaurant, which should create 22 new jobs in downtown Northville.

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FILE PHOTO
Music Lady Beverly Meyer is a regular performer for local audiences, including many in Northville.

Music Lady brings her magic to Northville library

By Julie Brown
Staff Writer

Beverly Meyer's been from Boyne City, Mich., to Toledo as the Music Lady, performing for preschoolers and older audiences.

"I perform at a lot of places here in Northville," the Brownstown resident said before a Thursday, Feb. 16, performance at the Northville District Library. Her guitar and singing are featured in Tunes on Tuesday each summer, as well as at Old Village School, Northville Public Schools' early childhood program, preschools/day cares, and Ward Presbyterian Church.

"We lived in Northville when we were first married," she said. Meyer's husband handles the business side of the Music Lady.

Beverly Meyer earned an associate's degree in early childhood education from Schoolcraft College and studied music therapy. She's been the Music Lady for 16 years.

"Preschool is the main age group," she said of her travels to some 25 preschools, along with libraries, family concerts and teacher training.

Her main goal is to "invite children to be an active participant in music, because that's when it's the most beneficial."

Her 25 years performing have eliminated any stage fright. Meyer performs traditional children's songs as well as a number that she writes.

"I just kind of read the crowd, see what they want." She had been a preschool teacher and knows firsthand the educational benefits of music.

"But they don't know it, they're just having fun," Meyer said.

She's produced five CDs of her performances. At the Northville library, Meyer brought her "classroom" guitar due to two earlier performances at schools that day.

"It's got all kinds of kisses and hugs all over it," said Meyer, who has three functioning guitars.

The full house at the Northville library first heard Meyer sing "I'm Very Glad You're Here Today" and also "The Monkey Song." "The Itsy Bitsy Spider" was popular, and many songs had the children up and moving around.

Parents and grandparents were tapping their toes to the music. "It's super," said mom Sarah Weyburne of Northville. She brought two of her own, Hannah, 6, and William, 4, and a friend, Jaquin Gorman, 5.

"Super fun and very enjoyable," Sarah Weyburne said. "It was great."

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Recycling available for downtown businesses

Residential rates to drop, too

By Lonnie Huhman
Correspondent

The City of Northville has extended its trash collection contract with Waste Management, and under it recycling will now be available to downtown businesses.

With the new 5-year, \$1.8 million contract, residential rates will drop in the first year by 10 percent from this past year's rate of \$12.59 to a new monthly fee of \$11.33.

By a 5-0 vote the city council approved the recommendation made by Public Works Director James Gallogly.

At the four designated downtown locations, bins will be added for single stream recycling, which is similar to what's collected in the residential program. Paper, plastic, and glass can be dropped in the 96 gallon bins without having to be packaged separately.

Collection for this will be two times a week in the beginning but could be expanded if need be with more bins or pick-ups, according to Gallogly. Cardboard is already collected in the eight yard dumpsters used in downtown.

One difference is that compost collection will be cut down from 37 weeks to 35 weeks starting in April. Gallogly said this is no different than most communities.

This program is funded by the Solid Waste Fund, which is an enterprise fund for the city. It's financed through user fees and charges, and is similar to a private business. Gallogly did point out that this program is vulnerable to government-mandated increases in taxes and fees as well as any future increases in fuel costs over the next five years.

He said in the past year the city did have to pull from its reserves to fund this program. With this new contract that will slow down and it will be two or three years until residents see any significant increases to their rates.

"It's a pretty good deal," Gallogly said.

Councilwoman Nancy Darga said she is glad to see recycling offered to the businesses and expects it to be popular. Commercial collection will cost the city \$42,600 in 2012-13.

Mayor Chris Johnson said residential concerns regarding trash pick-up have greatly decreased since changing over to Waste Management.

"I used to get on average a call a week of some sort with the prior contractor, sometimes 10 calls in a weekend depending how bad things had been," Johnson said to the Waste Management representatives in attendance. "Without a doubt, it was one of the services the council was most dissatisfied with," the mayor added, "but complaints have been very limited, and you have been very responsive to any we have received."

Northville Township has its rate set at \$11.59 and the City of Plymouth's is \$12.24. Waste Management has been providing residential and commercial collection services since 2007 in Northville and its contract was set to expire in May.

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ROMNEY

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ident Anna Klingman said she cast her vote for Romney in the hope that he will win the eventual nomination.

“I’m hoping he will advance in Michigan and move on,” she said after exiting the poll at Moraine Elementary School.

Others did not want to disclose their vote, but expressed the common Republican Party voter sentiment of dissatisfaction with the current administration. Northville city resident Chuck Penn, 51, said he was not exactly thrilled with the field, but the party would get his vote after considering the alternative.

For voters like Joe Addison, 32, a Northville Township resident, the primary was an opportunity to voice displeasure. He said he cast his ballot for Ron Paul as a protest vote. Even though he doesn’t fully agree with his social policies, it’s Paul’s stance on war that gained his support, he said.

“I just wanted to get down on record as being opposed to endless war,” Addison said of his reasoning.

There were 398 votes cast for Paul in Northville Township and 104 in the city.

From here the Republican Party will move for-

2012 Presidential Primary Results		
*indicates state winner		
City county #s -	Wayne/Oakland	
Republican Party	City of Northville	Northville Township
Ron Paul	49/55	398
Rick Perry	0/0	2
Buddy Roemer	2/0	8
*Mitt Romney	279/360	3,020
Rick Santorum	128/171	1,225
Michele Bachmann	0/0	2
Herman Cain	0/1	2
Newt Gingrich	25/39	375
Jon Huntsman	4/1	8
Gary Johnson	0/0	0
Fred Karger	0/0	4
Uncommitted	9/20	127
Write-in	1/0	2
Democratic Party	City of Northville	Northville Township
*Barack Obama	48/53	542
Uncommitted	3/9	57
Write-in	0/0	5

ward to the next round of primaries. Wayne County 11th Republican Congressional District Committee spokesperson Mark Hutchins said the ultimate goal is to unite behind one candidate so a win against President Barack Obama will be possible in November. The Northville community is part of the 11th district.

There was a Democrat Party vote as well with Obama garnering 542 votes in the township and 101 in the city.

Hutchins said the committee did not endorse a candidate, but did put out a grassroots effort in order to get the vote out.

He said in Michigan the big question was “electability.” Many see Romney as the best option against President Obama, so, although close, the vote was not a complete surprise. In the 2008 primary, Romney won the 11th district vote with nearly 33,000 total votes.

Snow fun



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Tuhee Han and Thoon Nam, left, enjoy a romp through the snowy field ground of Northville’s Ford Field on Feb. 14 as they drag Jiyong Hoi, 2, and Hansoahen Park, 3, around of their sleds. Northville saw a couple of inches of snow earlier that day.

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90th birthday a time for tea

By Julie Brown
Staff Writer

Jeanne Ambler of Northville is turning 90 on March 8, so her family members decided a tea was in order.

“We’re having high tea for her friends,” said daughter Diane Ambler Smeed of Tampa, Fla. They invited 15 women to the older couple’s home.

“And they’re all coming. Several of them are around her age,” Smeed said of the Feb. 25 tea.

Jeanne Ambler and husband Richard are lifelong Northville residents who were involved in local historical efforts through the Victorian Festival, with their parents and grandparents also having local roots. Richard worked for Chrysler Corp., while his wife was a homemaker and held

some part-time jobs.

“I especially enjoy spending time with my husband, children, grandchildren and great-granddaughter,” the nonagenarian said.

The couple has three children, with Smeed’s brother Rick and sister Nancy Ambler Worthley of Carmel, Ind. The tea was thrown by Smeed, her sister, and sister-in-law Kathy Ambler, a Northville resident.

The siblings are Northville High School graduates.

Jeanne Ambler was an avid golfer into her 80s. She loves to play bridge, as well as gin rummy and other card games. She and Richard have known each other since kindergarten, and he will turn 90 on July 2.

In addition to their three children, the senior



Jeanne Ambler had a lot of company for her 90th birthday high tea on Feb. 25.

Amblers have seven grandchildren and one great-granddaughter. Jeanne said she’s called Northville home “all my life.” They’ve been mar-

ried 67 years.

Diane Smeed said having good parents has been great. “It’s just been wonderful. They’re wonderful parents, won-

derful grandparents, and wonderful great-grandparents.” Her parents offer great examples of love and marriage, “and raising a family,” she

said.

Her husband added they are also great in-laws.

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Simkins a Leader

Detroit law firm Barris, Sott, Denn & Driker, P.L.L.C., announced that member Rebecca Simkins was selected as one of 25 “Leaders in the Law” by Michigan Lawyers Weekly for 2012. This annual selection recognizes attorneys who exemplify the noble tradition of the legal profession, win cases and solve problems with integrity, and inspire and lead others with their skills and character. Simkins will be honored at an awards luncheon in March and profiled in a special supplement of the publication.

Simkins’ practice is concentrated in employment, labor, and healthcare law and in business litigation. She is active in the State Bar of Michigan, having been appointed as the chair of its Practice



Simkins

Management Resource Center Advisory Committee, as a fellow of the Michigan State Bar Foundation, and as a member of its Leadership Liaison Advisory Committee and of its Character and Fitness Committee for District H.

Simkins is a resident of Northville where she previously served on the Northville Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors. She graduated cum laude from Michigan State University College of Law in 1988 and graduated from the University of Michigan with a bachelor of arts degree in 1982.

William Hallan leads government affairs

William J. Hallan has been named Michigan Retailers Association vice president government affairs and general counsel, placing him in charge of the association’s legislative advocacy.



Hallan

Coming off landmark legislative victories reforming Michigan’s item pricing law and eliminating the Michigan Business Tax — and in the middle of a campaign to bring about Main Street Fairness regarding collection of sales tax on Internet purchases — the promotion is part of a reorganization to provide additional resources to government affairs efforts, said MRA President and CEO James P. Hallan.

Hallan joined MRA last August as vice president and general counsel. He takes over government affairs responsibilities from Eric Rule, who has become a partner in the Lansing-based multi-client lobbying firm Capitol Strategies Group. Rule and his firm also will lobby for MRA.

“These changes are designed to make our government affairs activities even more effective at this critical time in our state’s history,” said James Hallan.

“Michigan is remaking itself after a decade of decline, and we want Michigan Retailers to have the strongest hand possible in helping shape decisions that affect the business community in general and the retail industry in particular for years to come.”

Prior to joining Michigan Retailers, Wm. Hallan was a litigator in the Dykema law firm’s Bloomfield Hills office. He is a magna cum laude graduate of the University of Toledo School of Law and a graduate of Denison University.

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Reflections winners



Congratulations to the Silver Springs Elementary 2011 PTA Reflections winners. Pictured (l to r, top row) are Andrew Esser, Alex Darr, Maxwell Moeller, (name withheld at parent's request), Alyssa Budweg, Ava Woolfolk, Allie Lavacek, Kate Story; (middle) Kendall Moeller, Charlotte Atkinson, Ellie Oliver, Markus Budweg, Jacqueline Marquardt, Emma Asher, Lauren Atkinson; (front) Laruen Heaven, Mona Yassine and Maxwell Wright. The National PTA Reflections Program is an arts recognition and achievement program for students. The Reflections Program provides opportunities for students to express themselves creatively in six categories (music competition, visual arts, photography, literature, film production and dance choreography) and to receive positive recognition for original works of art inspired by a predetermined theme, while increasing community awareness on the importance of the arts in education.

NORTHVILLE SCHOOL BRIEFS

NHS All Night Party tickets

The Northville High School Class of 2012 Senior All Night Party will be held Sunday, June 3 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 and download and complete the SANP forms. Parent permission forms must accompany all ticket forms.

Ward Preschool registration

Ward Preschool registration for the 2012/13 school year will begin for Ward Church members, children currently enrolled and alumni of Ward Preschool at 9 a.m. Thursday, March 8. Open registration will be at 9 a.m. Tuesday, March 20. A copy of child's birth certificate and a \$75.00 non refundable registration fee must be included with application. An open house and informational meeting for new families will be held from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 27. For more information, call (248) 374-5911 or email carol.nowacki@ward-church.org.

Curriculum Night

Northville Public Schools Early Child-

hood 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.

Early Learning Series

Northville Public Schools presents the Early Learning Series for parents with children from birth to 5 with educational consultant Cathy Shapero as the presenter. She will provide relevant information to provide balance in your child's life to maximize learning. Workshops include: March 13 – Understanding and Embracing Your Child's Personality and Learning Style to Maximize Learning. The workshops are free and run from 6:30-8 p.m. at the Northville Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main. Free child care is provided for children 33 months and toilet trained (pre-registration required). Donations will be collected for Northville Civic Concern. Call (248) 344-8465.

Silver Springs raising funds for leaders March 8 at the Sports Den

For soft-spoken Philip Martinez, manager of the Northville Sports Den in the Northville Square shopping center, giving back to the community is "just what you do." Martinez, who for the past four years has managed the bar for his wife and nephew, Adam Mason, says that the three believe in "supporting schools, local youth sports teams, and the fundraising process."

An event, dubbed the Win-Win Wine & Beer Tasting Fundraiser, is set for 7-10:30 p.m. March 8 at the Northville Sports Den. The bar will be closed to the general public unless one purchases a ticket (\$30 in advance, \$35 at the door). "This type of partnership with the community is exciting to me," said Marty Testasecca, president of the Silver Springs Dad's Club, the event sponsor. "To see local businesses support a school-wide initiative either by donating services for a silent auction, or by sponsoring the event,

makes me feel proud to be a member of this community," The Northville Sports Den has coordinated with their suppliers to contribute to the event. There will be 30 wines from Michigan, California, Old World and New World as well as four Michigan Craft Beers for tasting. The event will include a live and silent auction. Various local car dealerships have jumped on board to sponsor the event.

As part of the live auction, Tom Holzer Ford has donated a 2012 Mustang convertible, which will be at the event, to the highest bidder to drive for a weekend. Bob Buckhave, Northville Square owner, has generously allowed six cars to be parked inside the shopping plaza from the following dealers: Tom Holzer Ford; Victory Honda; Cadillac of Novi; Suburban Chrysler Jeep; Varsity Lincoln Mercury; and Marty Feldman Chevrolet. The event, also spon-

sored by the Silver Springs' The Leader in Me Parent Lighthouse Committee, will raise money for a leadership program piloted at the school this year. The program, called The Leader in Me, is based on Stephen Covey's The Seven Habits of Highly Effective People. It is designed to help students take control over their own decisions, attitudes, and habits. Several schools in the district are adopting the program. "The Leader In Me creates systemic change in schools. It is exciting to see the positive changes this program has ignited. The program fosters self-motivation, analytical thinking, effective communication and personal responsibility. I think it's going to be around for a long time," said Laura Budweg, Silver Springs parent and event co-chair. Tickets can be purchased through the Northville Sports Den. For more information, call the Northville Sports Den at (248) 347-5993.

NORTHVILLE ON CAMPUS

Central Michigan University

A team from Alpha Kappa Psi, a co-ed business fraternity, took first place in a East Central Regional business competition – The Principled Business Leaders Institute – held Feb. 18 in Chicago, winning \$1,500. It will be split between the three participants, including sophomore

Alex Kanya from Northville.

University of Montana

Novi's Mark Jacson, a Northville High School 2009 graduate, was named to the Dean's list for the 2011 autumn semester with a grade point average of 3.5 or higher.



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Rocket Rumba

Christian Rasmussen, 6, tries to scale a ladder obstacle course during the Feb. 10 Ridge Wood Elementary School "Rocket Rumba". The night was the school's fundraiser fair for the whole family featuring lots of inflatable rides, a cake walk, face painting, games and a dance.



Grace Ren, 9, makes a "rocket" out of spare thread bobbins during the Ridge Wood Elementary School "Rocket Rumba" on Feb. 10.

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Guitar giveaway



Next Chapter bookstore musician Donna Lee Holman, center, gives away a Mitchell guitar to Dan Schneider, third from left, on Feb. 8. Holman entered those who donated to Livingston County's Last Chance pet adoption organization into a raffle for the guitar. Also pictured are, from left: Jeannette Schneider, Dan Comaianni, and Last Chance's Sharen Kizer.

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Roosen in the race for Northville Township supervisor position

Northville Township Trustee Chris Roosen announced his candidacy for Northville Township supervisor in the 2012 election. Roosen, 45, has served two terms as a trustee, elected to the township board in 2004 and 2008. "I have been honored to serve the community as trustee and am excited about moving the Northville community forward as supervisor," Roosen said. Mark Abbo is currently serving as supervisor, a position he has held for over 11 years. He has been on the board of trustees for 20. "I will announce my decision when I'm ready to, and that will be soon," said Abbo on whether or not he'll seek re-election.

Roosen said he began seriously discussing a run for supervisor with local community and business leaders last fall and has received strong encouragement to run. "Northville is a great community, and together with our partners in the city and school district, we are going to make it even better," Roosen said. "As supervisor, I am going to pursue more partnerships that will reduce costs and improve service levels for our residents. We will lead the economic comeback in Wayne County." In addition to serving as township trustee, Roosen is board liaison to the township planning commission and Northville Youth Assistance Commission, a shared service between the city, township and Northville Public Schools. He has previously served on the Northville Township Economic Development Corporation and Brownfield Redevelopment Authority, and was a founding board member of the Woodlands North Homeowners Association. Roosen has also volunteered in the Northville community at Challenge Day, Kids Against Hunger Soup Supper, Thayer's Corner Nature Area Cleanups, and in various game day volunteer positions for the Northville Mustangs High School football team. Roosen brings private sector experience to local government, having served in professional and management positions in the auto industry at Ford, Visteon, and MAHLE Industries, a Stuttgart-based auto supplier

in Farmington Hills, where he presently works. "I know what our residents are going through, because I've been through it myself. After almost 20 years I was laid off in late 2008, and for the first time in my life I was looking for a job," Roosen said. "So I launched a consulting practice, helping local governments use tools from the private sector to reduce cost, modernize their management practices, and save taxpayer money by sharing services with their neighbors. The things that Governor Snyder is advocating now, we were doing in 2009 and 2010 to help cities and townships weather the financial storm." Having returned to the private sector, Roosen now shares his experience and best practices in government efficiency on an Internet blog. While a consultant with the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG), Roosen conducted financial reviews and workshops at numerous local governments in the seven-county region, benchmarking their costs and processes against their neighbors and best-in-class communities. "Seeing small communities struggle to provide services on their own in the face of falling property values made me a strong advocate of shared service agreements, collaboration and consolidation," he said. "I am very proud that Northville Township is a leader in collaboration. Our partnerships in the 35th District Court, WTUA, Northville Parks & Recreation, Emergency Dispatch & Lockup, to name a few, are the envy of many communities. I am running for supervisor to strengthen these partnerships and relationships, build on them with new partnerships that will ensure high service levels at lower costs, and to improve communication with our partners and residents." Chris Roosen and his wife, Karen, a certified public accountant, have lived in the Woodlands North subdivision in Northville Township since 2000. He attended the University of Michigan-Dearborn, earning bachelor's degrees in electrical engineering and engineering mathematics as well as a master's degree in manufacturing systems engineering.

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Lower property values forcing DDA to make cuts

By Lonnie Huhman
Correspondent

With declining commercial property values in downtown Northville and the impact that will have on its funding, the Downtown Development Authority made cuts in its upcoming budget. The DDA board approved the proposed 2012-2013 budget, which begins on July 1 and was presented to the DDA board by director Lori Ward on Tuesday. In it were cost cuts like the elimination of the Business Assistance Program and Movies at the Marquis. Ward said projections had come in regarding the Tax Increment Financing (TIF) revenue, and the DDA's portion is expected to drop by 7.1 percent. Under the TIF agreement the DDA captures or receives a portion of the tax revenue after values go up in downtown. This helps finance the DDA's goal to improve and enhance the downtown. According to Ward, Sandy Wiktorowski, the City of Northville's finance director/treasurer, had

informed her overall commercial property value will probably decline by 16 percent. Ward said this drop impacts the DDA's budget by about \$56,000, plus the \$65,000 in revenue lost last year. According to Ward, the challenge was reducing the DDA's costs by almost \$100,000. To balance it the DDA will have to dip into its budget reserves by over \$44,000. The proposed 2012-13 budget has DDA revenues estimated at \$765,133 with expenditures at \$809,948. The reserves are still expected to be over \$600,000 by the end of the year. Ward said this was a difficult budget to balance after considering the revenue decrease, the added expenses that could come with the Comerica Community Connection project, as well as this being the first year the DDA will be charged a portion of the city's electrical bill for the street lights in downtown. This new cost is estimated at \$25,000 in 2012. The budget will move on for the city council's budget process in April.

No Going Back



Linda Logan, who lives in Huntington Woods but is part of a painting group at Mary Step's home in Novi-Northville, will have an exhibit -- No Going Back -- at Lawrence Street Gallery through March 31. An opening reception will be held from 6-9 p.m. Friday, March 2. The gallery is located at 22620 Woodward, Ferndale. She is a former Detroit teacher and a product of Detroit schools, having attended Cass Tech. high school and then getting her B.A. and M.A. from Wayne State U. Although she worked in art most of her school career, and is a veteran member of the Lawrence Street Gallery, this is the first solo exhibit she's had since beginning her own work.

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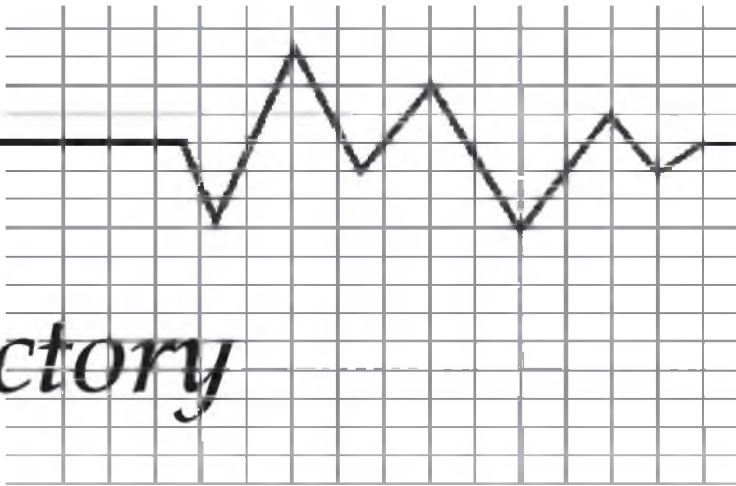
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FURMAN, KATHLEEN "KATHY"
Age 70, of Northville, passed away February 24, 2012. She was a graduate of Harper Hospital School of Nursing. She was a proud and active member of South Lyon A.A. and a devoted member of Crossroads Christian Church. Kathy is survived by her beloved husband Donald of 25 years; her sister, Nancy (Butch) Nix; and her niece and nephews. She was loved by all who knew her. A memorial service will be held at Crossroads Christian Church in South Lyon. Please contact PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME regarding day and time of service. In lieu of flowers, donations appreciated to Crossroads Christian Church.
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GRANT, LOIS R.
Age 75, a longtime resident of Northville, passed away peacefully February 27, 2012. She was born on June 11, 1936 in Detroit, Michigan to William and Frances (Brown) DeGuerre. She was united in marriage to William Grant in 1957; she was a devoted wife for 46 years until his death in 2003. Lois retired in 1995 as a personnel director from Realtron Corp. She loved gardening and enjoyed swimming. Lois adored dogs; she rescued many strays and gave them loving homes. She is survived by her loving children, Deborah (Daniel Kelterborn) Grant-Kelterborn and Raymond (Pam) Grant; and her cherished grandsons, Chad and Trevor. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, her sister Shirley DeGuerre, and her brother William DeGuerre. Visitation will be held Saturday, March 3, 2012 from 11am until 1pm with the funeral service at 1pm at Casterline Funeral Home, 122 W. Dunlap, Northville. Memorial contributions would be appreciated to the Alzheimer's Assoc., 20300 Civic Center Dr., Suite 100, Southfield, MI 48076 or the Michigan Humane Society, 30300 Telegraph Rd., Suite 220, Bingham Farms, MI 48025.

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HADDRILL (BREMER) MURIEL JANICE

Age 94, died peacefully at her home in Sarasota, FL. On February 24, 2012. Muriel was born May 30, 1917 in Ypsilanti, MI. There, she attended Ypsilanti Normal- college. She then moved to Milford, MI where she lived from 1938 to 1966. While in Milford she taught grade school for about five years. She was a great cook and kept a very nice house for her kids as well as others like, exchange students, band kids and any other neighborhood folks. Next, Muriel moved to the Holland-Douglas-Saugatuck area where she moved several times (about six) just ask her son and son-in-law's. There, she was a librarian (about 12 years at the Holland library) and started her lunch-bunch gang. From the Holland area she next moved to Tucson, AZ. While in Tucson, she traveled, explored and got to experience things the average person just doesn't do, by the way she's in her 70's here. Muriel also fifth-wheeled it around the western mountain states hunting, fishing, camping and hiking like no-body's business. There were elk, bear, buffalo and deer hunts for her to enjoy. Next up for Muriel was Bossier city, LA (2002?) There in the bayou, she explored the old south but did not attend Mardi-Gras. After Louisiana, she was onto Belen, NM. (2007?) All the while moving around, Muriel never missed a kids, grand kid, great-grandkid, birthday, anniversary or graduation. Muriel didn't just send you a card, she wrote you a letter (long) asking how you were doing as well as letting you know what she was doing and what new things she learned. She always signed the card XOXO (hugs and kisses). She had a fantastic memory, a great mind and always loved when you called just to talk. Muriel was your All-American grandma. She is survived by her sister Bertha Elizabeth Willey of Eugene, OR., her four children Ariel Jackson, Phyllis Maul-Johnson, Karen Wells (Jerry) and David Haddrill (Judy) as well as her 15 grandchildren, 26 great-grandchildren, and 4 great-great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her former husband Phillip Haddrill (2004) and her sister Yvonne Elliott (2003). Muriel had a fond interest in reading about new things, traveling, exploring, and just learning everything. She read every day. She was very knowledgeable about birds and flowers. She loved playing card games. Muriel was at peace with her Lord as she attended church regularly and kept her bible close by. Muriel's kind heart touched so many. She will be sorely missed. God has a new best friend. A memorial service is planned in Howell, MI on May 27, 2012 at the Lakeview cemetery for 1pm at the grave site to celebrate her wonderful life.

HALLORAN, PATRICK ALDEN

Age 68 of Venice, FL, passed away on 2.10.12 after a courageous battle with pancreatic cancer and lymphoma. He passed from this life surrounded by his family and good friends. Pat was known for his strength both physically and mentally and was admired and adored by many friends, co workers and family members. He loved boating, fishing, traveling, his wife and his growing family. He was also very proud of his Irish heritage. Pat had a long career with Michigan Caterpillar and, in his younger years, served as a flight chief in the Naval Air Reserve. He is survived by his wife, Becky (Buhr); daughters, Colleen (Jeff), Kelly (Mike), Meghan (Ron); 9 grandchildren; father, Al (Carol); brother, Dennis (Sue); sisters, Peggy (Otto), Kathy (Hud), Maureen (Scott). A service was held for him in Venice, FL. Memorials preferred to the American Cancer Society.

HILLEBRAND, WILLIAM T.

Age 56, of Whitmore Lake, passed away February 25, 2012. He was an avid motorcyclist and enjoyed building antique motorcycles with his best friend Wendell Turner. He is survived by his son Will; his loving mother Eileen, his siblings: Maureen (David) Anderson, Joseph Hillebrand, Mary (Brian) Jenkins, Sherry (Todd) Damon and Tom (Julie) Hillebrand. He is also survived by many nieces, nephews and loving friends. He was preceded in death by his father William. Visitation will be held on Friday, March 2, from 5:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. with a memorial service at 8:30 p.m. at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, 122 W. Lake St., South Lyon. In memory of William, donations may be made to the Hillebrand memorial fund; payable to Phillips Funeral Home. Online Guestbook www.phillipsfuneral.com

JAPES, PATRICK R.
Age 78, of Northville, passed away Feb. 22, 2012. A funeral mass was held Mon., Feb. 27 at Our Lady of Victory. www.casterlinefuneralhome.com

KASSABIAN, SARAH
May 4, 1925- February 22, 2012. Online condolences: obriensullivanfuneralhome.com

KONKEL, JOANN
February 25, 1942- February 21, 2012. Online condolences: obriensullivanfuneralhome.com

LEVEQUE, PAUL RUSSELL

Age 70, a resident of Milford and formerly of Munising, passed away in the care of his family February 25, 2012. Survived by Vickie his beloved wife of nearly 48 years; loving children Ronald LeVeque, Jeff (Sherry) LeVeque, Wendy (Shaun) Sprague; grandchildren Kyle LeVeque, Zachary and Ryan Sprague; brothers Bob (Janet) and Larry (Shelley); also extended family and dear friends. A Memorial Service will be held at First United Methodist Church of Howell, 1230 Bower St., Howell, on Saturday, March 3, 2012 at 11 AM with gathering beginning at 10 AM. The Rev. George H. Lewis to officiate. Memorial contributions encouraged to: American Cancer Society, American Heart Assoc., or American Lung Assoc. For further information, phone Lynch & Sons, Milford at 248.684.6645 or visit www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com

POWELL, BARD LAMAR (RED)

Age 84 passed away February 15, 2012 in Tampa Florida. Mr. Powell is survived by his wife of 22 years Linda, 5 children, 5 step children, 12 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren. Born October 19, 1927 in Fort Myers, Florida, Mr. Powell lived most of his life in South Lyon. He was a member of The VFW 2505 in South Lyon, The National Muzzle Loading Rifle Association, The Ionia Black Powder Rifle Club, and The Lansing Gun Club. Mr. Powell was a United States Marine; he served and fought in the Korean War. He worked and retired after 35 years of service at the Quanex Tube Mill in South Lyon and was a proud member of the United Steel Workers Union. A memorial service will be held at the Knights of Columbus Hall 3555 E Grand River, Howell Michigan Saturday March 10th, 2012 at 12 noon. In lieu of flowers, donations are requested to: Life Path Hospice, 12973 N. Telecom Parkway, Temple Terrace, Florida 33637



SMITH, EDWIN HARRIS

Age 86, of New Hudson, passed away February 21, 2012. He was born on April 1, 1925, to the late John Smith and Grace (Wolfanger) Morton, in Trenton, New Jersey. He served in the U.S. Navy during WWII and the Korean War as an EM 3rd Class. On July 14, 1956, in San Francisco, Edwin married his wife Susan, who preceded him in death in 2006 following their 50th anniversary. Prior to moving to New Hudson, in April 2010, he was a resident of Ann Arbor from 1978-1984 then resided in Nevada City, California until 2010. He worked for 30 + years for Bechtel Corp. as a Mechanical Engineer. Edwin is survived by his loving children: Laura (Chris) Williams, Dave (Carey) Smith, Steven (Cheryl) Smith; and 7 grandchildren. A memorial service will be held on Feb. 25, Saturday, at 1:30 p.m. at Abbey Park, in New Hudson. Arrangements entrusted to Phillips Funeral Home, South Lyon. Online guestbook www.phillipsfuneral.com

ZIELINSKI, DOROTHY T.

August 26, 1923- February 25, 2012. Online condolences www.obriensullivanfuneralhome.com

May you find comfort in Family and Friends

Anarchy of the Line



Larry Cressman, "Contour Drawing III," raspberry sticks, graphite and paper

Drawing once served solely as a means to an end — a step in the formulation of an idea on its way to a painting or sculpture. But drawing deserved better, and artists in recent decades have recognized the spontaneity and freedom of the unfettered line as a new destination. Without constraint as to subject or material, the Northville Art House proudly celebrates the explosion of creativity that is drawing today and presents a remarkable group of local artists whose work pushes all boundaries. The show, curated by Jeff Cancelosi, opens with a reception from 6-9 p.m. Friday, March 2 and continues through March 24 during gallery hours (1-5 p.m. Wednesdays-Saturdays). For additional information, call (248) 344-0497 or visit <http://www.northvillearts.org>. The Art House is located at 215 W. Cady Street and is a facility of the Northville Arts Commission. Admission to Art House shows is always free and open to the public.

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Northville Montessori registration

Northville Montessori Center's registration for the 2012-13 school year will begin on March 15. NMC offers a secular education for children from preschool through eighth grade. An informational open house will be held from noon-2 p.m. Sunday, March 25 in order for applicants to meet the staff. The school's address is 15709 N. Haggerty Road. For advance information, please contact Director Keith Gall at montessori-north@comcast.net or (734) 420-0924.

"Write On" contest

The search is on for inspired authors with a keen eye with the Short on Words poetry and short story contest being held in conjunction with Northville's 2012 Arts & Acts Festival. Preservation Dental is the sponsor of the first edition of this literary competition. There are three featured photographs (the hut, the man and the little girl), and poems and short stories must speak to one of the photos. Entries should be no longer than 1,500 words and must be postmarked no later than May 4. The cash award for first place is \$150; second place is \$100; third place is \$50. There will be additional prize recognition awarded at the discretion of the judges. The prestigious panel of judges includes: published author Michelle Fecht (Member, Northville City Council) and the nationally-recognized principal Ellen Demray from Grandview Elementary School (Livonia). Criteria and complete information packets are available at the office of Preservation Dental at 371 E. Main St. (corner of Griswold and Main in historic downtown Northville), on line at preservationdental.com, and at the Northville Art House.

Heise's property tax town hall

State Rep. Kurt Heise (R-Plymouth) is sponsoring his second annual property tax town hall meeting to help interested residents better understand their property tax assessment and the Board of Review appeal process. The town hall meeting will take place at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 3 in the Northville Township Hall, 44405 Six Mile Road. Douglas Shaw and Holly Adams, certified assessors, will discuss the assessed value and taxable value of property, how it is determined and what it means, as well as the Board of Review process and how to properly prepare for an appeal. Call 1-855-REPKURT or e-mail at kurtheise@house.mi.gov.

Girl Scouts Search for Ann Arbor area alumnae

Girl Scouts Heart of Michigan is looking for stories of local women from the 1920's and 1930's who have earned the highest award in Girl Scouting, now known as the Gold Award, but known earlier as the First Class Award, the Golden Eaglet and the Curved Bar Award. Was Marjory G. Pierpont (1934), Northville in your family? If so, please contact Girl Scouts Heart of Michigan at 1-800-497-2688, Ext. 7431. During 2012, the centennial year of Girl Scouting, Girl Scouts around the

nation are celebrating 100 years of building girls of courage, confidence and character. In Lansing, "Follow the Girls: 100 Years of Girl Scouting," an historical exhibit highlighting the contributions of Michigan's Girl Scouts, will open at 9 a.m. Saturday, March 10 at the Michigan Historical Center, 701 Kalamazoo Street. At noon, thousands of Girl Scouts will gather on the steps of the State Capitol for a 100th birthday sing-along, an afternoon of activities around Lansing and evening fireworks (weather permitting) at Cooley Law School Stadium, home of the Lugnuts. The pubic is welcome. For more information, visit www.gshom.org.

Can your child read math?

Let's Read Math, an enrichment program that links children's literature to creative math learning, is being launched for the first time in the metro area by the American Association of University Women Northville-Nov. AAUW members and Northville High School honor students enjoyed a recent training day with Pennsylvania founder Claire Passantino, Ed.D. By day end, heads were spinning with adventures of Albert who lost his riches because he didn't count well, the royal kingdom with a measuring problem and the greedy triangle who turned into an octagon. The first Let's Read Math workshop series for second and third graders is set from 1-2:30 p.m. on four Saturdays -- March 3, 10, 17, 24 -- at the Northville Community Library. Space is limited. For more information and an enrollment application, email marcia.horn-gren@gmail.com.

Food program changes

Income guidelines have been adjusted to allow more individuals and families to be served by TEFAP. The Emergency Food Assistance Program provides low-income Plymouth and Northville residents with canned and non-perishable items. The next distribution is scheduled for Thursday, March 15, at St. Kenneth Catholic Church (14951 North Haggerty Road). All recipients must be pre-registered. This is a supplemental food program so it may be used in addition to other assistance programs. Bridge Card holders automatically qualify, but need to pre-register. Recipients not currently on governmental assistance (food stamps, ADC and general) need to provide documentation including proof of income and residency before receiving food on distribution days. Distributions continue the third Thursday of each month from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at St. Kenneth Catholic Church. Call Plymouth Community United Way at (734) 453-6879, ext. 7.

News, now!

Breaking stories and news updates are always posted online at hometownlife.com. Check out the latest happenings in Northville and Novi throughout the day. Get into the online discussions by clicking on Story Chat on each story, editorial, or letter to the editor. Check out the awesome photo galleries posted by our staff photographers. Stop by the Hometown Weeklies' Facebook page and become a "friend" to receive news updates right on your wall. It's your news, on your time, in the format of your choice.

CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY**Location:** 24505 Meadowbrook Road**Contact:** (248) 349-8847 or visit holyfamilynovi.org**Mass Schedule****Time/Day:** 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Sunday; 9 a.m. Monday-Friday; 7 p.m. Monday-Wednesday.**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**Lenten events****Time/Date:** 7 p.m. Thursdays**Details:** "Catholicism" dvd discussion**Time/Date:** 7 p.m. Fridays**Details:** couple's prayer**Location:** Stations of the Cross**CHRISTIAN BIBLE TALKS****Location:** Plymouth VFW Hall,**GET LISTED!****Submit:** Send calendar submissions via e-mail to cstone@gannett.com; by fax to (248) 685-2892; or by mail to Church Events/Northville-Nov, 101 N. Lafayette, South Lyon, MI 48178. Items must be received by noon on Monday to be included in Thursday's newspaper.

1426 S Mill Street (north of Ann Arbor & Lilley Rds)

Time/Dates: 4 p.m. Sundays, March 4, 11, 18 and 25**Details:** These one-hour meetings will emphasize the life and teachings of Jesus Christ. No collections will be taken. Ministers are Matthew Jensen & Jason Mcnally**Contact:** (515) 851-2939**CROSSPOINTE MEADOWS CHURCH****Location:** 29000 Meadowbrook Road, south of 13 Mile Road**Contact:** (248) 669-9400, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday-Thursday or visitwww.crosspointemeadows.org.**Sunday Worship:** 11:15 a.m.**Bible study classes:** 10 a.m. for all ages**Details:** Nursery and older children programs available. Worship blends traditional and contemporary elements resulting in a multi-sensory worship experience.**Destiny Worship Center****Location:** Ridge Wood Elementary School, 49775 Six Mile Road, Northville**Contact:** DestinyW3C@gmail.com or visit www.DW3C.org.**EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH****Location:** 34567 Seven Mile Road, Livonia**Contact:** (248) 442-8822 or www.newhopecenter.**FAITH COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH****Location:** 44400 W. 10 Mile Road**Contact:** (248) 349-2345 orvisit 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 how they have experienced God in their life and the difference that has made.**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE****Location:** 217 N. Wing**Contact:** (248) 348-1020**Sunday Worship:** 10:45 a.m. and 5:45 p.m.**Sunday School:** 9:30 a.m.**Ladies Bible Study:** 9:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Tuesdays**Men's Bible Study:** 9 a.m. first Saturday of every month**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF NOVI-FAMILY INTEGRATED CHURCH****Location:** 45301 W. 11 Mile Road**Contact:** (248) 349-3647 or firstbaptistchurchofnovi.org**Famiiy Bible Hour:** 9:45 a.m.**Famiiy Worship:** 11 a.m.**Bible Study:** 6 p.m.**Famiiy 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

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Children's Programs available at 9:30 & 11 a.m.
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248-887-1218
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248-684-2798
or churchoffice@milfordumc.net

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Northville, MI. 48167
Pastor Andy Whitten
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Bible Study Thursday at 7:00 PM

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Sunday School 11:00 a.m.
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Youth at 8:30 p.m.
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Education Hour 10:30 AM
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Website: www.fbcsouthlyon.org
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OUR VIEWS

Full- or half-day?

Board made correct choice in offering hybrid kindergarten option

The Northville Board of Education had to make a tough choice recently regarding kindergarten options, and we believe it made the correct one: Parents can either enroll their children in the half-day or the full-day program beginning in the 2012-13 school year.

The district has never offered full-day kindergarten because financially it just didn't make sense. Why pay teachers full-time salary and benefits if the state was going to pay the same amount of per pupil allowance regardless of whether or not the student is in full-day or half-day kindergarten?

But that will change next school year as districts will only receive half their allowance for each half-day kindergarten students. According to Michigan's School Aid Act requirement (passed in 2011), in order for a district to receive its full student foundational allowance it will have to offer a full-day kindergarten program.

Northville currently receives state funding over \$8,000 per student, whether full-day or half-day.

With approximately 550 kindergarten students, the district would lose over \$1.84 million in state aid by not offering full-time kindergarten.

Yes, there will obviously be additional costs in having full-time kindergarten classes, mainly paying those teachers full-time wages and benefits, and the district is estimating that at around \$1.5 million.

But the tougher choice the school board made on Feb. 14 was continuing to offer a half-day kindergarten option (which was approved by a 4-3 vote). That will cost the district money, but how much has yet to be determined. Each Northville elementary will have to meet a minimum enrollment threshold (undetermined at this point) to have the half-day option.

The board is figuring on about 75 percent of families opting for full-day kindergarten, and that's based on a December survey of 385 families.

Those wanting the half-day option, about 125 families, may or may not seem like a large amount -- but to each of those families, having a choice is important. And that's why the district made a good decision, even though it could impact the budget by nearly \$129,000.

Chances are, that number will be smaller. However, come September when school starts, if a school doesn't meet the threshold, parents will have to drive their kindergarten student to a school that does have the half-day option and then come back to their home school for first grade. We doubt that half-day will be more important than continuity for parents.

It's possible too that the district will actually pick up kindergarten students next year. Why? Because in the past, parents who wanted full-day kindergarten sent their children to private schools. According to Dottie Garrity, school board president, the district usually saw an increase of about 50 students in first grade each year. Now those parents can start their children's education in Northville's public schools.

The other big change will be the elimination of the district's Wondergarten program, which has been around for over 25 years. For a fee, parents could bring their children in before or after their regular half-day of kindergarten, resulting in a full day. Less than 50 percent of families took advantage of Wondergarten.

The threshold number will be a key factor as the district begins to work on the 2012-13 budget beginning March 28, but we believe the board took a step in the right direction with the hybrid plan which gives families more options.

COMMUNITY VOICE

Are you giving up anything for Lent?



"I'm giving up bad food."
Colin Gallagher
Northville



"I gave up snacking after dinner."
Donna MacDonald
Northville



"I'm giving up thinking bad thoughts. That and candy."
Donna Van Antwerp
Northville



"No snacks after dinner, and so far I've made it through three days."
Tom Vernier
Belleville, Ill. (visiting family in Northville)

LETTERS

Park process participation

As I read Annette Masson's letter about the Seven Mile Park, I couldn't help but wonder where she has been for the past year. There were a number of public meetings and workshops on the park plans during that time. These sessions were well attended by interested citizens seeking to make a contribution to our community. Did Ms. Masson attend any of these forums to voice her concerns and offer her suggestions? I guess that it is easier to sit at home and criticize than to participate.

Bill Sivy
Northville

Seven Mile property scam

We wholeheartedly agree with the letters from James Koster and Annette Masson. We were delighted when REIS wanted to buy the Seven Mile Property. But then Mark Abbo and the rest of the Northville Township Gang That Can't Shoot Straight started to mess with a perfectly good business deal by bringing up all sorts of issues that REIS was supposed to comply with. Finally, REIS backed out of the deal. In order to try to make up for their mess-up Abbo and his gang came up with the brilliant idea to turn it into a park and fudging on what the actual cost would be so that the voters would vote for it. And now, oops, it's going to cost an additional \$82 million. Where is this money coming from?

We hope this time the voters don't fall for their tricks.

Bill and Doris Campbell
Northville Township

Gas gouging

Well, it took a week of reporting by the national media, but gas prices around town are now at or above the national average. Surprisingly, I witnessed prices actually dropping 20-30 cents the first couple of days, but they're up there now.

And how did the media break this story? By showing businesses and consumers dealing with the increased cost. So how will the oil companies deal with increased prices of the oil product they use to make gas and diesel fuel that we all use? No doubt the same as they always do -- by simply charging us more. Will the national media be as quick to report the new record profits for the oil companies? Doubtful. Whatever the reason for oil prices going up it means more profit for the oil companies. You have to ask, why would they want them to go down?

Let's not forget the first time gas prices in the country went above \$3 and \$4 a gallon, we had two oil men (Bush and Cheney) in the White House. Their response was there was nothing they could do, that it was market driven. Bush's statement that America is addicted to oil is still very evident, and the dealers supplying that addiction have no intention of doing anything to ease it.

What is driving the current increases? They say demand is

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at or below what it was in 2007. Market speculators again, investors who never take ownership of the oil -- they just bet on the price. Maybe even some of the investors that invested and bet on the failure of home mortgages that led to the crash of our financial markets. Or could it be the oil companies trying to remove a president they fear is trying to break their hold on our government?

What can we do? As President Obama has repeatedly said, we must continue an "energy policy that includes all sources of energy."

Until we can break the addiction, end tax subsidies and add an excess profits tax on the oil companies. Extra taxes would be justified because the reason they are making excess profits is they are taking extra money from us and doing nothing different to earn it. The extra revenue could be used to fund research and development of alternative energy sources and end our national addiction.

As gas prices continue to rise, it is being said that gasoline is now our largest manufactured export. It doesn't seem like Big Oil is too concerned about America and our economy.

Chuck Tindall
Novi

Represent all Americans

Most Republicans want limited government regarding the economy. But many want government involved when it comes to telling people (especially women) how to live their lives. These extremists are launching a comprehensive and radical assault on women's health. There should be no contraception, no choice in family planning, no prenatal testing. Women should not work outside the home. Other social and cultural wedge issues, -- public schools, environmentalism, same sex relationships -- are exploited by these far right conservatives.

Be aware of the importance placed on the health of all people, including women, in the Affordable Care Act (derisively called Obama Care") by Republicans.

Women voters outnumber men

by large numbers. Be sure to vote to preserve the progress women have made in all areas of their lives.

For men voters, too: Remember -- You, I, all Americans are the government! Choose representatives wisely using reason.

Hannah Provence Donigan
Commerce

We've come a long way

In recognition of Black History month, I, along with fellow Oakland County Commissioner Mattie Hatchett, presented a proclamation to Novi resident, Sally Liuzzo Prado, youngest daughter of Viola Gregg Liuzzo.

Viola Gregg Liuzzo was a 39-year-old, white, Michigan mother of five, who was so moved by the news broadcasts of attacks on civil rights demonstrators in Selma, Alabama in March 1965, that she answered the request from Martin Luther King, Jr. to go south and assist the marchers. She, along with 25,000 other volunteers from all over the U.S., drove to Selma and worked for the Southern Christian Leaders Conference.

On March 25th, Viola and a 19-year-old local black activist, drove her car to pick up the last group of demonstrators. Four Klansmen attacked them on the road. Viola was shot and killed and her passenger left for dead. Knowing the danger, she left a letter to her family in the car, where she died.

FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover painted Viola as an unstable woman who had abandoned her family to cause trouble in the south. Her killers received little more than a slap on the wrist.

Her death stirred a great debate that resulted in support for the passage of the Voting Rights Act along with a Federal investigation of the Klan.

Novi and the U.S. were very different in 1965. There was little tolerance of outsiders -- and that included anyone who did not live in Novi as well as a lot of people who did. There was bigotry, unimaginable in Novi today, which included mistrust of Catholics, Jews, the deaf and developmentally disabled, protestors of any kind, city folks and the list went on.

I am proud that we have come such a long way since 1965, particularly in Novi where people have come here from all over the world. Story hour at the library is heard in several different languages and the archway entrance of Novi High School says "Welcome" in 25 languages. Forty-seven years have passed and we seem to be more accepting of other races, cultures and religions, but there exists a growing animosity toward those who have opinions different than ours. I have conservative views but I don't hate those with a different idea or think of them as evil.

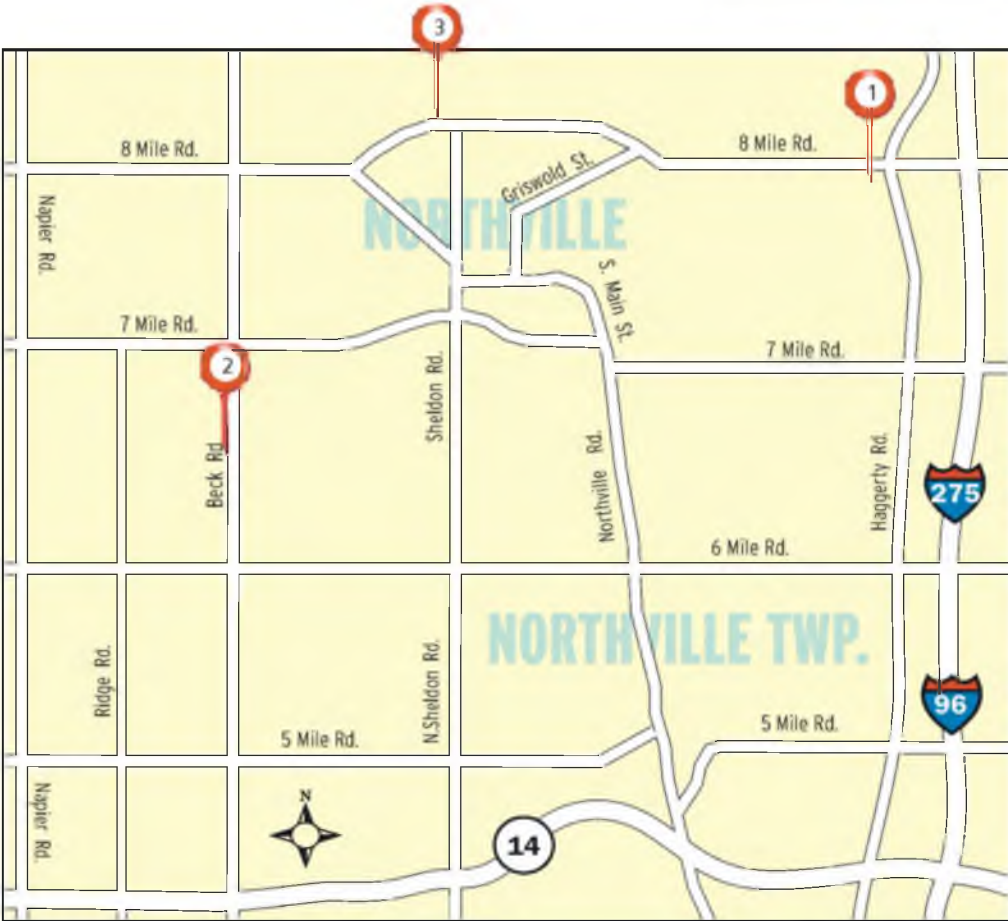
Viola Gregg Liuzzo's life and death affirms the constitutional rights of all individuals, but we still need to work on the lack of tolerance which exists in the closed minds of some.

Kathy Crawford
District 9 Oakland County
Commissioner

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Fire agreement works well so far

By **Lonnie Huhman**
Correspondent

The first two months of the Interlocal fire service agreement between the cities of Northville and Plymouth have gone well overall, according to Northville Fire Chief James Allen.

He said they were tested right away after dispatch received a medical call 45 minutes into the new 12-year agreement. On that New Year's Day, paid on-call Northville fire and rescue personnel were quickly sent to an accident scene in Plymouth -- and right away they got an idea on how prepared they were.

"Things are running how we figured," he said. "It helps that we have a lot of experience at both stations and the support of the city councils."

As of Feb. 10, the total number of fire and rescue runs for Plymouth was 91 while there were 65 in Northville. The response times have been good from both stations, according to Allen.

The agreement provides for the same level of fire and rescue service to both communities, utilizing both the existing stations in Northville and Plymouth, which are fully equipped.

Under the agreement, Plymouth reimbursed Northville for all administrative expenses involved in the start-up of the Plymouth station. This covered Northville staff's time involved with recruiting and training of paid on-call firefighters and developing specifications for apparatus and equipment.

Plymouth pays its share of Northville's total fire and rescue budget based on their percentage of run activity in the preceding calendar year. They also pay 100 percent of any part-time staffing provided to the Plymouth station.

An advisory board, which includes Northville Mayor Chris Johnson, was created by the agreement to monitor the relationship. It meets quarterly and is responsible for reviewing the annual budget and any capital expenditures in excess of \$100,000.

One big change for Allen is the number of personnel. This is the largest staff he has had during his long career with Northville. Under his command are 45 part-time, on-call fire-fighters and EMS personnel divided among both stations. He said the experience of the personnel has been helpful.

At least four of the new hires had formerly been paid on-call in Plymouth, and many live in the community. Also enlisted to help with leadership were two retirees -- one a former battalion chief from Westland and another a captain from Canton.

It was an adjustment for the chief to see more faces at the weekly training sessions on Thursday, but he said it's worked out well because of their dedication and professionalism.

Allen said in addition to the department having more trained personnel and available apparatus, it will also better funded.

Early in 2011, when the Northville City Council decided to enter into this agreement, the exact costs for the new, two-station operation and the percentage of the total run volume the two communities will split this year was unknown. It was estimated Plymouth would have approximately 55 percent of the total run volume.

It's expected Northville's savings will be in the range of \$50,000 to \$100,000 in the first full year and that it will increase in future years as Plymouth pays its proportionate share of the capital expenditure budget.

NORTHVILLE POLICE BRIEFS

Wallet Stolen

1 A Novi man had his wallet stolen after leaving it behind at the Meijer store on Haggerty Road.

On Feb. 14, the 66-year-old man said he used the U-Scan registers to check out and set his wallet on a counter. He realized he left it after leaving and going to Home Depot. He returned to Meijer and it was gone.

One credit card was reported to have been used in Farmington Hills and Novi and later in Ohio. The case remains open.

Vehicle Theft

2 A Northville man reported his wife's vehicle stolen after it was lent to her son and never returned to their home in the 18000 block of Blue Heron Pointe Drive.

The 65-year-old man told Northville Township police his wife had lent her silver 2005 Jeep Cherokee to her son while they went on vacation. He said they had been back at least

week before seeking it out and going to the police. They had been in contact with the son, a 36-year-old Northville man, and he said he would return it.

The case remains open. The victim believes the step-son has a drug problem and may have left the state.

Concealed Weapon Permit Violation

3 A Northville man is cited for violating his concealed pistol permit after being stopped for speeding.

On Feb. 18, Northville city police were conducting stationary radar at Amerman Elementary School on 8 Mile Road when the 29-year-old man was observed going 57 mph in a 40 mph speed zone. Upon speaking with the man police detected the odor of intoxicants within the vehicle. During the initial conversation the man made no mention of his conceal permit or a weapon.

They had the man step out and perform sobriety tests. It was then, after being asked, that he informed police that a pistol was in his vehicle. It was

found inside the center console along with an open bottle of vodka.

He passed the sobriety tests, but his blood-alcohol content was .05 percent, which is above the legal limit allowed for individuals permitted to carry concealed weapons. The man was cited for the BAC, failure to disclose his conceal status and open intoxicant.

Larcenies from Autos

Northville city police nabbed the individuals allegedly involved in 10 separate car break-ins.

A homeowner in the 800 block of Randolph called police on Feb. 17 to report a possible car larceny and gave a description of a suspect. Police caught up with one suspect and later the other two, arresting them for LFA. All three were 17-year-old youths from Plymouth, and one has admitted to the larcenies.

Items like a Garmin GPS and car chargers were stolen. The victims' vehicles were all reportedly unlocked.

Compiled by correspondent Lonnie Huhman

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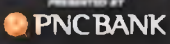


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Reading your spouse’s emails could be a crime

By Wendy Alton
Guest Columnist

If you haven’t been following the Oakland County, Michigan criminal case against Leon Walker, now is the time to do it.



Wendy Alton

Last year I wrote a blog about the criminal charges pending against Leon Walker: He and his wife Clara Walker were living together, but going through a divorce. Leon logged into Clara’s Gmail account on her computer by guessing her password. While logged in, Leon printed a number of emails between Clara and

a friend, and these emails revealed that Walker was having an affair with her second ex-husband. Leon, her soon to be third ex-husband, printed the emails and gave them to Clara’s first ex-husband, who used the emails as a basis to file an emergency motion for custody of their child.

Leon was charged with violating Michigan law MCL 752.795, which states that a person cannot “intentionally and without authorization” access a computer, computer program, computer network, or computer system, to “acquire, alter, damage, delete, or destroy property.” The same law prohibits spam and viruses.

Despite the fact that they were married at the time he accessed

her email, and despite the fact that the computer was purchased by him and her password was not always kept a secret, Prosecutor Jessica Cooper charged him with a felony that is normally reserved for serious hackers — and Leon Walker now faces a penalty of up to five years in prison.

Leon appealed his charges to the Michigan Court of Appeals. On Dec. 27, 2011, the Michigan Court of Appeals released its opinion, and upheld the charges against him.

The Michigan Court of Appeals determined the following:

1) Leon Walker intentionally accessed the account by guessing her password, and his intention was also revealed by him printing emails and

distributing them to a third party;

2) Leon Walker accessed the account without authorization because Clara Walker testified that she never shared her password with him, and he didn’t even use her computer;

3) By accessing Clara Walker’s Gmail account, Leon Walker did access a computer (Gmail email is stored on Gmail servers), did access a computer network (Gmail emails are sent to the user over the internet), did access a computer program (Gmail itself is a program), and did access a computer system (Gmail servers act as a computer system);

4) Leon Walker acquired the emails by viewing, printing and distributing them, which is

essentially acquiring the property of someone else.

The Michigan Court of Appeals ruled that the criminal charges against Leon will stand, as his actions satisfy the elements of the criminal statute. The case is now sent back to Oakland County so that a jury trial date can be set. It is unknown if Leon will appeal to the Michigan Supreme Court, and even if he does, even more unknown if the Michigan Supreme Court will hear the case.

What are the practical consequences of this case and this Michigan Court of Appeals ruling? Your personal email is absolutely private unless you share your password with someone else or authorize them to check your email. If you do not share

your password or permit someone access, it is a crime for them to access your account without your permission. This is equally true for strangers as well as for spouses — there is no spousal exception.

If you are going through a divorce, it is best to leave your spouse’s email and facebook accounts alone. The Michigan Court of Appeals has made it very clear that unless permission is given, it is a crime and it will be prosecuted.

Wendy Alton is a Northville attorney and mediator with Fausone Bohn, LLP focusing on family law, which typically involves divorce, custody, support and probate. She can be reached at (248) 380-9976 or walton@fb-firm.com.



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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

NORTHVILLE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
Taste of Northviiiie
Location: Northville High School (6 Mile Road between Sheldon and Beck)
Date: Saturday, March 10
Details: Come have a great time connecting with residents and other businesses at the event that gives businesses direct access to one on one experience with over 800 customers.
Contact: chamber@northville.org or (248) 349-7640 x 22 to RSVP

MILL RACE HISTORICAL VILLAGE
Location: 215 Griswold Ave., north of Main Street near Ford Field
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Contact: (248) 348-1845
Weekly Events
(*Grounds closed to public)
Thursday: 9 a.m. Archives open; 10 a.m. AAUW Creative Crafters; 1 p.m. New Docent meeting; 6 p.m. rehearsal; 6 p.m. Girl Scouts #737
Friday: 9 a.m. Archives open; 4-6 p.m. wedding*
Monday: 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Valentine creations



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER
Prajakatd Bhambare and her daughter Shalvi work on a Valentine's day craft at the Northville Public Library on Feb. 9. On that day, visitors could create colorful magnetic bookmarks.

Hands-All-Around Quilters in Church
Tuesday: 9 a.m. Stone Gang; 11 a.m. Country Garden Club
Wednesday: 9 a.m. Mill Race Basket Guild; 6:45 p.m. Mindfulness Meditation Group

NORTHVILLE ART HOUSE
Location: 215 W. Cady St., Northville
Contact: Northville Art House (248) 344-0497 or www.northvillearts.org for on-going art classes, lectures, events, rentals, volunteering.
Hours: 1-5 p.m. Saturdays; 1-9 p.m. on first Fridays of each month
Details: Admission to Art House exhibits are always free and open to the public.
Anarchy of the Line; Drawing Comes of Age
Time/Date: 6-9 p.m. Friday, March 2 opening reception
Details: exhibit continues through March 24 during gallery hours

MAYBURY STATE PARK
Location: Eight Mile Road (between Beck and Napier

roads.) Recreation Passport required for park entry. MI registered vehicles \$10 annually; non-resident vehicles \$8 daily or \$29 annual.
Contact: (248) 349-8390, Friends of Maybury (248) 349-3858 or FriendsOfMaybury.org.

LA MAISON FRAN,SSAISE FOR CHILDREN
Time/Dates: 10 a.m.-noon Saturdays for six weeks
Location: Hearts of Inspiration, located in Northville Square, in downtown Northville
Details: La Maison Fran,/Baise for Children teaches French language, culture and history through hands-on art education at. The program is for students in grades 5-7. Additional ages are welcome to attend with instructor review. Classes are six weeks in length; registration is on-going.
Contact: (248) 773-7664

NORTHVILLE-NOVI BUSINESS NETWORKING

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

Regional Events
QUARTERMADNESS
Time/Date: 5-8:30 p.m. Thursday, March 29
Location: Plymouth Elks Club, 41700 Ann Arbor Road
Details: New Hope Center for Grief Support is a non-profit 501c3 bereavement outreach center, located in Northville with grief support services throughout

southeastern Michigan. This fundraising event will benefit their many services provided free of charge to those who are grieving and the community at large. The evening will include auctions and lots of fun! Bidders may buy up to three paddles to win great prizes and all donated items will be available to bid on with quarters.
Contact: Tammy Brown (734) 844-9180.

MEN’S HEALTH DAY
Time/Date: 8 a.m.-noon Saturday, March 3
Location: St. Mary Mercy Hospital (south lobby), Livonia
Details: For men ages 40-70. Prostate cancer and heart disease are leading causes of illness and death in men — early screening and detection can save lives. The fair consists of prostate exam by a physician; blood test for Prostate Specific Antigen (PSA); Total Cholesterol and HDL check; blood pressure screening; skin cancer checks by a dermatologist (optional); foot exams (optional); and information related to healthy living. This event and screenings are free, but registration is required.
Contact: (734) 655-8950

MOM2MOM SALE
Time/Date: 9 a.m. 2 p.m. March 10
Location: Hillside Elementary School, 36801 W. 11 Mile Road, Farmington Hills.
Details: About 100 tables of gently used baby, maternity and children’s clothing, toys, equipment and furniture. A great opportunity to get items you need and save money off of retail prices. Proceeds of the sale will benefit Hillside Elementary and its students. Now accepting resale table registrations; \$2 early admission; \$1 general admission.
Contact: Email hillsidemom-2mom@gmail.com

MOMS SALE
Time/Date: 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, March 24
Location: First United Methodist Church, located Pontiac Trail south of 10 Mile, South Lyon

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More: For a complete listing of local and regional events, see the Northville Calendar online at www.hometownlife.com.

Details: South Lyon Mothers of Multiples Society sale of gently used clothing (including teens) sorted by size and gender, cribs, strollers, car seats, maternity clothing, books, games and more. Admission is \$1.

JAZZ @ THE ELKS
Time/Date: 7-10:30 p.m. fourth Tuesdays
Location: Plymouth Elks Lodge #1780, 41700 Ann Arbor Road, just west of Haggerty Road in Plymouth.
Details: These events are keeping the uniquely American tradition of jazz alive in southeast Michigan. A \$5 donation at the door includes hors d’oeuvres and live jazz in a beautiful club setting; limited seating.

WOMEN’S NETWORK SOURCE
Time/Date: 6:30-9:30 p.m. second Mondays
Location: Real Estate One, 346 N. Lafayette, South Lyon
Details: Networking and education meetings; cost is \$5. Women’s Network Source was established to empower, motivate and support women to become successful entrepreneurs. WNS welcomes women curious about exploring whether to start a new business or learning how to grow their current business to attend an upcoming meeting.
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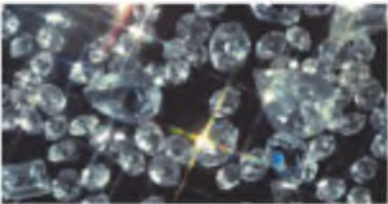
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CITY COUNCIL
Date: First and third Monday of the month
Time: 7:30 p.m.
Location: City Hall, 215 W. Main St.
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MEETING
Date: Third Tuesday of each month
Time: 8 a.m.
Location: City Hall Meeting Room A, on lower level, 215 W. Main St.
Contact: downtownnorthville.com
PLANNING COMMISSION
Date: First and third Tuesday of month
Time: 7:30 p.m.
Location: City Hall
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Date: Second Wednesday of every month
Time: 3 p.m.
Location: Allen Terrace, 401 High St.
HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
Date: Third Wednesday of month
Time: 7 p.m.
Location: City Hall
ARTS COMMISSION
Date: Second Wednesday of every month
Time: 7:30 p.m.

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Date: First Monday of every month
Time: 8 a.m.
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PLANNING COMMISSION
Date: Last Tuesday of month
Time: 7:30 p.m.
Location: Township Hall, 44405 West Six Mile
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Date: Third Thursday of month
Time: 7:30 p.m.
Location: Township Hall
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
Date: Third Wednesday of month
Time: 7:30 p.m.
Location: Township Hall
BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION
Date: Third Monday of month
Time: 7:30 p.m.
Location: Township Hall
YOUTH ASSISTANCE
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Location: Northville Township Hall, 44405 Six Mile Road
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THURSDAY
9 a.m.: TOPS; Massage by appt.
10:30 a.m.: Yoga
11 a.m.: Cribbage
Noon: Walking Club
12:30 p.m.: Pinochle

FRIDAY
11 a.m.: Poker
11:30 a.m.: Walking Club
Noon: Walking Club
1 p.m.: Movie

MONDAY
8 a.m.: Walking Club
9:30 a.m.: Mah Jongg
10 a.m.: Beginning Line Dance; Oxygise
11 a.m.: Adv. Line Dance
12:30 p.m.: Pinochle/Euchre

TUESDAY
8 a.m.: Walking Club
10:30 a.m.: Yoga
11:30 a.m.: Walking Club
12:30 p.m.: Pinochle

WEDNESDAY
8 a.m.: Walking Club
9 a.m.: Foot Reflexology by appt.
10 a.m.: Oxygise
11 a.m.: Strength Training
11:30 a.m.: Walking Club
Noon: Bridge
1 p.m.: Cribbage
7 p.m.: Bridge

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HEALTH WALKING
Date: Monday-Friday
Time: 8-10 a.m.
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Time/Date: 6 p.m. each Tuesday

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Getting to know your cell phone plan

By Jon Gunnells
Guest Columnist

You can't surf the web, watch the news, or refresh your Twitter stream without hearing talk about the next round of super-phones.

The Apple iPhone4s, Motorola Droid Bionic and even some new BlackBerry units have been making headlines recently for their 8-megapixel cameras, 1GHZ processors and 64gb on board storage.

You can read up on the newest phones and their specifications down to the screen size, phone and phone weight through a Google search.

What isn't easy is figuring out changes to your phone plan that could be necessary if you upgrade a to a smartphone from a basic cell phone device. Over the past few years, carriers have made it a requirement for smartphone users to pay for data plans or unlimited texting plans. So whether you are buying a discounted Windows phone or a Blackberry in conjunction with your two-year service agreement, your smartphone may lead to additional costs.

If you surf the web with your mobile device a lot, you will need a larger data allowance than the 200mb bottom-tier plan many carriers offer.

New customers can get a 2 gigabyte (GB) plan from AT&T for \$25 per month, or Verizon for \$30 per month. AT&T also offers a 4GB plan for \$45 and Verizon for \$50.

But what most people don't know is data overage charges aren't unreasonable — only \$10 per GB at both AT&T and Verizon. So don't pay up for a plan, simply eat the overage charge if you use your phone too much in a given month.

Better yet, when you access the web through wi-fi, say from your wireless router at home, you won't be charged data usage. Phone companies only charge when you use data directly from their mobile network.



Tech Savvy

Jon Gunnells

If you are still worried about expensive data usage, Sprint offers unlimited everything plans starting at \$79.99 per month. But don't be fooled by the small print — there's a \$10 per month surcharge for certain smartphones, like the iPhone4s. Add in phone insurance, regulatory fees and tax and you could be paying closer to \$100 — but in fairness, that's likely much cheaper than whatever Verizon is gouging these days.

If you think gouging is an unfair term to describe phone companies, consider this: In the past few years, AT&T and Verizon have removed unlimited data plan options for new

customers because they say data is too expensive.

Google, Amazon, Dropbox and YouSendit.com, meanwhile, offer multiple GBs of free storage on the web for literally any non-paying web customer.

Data isn't even the worst marked-up service on your phone bill. Depending on the carrier, your text messaging plan could be marked up near 4,000 percent.

Research has shown that text messages can cost phone companies as little as one-third of a cent, yet they charge around \$20 a month for unlimited texting plans, \$30 for unlimited family texting.

Customers can go with-

out texting plans (if the company lets you), but then they will be charged about 10 cents per text — about double what phone companies previously charged.

Why the increase? Companies are trying to get their cash before texting goes down the path of the typewriter and becomes obsolete.

Free messaging apps like BlackBerry Messenger have been around for more than five years, but they required confusing PINs and a separate interface to contact other BlackBerry owners for free.

The new iPhone4s, however, has built-in technology that sends text mes-

sages between iPhones through a program called iMessage — and it's completely free. iMessage will cut down on cell phone bills — maybe even yours. iMessage may even mean you can cut down your individual or family texting plan.

Or you could just visit the phone store and flex your cell phone plan knowledge until the service rep budes and gets you an unadvertised plan like 1,000 text messages for \$10. A \$10 plan would still be a ripoff, but less than you are likely paying now. With any luck, texting will become much cheaper when it's time to extend or change your contract again.

Note: Did you know most cell phone providers offer deep corporate discounts on monthly reoccurring charges such as minutes and data? Check to see if your company offers a discount and have the discount applied to your next bill.

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Mustang Brett MacDonald in action on Feb. 24.

Salem cagers stop Mustangs for boys conference crown

By Tim Smith and Brad Emons
Observer Staff Writers

It couldn't happen in back-to-back games, could it?

When Northville's Brett MacDonald launched a trey attempt with time running out Friday night, Salem head boys basketball coach Bob Brodie thought about how MacDonald buried a triple at the buzzer Thursday to upset Westland John Glenn.

This time, the shot from the left corner bounced high off the rim. When the ball came back down, Salem had a 42-39 victory and the KLAA Kensington Conference championship. The last time the Rocks won a conference title was 2002, when they played in the Western Lakes Activities Association.

Northville head coach Todd Sander, whose team nearly came all the way back from a 46-36 deficit early in the fourth, said another clutch trey by the senior "would have been nice. This one only would have tied it, but we would have taken it. I'm proud of how we fought back."

According to Salem senior center Josh Peterson, the host Rocks were up to the challenge of



Salem High's Kevin Mack tries to pry the ball away from Northville's Jeffrey Hewlett.

playing harder and tougher against Northville than the previous time, when the Mustangs walked into Salem and came away with a 47-37 victory.

With the Mustangs down 36-35 with 3:20 remaining, Salem senior guard Tyler Stewart (16 points) dished the ball to Chris Dierker in the paint. The 6-7 Dierker then lofted and made a rainbow jumper over a Northville defender from about eight feet to give the Rocks some breathing room.

Dierker and senior Markus Olind tacked on some free throws, and Salem was able to hold off the Mustangs.

Stewart was red hot

Please see CAGERS, B4

Mustangs capture Kensington Conference title

Tankers hold off tough South Lyon Consolidated squad

By Sam Eggleston
Correspondent

All season long, Northville boys swimming and diving coach Rich Bennetts has been saying that his team needs to improve.

Big competition requires outstanding swims, he'd say. And he was right. Big competition meant Northville had to dig deep last week in the Kensington Conference championship meet. And outstanding swims were exactly what the Mustangs produced as they earned a championship trophy to proudly host in the school display case.

Northville finished the day with 847.5 points, well ahead of a tough South Lyon Consolidated squad that took second with 807. Livonia Stevenson was third with 717 and Novi was fourth with 560.5.

"What a gutty performance from the guys," said Bennetts after the meet. "South Lyon Consolidated came after us with everything they had, and that team deserves a lot of credit for swimming very well. But I couldn't be more proud of our guys for answering their chal-

ON TAP

The Northville Mustangs will compete in a "Last Chance" meet today at 6:30 p.m. at Northville High School with hopes of earning more state finals qualifying times. The state championships will be held March 9 and 10 at Eastern Michigan University.

lenge and really stepping up and shutting the door on them."

Northville did it all with depth, too, as they won just one event throughout the day.

"This was a total team effort," Bennetts said. "We only won one event, but this meet is about the best team in the league and we proved today that we are just that. Every time they made a charge, we had a different guy step up and answer the bell."

The lone victory came from Spencer Miller in the 100 freestyle as he led Andrew Westphal (fourth), Chris Kim (sixth), Sam Boyea (seventh), Filippo Miavaldi (ninth), Adam Curry (17th) and Josh Dufresne (19th) to the domination of the event.

Northville had strong finishes throughout the day. In the 200 medley relay, the Mustangs took fourth with a team of Miavaldi, Alan Ruan, Scott Wang and Dawson Laabs while the 200 free relay team of Boyea, Westphal, Laabs and Spencer Miller took third. The 400 free relay, consisting of Westphal, Boyea, Chris Kim and Spencer Miller, took second.

In the 200 free, Chris Kim finished in second, followed by Dennis Kim (eighth), Danny Teng (10th), Sergio Reyes (18th) and Akbar Ariswala (21st). The 200 individual medley was led by Westphal in fifth, followed by Wang (sixth), Nick Hayes (seventh), Curry (10th), Aaron Zalewski (13th) and Josh Liu (15th).

Spencer Miller led the charge in the 50 free, taking third, while Sam Boyea finished fourth followed by Laabs (tie for ninth) and Mike Miller (11th). In diving, Troy Cini finished 12th and Phillip Bondy was 17th. Wang was eighth in the 100 fly, followed by Ariswala (10th), Frank Zhang (14th) and Tom Franchi

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Mustang Nick Hayes swims part of the 200 iM at the Feb. 24 KLAA meet.

Mustangs peak in time for conference championships

Squad has conference champ in Daisy Ference

By Sam Eggleston
Correspondent

Erin McWatt has been plenty satisfied with how her team has continually approved throughout the season. They continued to do her proud last week when they competed in the conference tournament, scoring their highest team score of the season and earning an individual championship in the process.

Northville finished the day with a team total of 137.35 points in the conference meet, which was

ON TAP

The Northville Mustangs gymnastics team will compete in the regional tournament March 3. The tourney will be hosted at Plymouth High School.

held at Eurostars gymnastics club.

That team total was helped greatly by the team's standout freshman, Daisy Ference. Her top-level skills were apparent throughout the day as she finished third overall in the

tournament. Ference's most impressive performance was on the vault, an event in which she captured the individual championship with a 9.55 from the judges.

Senior captain Victoria Clay also made the best of her day, finishing in 10th on the vault to prove herself as one of the best competitors in the KLAA.

Other outstanding performances were Taylor Dempsey's 8.75 on the beam, Morag Price's 8.35 on the floor and Erin Warwood's 7.9 on the bars.

CC wins first CHSL basketball title in 15 years

Squad stops De La Salle from winning fourth straight

By Sam Eggleston
Correspondent

In the history of the Catholic High School League, there has only been one school to ever win four titles in a row in the largest division. From 1948 until 1952, the Detroit Catholic Central Shamrocks were simply the team that couldn't be stopped, earning title after title.

This year, Warren De La Salle threatened to become the second team in history to accomplish the feat. The Detroit Catholic Central Shamrocks, however, had something to say about that, earning a 62-51 victory on the shoulders of some stout defense to earn the CHSL A-B Division championship. It was Catholic Central's first title in 15 years.

When the two teams had played previously, it was the De La Salle Pilots walking away with the

win as they upended the Shamrocks, 57-37, in the first contest between the teams and again in a close contest, 58-56.

"We've matured a lot since the first time we played them," said senior Matt Doneth during an interview with the Detroit Free Press. Doneth scored 14 points, 12 in the first half alone, for the Shamrocks in what was the 90th varsity game of his career. "We're working hard in practice and we're trying to get better every day. Our confidence level is growing."

The Shamrocks defense held the Pilots to no field goals and just three points from the free-throw line throughout the second quarter and took a 32-19 lead into the half. The offense went on a tear, scoring 10 unanswered points in the final minutes of the second quarter.

They were helped along



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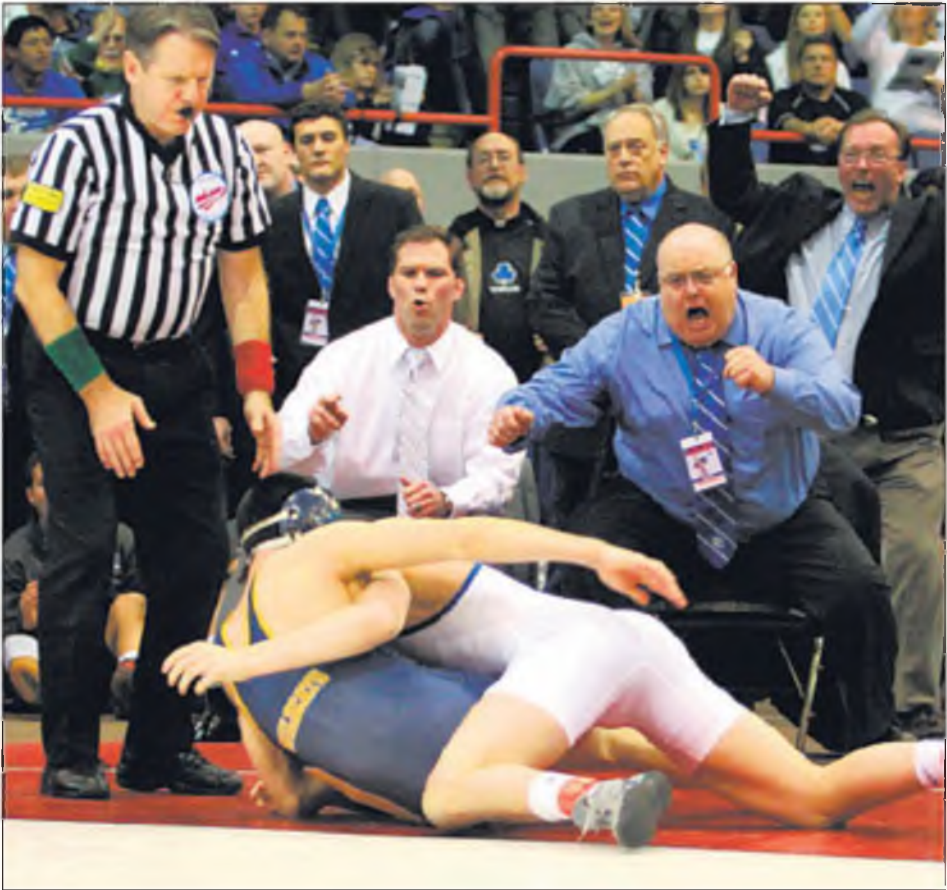
Catholic Central topped Warren De La Salle 62-51 to capture the CHSL A-B Division crown.

by the fact that De La Salle's stud player, Connor Tava, was in foul trouble almost out of the gate, picking up his third in with 4:33 left in the first half. Catholic Central used that to their advantage, playing at Tava throughout the second half to help keep the lead.

"Football season is over, and I think the first time we played them the kids were coming down from the (loss in the) state championship game," Catholic Central coach Bill Dyer told the Free Press. "I think it helped us a little bit when Tava got in foul trouble."

De La Salle did fight their way back into contention by the start of the final stanza, trailing just 46-37 as the fourth quarter began. With 6:30 remaining in the contest, Tava picked up a technical foul and left the game. The Shamrocks held a 33-24 advantage in

rebounds with Kyle Cooper and Jack Dillon pulling down nine each. David Racey had 14 points in the winning effort while Cooper and Richard Katkic had 12 and 10 points, respectively. Tava, despite having foul trouble, led the all scorers with 24 points.



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Catholic Central coaches Mitch Hancock (left) and Bob Moreau (right) root Andrew Thompson on to a victory.

Shamrocks capture Division 1 wrestling title

Squad makes it nine total with 2012 victory

By Sam Eggleston
Correspondent

The numbers are getting tough to keep track of. In the history of wrestling at Detroit Catholic Central High School, there have been 16 All-Americans, 46 individual state champions and 141 All-State selections. Oh, and those numbers are just up until last year. The Shamrocks recently tacked on a new number to one of their totals, however, earning their ninth state championship as a team last week with a win over Oxford, 47-9. "Our guys deserve this trophy," said coach Mitch Hancock. "They train extremely hard, they do the right things off the mat and they are committed to the Lord Jesus Christ."

The Shamrocks didn't saunter into their Division 1 championship bout. They didn't have any kind of swagger. Despite being the No. 1-ranked team in Michigan, the Shamrocks headed into Battle Creek and their match against Oxford with nothing more than determination and dedication.

They knew Oxford was dangerous. It was the same team that defeated the Shamrocks last year

ON TAP

The Detroit Catholic Central wrestling team isn't quite done yet. The squad will have several wrestlers competing in the individual state championships at the Palace of Auburn Hills this weekend.

in the finals, albeit surprisingly.

"Our guys trained 365 days for that moment," Hancock said. "To get an opportunity to wrestle Oxford in the finals made it even sweeter. Our team wanted that opportunity, and they went out and dominated a very well coached, tough, and experienced team. Our seniors did a phenomenal job of leading this team and I couldn't be more proud of them. They represented CC, the Basilian fathers and our wrestling program with class."

The Shamrocks didn't just win the state title, either. They dominated every aspect of the season, making it clear that this year was theirs and theirs alone. Even Oxford, the 2011 giant killer, likely knew they had little chance against the overwhelming ability of the Catholic Central

squad.

If they didn't know that going into the match, it was made clear right away. The Shamrocks won 11 of 14 of the day's matches and had pins from all three of their senior captains in TJ Fagan, Alex Mooradian and Kevin Beazley.

The Shamrocks opened up the weekend with a 73-3 victory over Roseville in the quarterfinals, followed by a 52-9 win over Hartland. Hancock's squad outscored their opponents on the weekend, 172-21. The grapplers won 35 of 42 bouts and didn't surrender a single bonus point at any point in the tournament. Beazley, the team's pin leader, was only on the mat for a total of one minute, 42 seconds last weekend.

Earning wins for the Shamrocks in the state finals championship were: Malik Amine (103 pounds; via 3-0 score), Trevor Zebbski (103; 14-6), Fagan (119; pin in 2:45), Ken Bade (125; technical fall, 18-2), Andrew Thompson (135; 8-4), Logan Marcicki (145; 9-0), Mooradian (152; pin in 2:32), Nick Mason (160; 7-3), Drew Garcia (171; 16-6), Beazley (189; pin in 0:39) and Jay Peterson (215; 6-4).

Catholic Central bests Mustangs in playoff opener

No. 1 Shamrocks move on as Northville's season comes to close

By Sam Eggleston
Correspondent

With just a few miles separating the two high schools and the members of both hockey teams having known one another for years, there was no doubt the game between Northville and Detroit Catholic Central to open the MHSAA playoffs was going to be a good one.

The two teams skated out with intensity and strong defense but when all was said and done it was the top-ranked Shamrocks who would be continuing their season as they secured a 3-0 victory over the Mustangs.

The game began with a 0-0 tie throughout the first period of play as the two teams' defenses worked to keep one another at bay. The tactic worked as the Shamrocks held Northville to just two shots on goal in the first period and the Northville defense kept Catholic Central off the scoreboard with some outstanding play, especially by goalie Jake Pawloski, who stopped 14 shots in the opening stanza.

The second period kept the two teams close until the 8:42 mark when Steven Haydon found the back of the net to put the Shamrocks up, 1-0. He received assistance from Pete Halash and Nolan Gluchowski on the play that would prove to be the game winner.

Just a minute later, fol-

lowing a charging call on Northville's Matt Sopha at 9:42 that put the Shamrocks on the power play, the second goal of the game was scored. Haydon, once again, was the shooter that found a way past Pawloski as the Shamrocks went up 2-0. Charlie Green assisted on the play, as did Gluchowski.

Northville and the Shamrocks swapped shots throughout the third period, but it was the Shamrocks who found the back of the net as Green put the final score on the board at the 4:01 mark. He had assistance from Halash and Haydon.

The game was rather tame in terms of penalties despite the intensity at which these two teams typically play. Northville was hit for six penalties for 12 minutes while the Shamrocks had two calls against them for four minutes.

Catholic Central's Ryan Mulka earned the win, stopping six shots on goal, while Pawloski took the loss as he faced 47 shots in total and fended off 44.

Mustangs fall to Plymouth

Northville's other game in the past week was also a loss as the Plymouth Wildcats skated away with a 3-2 victory in overtime.

The Mustangs tallied the only goal of the first period and when Clay

Neal took a Ben Crabill pass just outside the crease and showed great patience in moving the puck to his backhand before lifting it over a sprawling Plymouth goaltender. AJ Bradley picked up the other assist on the play.

The second period saw Plymouth pick up the pace of play as the Wildcats controlled the puck for a good portion of the period. However, Tyler Harrigan was able to push the Northville lead to 2-0 midway through the period when he took a breakout pass the length of the ice and fired it home. Connor Brown and Matt Giordano got the assists.

The lead didn't break Plymouth's momentum as their continued pressure resulted in the Wildcats cutting the lead to 2-1 heading into the final intermission.

The third period was controlled by Plymouth, which out shot the Mustangs 18-2 over the course of the stanza. The Wildcats tied the game following a scrum in front of the net with just nine seconds left in the game to force overtime.

Plymouth remained in control in sudden death, generating shots and forcing Northville into icing the puck to relieve pressure — a tactic that worked until the Wildcats intercepted a Mustangs pass and scored off a rebound for the win.

Pawloski finished the game with 45 saves.

CC advances to bowling finals

Squad takes second in regional

By Sam Eggleston
Correspondent

Look out state finals tournament — here come the Detroit Catholic Central Shamrocks.

The squad, coached by AJ Bridges, finished with a final pin tally of 3,841 in last week's regional tournament to earn second place and an automatic trip to the MHSAA state finals bowling tournament. The team's score was just shy of Clarkston's 3,863 and well ahead of

ON TAP

The Detroit Catholic Central Shamrocks bowling team will compete tomorrow in the state championship tournament at M-66 Bowl in Battle Creek. The state individual finals will be held Saturday.

third-place Farmington Hills Harrison's 3,660.

"This is the fourth straight-year that CC has advanced," said Bridges following the tournament.

High scores in the team regional came from Jeff Conflitti, who scored a 224 and a 210,

and from Eric Pavlov, who scored a 223 and a 213. Dan Ault also had two strong games, shooting a 204 and a 200, while Brad Conflitti had 202 in one of the games.

In the regional singles competition, Pavlov was simply outstanding. He finished first overall with a six-game total of 1,256. His individual game totals were 256, 215, 146, 218, 186 and 235. Also finishing in the top 10, and advancing to the state individual finals, was Jeff Conflitti. His total pin count was 1,169 with games of 166, 168, 204, 195, 187 and 249.

NHS dance company presents Dance Your Dream

The Northville High School varsity dance company is presenting its fifth annual performance — Dance Your Dream — at 3 p.m. Sunday, March 11 in the school auditorium. The show will feature various dance routines including ballet, pointe, lyrical, jazz, modern, and hip hop.

The dance company was created five years ago to offer NHS students an opportunity to expand their dance training and experience while participating in a non-competitive high school activity. The dance company's program offers many types of dance classes and dancers are able to choose their level of involvement based on individual commitments, interests and schedules.

The emphasis of the dance company's program is to foster creativity and self development by encouraging the dancers to assume duties for choreography, costume selection and design, and



The Northville High School varsity dance company presents Dance Your Dream at 3 p.m. Sunday, March 11, in the school auditorium.

event planning. The Leadership Team is instrumental in coordinating team building and in encouraging all dancers to own the success of the program — including their unique fund-raising efforts. In December, they hosted the Happy

Holidays Dance Party for 50 children who danced, played games, and made gifts and cards with the dance company dancers

— while their parents had time to complete their holiday preparations.

Because Northville High School does not have a dance facility, the program continues to receive support from local dance studios including Center Stage Dance Company, Planko Classical Ballet Academy, Performer's Edge, and Gayle's Dance Phase. These partnering studios provide studio space for rehearsals and share the expertise of their award-winning choreographers.

With its performance-based emphasis, the dance company has many opportunities to perform at school and community events. The season begins with the creation of the company's "signature piece" performed at the homecoming pep rally and the season officially ends with the annual performance in March.

This year the dancers have also danced in the 2011 Holiday Lighted Parade and at the Have

a Heart for Hunger benefit. And the dance company has also been invited to perform at the Indian American Student Association benefit and at the Michigan Parkinson Foundation Walk-A-Thon and 5K Run later in the spring.

In addition to supporting their school and their community, the dancers also benefit from an increased awareness of teamwork as they strive to perform at an individual level of excellence.

"I am so lucky to work with such talented and gifted young women — whose dedication, love and support are something to be admired," said Carly Siracusa Carlin, artistic director. "The 'barre' has been raised significantly from seasons past! The dancers have formed a bond that could never be broken and I am so proud of them. Dancers — good luck as you Dance your Dreams! Let's make them all come true!"

SPORTS BRIEFS

Northville youth football registration

The Northville Youth Football Association will hold new player and cheerleader registration March 5-18. If your son or daughter would be interested in playing football or cheering, please visit the NYF website at www.northvilleyouth-football.com for more information and to register. All Colts and Stallions teams have openings except the JV Stallions. If demand exceeds capacity on any team, an age-based lottery will be held.

New for 2012 will be flag football for 6- and 7-year-olds.

Go to www.northvilleyouthfootball.com for more information.

Men's lacrosse

Registration for Northville Men's Lacrosse is now underway and closes Feb. 26. Please go online to www.mustangslax.com to download the registration information sheet.

Please turn in this form to the Northville High School athletic office along with a physical form. The coach also has an online team expectations which will need to be completed prior to tryouts. This is also available on the website.

Tryouts will be held from 3:30-5 p.m. March 12 at Total Sports (30990 Wixom Road, Wixom).

For more information, contact Kim Cooke at kdcooke@aol.com, Patty Williams at willismsu@yahoo.com or Coach Durham at gdurham13@gmail.com.

Baseball camp

Registration has officially begun for the upcoming Fifth Annual Northville

high School Spring Training Baseball Camp. The camp will be held from 9 a.m.-noon Saturday, March 17 and Sunday, March 18 in the NHS gymnasium. It is open to all kids ages 7-14. The registration form can also be accessed at www.northvillemustangbaseball.com.

Girls softball registration

Northville Parks and Recreation Softball (NBSA) registration has started for girls ages 5-17 years with a new format.

Northville Softball Association has teamed up with the Livonia Softball Association to create an exciting new experience for softball players — one league with two divisions offering inter-league play (beginning at age 10.) In addition, there are exciting changes that will be made for all age groups, including new uniforms, improved fields, umpires for all age groups; championship games; and machine pitch beginning at age 6 (girls pitch begins at age 10).

Register now at www.nbsaonline.org

Northville High women's lacrosse

Registration for Northville High School women's lacrosse is now underway. Please go online to <http://www.nhs-womenslacrosse.com/> to register.

The athletic office will have other necessary paperwork needed, including yellow emergency card, physical form, and transportation form. Please turn in all forms and check for \$350 made out to NHS Women's Lacrosse with the athletic office by March 5.

For questions contact Laurel Brady at Ldsm@msn.com or Cathy Vogel at cbsvogel@aol.com.

Mustangs defeat WLW in one-sided game

Girls cagers simply dominate from the start

By Sam Eggleston
Correspondent

The Northville Mustangs girls basketball team wanted to be playing at the highest level when they entered the post-season — and they're doing exactly that.

The girls, coached by Todd Gudith, finished the regular season in spectacular style, dominating their foes from Walled Lake Western from the opening tip in a 53-21 rout.

The squad jumped out to a 16-6 lead in the first quarter over the Warriors, who were second in the KLAA North Division this year. By the half, the Mustangs led 34-12.

"I like how we've gotten back to playing team defense," said Gudith. "The girls have done a terrific job the past couple of games shutting down the other team's

ON TAP

The Northville Mustangs were scheduled to play in the district tournament yesterday at Novi High School against the winner of the Plymouth and South Lyon game, after the sports section went to print.

best player."

Against Walled Lake Western, Northville held their top shooter to just two points all night. Meanwhile, the Mustangs were led by senior Alex Moynes with 13 points while junior Kendra Brenner added 12 and

senior Meredith Williams chipped in 11 in the winning effort.

Another key in the victory was Northville's 36 rebounds, which was a glaring difference when compared to the Warriors' 14.

"We've been really unselfish on offense and have done a little more running the floor of late and that has led to easier scores," said Gudith. "We're playing with confidence right now and we need that going into a tough district tournament."

Northville climbed to 13-7 overall with the victory.



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2012 MARCH BOARD OF REVIEW

The Northville Township 2012 Board of Review will conduct hearings on the following dates for appeals from citizens, regarding the 2012 assessment, at the Northville Township Hall, 44405 Six Mile Road. All appeals are by appointment. **Beginning Monday, February 27, 2012 you may call (248) 348-5810 to schedule an appointment. Letters of appeal must be received by March 17, 2012. Postmarks are not accepted.**

Tuesday	March 06, 2012	1:00 pm	Organizational Meeting
Appointment Dates:			
Monday	March 12, 2012	9:00 am - 12:00 pm 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Appointments Appointments Appointments
Tuesday	March 13, 2012	9:00 am - 12:00 pm 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Appointments Appointments Appointments
Wednesday	March 14, 2012	1:00 pm - 4:00 pm 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Appointments Appointments
Thursday	March 15, 2012	9:00 am - 12:00 pm 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm 6:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Appointments Appointments Appointments
Friday	March 16, 2012	9:00 am - 12:00 pm 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Appointments Appointments
Saturday	March 17, 2012	9:00 am - 12:00 pm	Appointments

All persons protesting their assessment must complete a petition (form L-4035) which can be obtained at Northville Township Hall or at www.michigan.gov/treasury. Click on Forms, then click Property Tax, Board of Review (L-4035)

Sue A. Hillebrand, M.M.C.
Clerk

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CITY OF NORTHVILLE
2012 BOARD OF REVIEW
WAYNE AND OAKLAND COUNTIES

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Board of Review of the City of Northville, Wayne and Oakland Counties, will meet at the City Hall, 215 West Main Street, for the purpose of reviewing and adjusting the 2012 Assessment Rolls of the City of Northville on the following dates:

TUESDAY, MARCH 6, 2012:	9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Administrative Meeting
THURSDAY, MARCH 8, 2012:	1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
TUESDAY, MARCH 13, 2012:	1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14, 2012:	6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. for Deliberations
THURSDAY, MARCH 15, 2012:	1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. for 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
FRIDAY, MARCH 16, 2012:	3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. for Deliberations

Unless otherwise specified the dates above are for Public Hearings

Pursuant to Act 165 of 1971 and based on the proposed changes to assessed value for 2012, the Wayne and Oakland County Equalization Departments have set the following tentative equalization factors relative to the 2012 Real and Personal Property Assessments: WAYNE COUNTY - Commercial Real 1.00; Industrial Real 1.00; Residential Real 1.00; All Personal Property 1.00. OAKLAND COUNTY - Commercial Real 1.00; Industrial Real 1.00; Residential Real 1.00; All Personal Property 1.00.

Mail-in Petitions must be received by March 15, 2012. ALL TAXPAYERS wishing to petition their property's taxable value or assessment in person with the Board of Review will be seen by APPOINTMENT ONLY. **To ensure every appeal is heard it is requested that appointments be scheduled prior to Tuesday, March 6, 2012.** Please contact the City of Northville Tax Department at (248) 449-9901 for an appointment or with any questions you may have regarding your 2012 taxable or assessed value.

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State champion Mustang



Northville's Edward Clifton (third from left) earned himself a Michigan Indoor Track Series state championship at the 4x400 along with teammates Keshawn Walker, Mitch Latray and Khailil Boussi. The team ran to the first-place finish in 3:24.64 — three seconds faster than their previous best time. In addition to the championship, Clifton joined fellow Northville runner Trevor Smith along with Latray and Nick Soter in the distance medley relay race. They finished in second place in 10:30.57 — just one second away from first and 38 seconds faster than their previous best. The team was coached by Mark Gardner and Gordie McIntosh.

CAGERS

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layups and added a free throw to get the lead right back (28-24). It was 32-26 after three, following a clutch basket at the end of the quarter by Salem's Ryan Jankowski — who blindly flipped the ball over his head for a layup. Salem managed to hang on to the win, but it had trouble hanging on to the ball with 18 turnovers. The Rocks also made just 15-of-43 field-goal tries for 34 percent, as Northville's zone defense stifled them. But Brodie said his team also played solid defense, contributing to Northville shooting at a 32 percent clip (16-of-49).

Northville 51, John Glenn 49

The Northville boys basketball team didn't have to be in New Orleans because they staged their own personal Mardi Gras celebration on Fat Tuesday. The Mustangs got a buzzer-beating three-pointer from Brett McDonald to stun host Westland John Glenn, 51-49, in the KLAAs Kensington Conference semifinals. The victory put Northville into Friday's championship game against KLAAs Central Division rival Salem. Glenn appeared to have the game well in hand

after Isaac Everette's basket with 4:19 to play gave the Rockets a 10-point cushion, 44-34. But Northville clawed back by going on a 17-3 run to close out the game, getting a pair of clutch three-pointers from Andrew Potala and Andrew Meacham (nine points), along with two free throws by Stewart Henzi, which deadlocked the game at 48-all with 29 seconds remaining. Glenn played for the last shot and Marquise Graves was fouled going to the basket with only 5.41 seconds remaining. The senior guard split the pair of free throws to give Glenn a one-point lead, 49-48. Northville coach Todd Sander then used his final timeout to draw up a last-ditch play. "We had a couple of different options and (Jeffrey) Gertley made a pretty good read, but heck, McDonald made a great play," he said. "I was really proud how he (McDonald) took his time. He didn't try and rush it. He didn't try and shoot it before half-court or at half-court. He knew he could get a lot closer than people think you can get." Having to go the length of the floor, Gertley took the inbounds pass from McDonald, who in turn, got the ball back as he was flying down the left wing near the three-point line. "I was ready," said the 6-foot-4 McDonald, who

led the Mustangs with a team-high 17 points. "Right when we walked over there, he (Gertley) just kind of looked at me. "We were expecting them to pressure us up, but they didn't. So the plan was to try and get it in and get the ball to me. I kind of just tossed it and he tossed it right back. I took about four dribbles and pulled up. Right when I let it go, I said, 'Oh, it's in.'" And that's when the party started for the Mustangs as their players, coaches and fans mobbed each other. Northville was 18-of-50 from the field (36 percent) and only 9-of-19 from the free throw stripe (47.3 percent). But the Mustangs committed just five total turnovers to Glenn's 14. "I thought all night we missed a lot of free throws and missed a lot of puppies at the rim throughout the game that allowed it to be closer maybe than it should have been," Sander said. "I credit Stew (Henzi) with making two big free throws late to bring it tied back. "Glenn is an outstanding team and obviously going undefeated in the (South) division is something special. We tried to change it up on defense and keep them off-balance a little bit. I was really proud of how we rebounded the ball up at the rim with a lot of their size and athleticism."

Northville brings home 15 medals from Plymouth Canton Invitational

Northville Youth Wrestling Club traveled south and invaded Plymouth on Sunday, taking the Plymouth Canton Invitational Tournament by storm with 19 youth wrestlers coming home with 15 hard-fought medals. First place was the only place for two Hillside eighth graders, Brendan Boyd and Trevor Morgan. Thornton Creek wrestlers joined them, as first grader Mason Stewart and fifth grader Jeff Varner were also undefeated on the mat. Ridgewood fourth grader Jacob Bisdorf won his first gold medal, defeating four opponents, including one by pin. A South Lyon parent was overheard asking "When did Northville become so good?" during the finals as three Mustangs took sec-

ond place. Aidan Hayek is a fourth grader at Thornton Creek. Alex Jones is a fifth grader at Silver Springs and Dominic Sacca is in eighth grade at Our Lady of Sorrows. Winning a final match for third place were Amerman third grader Adam Harp and Winchester fifth grader Michael Merritt. Fourth place honors were earned by brothers, fifth grader Parker and first grader Boden Dietrich of Silver Springs. Boden's first grade classmate, Nathan Jones, also placed fourth. Thornton Creek third grader Andrew Hayek and fifth grader Nick Lauderback wrestled hard for fourth place. Nick was competing in the Michigan Youth Wrestling Association for

the first time. "He wrestled hard and it was very exciting. We're proud of him," said his father, Dennis Lauderback. Additional participants at the Plymouth Tournament included Jake Merritt a Winchester second grader, and two Silver Springs students, first grader Mason Jennings and fifth grader Grant Hood. The Mustangs will travel downriver and compete next Sunday at one last regular season tournament before the MYWAY Regional Championship at Tecumseh on March 11. A team banquet will celebrate an outstanding season of competition on March 15. Youth wrestling will begin again in November for next year. For more information, e-mail nvyouthwrestling@mail.com.

SWIM

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(15th) while Dennis Kim was 10th in the 500 free, followed by Laabs (11th), Reyes (14th) and Teng (15th). In the 100 backstroke, Miavaldi was Northville's top swimmer, finishing second, followed by Hayes (10th) and Mike

Miller (13th). Ruan was seventh in the 100 breaststroke, followed by Liu (12th), Zalewski (14th) and Yash Bajaj (18th). "You are allowed 40 entries in this meet and we were the only team

to score all 40," said Bennetts. "That was the difference. That and our relays really dropped a bunch of time and allowed us to stay even with everyone and use our superior depth to win the meet."



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Mustang Chris Kim swims at South Lyon East on Feb. 24 as it hosted the KLAAs conference meet.

INVITATION TO BID EIGHT MILE STADIUM ATHLETIC RENOVATION NORTHVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

The Board of Education of Northville Public Schools is accepting Prime Contractor firm bids for all labor, materials, equipment and all other services to Eight Mile Stadium Athletic Renovations. Work at the above referenced school; located in the Northville Public Schools.

Specifications and proposal forms can be obtained at George W. Auch Company business office, 735 South Paddock Street, Pontiac, MI 48341 for a \$50.00 refundable bidder's fee (per set) in the form of a check made payable to Northville Public Schools.

Your proposal marked "EIGHT MILE STADIUM ATHLETIC RENOVATION" will be accepted **NO LATER THAN 12:00 NOON, FRIDAY, MARCH 9, 2012 TO: NORTHVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION-ROOM 307, 501 WEST MAIN STREET, NORTHVILLE, MI 48167 OR GEORGE W. AUCH COMPANY, 735 S. PADDOCK, PONTIAC, MICHIGAN 48341. IF MAILING YOUR PROPOSAL VIA THE POST OFFICE, SEND TO: GEORGE W. AUCH COMPANY, 735 S. PADDOCK, PONTIAC, MICHIGAN 48341.** Oral, telephone, fax or electronic mail bids are invalid and will not receive consideration..

All bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at 2:00 P.M., Friday, March 9, 2012 at the Northville Board of Education-Room 104, 501 West Main Street, Northville, MI 48167.

A pre-bid walk through is scheduled for Friday, March 2, 2012 @ 3:00 pm at 21200 Taft Road, Northville, MI 48167. The pre-bid meeting will be held at the Northville Athletic Field when the site will be accessible for a walk-thru. Please meet in the Cook School parking lot which is found at the address above and adjacent to the field. **This meeting is not mandatory**

All contracts to be entered into by the Northville Public Schools must and will comply with the equal opportunity laws of the State of Michigan.

All bids must be submitted on the forms provided in the bid packet.

All bidders must provide familial disclosure in compliance with MCL 380.1267 and attach this information to the bid proposal. The bid proposal will be accompanied by a sworn and notarized statement disclosing any familial relationship that exists between the owner or any employee of the bidder and any member of the Northville Public Schools, Board of Education or the Northville Public Schools, Superintendent. The District will not accept a bid proposal that does not include this sworn and notarized disclosure statement.

Proposals must include a Treasury listed bid bond or certified check made payable to Northville Public Schools for not less than five percent (5%) of the contract for each proposal over \$21,825 and must be submitted on the bid proposal form furnished with the specifications. All proposals shall remain firm for a period of sixty (60) days.

The Board of Education reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, either in whole or in part; to award contract to other than the low bidder; to waive any irregularities and/or informalities; and in general to make award in any manner deemed to be in the best interests of the owner.

James Mazurek, Secretary
Northville Public Schools, Board of Education

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Northville Parks and Recreation Park Mowing Proposals

Northville Parks and Recreation will receive sealed proposals for a 3-year park mowing and maintenance contract, (mowing and fertilization) covering multiple properties in the City of Northville and the Charter Township of Northville, until **Tuesday, March 13, 2012 at 10:00 a.m.** local time, at which time the proposals will be opened and read aloud.

Bid documents consisting of specifications and instruction forms may be obtained from:

Northville Parks and Recreation
700 W. Baseline Road
Northville, MI 48167.
(248) 349-0203

Please send your sealed bid package to **City of Northville, 215 W. Main St. Northville, MI 48167, Attn. Clerks Office.** Please mark your envelope **Parks and Recreation Mowing Proposal.**

Northville Parks and Recreation reserves the right to waive any irregularity or informality in bids, to reject any and/or all bids, in whole or in part, to select various options, or award any contract to other than the low bidder, should it be deemed in their best interest to do so.

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Tracey Wormsbacher, owner of the Hearts of Inspiration business on the top floor of Northville Square, hand-makes many of the gifts available in her store and also offers etiquette classes at the location.

Wormsbacher's business inspired by her children

By Lonnie Huhman
Correspondent

The idea behind Northville Square's Hearts of Inspiration is Tracey Wormsbacher's children.

"They inspire me everyday to be the best I can be," she said.

The business name represents Wormsbacher passion and motivation.

Hearts of Inspiration is part gift shop, private party setting and etiquette/manners school. This specialty boutique store carries a variety of items and accessories for women of all ages.

It's the classes and workshops which make this location so unique in Northville. Wormsbacher calls what she is offering, "a modern and fun approach to teaching social skills for children 5-years-old and up." After a visit to her 12-year-old daughter's school classroom she saw the need.

"I was surprised by the interactions between the children," she remembers. "Manners and etiquette seems to have been forgotten."

She views good manners and social skills as the building blocks of any child's success. That's why she wants to get the word out on her classes and workshops. By furthering what is taught at home and encouraging good communication habits, Hearts of Inspiration hopes to give children the keys to success.

Children can learn about being courteous and kind through the 3Gs: gratitude, grace and giving. She said although please and thank you are at the top of the lesson list, the emphasis is on teaching children the impact they have on others.

Wormsbacher supports what is being taught at home and encourages lots

of practice to help children understand. Role-playing and demonstrations make the classes very interactive. Current classes include table manners and social etiquette with lessons on eye contact, tone of voice, body language and conversation.

"The girls have been so responsive," she said of her workshop students.

A new class just now getting underway is an arts-based approach to the language, culture and history of France. Classes for boys are being expanded as well, and adults are not left out because sessions on business and social etiquette are also available. Each can be taken as a private session or group class..

Hearts of Inspiration is located at 133 W. Main Street in suite 290. Wormsbacher can be reached at (248) 773-7664 and found on Facebook.

TAKIN' CARE OF BUSINESS

Employees with social inertia keep companies from moving forward

By Lee Meadows
Guest Columnist

At a time when the economy is showing signs of positive movement, there is growing concern about the number of employees who are demonstrating symptoms of social inertia. While it may be hard to believe that the "tendency of an object to resist any change in its motion" would be a behavioral issue for anyone who tied their body to a pole as a way of holding on during the economic storm, the idea of not moving forward during its recovery is even more unbelievable.

The lack of movement has more to do with attitudes about survival and, thus so, may have created an unintentional, through-the-backdoor-form of entitlement. Survival mixed with fear and entitlement is a toxic combination that produces a 'toxinertialistic' form of behavior that seeps into the organization like a contaminant and, when left unchecked, will alter the natural, collaborative chemistry that comes when events have taken on a positive flow.

One form of 'toxinertial' behavior is unintentional, not deep seeded, and an unconscious aftermath of individuals who have survived the storm with their wits intact and, now anchored, are driving pillars into the ground in order to stabilize their foundation. Their tendency to resist a change in motion has more to do with over-analyzing every push forward so as to eliminate risk and maximize certainty. While they have seen and experienced the results of stratospheric decisions made way above their pay grade, their resistant behavior is linked to their need for a 'guarantee' that the next step forward will not rock, shake or destroy the foundation that they have re-established.

Managers, charged with the task of managing forward progress, may often see that the over-analytical behavior has a way of preventing the start of new ideas, processes or perspectives. Essentially, the wolf is at the door and will not be allowed access until there is a guarantee that it has changed its nature. What lingers as a valid



Lee Meadows

concern is easily translated into a call for inaction and a constant focus on refortifying the foundation.

The other form of toxinertial behavior is intentional, very deep seeded and a conscious affront from individuals who survived the storm through their witless disregard for the long-term growth of the organization. Their tendency to resist change in motion has more to do with a personal agenda of inapplicable rules, selfish individualism and the belief that it is their face that shines the light from every full moon. While they have seen and experienced the same economic storm, what has emerged is a perceived sense of invulnerability that is beyond penetration from any form of kryptonite. Rather than refortify their foundation, they are more concerned with expanding their cubicle influence so that all movement begins with stirring the mix and pouring its toxic content before anyone realizes that the meal is tainted.

Managers charged with the task of managing forward progress may find often that the over-inflated behavior has a way of destroying foundations. Essentially, they are the wolf in the cube and offer no assurances that they will change their nature. The positive progress needed occurs when they have been removed from the organization and their toxinertialistic behavior becomes the concern of some other, desperate organization.

The pace, speed and force that has driven the 21st century economy has brought with it forms of inter-organizational behavior that exceeds, in these first 12 years, what was witnessed during the one hundred years of the 20th century. Some would argue that what we have experienced will only serve to make us globally stronger for the challenges ahead. In doing so, some of the newer forms of behavior will have to be seen, analyzed and managed in a broader light. All physical laws of change begin with movement – and the first obligation of leadership is to understand the how and why elements that prevent movement.

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New plaza



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Work begins on construction of a small plaza in the northwest parking lot of Meijer in Northville Township on Feb. 16. A plaza with a few restaurants is slated to take up residence at the north end of the retailer's lot near its gas station. Work will continue through the winter.

NORTHVILLE BUSINESS BRIEFS

Fiscal fitness program

The Michigan Small Business & Technology Development Center (MI-SBT-DC) announced the schedule for financial tools workshops in metro Detroit in 2012 through June.

Five Keys to Achieving Fiscal Fitness, a workshop to help the non-financial manager business owner achieve fiscal fitness, is a statewide training program designed to strengthen financial literacy and improve the ability to access capital businesses need to grow. It will be held Thursday, March 15 and cost \$25; Fifth Third Bank clients attend at no cost.

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Report: Metropolitan Detroit housing market improves in recent months

The list of housing markets showing measurable improvement expanded by 29 metros in February to include a total of 98 entries on the National Association of Home Builders/First American Improving Markets Index (IMI), released Feb. 6. Thirty-six states are now represented by at least one market on the list.

Michael Stoskopf, CEO of the Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan, said the market has improved recently. "Over the last couple of months, locations in Michigan start showing up," he said. Those included Grand Rapids and Muskegon.

The metro Detroit area showed up in February's report, for the four counties of Wayne, Oakland, Macomb and St. Clair. "They look at three factors."

Those are sustained improvement in home sale prices, new home permits, and employment. "All three of those areas have improved consistently," a pleased Stoskopf said.

"Pleasantly surprised. You hope that the Lions make the playoffs and all of a sudden they do. Hopefully we stay on this list for a while."

He had looked monthly at statistics, and found "all of those factors are holding. It comes down to jobs."

"Once they get back to work and they feel secure in that job..." Typically consumers who feel secure will begin to move or perhaps buy a car.

"That economic activity spurs additional activity. I think that's really what we're seeing," Stoskopf said.

In the last six months in the four-country metro area, 27,000 people have returned to work, he said. "That's 27,000 people that now have that potential to buy a home."

"It's pretty good news, we're

very excited about it. Hopefully we can sustain the momentum," Stoskopf added.

The index identifies metropolitan areas that have shown improvement from their respective troughs in housing permits, employment and house prices for at least six consecutive months. The February index adds some metropolitan areas that have been particularly weak; this is due to the fact that the IMI measures improvement from a bottom, and some of the hardest hit markets are showing signs of coming off of extreme lows. Keeping this in mind, notable new entrants to list in February include Miami, Fla.; Boston; Detroit; Kansas City, Mo.; Portland, Ore.; Memphis, Tenn.; and Salt Lake City.

"The number of improving housing markets has risen for six consecutive months, and 36 states now have at least one metropolitan area on the list," said NAHB Chairman Bob Nielsen, a home builder from Reno, Nev. "This indicates that despite the many challenges that continue to drag on a housing recovery — including the tight lending environment for builders and buyers — improving conditions are slowly but surely spreading from one housing market to the next."

"While many of the markets on the February IMI are far from fully recovered, the index points out where employment, home prices and housing production are no longer retreating and have held above their lowest recession troughs for six months or more," said NAHB Chief Economist David Crowe. "This is a sign that a large cross section of the country is starting to turn the corner as local economic conditions stabilize."

"The fact that there are nearly 100 markets now on



the improving list shows that the momentum is building for a housing recovery and that more buyers and sellers are starting to feel confident enough to return to the market," said Kurt Pfothner, vice chairman of First American Title Insurance Company.

The IMI is designed to track housing markets throughout the country that are showing signs of improving economic health. The index measures three sets of independent monthly data to get a mark on the top improving Metropolitan Statistical Areas. The three indicators that are analyzed are employment growth from the Bureau of Labor Statistics, house price appreciation from Freddie Mac, and single-family housing permit growth from the U.S. Census Bureau. NAHB uses the latest available data from

these sources to generate a list of improving markets. A metropolitan area must see improvement in all three areas for at least six months following their respective troughs before being included on the improving markets list.

Seven markets dropped from the NAHB/First American Improving Markets Index in February as they experienced softening house prices. These metros include San Jose, Calif.; Washington, D.C.; Kankakee, Ill.; New Orleans; Worcester, Mass.; Jackson, Miss.; and Sherman, Texas.

A complete list of all 98 metropolitan areas currently on the IMI, and a separate breakout of metros newly added to the list in February, is available at: www.nahb.org/imi.

O&E staff writer Julie Brown contributed to this report.

Nashville shows some high notes

By Robert Meisner
Guest Columnist

Q: I understand that downtown Nashville is a source of redevelopment, but do you have any information about it?

A: Like many cities, including Detroit, there was a mass exodus of commercial and retail from downtown Nashville about 20 years ago. Slowly, but surely, however, retail and office building



Robert Meisner

development has returned to downtown Nashville particularly with the stadia that have been constructed as well as the commuter railroad which offers an opportunity for people to come directly to the downtown area. Of course, there is still the honkytonk streets filled with bars providing all sorts of music which is a major attraction and results in increased activity. Also, a new convention center is planned which will also spur development and the increase in real estate property values.

Q: Our board has some concern about coyotes and other potentially dangerous animals entering our condominium project. Are we, in effect, responsible for the behavior of indigenous wild animals?

A: Generally not. Generally speaking, community associations are not responsible for the behavior of indigenous wild animals — a legal doctrine known as ferae naturae. However, a recent ruling in Georgia poses an inroad into the blanket immunity that community associations have enjoyed. In that case, the majority in the Appellate Court said that it is reasonable to consider whether liability exists for the association, based in part on its policy of removing alligators that were more than seven feet long. In that situation, the alligator that killed a woman was more than eight feet long. So in any situation, you should consult with your community association attorney and insurance carrier.

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

HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-WAYNE

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Nov. 14-18, 2011, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

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39580 Cather St \$95,000
50137 Grant St \$227,000
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29447 Mark Ln \$125,000

9870 Merriman Rd \$65,000
30989 Orangelawn St \$130,000
29870 Richland St \$115,000
20218 Saint Francis St \$50,000
9921 Seltzer St \$110,000
15953 Woodring Dr \$124,000
9289 Woodring St \$125,000
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46597 Crystal Downs W \$467,000
39640 Rockcrest Ln \$115,000
17697 Rolling Woods Cir \$448,000
16115 Thorndyke Ct \$305,000
39507 Village Run Dr \$240,000
PLYMOUTH

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13200 Cambridge Ct \$320,000
46490 Rockledge Dr \$280,000
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25280 Five Mile Rd \$17,000
14210 Breakfast Dr \$134,000
9103 Dale \$35,000
19512 Garfield \$35,000
19452 Lexington \$45,000
19782 Sumner \$45,000
26245 W Six Mile Rd \$18,000
WESTLAND
32250 Hazelwood St \$70,000
32726 Winona St \$98,000

HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-OAKLAND

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Nov. 7-11, 2011, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

BEVERLY HILLS
32355 Eastlady Dr \$483,000
BIRMINGHAM
976 Bird Ave \$100,000
2196 Manchester Rd \$210,000
309 N Eton St \$40,000
452 Park St \$260,000
1889 Pine St \$379,000

1431 Washington Blvd \$547,000
2601 Windemere Rd \$170,000
BLOOMFIELD HILLS
2735 Ayrshire Dr \$200,000
518 Kingsley Trl \$555,000
BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP
2816 Birchwood Ct \$575,000
1042 Brenthaven Dr \$152,000
702 Browning Ct \$1,100,000
1839 Golf Ridge Dr \$137,000
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COMMERCE TOWNSHIP
8627 Cooley Lake Rd # 309 \$256,000
8648 Hummingbird \$265,000
FARMINGTON
23731 Ely Ct \$80,000
33718 Grand River Ave \$150,000

35527 Heritage Ln \$78,000
21246 Larkspur St \$118,000
FARMINGTON HILLS
26315 Drake Rd \$215,000
27948 Gettysburg St \$148,000
38887 Holsworth Ct \$196,000
30139 Kimberly Ct \$230,000
28634 Lakeside Ln \$240,000
24829 Lakeland St \$185,000
29041 Summerwood Rd \$200,000
36838 Tanglewood Ln \$178,000
31120 W Eight Mile Rd \$450,000
35231 White Pine Trl \$160,000
MILFORD
803 Atlantic St \$212,000
373 Whitewater St \$225,000
NOVI

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50708 Chesapeake Dr \$686,000
25890 Clark St \$128,000
24065 Cranbrooke Dr \$165,000
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29351 Rambling Rd \$40,000
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20702 Woodburn Dr \$47,000
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REAL ESTATE BRIEFS

On the job

RE/MAX Classic announced Teresa McCollom has joined the Canton office. McCollom is a longtime resident of Canton and has branded herself as a real estate professional in Western Wayne, Oakland, Livingston, Washtenaw and Macomb counties for the past 10 years. She specializes in residential and commercial sales and leasing, executive properties, golf course communities and buyer representation. McCollom is certified as a Short Sale and Foreclosure Resource Specialist and brings with her a strong



McCollom

background in interior design and staging offering home sellers a unique edge selling their home in today's market.

"Teresa is genuine, professional and extremely dedicated when it comes to servicing her clients. Her knowledge and exceptional communication skills and caring have made her a much sought after Realtor in the industry," said Carol Boji, broker/owner of RE/MAX Classic. "Real estate isn't just my career, it's my lifestyle," said McCollom on the secret to her success. "I live it continually in all facets of my life. I see a new door opening every day for families buying their first home, moving up or scaling down."

Wayne Investors

Wayne Real Estate Investors Association will

host Noel Selewski of Noel Selewski Insurance Agency Tuesday, March 6, speaking on insurance on empty or rented units. Meetings are 7:30 p.m. the first Tuesday of the month at Red Lobster on Eureka on Southgate. Call Wayne Koehler, (313) 277-4168.

Investors

"Mr. Landlord" (Jeffrey Taylor), a nationally known "Landlording Expert" and author, will cover finding qualified prospects, having tenants leave the property in move-in condition and how to increase monthly cash flow when filling vacancies at the regular meeting of the Real Estate Investors Association of Oakland on Thursday, March 8, 5:30-9:30 p.m. at Club Venetian, 29310 John R, north of 12 Mile, Madison Heights.

Seminar free to members. \$20 nonmembers. www.REIAofOAKLAND.com; (800) 747-6742.

Real Estate Career Seminar

A free Real Estate Career Seminar will be held 6:30-7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 15, at Keller Williams Realty 40600 Ann Arbor Road, Suite 100 Plymouth. For more information, contact Lesley Aiello at (734) 459-4700 or laielo@kw.com.

BIA courses

Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan will present all three courses needed for Certified Aging-in-Place designation by the National Association of Home Builders. Don Pratt, CAPS, CGB, CGR of CECS of Michigan,

LLC will be the instructor for all three. He will cover the technical, business management and customer service skills essential for competing. CAPS I, Marketing and Communication Strategies for Aging and Accessibility, will be held on Monday, March 12. CAPS II, Design/Build Solutions for Aging and Accessibility, will be held on Tuesday, March 13. Business Management, the third course required for this designation, will be held on Wednesday, March 14. Each session runs from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Association Offices, 2075 Walnut Lake Road, West Bloomfield. Registration for each course is \$195 per person for BIA members and \$225 per person for guests. For information, call (248) 862-1002 or register online at www.builders.org.

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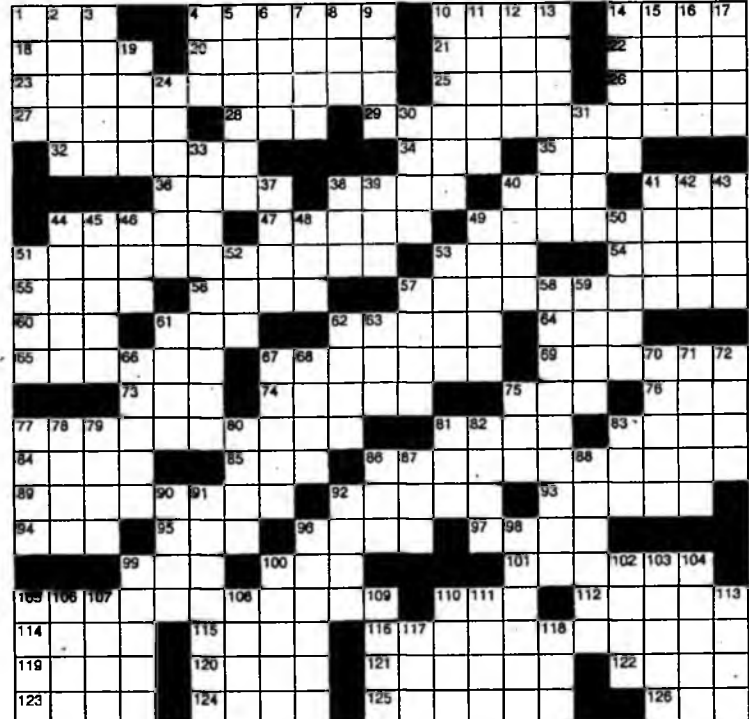
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In order to meet the needs of this increasingly complex health care system, industry leaders, such as the Institute of Medicine (IOM), recommend an increase in the proportion of nurses with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree from 50 percent to 80 percent by 2020. With these additional skills,

registered nurses (RNs) will be prepared to deliver high-quality patient care and, as the IOM recommends, become partners with physicians and other health care professionals in redesigning health care in the United States.

Some schools of nursing offer specialized nursing degree programs that help meet this call to action. Chamberlain College of Nursing, for example, offers an online degree completion option that allows RNs to earn their BSN in as few as three semesters - as opposed to traditional three- or four-year nursing programs - without altering their current work schedule. With the flexibility of online learning, completing a BSN

degree is an attractive investment for RNs.

"Nurses who hold a bachelor's degree have additional training in leadership, health policy, research, teamwork, collaboration and other skills that are integral to the successful function of many health care roles," says Dr. Margi Wheeler, a registered nurse and dean of the RN-BSN online degree option at Chamberlain College of Nursing. "That type of advanced education positions nurses as more viable job candidates for managerial roles such as nursing director, clinical nurse manager or nurse practitioner, for example."

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"Nurses can and should play an integral role in the health care system's transformation," says Wheeler. "Working together and encouraging each other to pursue advanced degrees, we can help to provide safer care that is accessible to all and leads to a healthier population."

Nurses are being called upon to fill new roles in the health care setting. From harnessing new technologies and information management systems to collaborating across teams of health care professionals, nurses are expanding their presence and the traditional definition of the profession. To continue to advance the role of the nurse and meet the needs of an evolving industry, nurses must achieve higher levels of education that allow them to elevate the profession and to better serve patient needs nationwide.

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