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State of the Community

The Northville Chamber of Commerce will host the annual State of the Community Luncheon on Wednesday, April 18 at Meadowbrook Country Club, 40941 W. 8 Mile Road, Northville. The event sponsor is St. Mary Mercy Hospital.

"The State of the Community Luncheon provides an opportunity for residents and the business community to hear from its city, township, school district and county officials on past year successes and on future plans for the respective organizations" said Jody Humphries, chamber executive director. Featured speakers include: Wayne County Commissioner Laura Cox, Northville Township Supervisor Mark Abbo, City of Northville Mayor Chris Johnson and School District Superintendent Mary Kay Gallagher.

Reservations may be made by contacting the Northville Chamber of Commerce at (248) 349-7640 or by email at chamber@northville.org. Tickets are \$40 per person.

Metro Trail Cleanup

Join the Friends of the I-275 Metro Trail for trail cleanup day on Saturday, April 14, working in Canton Township on the section of trail north of Van Born Road. Meet between 9 a.m. and noon in the driveway on the north side of Van Born, just east of I-275. There is no Van Born exit, so exit the freeway at either Michigan Avenue or Ecorse Road and take Haggerty or Hannan to Van Born (then look for the Friends sign).

Work will primarily be clearing out winter washouts, so bring flat shovel, scrapers, stiff-bristled brooms and metal leaf rakes. Tools for pruning vegetation will be helpful, as would a gas-powered leaf-blower.

Water and a light snack will be available. For more information call Dave Duffield at (248) 994-3074 or visit the Friends of the I-275 Metro Trail on Yahoo! groups or Facebook.



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Downtown braces for more road work

By Lonnie Huhman  
Correspondent

This summer, downtown Northville will once again be the scene of detour traffic signs and workers in hard hats as the city of Northville has approved a contract with the Michigan Department of Transportation for a \$1,178,800 project to repave Main and South Rogers streets.

The project will also have the city's water main on Rogers replaced.

The repaving will begin in the coming months, and Northville's share of the project is estimated to be \$374,100. According to Jim Gallogly, Northville's Public Works director, the city has budgeted sufficient funds in its Major Street and Water and Sewer funds to cover this expenditure. He described the MDOT-drawn project as a good deal for Northville.

Work on Main will run from Rogers to Hutton Street, with the first phase starting in May. This phase will be



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Downtown Northville merchant Colleen Pozzuoli wants her customers to know that they can use her Main Street store's back door (at right) during the upcoming street resurfacing project that will begin in early May.

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Civic Concern relies on good neighbors

By Julie Brown  
Staff Writer

The shelves at Northville Civic Concern need restocking. "We can always use cereal," Director Marlene Kunz said. "We can use canned fruit, canned meat of any sort."

Toilet paper, tissue, paper towels, laundry and dish soap and baby products are always needed by clients. "The people cannot get it with a (state-issued) Bridge card," Kunz said.

She was busy helping clients Friday, April 6, Good Friday, but took a few minutes to talk about needs of the 182 documented families from Northville and Northville Township who get Civic Concern help.

"It's a wonderful community," Kunz said. "We need the help of the community to stay open."

Donations by check to Northville Civic Concern are always welcome at P.O. Box 323, Northville, MI 48167. Gift cards are also welcome, such as gas to allow needy residents



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Sisters Josie, left, and Samantha Ollis, both 9, show off some of the generous donations that have flooded the shelves of Northville Civic Concern in the recent week. More donations are needed. The sisters were at the 7 Mile Road nonprofit helping to prep Easter baskets for kids.

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Community center title drops 'senior'

By Lonnie Huhman  
Correspondent

The name change is in for the Northville Community Senior Center, and it shouldn't be too difficult to rewrite it.

It will become the Northville Community Center, which aims to represent the true intentions of the building on W. Main Street in downtown Northville.

After conducting a community survey and considering the overall uses of the complex, the Senior Advisory Board went before the Parks and Recreation Commission at their last meeting with the proposed name change recommendation, which was unanimously approved.

According to Northville Township Supervisor Mark Abbo, who is also part of the commission, surveys were completed by around 150 residents. He said over 60 percent were in favor of making it the Northville Community Center.

Parks & Rec Budget

The Parks and Recreation Commission also approved a balanced budget for the next fiscal year of 2012-2013, which starts this July. Revenues will be at 2,434,120 while expenditures are projected at 2,423,674.

Joanna Vaghy, Parks and Recreation Department interim director, said there are no major changes to the budget.

Northville city and township contributions are expected to stay flat till 2016, and it was approved

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# Northville girls have special reasons to Relay

Kali Maisano understands the importance of Relay for Life more than most. Participating for eight years now, the event has long been part of this Northville High School student's life, but this year brought on new meaning as Kali "relayed" in honor of her mother, Dale Maisano.

A 24-hour fundraiser for The American Cancer Society, Relay for Life is designed to honor those battling cancer; remember those who have died from cancer; and to come together and fight cancer.

Participating when she attended Amerman Elementary School, Kali remembers being part of the event with her mom.

"My mom had several types of cancers and potential cancers at that time, and I knew many people who had died from cancer," Kali said. "It was a way for us to join in the fight together. This year, I Relay in memory of my mom, who just passed away from pancreatic cancer."

The 2012 Northville/Novi Relay For Life was held March 24-25 in the gym at Hillside Middle School. What is unique about this particular Relay event is that it is run solely by high school students.

"Everyone is welcome at relay, said Kali. "You



Dancers from Center Stage Dance Company in Northville lead Relay participants in some dances, including teaching them a Zumba routine, at the Northville-Novu Relay for Life event last month at Hillside Middle School.

may want to celebrate a survivor, remember someone who you have lost to cancer, fight back to find a cure, or help others with their fight. Even if you have not been affected by cancer, it doesn't mean you can't be involved. Relay is our community's way, and our schools' way of joining the fight against can-

cer, and it is a very fulfilling experience."

Lia Busse, who is on the Relay planning committee, said being around Kali is an inspiration.

"I know all of us on the Northville team look up to Kali and find her energy and drive inspirational. I have a feeling she gets that from her mother," said Busse.

"There are many people who have been affected by cancer who I think about during the 24 hours," added Busse. "My mom was very good friends with Pam Fleming who was a reporter for the Northville Record and passed away last spring. We think of Pam during this event and how much she meant to us."

Although the event itself lasts 24 hours, months of preparation go into it. Many students from both Northville and Novi high schools work on the event for months before the big day, creating teams and raising funds. Team members raise money while walking around the track, taking turns over the 24-hour

period to symbolize that cancer never sleeps.

Carly Oosten, a senior at Northville High, also understand the importance of Relay.

"All students who participate in Relay do so for their own reasons, most often to honor someone they know who has been affected by cancer," said Oosten. "I relay for my aunts, my cousins, my father, and my friends in hopes that no one else will ever have to go through the struggles I watched them endure."

For the past three years Oosten has participated in Relay for Life as both a team captain and chair of the Entertainment Committee.

"Towns all over the country host Relays, but our specific event is one of the few Relays in the country run for students by students," said Oosten. "Our Relay event is open to anyone in the community who wants to come spend the day with us donating to our cause, and enjoy the games, food and entertainment. We hope even more of the community participate next year."

Relay for Life is internationally recognized as one of the largest sources of income for cancer research. The 2012 Northville/Novi Event raised over \$47,000.

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Several local businesses will take in food donations when Civic Concern's not open, she said. Those include: World Custom Alteration, 43275 W. Seven Mile; Cassel's Restaurant, 43003 W. Seven Mile; the UPS Store, 143 S. Center; and Genitti's restaurant, 108 E. Main.

Civic Concern is housed at 43261 W. Seven Mile. Kunz said business neighbors can take in food donations, but they shouldn't be left outdoors during hours the nonprofit's not open.

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# Builder glad to be traveling back north to Northville



Ed Funke  
Northville builder

By Julie Brown  
Staff Writer

Ed Funke's going to commute between his family's Virginia farm and Northville. The Funkes will maintain the farm. Several years ago, they closed the building business he had here when auto executive bonuses were frozen. "We were very blessed with it," he said of the Edward Funke, LLC business wife Barbara helped with for 18 years and in which they built some 45 homes before the economy's collapse. They said, "Let's just head down to the farm and hang out there and see what happens." They run a farm at the base

of the Blue Ridge Mountains, outside of Charlottesville, and started an animal rescue petting farm operation. Now, he sees a building "boom" in Northville and is coming back, first building a spec home. He's had a lot of inquiries on home projects, but didn't want to uproot their college freshman son. "He's pretty rooted down here now," Funke said. "We'll just do the commute thing." They'll both drive and fly. He came to the Northville Chamber of Commerce Taste of Northville, and will return for good part-time in early April. He will seek housing for just himself.

He does mostly residential building, specializing in design builds that try to fit in with existing architecture. A compliment comes when people ask, "Is this a remodel or a new home?" Funke, 52, did an historical renovation of an early 1800s home on Rayson in Northville. He has a couple customers who wish to downsize now that children are grown and gone. "A lot of people are looking to downsize and simplify," said Funke, noting many wish to be within walking distance of downtown Northville. "We're anxious to get back and start doing it again." He's a third-generation

Northville resident whose dad worked for Ford Motor in accounting. The Funkes' daughter and son attended Northville schools. "I've always had a love for building and particularly architecture," Funke said. "I'm anxious to get rolling again." Funke can be reached at funke.ed@gmail.com or (248) 675-5615. The business website is www.edwardfunke-builder.com. He'll continue the tradition of working closely with local suppliers, such as Northville Lumber, and gathered a same team of trades craftsmen.

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## Hillside teen does family, teacher proud with science fair award

Hillside Middle School student Hannah Gallon displays some of the data she collected in her award-winning science project that took third place overall in the Metro Detroit Science Fair. Gallon, whose science teacher Roy Hall is at right, sought to see whether people judged the photographic "moods" of subjects differently as the subjects' clothing changed hues. Her project was called "Is a Blue Hue You?"



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By Julie Brown  
Staff Writer

Family suffering has helped Hannah Gallon, 14, to be a better person and student.

"I know I want to go into psychology," the Hillside Middle School eighth-grader said. "I went through losing my brother, so I thought I could help people deal with those kinds of things." Her brother died at age 2.

Gallon, the daughter of Marianne and Robert and sister of Emily, 6, has an accomplishment that makes her family and science teacher proud. She recently placed third in the behavioral science category of the Metro Detroit Science Fair Competition, the only such Northville Public Schools student.

"Driven would be one word," Roy Hall, who

teaches her in eighth-grade science incorporating chemistry and physics, said of Gallon. She excels in work ethic and comprehension.

"She puts a lot of time and energy into her schoolwork," Hall said.

This project was optional, and she placed as a gold awardee, "which was hundreds of projects, I believe," he said.

"It has to be something they're really excited about. She chose to do this on her own." He gave only minimal feedback and sample materials: "She's just a really bright kid."

Gallon looked at how the mind compares colors with different emotions in her "Is a Blue Hue You?" She took photos of someone who was designated as fearful, happy, sad or angry, as well as neutral. She used Photoshop

to color the white shirts in the photos and then showed them to 11 subjects, including five students, asking them to sort by emotion and not allowing neutral. Gallon used half female and half male subjects of varied ages, and found color didn't really relate to emotions. She did data tables.

"I thought doing something with colors would be fun," said Gallon, who likes art. She had some stomach butterflies for the science competition, but overcame her nervousness.

"I just told myself that nothing bad could come out of it," she said.

Gallon was born in England and came to the U.S. at age 1. Her mom was a veterinarian in England and her dad is a design engineer for GM.

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### NORTHVILLE SCHOOL BRIEFS

#### Dance Company meeting

The Northville High School varsity dance company is preparing for the 2012/2013 season, and is inviting any student interested in dance, along with their parents/guardians, to attend an informational meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 17 in the school forum. It should last approximately one hour.

You'll have the opportunity to find out what the Dance Company is all about, meet current dancers and their parents, and learn the participation requirements before the auditions on May 4.

If you're unable to come or would like additional information, please contact Mari Anne Guidobono at (248) 761-7072 or mguidobono@yahoo.com.

#### Herrmann awarded trip to Germany

Annelie Herrmann, a sophomore at Northville High School, has been awarded an all-expense-paid summer study trip to Germany. She was selected as a national winner after scoring in the 95th percentile on 2012 National German Exam for High School Students, sponsored by the American Association of Teachers of German (AATG). Across the country, nearly 23,000 students participated in the program.

After qualifying with a high score on the National German Exam, Herrmann submitted her responses to several essay questions in both German and in English, and she was then interviewed by a committee of high school teachers and college professors of German.

She is one of 44 outstanding German students selected from across the United States to receive this prestigious award. The study trip includes round-trip air transportation to Germany from New York, a homestay in a host family, and numerous excursions to places of cultural and historical significance. The study trip award is made possible through a grant from the Federal Republic of Germany.

Herrmann is a student of Northville High School German teachers Hubert Rast and Karen Motz.

"To have been selected is such a great honor and opportunity," said Herrmann. "I couldn't be more thrilled!"

She is the daughter of Fred and Mindy Herrmann of Northville Township.

## Student with knife expelled

By Lonnie Huhman  
Correspondent

The Northville Public Schools Board of Education has followed up the initial suspension of the Ridge Wood student who brought a knife to school with an expulsion.

This stems from the March 14 incident in which the fifth-grader brought a knife with a blade longer than three inches to the Northville elementary school. After being informed about the knife from other students, Ridge Wood staff intervened and it was quickly confiscated.

The board of education voted to expel the student at their April 3 meeting after being given an update on the matter from David Rodgers, the district's human resources director.

Rodgers was the hearing officer for the expulsion case.

"It's always an unfortunate situation ... when the board has to consider a student expulsion," he said.

The incident was initially investigated by principal Alicia Parsons, assistant superintendent of instruction Robert Behnke as well as other staff at Ridge Wood. Northville Township Police also conducted an

investigation. This was followed up with a recommendation for expulsion being made by Parsons.

A hearing was held by Rodgers in which the parents of the student attended. He said he based his decision to uphold the recommendation upon the Northville Public Schools Student Code of Conduct, Article 1-C-35, and Section 380.1311 of the Michigan School Code. It states the district is a weapons-free zone and knives longer than three inches are considered to be a dangerous weapon. Expulsion is the ultimate penalty detailed in this part of the code.

Rodgers said the parents have declined to appeal the decision.

A parent of another Ridge Wood student, who did not give her name, attended the board meeting and expressed her concern about the expelled student eventually coming back to the

district. Wondering about her child's well-being, she asked Rodgers what parents can do to monitor a potential reinstatement.

Rodgers said the expulsion length is determined by the age of the child. In this case, since the incident happened in fifth-grade, the student's parents could petition for reinstatement after 90 school days, and for students in sixth-grade and above it's 180 days. He said this is set out in the Michigan School Code.

"I'm going to speak very bluntly. If this child is re-instated back into school there is a severe risk to my child in that school district," the Ridge Wood parent said. "So I'm very concerned about this."

It was reiterated a reinstatement could only occur after a hearing was held. The board of education will have final say on any decision.

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# Food for thought



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Nearly 100 church members, friends and community volunteers assembled and packed 10,000 meals on March 25 at Meadowbrook Congregational Church as part of Kids Against Hunger's efforts to support local and global hunger relief. Both children and adults gathered to assemble ingredients (a combination of rice, soy and vegetables), weigh, seal and box food packets. Local distribution was designated to Northville Civic Concern, which currently is facing a dire shortage of food donations. Other distribution will be to global areas in crisis. Meadowbrook Congregational Church provided volunteers with a soup lunch immediately following the packing. Partnering with Kids Against Hunger for the event was Bridgepointe, a non-profit charitable organization that promotes city and suburban partnerships in the Detroit area.

# Barefoot brings one-woman show to the stage April 14

Barefoot Productions presents "Annie Speaks" for a limited-engagement, special performance 8 p.m. Saturday, April 14, at the Barefoot theatre space.

"Annie Speaks" is an engaging one-woman show detailing the work of Helen Keller's teacher, Annie Sullivan whose birthday also happens to be April 14.

Barefoot officials said this "delightful blend of humor and drama" stars Dearborn actress Collette Cullen. As a veteran educator herself, the life-changing work of Annie Sullivan resonates with Cullen.

For 40 years, Cullen taught special needs students and also served as a supervisor of student teachers for Wayne State University. One highlight of Cullen's inspiring career was teaching in the agrarian village of the poorest region of Georgia, Europe (formerly the Soviet Union). In Tskaltsminda, Cullen worked with first- through sixth-graders in the most dire of learning conditions.

In an effort to continue the language program that she worked with in Georgia, Europe, a portion of the proceeds from "Annie Speaks" will be used to send much needed school supplies to the teacher and students in Tskaltsminda.

Barefoot Productions is located at 240 N. Main Street in downtown Plymouth. Tickets can be purchased by visiting [justgobarefoot.com](http://justgobarefoot.com) or by calling (734) 582-9688.



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The Western Wayne County Conservation Association had a large group of women turn out for its Women on Target program which helps women learn shooting skills in a safe environment.



Youth learn shooting skills through the WWCCA's junior rifle and shotgun programs.

# Dinner benefits club's shooting sports

By Sue Mason  
Observer Staff Writer

For the last three years, the Western Wayne County Conservation Association has hosted a sellout Friends of the NRA dinner and auction in May at its Plymouth Township clubhouse.

This year organizers have decided to move it a few miles down the road to the Fox Hills Golf and Banquet Center to let more people attend.

"We're trying to increase the size and raise more money for the kids, it's only four miles from the club," said Robert Haviland, a member of the WWCCA Friends of the NRA Committee that is putting on the event. "The first three years we sold out at 160 for the dinner. By moving it to Fox Hills we can run it up to 300."

The banquet, which will be held Thursday, May 17, will raise money for the NRA Foundation. Fifty percent of the proceeds will go to the foundation while the remaining 50 percent will stay in Michigan to support boys', girls' and Women on Target shooting sports programs

and range development. The evening includes dinner, games, auctions, drawings and door prizes. Doors open at 5 p.m. to preview prizes and the silent auction. Games start at 6 p.m., followed by dinner at 7 p.m. and the live auction at 8 p.m.

Limited edition firearms, custom knives, FNRA limited edition commissioned art, special ladies' merchandise and many items created for the event will be auctioned off to the highest bidder. Special raffle ticket packages also will be available.

Dinner tickets are priced at \$40 each and attendees are automatically entered in a drawing to win a .22 raffle with their dinner ticket purchase. Those who purchase dinner tickets by April 30 will be entered in a special early bird drawing.

There also are several packages available, including the \$100 Big Shooter that includes \$160 in raffle tickets and a ticket for a special drawing for "the Big Bang Handgun," along with \$200 Super Shooter with \$400 in raffle tickets and three tickets for the gun drawing. People who purchase either of the shoot-

er packages by April 30 will get a second package free. Sponsorships ranging from \$250 to \$2,500 also are available.

"We created the special ladies table for the female shooters and guests with things that would be of interest to the girls," said Haviland. "We created the early bird to raise more money and increase raffle ticket sales. It's all about raising money for the kids and the ladies, and we think that's the right way to go."

The WWCCA was organized in 1937 in Westland and moved to its current location — 80 acres of land on Napier Road in Plymouth Township — in 1965. Haviland has been a member the club since the early 1990s, but has belong to other conservation clubs since he was 19 years old.

Its members hail from such Wayne County communities as Plymouth, Canton, Livonia, Westland and Redford to as far away as St. Clair Shores and the Grosse Pointes. The club also attracts shooting enthusiasts from Farmington, South Lyon, Northville, Novi and Milford.

"We currently have 850 mem-

bers, our numbers are coming back," said Haviland. "At one point, we had 1,350 members and dropped to 750. We're working our way back up."

The club has been able to get FNRA grants to support its programs. It applied last year and received three, totaling more than \$10,000. The money came in handy, supporting junior shotgun and rifle programs and a Women on Target program which has seen participation increase to the point where the club is offering two classes this year.

"We've modified the fees and rules to make the WWCCA member friendly," Haviland said. "We're offering new programs and increasing our junior and ladies programs."

For more information about tickets and sponsorships, contact Nancy Garneau at (734) 259-3341 or the WWCCA at (734) 453-9843. Tickets also can be ordered online at [www.friendsofnra.org/Events](http://www.friendsofnra.org/Events). Click on Michigan.

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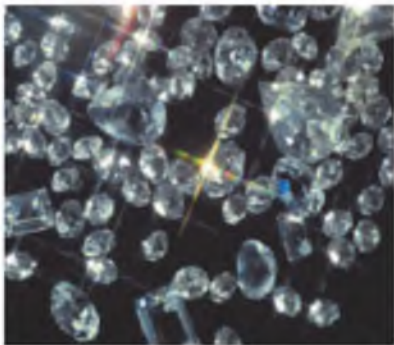
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with the condition to direct some of the undesignated fund balance to designated projects. The parks and recreation department is a shared-service with the city contributing 16 percent (\$161,974) and township contributing 84 percent (\$852,869) to the budget. The department has an over-\$800,000 fund balance that is undesignated. From this the commission wants to take a portion to be designated for more specific projects, said Nancy Darga, city councilwoman /parks and rec. commissioner. Abbo said there are no reductions in services and it is strong enough to be able to have some extra money set aside for some needed improvement projects, which include the tennis courts at Fish Hatchery Park. This projected is estimated to cost \$80,000, and a grant for up to 20 percent of the costs is being sought to help. However, if this falls through the work will be done in phases, Vaghy said. Another project will have new volleyball poles placed at the Recreation Center at Hillside, which will cost \$7,500. The hiring process for a permanent parks and recreation director is also getting underway. The commission approved setting up a process that is in the early stages of receiving resumes. These will be reviewed by Northville Township Manager Chip Snider, Northville City Manager Patrick Sullivan and a consultant before being whittled down to a select few for review by the commission.

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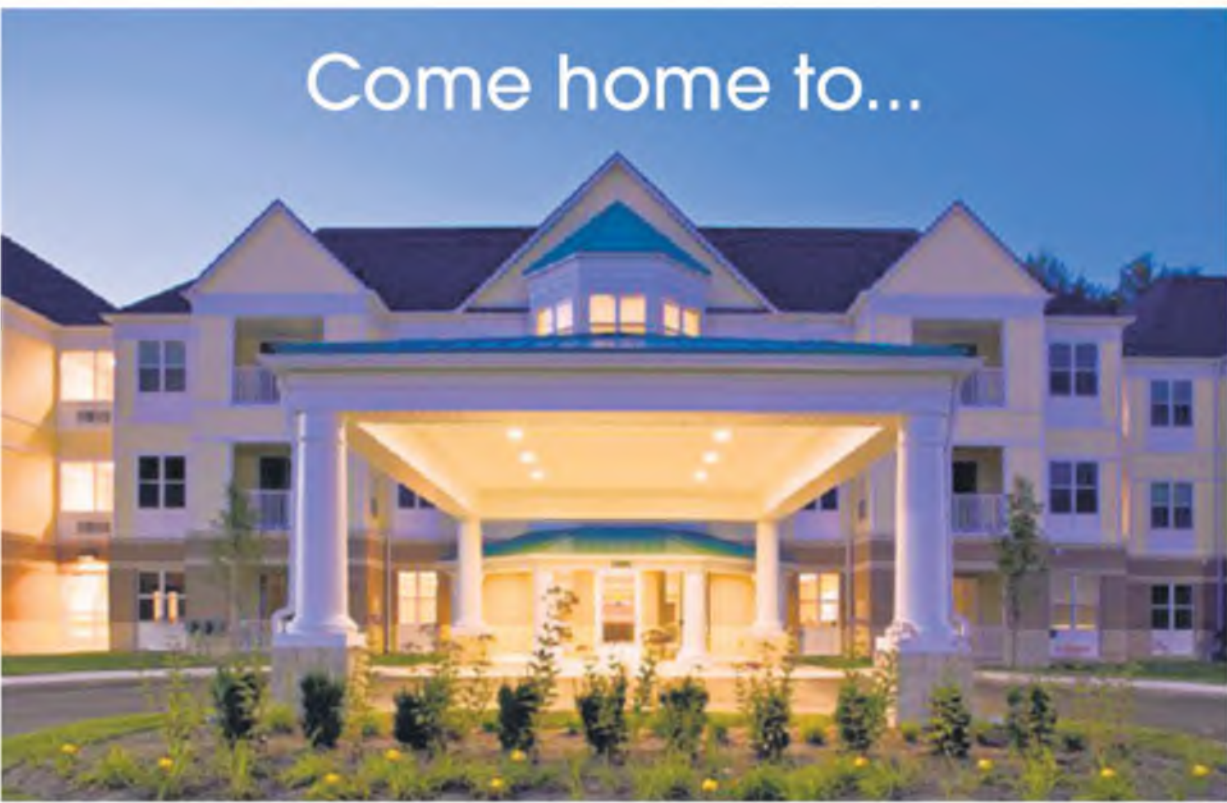
### Community Events

**SPRING BLOOD DRIVE**  
**Location:** Our Lady of Victory Church social hall, 770 Thayer, Northville  
**Time/Date:** 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Sunday, April 15  
**Details:** Open to the public; all donors welcome.

**Contact:** Call or email Christine Abbey to schedule an appointment at (248) 701-5221 or chrisabbey1@comcast.net; or visit www.givelife.org and enter sponsor code olv.

**SEEDLING GIVE-AWAY**  
**Time/Date:** 9-11 a.m. Saturday, April 21  
**Location:** Northville Township Hall

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Sue A. Hillebrand, Clerk  
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The Beautification Commissions of Northville Township and the City of Northville will jointly host the annual "ARBOR DAY Seedling Give-away" which will be held on:

**Saturday, April 21, 2012**  
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**AMBLER, RICHARD "DICK" WILLIAM**

Age 89, of Northville, passed away on April 8, 2012. He was the beloved husband of Jeanne for 67 years; and is also survived by daughters, Diane (Bob) Smeed and Nancy (Jim) Worthley; son, Rick (Kathy) Ambler; grandchildren, Rob Smeed, Metta (Dustin) Dwyer, Mark (Tara) Worthley, Matt Worthley, Marie Ambler, Sarah Ambler, Rachael Ambler; and great-granddaughter Irene Dwyer. He was devoted to his entire family and will be greatly missed. A lifelong resident of Northville, he served on the City of Northville Planning Commission, was elected as City Councilman and was on the Northville School Board. He served on the Northville Township Board and at the Methodist Church as Steward of Finance. He continued to serve as trustee on the Langfield Committee supporting the Northville High School Band. He enjoyed serving the community and the church. He was on the board of Lakelands Golf and Country Club while they built and expanded the clubhouse and was the originator of the Northville Oldtimers Meeting and the Chrysler Retiree Annual Meeting, both started at Genitt's Hole in the Wall in Northville. He retired from Chrysler Corporation as an executive with worldwide responsibility in Wage and Salary Administration. Visitation will be held Thursday, April 12 from 5-8 p.m. at Casterline Funeral Home, 122 W. Dunlap, Northville. A memorial service will be held Friday, April 13 at 11am, with visitation beginning at 10am, at the First United Methodist Church, 777 W. Eight Mile Road, Northville, MI 48167 with a luncheon to follow. He will be laid to rest at Rural Hill Cemetery following the luncheon. Memorial contributions to the First United Methodist Church.


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**HUBBARD, MARY REED**

Age 89, of Venice, FL, and Rapid City, MI, passed away peacefully at the home of her daughter on April 7, 2012. She was surrounded by her family who were blessed to care for her in her final days. She was preceded in death by her son, John Hubbard, brother, John Reed, and grandson, Jacob Hubbard. Surviving are her husband of 69 years, Ralph Cullen Hubbard; children, Pam (Tim) Minick, of Ann Arbor, Cheryl (Larry) Grajewski, of Ann Arbor, Marc (Deb) Hubbard of Granger, IN, Ron Hubbard of Holly, Mary Hubbard (Fred Jensen) of Ada, Maggie (Rick) Groggel, of Kentwood, Julie (Don) Orsini, of White Lake, and Tim (Jill) Hubbard of Grand Rapids; grandchildren, Chris Hubbard (Tina Miller), Dan Hubbard, Krystal Hubbard, Stacey Franklin (Jason Allen), Todd Franklin, Lindsay (Alex) Beros, Stephen Grajewski, Kylene (Ben) Broadwater, Katie Orsini, Anna Jensen, Alicia Hubbard, Megan Hubbard, Peter Groggel, Andy Groggel, & Leann (Jacob) Lahmann; great grandchildren, Madeline Hubbard, Lily Hubbard, Stella Hubbard, Carter Beros, Zoey Beros, 'Baby Boy' Broadwater; Brother William (Hilda) Reed of Grand Rapids, and six nieces and nephews. Mary devoted her life to raising nine children and joyfully spent time with her grandchildren and great grandchildren. During her early fifties she returned to college for a liberal arts degree. She also enjoyed water color and pastel painting, playing piano, reading, cross word puzzles, classical music and was the family scrabble champion. Retirement years were spent between Venice, FL, and Torch Lake, MI. The lake held a special place in her heart with constant family gatherings, boat rides, fishing, swimming, lake gazing and smores at the campfire. Mary will be greatly missed and lovingly remembered by her family. The family is grateful for the care and support provided by Tidewell Hospice (Venice, FL) and Hospice of Michigan. In lieu of flowers the family suggests donations to Hospice of Michigan. A Funeral Mass will be held Friday, April 13, 2012 at 1 PM at Sacred Heart Catholic Church of Elk Rapids, MI with visitation one hour prior to the service. The family is being served by Metcalf & Jonkhoff Funeral Service, 4291 Cascade Rd SE Grand Rapids, MI 49546.

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**KOWALSKI, RONALD D.**

Age 55, of Commerce; passed away on April 2, 2012. Mr. Kowalski was the founder and owner of Premier Refrigeration in Waterford for 31 years. He was a member of the MCA Contractors. His passions included spending time with his family, contributing to the Boy Scouts of America (most recent, Troop 42), camping and woodworking. He will be sadly missed by his beloved wife of 31 years Patricia "Pat" Kowalski; dear sons Anthony Kowalski, Jon Kowalski, Nicholas Kowalski, and Ben Kowalski; siblings Kenneth Kowalski, the late Chuck Kowalski, and Noli Kowalski. Mr. Kowalski was preceded in death by his parents William and Frances Kowalski. The Mass of Resurrection was celebrated on Wednesday, April 11, 2012, at St. Mary's Catholic Church, 1955 E. Commerce Road, Milford, MI 48381. Interment was at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield. Memorial donations were to Boy Scouts of America c/o Patricia Kowalski. St. Mary's-St. Vincent De Paul Society and Gleaner's Food Bank; please visit [www.eltonblackandsonhighland.com](http://www.eltonblackandsonhighland.com) and share a tribute of Ronald. Arrangements entrusted to the Highland Chapel of the Elton Black & Son Funeral Home, Highland. (248) 889-1500

**MORGAN, HENRY E.**

Age 72, passed away April 5, 2012. He was born on August 22, 1939 to the late Leonard and Avis (Swan) Morgan. He graduated from Cheyboygan High School and served in the U.S. Army for 2 years. He retired after 30 years of service to Ford Motor Company in Wixom. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, Genealogy, and loved spending time with his grandchildren and friends. Henry is survived by his wife of 48 years, Phyllis Morgan; children: Dorrine Morgan, Peggy Hellwedge, Rebecca Carter; siblings: Beatrice Larson, Janet (Don)Connors, Helen Bouee, Jack Morgan, Rita Morgan, Doris (Denny) Friend, Rose (Lou) Linn, Leonard (Barb) Morgan, Richard (Pam) Morgan, Gary Morgan, Vicki (Andy) Gilbert, Tom (Maureen) Morgan, Ruth (Rich) Bos, Carole Elton, Karen (Chris)Vandewateringen, Lisa Race; grandchildren: Charlie (Katie) Morgan, Paul Hellwedge, Harley Hellwedge; and 3 great-grandsons. He is also survived by many nieces, nephews, and great nieces and great nephews. He was preceded in death by his brothers: Joseph Morgan and James Morgan. A memorial service will be held at a later date in Topinabee, MI. Memorial contributions may be made to the family of Henry Morgan. Arrangements entrusted to PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, South Lyon. Online guestbook [www.phillipsfuneral.com](http://www.phillipsfuneral.com)

**LAFAYETTE, LILA E.**

Age 89, passed away April 3, 2012. She was born on January 6, 1923, in Detroit, to the late George and Ethel Haskel. In April 1948, she married Edward Lafayette. Lila served in the U.S. Coast Guard during WWII as a pharmacist's Mate 3rd Class "Spars" She was a member of the Seniors Study Club of South Lyon, and Secretary of the First United Methodist Church of South Lyon. Lila is survived by her daughter Lorraine (Timothy) Fairbanks, her grandchildren: Collin (Lisa) Kwolek, Nathan (Myria) Fairbanks; great-grandchildren: Justin Kwolek, Angelica Barich-Kwolek, Williamina and Marlowe Fairbanks and her sister Thelma Belcher, and several nieces, nephews, and cousins. She was preceded in death by her husband Edward Lafayette, and her husband of five months Robert C. Haas, and her brother Richard Haskel. Visitation was held on April 9 at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, South Lyon. A Funeral was held on Tuesday, April 10 at First United Methodist Church of South Lyon. In lieu of flowers donation to Great Lakes Caring Hospice, 630 Kenmoor Ave S.E., Grand Rapids, MI 49546. Online Guestbook at [www.phillipsfuneral.com](http://www.phillipsfuneral.com)

**LOUCH, LEROY R.**

November 20, 1930- April 3, 2012. Online condolences: [obriensullivanfuneralhome.com](http://obriensullivanfuneralhome.com)

**GORDY, WILLIAM C.**

Age 49, passed away April 5, 2012. He was born on April 16, 1962, in Ypsilanti, son of William and Anna Gordy. Will worked for Ford Motor Co. for 19 years and was a former Lieutenant with the Lyon Township Fire Dept. Will was also a former Golden Glove Boxing champion. He was a devoted family man and was an excellent provider to his wife and children. He will always be remembered for the warmth of his personality, his great sense of humor, his love of music and for always being a great husband and father. He is survived by his beloved wife Colleen; his children: Crystal, Kaitlyn, Haley and Noah; his mother, Anna Gordy and his siblings: Ann (Glen) Hysell and Rose (Donald) Cogar. He is also survived by his nieces, nephews and many loving friends. He was preceded in death by his son Charles Gordy in 2011 and his father in 2008. Visitation was held on Monday, April 9 at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, South Lyon. A Funeral service was conducted on Tuesday, April 10, at 11:00 a.m. at the funeral home. Online Guestbook [www.phillipsfuneral.com](http://www.phillipsfuneral.com)

**JANETTE, ARLENE M. (nee Goodhue)**

Age 82, of Milford and Highland, formerly of Farmington, passed away peacefully on Sunday, April 8, 2012. Survived by her beloved husband of 64 years, Frank and their children, Catherine "Kitty" (Ric McGuigan) Curcio, Joseph, Michael (Marcella), Kerry (Timothy) Vallette, Marilyn (Gregory) Gross, David (Patti); 9 grandchildren; 3 step grandchildren; 4 great grandchildren; many nieces, nephews and extended family members and loving friends. A Funeral Service will be held at Lynch & Sons Funeral Home, 404 E. Liberty, Milford, Thursday, April 12 at 10 AM. Burial Highland Cemetery. Friends may visit at the Funeral Home on Wednesday 2-8 PM and Thursday morning one hour prior to service. Rosary Wednesday 7 pm. For further information please phone 248-684-6645 or visit [www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com](http://www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com)

**MARAFIOTI, JOHN**

Passed away on Tuesday March 20th 2012 at 8:45 A.M. at Providence Park Hospital, Novi, Michigan. Preceded in death by parents Dominick & Isabella Marafioti. Survived by Loving Wife Helen, Sister Beatrice Manti, Albany, N.Y., Nephew, Vincent (Nancy) Manti, Albany, N.Y., Niece Beatrice (Larry) Iceman, Wirtz, V.A, Special Cousin, Marjorie (Edward), DelVecchio, Albany, N.Y. John attended Christian Brother's Academy, Albany N.Y., Sienna College, Albany N.Y. and Allied Military training at the University of Nebraska and Hamilton College. He was a highly decorated member of the Armed Forces attached to the 104th Timberwolf Division. He twice escaped his German captors during the 1st Army's siege of Cologne. He holds the Purple Heart and the Bronze Star for heroic action during the battle for Germany and was cited for gallantry. He was treated for shrapnel injuries at a U.S. General Hospital in France. Upon returning to the U.S., he was employed by the State of New York in the labor dept. He retired to the State of Florida where he met and married his wife Helen. John was an avid golfer and a member of The Silver Springs Shores Golf and Country Club. He was also an avid fan of Notre Dame and the New York Yankees. John was loved by all who knew him. Adored by his step-children and grandchildren and great grandson Brandon. He is missed by all!

**WHEELING, EDITH**

Age 74, passed away April 3rd, 2012. Burial took place in Roseland Park Cemetery, Berkley. [www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com](http://www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com)

**WILBER, DONALD JAMES**

Age 89 of Northville. Born on November 20, 1922. Survived by his wife Phylis, four children, 16 grandchildren and 18 great grandchildren. A World War II veteran that served in the Army Air Corps as Tech Sgt. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Henry Ford Hospice. [www.harryjwillfuneralhome.com](http://www.harryjwillfuneralhome.com)

**WORKMAN, RICHARD W.**

Age 78, of Brighton, passed away April 8, 2012. Visitation will be held on Thursday, April 12 from 3:00pm-9:00pm at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, 122 W. Lake St., South Lyon. Funeral services will be conducted on Friday, April 13 at 11:00am at Brighton Nazarene Church, 7669 Brighton Road, Brighton. Online Guestbook at [www.phillipsfuneral.com](http://www.phillipsfuneral.com)

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**CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY****Location:** 24505 Meadowbrook Road**Contact:** (248) 349-8847 or visit [holyfamilynovi.org](http://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:** stations of the cross**CROSSPOINTE MEADOWS CHURCH****Location:** 29000 Meadowbrook Road, south of 13 Mile Road**GET LISTED!****Submit:** Send calendar submissions via e-mail to [cstone@gannett.com](mailto: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.**Contact:** (248) 669-9400, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday-Thursday or visit [www.crosspointemeadows.org](http://www.crosspointemeadows.org).**Sunday Worship:** 11:15 a.m.**Bible study classes:** 10 a.m. for all ages**Details:** Nursery and older children programs available. Worship blends traditional and contemporary elements resulting in a multi-sensory worship experience.**Destiny Worship Center****Location:** Ridge Wood Elementary School, 49775 6 Mile Road, Northville**Contact:** [DestinyW3C@Gmail.com](mailto:DestinyW3C@Gmail.com) or visit [www.DW3C.org](http://www.DW3C.org).**EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH****Location:** 34567 7 Mile Road, Livonia**Contact:** (248) 442-8822**FAITH COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH****Location:** 44400 W. 10 Mile Road**Contact:** (248) 349-2345 or visit [www.faithcommunity-novi.org](http://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](http://firstbaptistchurchofnovi.org)**Family Bible Hour:** 9:45 a.m.**Family Worship:** 11 a.m.**Bible Study:** 6 p.m.**Family Movie Night:** 5:30 p.m.; fourth Sunday of every month**FIRST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE****Location:** 21260 Haggerty Road, north of 8 Mile Road**Contact:** (248) 348-7600 or visit [dfcnazarene.org](http://dfcnazarene.org)**Sunday Schedule:** 9:15 a.m.

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

**Wednesday Schedule:** 5:30 p.m. Family Meal, \$5 per person, \$15 per family; 7 p.m. Children's Caravan, Club 56, Bible Study, Quilting, Adult Classes, Youth Blast**Thursday Schedule:** 6 a.m. Men of Purpose Prayer Group**Have a New Kid by Friday!****Time/Date:** 5:30 p.m. Wednesdays, April 18-May 23**Details:** A new parenting series by Dr. Kevin Leman. Join for dinner between 5:30 and 6:30 p.m. (\$5 per person), followed by the series at 7 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE****Location:** 200 E. Main Street**Contact:** (248) 349-0911 or visit [firstpresville.org](http://firstpresville.org)

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Please visit our Shrine of Turin Display and Book & Gift Shop

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Contemporary Service  
9:30 a.m. & 11 a.m. Sundays  
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Pastor Nick Ruffer

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120 Bishop St., Highland  
off Milford Rd., 2-7/8 miles N of M-59  
• Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
• Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.  
• Bible Study Wed. 7:00 p.m.  
Pastor: Danny Milutin  
889-7253 or 887-4566

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40000 Six Mile Road  
Northville, MI 48168  
248.574.7400  
[www.wardchurch.org](http://www.wardchurch.org)  
Traditional Worship at 8, 9:30 & 11 a.m.  
Contemporary Worship at 9:30 & 11 a.m.  
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The Traditional Service is broadcast on the radio each week at 11 a.m. on 560 AM

**First Presbyterian Church of Northville**  
[www.fpcnorthville.org](http://www.fpcnorthville.org)  
200 E. MAIN ST. AT HUTTON  
Worship/Church School 8:30 & 11:00  
248-349-0911

**Destiny Worship Center**  
[www.dw3c.org](http://www.dw3c.org)  
Saturdays @ 6pm  
Meeting at Ridge  
Wood Elementary.  
49775 Six Mile Road

## Milford

**CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
Preschool, Pre-K & Kdg. - Mo. Synod  
620 General Motors Rd., Milford  
Church office: (248) 684-0895  
Regular Sunday Service: 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.  
Jun-Aug - Sunday Service: 9:30 a.m.  
Monday Evening 7:00 p.m.  
The Rev. Richard E. Pape, Pastor

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VISITORS WELCOME!  
133 Detroit St. • Milford • 684-5655  
Pastor Steve Swartz  
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. • Sunday Worship: 11 a.m.  
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Young Adults: Sunday 8:00 pm  
Website: [mfcfirstbaptist.org](http://mfcfirstbaptist.org)

**OAKPOINTE CHURCH**  
1250 South Hill Rd.  
(248) 685-3560 [www.opcmilford.org](http://www.opcmilford.org)  
Contemporary Worship Service: Sunday 9:15 am & 11:15 am  
Adventist/Reformed Children's Program: Sunday 9:15 am & 11:15 am  
Nide's School: Student Ministries: Sunday 5:15 am  
High School Student Ministries: Sunday Evening 8-9 pm  
Women, Men and Life Groups: Various Schedules

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

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248-684-2798  
or [churchoffice@milfordumc.net](mailto:churchoffice@milfordumc.net)

**Mill Creek Community Church**  
1270 W. Commerce Road - Milford  
Sun. 10:00 AM Weds. 7:00 PM  
248-714-5517  
Email: [MillCreek45@aol.com](mailto:MillCreek45@aol.com)  
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56730 Grand River Avenue • New Hudson MI 48165  
(248) 437-6212 • Gerald S. Hunter, Pastor  
Sunday School & Bible Class 9:30 a.m.  
Worship 10:30 a.m.  
[www.newhudsonumc.org](http://www.newhudsonumc.org)

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(248) 349-1144  
777 West 8 Mile Road • (6 Mile and Tenth Road)  
Weekly Times: September - May 8:00, 9:15 & 11:00 a.m.  
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Religious Education 349-2559  
Rev. Denis Theroux, Pastor

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54899 8 Mile Rd. at Currie Rd.  
Northville, MI. 48167  
Pastor Andy Whitten  
Phone 248-374-2268  
Sunday Morning Bible Study at 10:00 AM  
Sunday Service and Children's Church at 11:00  
Bible Study Thursday at 7:00 PM

## South Lyon

**CROSS OF CHRIST LUTHERAN**  
(Missouri Synod)  
Pastor Terry Nelson  
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Worship: 10 a.m.; Sunday School: 10 a.m.;  
Adult Bible Study: 8 a.m.

**Fellowship Evangelical Presbyterian Church**  
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Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday School 11:00 a.m.  
Refuel Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.  
Youth at 6:30 p.m.  
Rev. David Brown, Pastor  
248-437-2222 • [www.fellowshippc.org](http://www.fellowshippc.org)

**The Church of Christ**  
21860 Pontiac Trail • South Lyon, MI 48178  
248-437-3585 • [www.southlyonccc.org](http://www.southlyonccc.org)  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School,  
10:30 a.m. Praise and Worship  
Wednesday Midweek Ministries 7 p.m.  
Rob Callicott, Pastor

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Worship, 11:00 a.m. & 8:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Evening, 7:00 p.m.

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South Lyon MI 48178  
Sunday Worship 9:10 AM  
Education Hour 10:30 AM  
Rev. Bart Muller, Pastor  
248-486-4404  
[www.shepherdswaysouthlyon.org](http://www.shepherdswaysouthlyon.org)

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Phone: 248-437-2953  
Sunday School 9:45 a.m. • Worship Service 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Service 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening 7:30 p.m.  
Senior Pastor: Rick Freshour / Assoc. Pastor: Randy Weakley  
Website: [www.fbcsouthlyon.com](http://www.fbcsouthlyon.com)  
Email: [fbcsouthlyon@abq.oba.net](mailto:fbcsouthlyon@abq.oba.net)

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Thursday 7:00 p.m.  
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Wisconsin Synod • Reynold Sweet Pkwy.  
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All Classes 9:00  
Pastor Scott Miller, (248) 437-1651

## Wixom

**CROSSPOINT COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
28930 Wixom Rd.  
Wixom, MI 48393  
9:30 a.m. - Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. - Morning Worship  
Rev. Kenneth Warren • 568-531-2021  
[www.cpcnow.com](http://www.cpcnow.com)

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## OUR VIEWS

# Show concern

## Donations needed now for neighbors in need

While many of us may feel like we're finally climbing out of this recession, let us remind everyone that there are many families – including many in Northville – who are still battling day-to-day to put food on their tables or pay their rent and utilities.

One would assume that an area with a median household income of over \$99,000 would be immune from this tragedy. Unfortunately, there are more than 180 families -- many with school-age children -- in our city and township (as well as Focus Hope residents) who are currently being served by Northville Civic Concern, an all-volunteer organization whose purpose is to help those in need.

It is primarily the Northville community residents who fund Civic Concern with contributions – not only monetary, but also donations of gift cards, canned goods, cereal, paper products, soap and cleaning items, and baby products.

**Empty shelves at Northville Civic Concern translate to empty shelves in the homes of some of your neighbors. There was not enough food for the April 6 distribution, and there may not be enough for one scheduled on April 20.**

As an added bonus for those who want to help, due to the organization's 501c status, all donations are tax deductible. A receipt can be provided for any donations one makes. Right now, the situation is critical. There are no funds available for rent or utilities assistance. Empty shelves at Northville Civic Concern translate to empty shelves in the homes of some of your neighbors. There was not enough food for the April 6 distribution, and there may not be enough for one scheduled on April 20.

“Our client numbers are increasing as our donations are decreasing,” according to Marlene Kunz, director. “We are especially in need of canned fruit, peanut butter and jelly, instant potatoes (mashed or casserole type), pasta side dishes (rice or Noodle Roni), canned tuna and canned chicken.”

You can help by bringing non-expired canned or boxed food to Northville Civic Concern's office in The Highland Lakes Shopping Center, 43261 W. Seven Mile Road, between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays or Fridays.

On other days or times, food can be dropped off at two other locations in the Highland Lakes Shopping Center -- Cassel's Restaurant and World Custom Alteration -- or in downtown Northville at Genitti's Hole-in-the-wall restaurant (108 E. Main) or The UPS Store (212 W. Cady Street).

Food is distributed twice a month, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Civic Concern's offices in the Highland Lakes Shopping Center. (New clients must call to schedule an appointment.)

Monetary contributions can be mailed to Northville Civic Concern, P.O. Box 323, or delivered to 42951 Seven Mile Road, Northville, MI 48167. For more information, call (248) 344-1033 on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

In addition to providing food, Civic Concern's goal is “to build pride and self-confidence resulting in better decision making and improved quality of life.”

The organization's goal is simply “To provide temporary food assistance to Northville residents in need. Our goal is to build pride and self-confidence resulting in better decision making and improved quality of life.”

That goal is achievable — with your help.

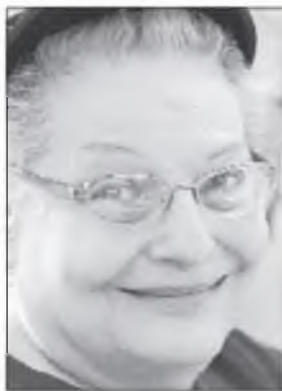
## COMMUNITY VOICE

## How do you think the Detroit Tigers will do this season?



“I think they're going all the way this time. Personally, I can think of no reason why they shouldn't get to the World Series.”

**John Erickson**  
Novi



“I think they're going to do as good as, if not better, than last year.”

**Helen Meizier**  
Novi



“Ninety-four wins. They've got the bats to make some trouble.”

**Chris Davis**  
Novi



“Eighty-nine (wins). They're going to struggle on defense.”

**Jim Newhard**  
Farmington Hills

## LETTERS

### Visiting the common folks

See where Barack Obama is coming to town to visit and break bread with his supporters? Yep, the prez will be here on Wednesday the 18th to meet and spend some time with the 99 percenters and various other friends. You know, the poor folks, the underprivileged and the other people that those rich Republicans are always taking advantage of and using for their own selfish gains. And just to assure his followers that he hasn't lost touch with the people who elected him, you can join in the fun. However, there are a few little details that could rain on your parade.

First of all, the festivities are by invitation only and the invites have already been sent out. So if you haven't already received one, you're outta luck. Probably just as well though because the prices are a little on the steep side. For instance, the first affair at Henry Ford Museum costs \$250 just to get in the building. For a mere \$5,000 more, you can actually have a bite to eat and get a photo of the big guy himself.

The evening event, well that's another story. Denise Ilitch is hosting a little affair at her Bingham Farms home that will set you back \$40,000 if you want the full treatment that includes cocktails, dinner and a “formal photo.” I can't even imagine what they could possibly serve that could be worth that kind of money. It has to be more than Little Caesars Pizza, regardless of the toppings.

Think about it, you Obama lovers — for a measly \$45,000 you can have two meals, cocktails and a “formal photo” of your man. Plus you get to spend a good part of the day with him. Anyone dumb enough to spend that kind of money deserves to suffer through that. And for those of you who consider \$45,000 a little excessive for one day's entertainment, think about this: The average per capita income for the State of Michigan for the year 2011 was \$36,533. Sort of puts things in perspective, doesn't it? And by the way, this kind of fundraising isn't anything new for this “man of the people.” In the 2008 election, Obama spent \$746 million and that old rich guy from Arizona, John McCain, spent \$383 million. Go figure!

**Dave Shingier**  
Novi

### Kudos, Cutter

Thank you to Northville Pizza Cutter for your continued, generous support of our students during March is Reading Month!

**the Koilpillai famiiy**  
Northville

### Questions for McCotter

I keep hearing our politicians say that the American people want Congress to get rid of entitlements. I wonder how they know what we want.

Congressman McCotter gets 18 constituent weeks a year to talk to us and discuss his votes. He has not

### WHAT DO YOU THINK?

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had one town hall meeting since he was elected in 2010. I have called his three offices and been told that he is busy and has nothing scheduled. I know he voted to make Medicare a voucher system. I want more information about how changing Medicare is going to affect me. I want to know if the voucher will rise with inflation or will it rise with medical costs? What I'm looking for are facts about his votes. It is in the interest of both Republicans and Democrats to expect our elected officials to speak to us and answer our questions on a regular basis. Otherwise the 18 weeks that Congress is not in session is just vacation time.

**Terry Cannon**  
Livonia

### GOP war on women

The Republican National Committee's chairman, Reince Priebus, is pushing the falsehood that a Republican war on women doesn't exist. He recently asserted that legislative attacks on women's rights are pure fiction and are comparable to a war on caterpillars. If the chairman thinks this remark is humorous, women are not laughing. Comparing women to insects is not only degrading, but also outrageous.

Many of the Republicans' recent words and deeds reveal that the war on women is thriving. Republicans in the U.S. Congress have voted numerous times to shut down Planned Parenthood. Mitt Romney has indicated that one of his goals is to defund this organization, denying millions of low-income women breast exams, mammograms, Pap tests and birth control. Republicans have also created legislation designed with the intention of forcing women to undergo invasive transvaginal ultrasounds. Although it's difficult to fathom, all Republican senators in the U.S. Senate voted against the Anti-Rape Amendment. In addition, every Republican U.S. Senator voted no on the Equal Pay for Women Act. Governor Scott Walker followed suit by repealing Wisconsin's Equal Pay

Enforcement Act. Sadly, the list of anti-women legislation proposed, and in many instances, passed by Republicans, is inexhaustible.

America's women won't tolerate being stripped of their autonomy. These women declared their independence many years ago and will continue to fight to preserve and protect it.

**Jill Farber-Bramson**  
West Bloomfield

### Energy vs. air

Yes, I love my clean air. But, I also like my cheap electricity that allows me to turn on my light, charge my cell phone, power my radio, recharge my laptop or heat my electric oven.

Coal-burning power plants emit toxins, as do humans and animals, in the environment. Plants also produce 46 percent of our electrical needs. Alternative energy (wind, solar) only produce 3.6 percent and cannot provide base load power to help fuel the American economy. Plus, each takes up a much bigger footprint than a power plant.

Not only that, but before regulations and costs that are ultimately passed on to all of the consumers both rich and poor. Coal burning power plants had a 48 percent reduction in pollutants in the Great Lakes region, while global emission increased by 17 percent.

The Obama administration's attempt to reduce mercury pollution by 90 percent is economically unfeasible without power companies shutting down plants and cutting jobs in our much-needed state. Now it is letting the EPA go after low consequent pollution emitters like schools, hospitals, apartment complexes and churches, adding regulation and cost for everyone.

The March 15 Environment Michigan Lansing letter failed to mention one volcanic eruption emits seven tons of mercury vs. the 2,253 pounds that power plants did in 2010. One ton equals 2,000 pounds. That's almost seven times the amount of mercury, a natural element found on the periodic chart. There were 56 volcanic eruptions in 2011 and 69 eruption in 2010 in nature that produced mercury poisoning. No matter how hard we try to be safe, we will all get sick and die some day. Safety is the opposite of freedom. Freedom is not safe and never free. You have to be bold and brave to be free.

Not only that, but our elected representatives are mandating we now buy CFL lighting that has five milligrams of mercury per bulb. So if you drop and break a CFL light in your home, you have toxic spill. In a typical year the U.S. sends four tons of mercury to landfills, just because Congress wants us to buy CFL lights.

Who really makes money off all this environmental regulation? It is not most of us common people.

I'd rather die a little earlier and have my cheap electricity that keeps America competitive with China, India, South America, the rest of world then worry about possible dying a year or two earlier. So my vote is for high-paying jobs that allow the economy to grow and cheap electricity.

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Last summer it was downtown Northville’s sidewalks that were torn up for months and caused merchants headaches. This spring, it will be the street pavement’s turn — for a more brief amount of time.

**WORK**

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done between Hutton and Wing Street. The remaining portion of Main will be undertaken after school lets out in mid-June, with completion expected in August.

“The downtown segment of it should be, cross my fingers ... completed by Memorial Day,” Gallogly said of the first phase.

This phase will impact downtown merchants. After last summer’s streetscape project, some are a little tired of the added challenges, but also understand its need.

“Next year would be better, but I understand why they have to update the street,” said Colleen Pozzuoli, owner of Rock on Main Clothing Co.

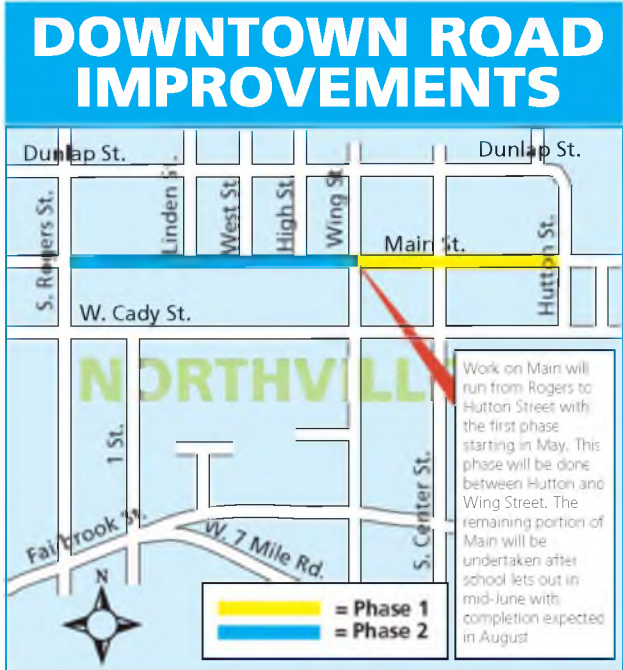
“However, it has been hard for everyone.”

Pozzuoli said her store does have the advantage of having parking and an entrance at the rear of the building, like others in downtown. But she hopes the signage, compared to previous work, will be a bit better for this project.

Gallogly also said a gas line in and near the intersection of Rogers and Main streets will be replaced in advance of the project.

The water main construction will begin in May as well with South Rogers road work expected to be completed by August.

The project is being administered by MDOT because Northville is using federal monies to assist in funding it, which totals \$804,700. City council also



approved and awarded a contract for the 2012 Pavement Marking Program in the amount of \$9,579 to R.S. Contracting, Inc. of Casco, Mich. All streets with the exception of Center and Dunlap streets will be remarked.

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### Quilt Discovery Day

The art of quilt-making is celebrated in an event held in downtown Northville from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, April 21 at First Presbyterian Church, 200 East Main Street, Northville.

The event, sponsored by the Fine Arts Series of the First Presbyterian Church, includes a light breakfast, lunch and lecture. Tickets are \$15 and can be purchased in the church office during daytime hours (9 a.m.-5 p.m.). Registration and ticket purchase deadline is April 18.

Call (248) 349-0911 or visit [fpc-northville.org](http://fpc-northville.org) for more information. If you wish to bring a quilt to share, the limit is one quilt per person.

### Cantate!

The 17-voice chamber chorale Cantate!, will present its annual spring concert, Love Springs Eternal, at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 28 at St. Aidan Catholic Church, 17500 Farmington Road, between 6 and 7 Mile roads. Admission is free. Donations will be accepted. For further information, contact

Shari Clason at (248) 349-8175 or visit the Cantate web site at [www.cantate-detroit.org](http://www.cantate-detroit.org).

### Buy Michigan returns

The Buy Michigan Now Festival returns for its fourth consecutive year Aug. 3-5, hosted by Buy Michigan Now and downtown Northville. The family-friendly festival will showcase various Michigan entertainers, businesses, products, and educational opportunities with the goal of revitalizing the local economy. Vendor and sponsorship opportunities are now open for the 2012 event.

"The Buy Michigan Now Festival is unique because it's a fest on a mission. In addition to providing great food, entertainment, and fun, we are dedicated to helping Michigan businesses grow. It's going to be companies like these, each adding one or two more jobs that brings our economy back on track, and we want to help them do it," said Lisa Diggs.

The free weekend celebration focuses attention on Michigan-based businesses and locally-produced merchandise to help stim-

ulate the economy. Main and Center streets in central Northville will be closed to allow for pedestrian traffic.

Local Northville merchants will host a sidewalk sale, while Michigan vendors set up shop under tents in the streets. The event also features live entertainment in Town Square and a kids' zone dedicated to family fun.

For information on vendor or sponsorship opportunities, contact Buy Michigan Now (248) 390-0974 or [Fest@BuyMichiganNow.com](mailto:Fest@BuyMichiganNow.com). A full list of events for the week-end of August 3-August 5 will be announced at a later date. For the most up-to-date information, visit [www.BuyMichiganNowFest.com](http://www.BuyMichiganNowFest.com).

### Reel Michigan Film Festival call for entries deadline April 23

After a successful premiere of Reel Michigan 2011, the Northville Art House and charity partner Northville Civic Concern will present the second annual "Reel Michigan" Film Festival, June 23, 2012.

Reel Michigan is now accepting Michigan-made or Michigan-themed short films (25 minutes or less, including credits) as a part of the city's popular Arts & Acts event held June 22-24. Arts and Acts is a vibrant, annual celebration of the arts in Southeast Michigan featuring art, music, film, plays and more!

Reel Michigan welcomes all genres, from student films to the experimental.

Industry speakers and possible workshops will also be part of Reel Michigan 2012 as well as an after party where attendees can mingle with local filmmakers, meet the crew from Northville Civic Concern and watch as awards are given out for the best films in several categories.

Films will include any project filmed with any type of camera and includes digitally made films. All entries must be submitted on a DVD only. Reel Michigan will only accept entries from filmmakers who filmed their entry in Michigan or whose film is Michigan-themed. Selected films for Reel Michigan screening will be

notified via email no later than May 21.

For the entry form and more information, email Lisa at [ReelMichigan@gmail.com](mailto:ReelMichigan@gmail.com).

### Heise bill exempts VFWs, other veterans groups, from paying state property taxes

Michigan veterans groups could direct more funding toward helping service members under legislation unveiled today by Rep. Kurt Heise (R-Plymouth) that exempts groups such as the Veterans of Foreign Wars from paying state property taxes.

Any not-for-profit veterans group that is a branch, lodge or chapter of a national or state veterans organization would be exempt from Michigan property taxes under House Bill 5457.

"As Michigan service members continue to come home from Iraq and Afghanistan, our veterans organizations need every available resource to help these heroes make a successful transition," said Heise.

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# Happy birthday, Scouts!



Cadette Troop 737 from Meads Mill is celebrating the 100th birthday of Girl Scouts. The girls decorated the display case in the Northville Library for the month of April. Emily Koswick, Jillian Stacer, Alexis Aulepp, Haley Clifton and Megan Guthrie are shown here in the vintage uniforms that they will be wearing while conducting tours at the Historical Museum in Lansing at a special display about the 100th anniversary of Girl Scouting.

# Wish You Were Here

Cousins from Northville enjoyed spring break in Destin, Florida with The Northville Record: (l to r, bottom) brothers Jake, Kyle and Luke Skillman and (middle) sisters Noelle, Abigail and (top) Allison Dunn. The cousins got a round of applause from beach-goers after making their pyramid.



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# Mustangs sweep tennis foes

Team remains undefeated with two more victories

By Sam Eggleston  
Correspondent

The victories just keep on coming for the Northville Mustangs girls tennis team, which hasn't lost a single match throughout the three contests it has participated in this season.

The girls squad, coached by Brady Crosby, earned 9-0 victories over both Salem and Stevenson last week.

Against Salem, the Mustangs had little trouble with their foes. At No. 1 singles, senior Erin Doud defeated senior Morgan Spencer, 6-1, 6-0, before Danielle Romano earned a win at No. 2 singles over Ashley Walker, 6-4, 7-5.

At No. 3 singles, freshman Paige Baal defeated Salem senior Sushi-mi Diraviam, 6-4, 2-6, 6-4, while sophomore Alex Jeannotte earned a 6-0, 6-1 win over Narges Pourmandi at No. 4 singles.

In the doubles flights, Northville had the same level of success. The No. 1 doubles team of Mackenzie Powers and Aniki Mukherji defeated Courtney March and Katie Vena, 6-0, 6-1, while Elizabeth Sakorafis and Jordan Hermiz earned a 6-0, 6-2 win over Sarah Bellaire and Kathy Kemp at No. 2 doubles.

At the third doubles flight, Valerie Trupiano and Claudia Ma defeated Meghan Barry and Monica Topolovec, 6-1, 7-5, while Shannon Williams and Chloe Page beat Abi Collingwood and Kalaya Thomas, 6-0, 6-1. At fifth doubles, the team of Rachel Crittenden and Nicole Khamis defeated Maggie Sneiderman and Lily Gonzalez, 6-0, 6-0, and the duo of Alison Kozerski and Libby Quinn won over Kaia Gavalas and Tiffany Chan, 6-1, 6-1, at sixth singles.

That success carried over to the Mustangs' match against Stevenson. Doud earned a 6-1, 6-2 win over Aimee Moccia while Romano went 6-1, 6-1 over Caroline Hay. Beating Kathryn Malkowski was third singles' Jeannotte, 6-0, 6-3, while Alison Kozerski earned a 6-2, 6-2 win over Taylor Tingham at fourth singles.

In the doubles flights, Powers and Mukherji had little trouble with Lexie Ranski and Laura Shureb, winning 6-1, 6-0, while Sakorafis and Hermiz had a 6-1, 6-1 victory over Sofia Lunch and Shelby Seay. At third doubles, Trupiano and Ma had a 6-1, 6-1 win over Josie Abdalbaki and Jenny Cami.

At fourth doubles, Williams and Page took home a 7-5, 6-2 win over Sarah Morse and Sam DiGiovanni while Crittenden and Khamis earned a fifth-doubles win over Lauren Shaffer and Mad-die Chimento, 6-0, 6-0 while Kozerski and Quinn took a 6-0, 6-0 win over Julia Grammatico and Chimento.

Northville is 2-0 in dual meets this year and 2-0 in KLAA play. They are 1-0 in tournaments and have won every match this season.

## ON TAP

The Northville Mustangs girls tennis team will be back on the court when they visit South Lyon at 4 p.m. April 17.



Northville's Connor Smith takes a faceoff against Catholic Central.

# Mustangs fall to CC lacrosse in overtime

## Crosstown rivals put on one heck of a game

By Sam Eggleston  
Correspondent

It was one of those games you hate to see end, but someone had to win and when all was said and done that team was top-five-ranked Detroit Catholic Central.

The loss to the Shamrocks marks the second time this season the Northville Mustangs have bowed to a top-five team with their first loss coming against Forest Hills Central.

In this contest, the Shamrocks and the Mustangs pushed the game to a tie and into overtime with the Shamrocks coming out ahead at the end, 9-8.

"(This is the) second year in a row we gave CC a run for their money," said Northville coach Greg Durham. "We played fairly well defensively, but

## ON TAP

The Northville Mustangs boys lacrosse team will be back in action when they play at 6:30 p.m. Monday at home against Howell before visiting Walled Lake Northern at 7 p.m. Wednesday.

had some minor issues clearing the ball out of our defensive zone."

Thankfully for the Mustangs, they had Joe Kim in goal. He made 13 saves to keep his squad in the game.

"He made big stops when we needed him the most," said Durham. "I am very pleased with his progression in goal so far this season."

Northville did have some highlights in the game despite the heartbreaking

loss. Connor Smith went 9-for-15 on face-offs, including winning the final four to help get his team back in the game. Jakob Kippola had six goals in the game while Nick Melucci had two goals. Joe Chase had two assists in the losing effort.

"Kip (Kippola) and Mooch (Melucci) played very well," said Durham. "Kip scoring six of our eight goals and five in the previous game has really showed the team that he wants to win. He has really evolved as a captain and as our top offensive player."

"Nick really worked hard all game for us, picking up important ground balls and playing midfield, making it difficult for the defense to cover both Kip and him when they were on the field."

Northville is now 0-2 on the season.

# Four former Novi All-Staters working their way through collegiate soccer programs

## Quartet of freshmen cracking lineups at Wisconsin, EMU, MSU

By Chris Jackett  
Correspondent

Last spring, Novi's girls soccer team featured four student-athletes who earned All-State honors as the Wildcats won a second-straight Division I title. All four went on to earn their place on well-known collegiate teams last fall.

Nikki Greenhalgh plays for University of Wisconsin, Molli Krick for Eastern Michigan University and both Nicki Caruso and Gabby Gauruder are at Michigan State University.

Krick saw the most action last fall at EMU (3-13-2), playing in 17 games and starting two. She recorded nine shots, five which were on target, but didn't score.

Greenhalgh, 18, also had a lot of success at Wisconsin (10-7-3), playing 14 games while recording one goal and one assist. Two of her three shot attempts were on target as she scored her first collegiate goal Sept. 2, 2011, against Dayton. She then notched an assist Oct. 21 against Purdue.

"It was definitely an adjustment playing with a brand new team, new coach, new environment," Greenhalgh said. "I had to train myself to stick with it. I definitely expected it. When it happened, I wasn't quite ready."



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Novi alum Nikki Greenhalgh (left) takes on junior Lindsey Johnson during Wisconsin's red and white scrimmage last fall. As a freshman with the Badgers' women's soccer program, Greenhalgh played in 14 games, recording one goal and one assist on three shot attempts.

Being close to her family, Greenhalgh initially expected to be homesick out of state. However, since many of her teammates were also from out of state or even another country, they bonded over that common distance from their hometowns.

"I did not have a problem at all," Greenhalgh said. "I'm very close to

my family and thought it would be tougher than it was. But I bonded with my teammates and basically started a new family."

Gauruder, 18, had the opposite issue at MSU (14-6-1). Although the future teacher or pediatric oncologist didn't

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Mustang Paige Baal in action against Salem High opponent on April 2.



# 'Stangs softball off to strong start

By Sam Eggleston  
Correspondent

You'll be hard pressed to find a high school softball coach that isn't happy with winning the first double header of the season and splitting the next one.

Kary Couchman, the head coach for the Northville Mustangs, sure isn't complaining.

Northville started their season off with a 12-0 win over Ann Arbor Pioneer in the opening game of a double header before earning a 19-0 victory in the second game. Against Garden City just a few days later, the Mustangs won, 3-2, in the opener and fell, 3-1, in the nightcap of the twin bill.

Against the Pioneers, Northville followed the lead of senior pitcher Laura Pond, who will be continuing her career at Oakland University. She threw a perfect game, retiring all 15 batters she faced with four strikeouts over five innings. Senior second baseman Maggie Stewart preserved the perfect game in the bottom of the fifth as she dove to stop a ball hit into the gap and then firing it to first from her knees to earn the final out of the game, which was ended early due to the MHSAA mercy rule regulations.

## ON TAP

The Northville Mustangs softball team will be back in action when they take to the road against Wayne Memorial at 4 p.m. April 18.

Pond also went 3-for-3 at the plate, smacking out a triple and two singles and earning two runs batted-in. Ellie Asher was 2-for-2 with two RBIs while Suzanne Hasse had two hits and an RBI.

In the second game against Ann Arbor, junior Nikki Thibodeau threw a three-hit shutout with five strikeouts for the win.

On offense, freshman Ashley Schiffer had a 3-for-4 performance with two runs scored and four RBIs while Jennifer Buckingham went 3-for-3 with a walk and scored four runs. Meredith Williams, a senior, went 2-for-4 while driving in four runs while Asher and Thibodeau each went 2-for-4 with one and two RBIs, respectively.

Garden City proved to be a better match for the Mustangs, bowing in the first game but coming back in the nightcap to split the doubleheader.

In the opening game, Northville earned a 3-2 win, following Pond's per-

formance on the mound as she outplayed Garden City's all-state pitcher, Kelsey Susalla.

The Mustangs took a 2-0 lead in the bottom of the second as Maggie Stewart hit an RBI single to score Schiffer, followed by a line-drive by senior Rachel Deacon to score Pond.

Garden City came back to tie the game with runs in the third and the fourth, but the Mustangs scored the game-winning run in the fifth as Buckingham got on base with a single to left, stole second, advanced to third on a bunt and then found home plate on a suicide squeeze bunt by sophomore catcher Allie Chapakis.

Asher led the Mustangs in the contest with two hits.

In the second game, Garden City scored three runs in the third inning on two walks and three doubles and the Mustangs weren't able to overcome the deficit. The Northville squad's lone run came in the fifth off a RBI by Williams.

Deacon went 3-for-3 in the game while Northville, as a whole, had only seven hits. Thibodeau took the loss on the mound, throwing over five innings while striking out four.

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get any playing time behind two seniors and a sophomore who were also all goalkeepers, her transition was made easier by both Caruso – who came off the bench to play in three games, but didn't record any points – and also four of the other freshmen who had played on the Michigan Hawks premier club team with Gauruder during the high school off-season and growing up.

Those Hawks players included Linden's Mary Kathryn Fiebertz, Portage Central's Paige West-er, Williamston's Lisa Vogel and Grand Rapids Catholic Central's Alexandra Heffron from Lowell.

"It's a lot of fun knowing someone preseason and going into the season," Gauruder said. "I found out you don't really have time for friends outside of sports. My favorite part of being a college athlete so far is taking the talent God has given me and being a part of this team. We're not a team, we're a family."

Despite not earning playing time in any games, Gauruder said working with Hudsonville Unity Christian's Jill Fliets-stra, Northville's Elizabeth Watza and Williamston's Courtney Clem have helped her become an even better one than the one who backstopped the Wildcats to back-to-back state titles in 2010-11.

"As a freshman, you can't really expect too much," Gauruder said.

"I just really took advantage of watching them. I'm a better goalie now after having trained with them. No one can tell the future, but (Clem and I) make each other better. It helped me in practices to just treat every practice like it was my last and give it my all."

Gauruder said she got the mentality to treat every event like it was her last from the same mentality Novi's teams brought into the single-elimination state play-offs.

Both said the collegiate student-athlete is a more intense lifestyle than similar participation was in high school or club ball.

"Soccer is definitely more of a priority in college. It takes more time. It takes more of a mental (drain). It's more competitive and the workouts are more tiring," Greenhalgh said, noting that the extra tutoring services for her biology degree and opportunities helped with the adjustment to living away from home. "You're kind of put on a higher pedestal. You get to travel to different campuses and see different things. By the end of my sophomore year, I'd have been to all 12 (Big Ten) campuses."

Because they were all freshmen, none of the four Novi girls faced off directly when Wisconsin visited East Lansing Sept. 23 or MSU had an exhibition at Ypsilanti Aug. 13.

"Its always awkward when you play against your best friend," Gauruder said. "Molli Krick is my best friend. You want her to do well,

but you want your team to win."

Greenhalgh played in the Badgers' 2-1 win at MSU and Caruso capped the final 20 minutes of the Spartans' 1-0 win at EMU, but the two were the lone Novi girls appearing in each contest despite three being rostered for each game.

"We played Michigan and Michigan State the same weekend," Greenhalgh said. "To play at Michigan State where the state championship was, that was a nice memory. I'm definitely looking forward to the next three years. I just try to get better every day."

Having played premier club soccer her entire life, Greenhalgh said it was the mixing of ages during the high school season that was one of the biggest benefits for her.

"That difference in age really helped me out," Greenhalgh said. "Club I know everyone I was playing against. Most everyone I played through high school I played through club."

"I had two great coaches with Paul Tinnion and (Brian) O'Leary. The competition with the Jags, we were nationally recognized."

Although all four collegiate student-athletes will have to wait until the fall to see where they stand among the Spartan, Badger and Eagle rosters, each are enjoying conditioning and training during the off-season with a few scrimmages scattered on the weekends.

Caruso and Krick did not return messages by press deadline.

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By Jon Gunnells  
Guest Columnist

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Tech Savvy

Jon Gunnells

## Mortgage pro glad to call Northville home

By Julie Brown  
Staff Writer

Daniel B. Smith knows a thing or two about mortgages.

It's been a rough ride in his industry, but Northville resident Smith is knowledgeable and principled when it comes to mortgages and business ethics in general. He recently joined Cole Taylor Mortgage, a division of Cole Taylor Bank, out of Chicago.

"Primarily wanted to get on board with really a world-class organization," he said. It's two and a half years old.

"They don't have any legacy issues." It boasts up-to-date technology, and mortgage division headquarters nearby in Ann Arbor.

"So they're growing very fast. The number one reason was really just to get some great local leadership." The CEO is Willie Newman for the mortgage division, and Smith is impressed with his leadership.

"He grew up in Northville, over here at 6 Mile and Winchester."

Smith, 52, has been in the business 30 years. "I really kicked the tires and then I picked them.

"It was fun for about 25 years. Now it's getting a little more enjoyable." People are feeling better about jobs and portfolios, he said, paying down debt.



Daniel B. Smith

"It's not a bad time to think about it," he said of home ownership, with prices and interest rates down.

He's doing a lot of 10- and 15-year fixed rate mortgages. "They want to get the debt out of their lives and I don't blame them."

Smith is based at 41820 6 Mile, Suite 100, Northville. His desk phone is (248) 912-6748, e-fax (248) 692-0309, cell (313) 801-7800, e-mail Dan@DanTheMortgageMan.com, and website www.DanTheMortgageMan.com.

Smith is married to Diana and they have a daughter, Alexandra, a sophomore at Hope College studying business. Their son, Danny, is a senior at University of Detroit-Jesuit High School.

The office is on Six Mile at Bradner. "Excellent location. We just moved into new office space," he said of the staff of around eight loan officers and three support staff.

"And we're looking to hire." That's true not only at the branch but at the corporate level.

"The same thing is happening at Quicken Loans" and others. His is more of a sales organization and less web-based.

He praises the experience level of his colleagues. "I think depth of time in the business is what you'll traditionally see. Both good companies, though," Smith said of the firm where he's based and of Quicken.

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## Lights, camera, action! HGTV films 'House Hunters' in Plymouth

By Nancy Austin  
Guest Columnist

When Rob Goren and his girlfriend, Amanda, decided to move in together, they decided that buying a house was the right thing to do. Questions, of course, came up as to where they were going to purchase the property. Rob grew up in Birmingham, but four years ago he landed a job in Ann Arbor where he has lived the last four years. Amanda spent most of her life in Livonia, and then moved to South Lyon. She has always liked downtown Plymouth and Rob has always preferred the charm of a quaint town. Both agreed that wherever they lived, that the city should be "walkable." The decision was to look at homes both in Ann Arbor and Plymouth.



Nancy Austin

After looking extensively in Ann Arbor, Rob and Amanda ruled out Ann Arbor and decided to concentrate their efforts on the Plymouth community. They felt the Ann Arbor market was saturated with rentals and preferred something more stable. They liked Plymouth with its quaintness and old-world charm. They could walk to restaurants downtown, enjoy the ice festival and other amenities the city has to offer. Rob liked old homes. Amanda wanted to be sure the old home they selected would have updates.

And then they had an idea! "Amanda is a huge fan of HGTV," stated Rob. "She introduced me to *House Hunters* and we decided to apply." They thought they had a good chance at being accepted as their sto-



This is the Plymouth home the couple chose.

ry "was more interesting than many." They already had their Realtor, Eva Goren, who also happens to be Rob's mother, a Realtor with Hall and Hunter in Birmingham.

Eva agreed to do a video which they submitted on line to *House Hunters*, a program featuring individuals and couples who are planning to purchase a home. "It was an 'amateur' video," she said "and not very long." She introduced Rob and Amanda, who stated what they were looking for in a house and why they wanted to be a part of *House Hunters*. Within a few weeks, HGTV called saying they accepted Rob and Amanda to be on the program. In approximately five weeks, they began filming.

"They were a good crew and very professional," stated Eva. "It was nice we could be spontaneous. But if we weren't, they helped us get back on track." The crew consisted of the producer, sound person and the camera man. Filming took an entire day from 9 a.m. to approximately 6 p.m. each day

for each of the three houses you see in the episode. Goren explained that another day was devoted to filming Rob and Amanda in and around Plymouth to give the feel of the area.

When explaining what the process of filming was like, Rob Goren said, "It was exciting and it was 'a journey with its ups and downs.'" The biggest problem was, he said, as so many buyers find today, a lack of inventory. They had looked online and had been in open houses and kept encountering obstacles. For example, one house was touted to have a half-bath, but in reality it was a commode in the basement. After a lengthy search, they found two houses that fit their criteria. One was at the north end of Plymouth and is an old 1922 farm house completely remodeled in 2005. Amanda described the master suite as awesome.

However, they chose the second house that appears in the episode. It was closer to downtown Plymouth, had many updates and was within their budget. They wasted no time



This house on Junction in Plymouth was one the couple looked at but vetoed.

in making an offer to the sellers the same day they viewed it. Their offer was accepted.

"The one we selected has an open floor plan and many updates," Goren stated. "A sun room had been added and the kitchen was remodeled. Amanda and I updated the fireplace by replacing the surround with granite and changing it to a gas fireplace." He continued, "That's really all we have had to do."

The one major problem they encountered was that the sofa they purchased earlier was too large. They had to re-order and it will arrive this spring some time. Rob and Amanda have been happily settled into their Plymouth home since last November.

Goren said HGTV has filmed other episodes in metro Detroit, such as Birmingham and Ferndale. "They like the quaint Midwest cities."

Seniors Real Estate Specialist/Realtor **Nancy Austin** is with Keller Williams Realty.

## Re-let standard factor not onerous

By Robert Meisner  
Guest Columnist

**Q:** I am a landlord in a shopping center and a lease provision provided that if the tenant defaults, I am under an affirmative duty to mitigate my damages. I have attempted to re-let the premises, posting For Rent signs, circulating a data sheet to brokers and making calls to advise that the premises are available. Several people have inquired, but in one situation, I declined to go forward because of an exclusivity provision in a lease with another tenant. Do I have a potential problem?

**A:** I would say not necessarily based upon the fact that court's generally agree that a



Robert Meisner

landlord in mitigating damages is not required to re-let to any willing tenant. Instead, all the duty

requires is reasonable diligence. Requiring a landlord to enter into a lease that would breach a lease with another existing tenant is unreasonable.

**Q:** In recent years I have heard of Community Association groups that are asserting a greater role in decision making for development projects. What can you tell me about that?

**A:** These Community Association groups enter into what is called Community Benefits Agreements (CBAs) which are typically agreements between a project developer and nonprofit community groups or local governments in which the developer promises various social and economic benefits (example: local hiring, financial grants, affordable housing) in exchange for explicit commitments and support for the project. These agreements are desirable because they facilitate the project approval process by giving the community a voice in the process so as to ensure socially responsible development. They also often enable a developer to complete a project efficiently and generate a wide range of community benefits. However, there is always the issue of community groups conditioning their support of development projects on matters unrelated to the statutory criteria for development permits or to environmental or land use impact which must be considered.

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

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These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Jan. 4-6, 2012, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

**CANTON**  
41552 Pineridge Ct \$115,000

**Garden City**  
32136 James St \$106,000  
32600 Windsor St \$47,000  
**LIVONIA**  
38630 Ann Arbor Trl \$145,000  
11325 Ingram St \$148,000  
29811 Lamar Ln \$126,000  
18425 Pershing St \$92,000  
16077 Swathmore Ln \$180,000  
**NORTHVILLE**  
19527 Dartmouth Pl \$57,000

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336 Linden St \$100,000  
47503 Manorwood Dr \$520,000  
405 Randolph St \$120,000  
19235 Surrey Ln \$60,000  
**PLYMOUTH**  
232 Blunk St \$235,000  
51364 Plymouth Lake Dr \$480,000  
9360 Saddlebrook Ct \$326,000  
9380 Saddlebrook Ct \$61,000  
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These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Dec. 19-23, 2011, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

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31754 Nixon St \$165,000  
**BIRMINGHAM**  
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330 Ferndale Ave \$718,000  
557 N Eton St \$82,000  
571 N Old Woodward Ave \$130,000  
1045 N Old Woodward Ave \$140,000  
538 Pleasant St \$395,000  
1270 Puritan Ave \$450,000  
592 W Frank St \$335,000  
1937 Pine Ridge Ln \$240,000  
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1075 Autumn Ln \$350,000  
1936 Klingensmith Rd \$55,000

7120 Lahser Rd \$50,000  
3995 Lakeland Ln \$450,000  
3150 Middlebury Ln \$280,000  
300 N Cranbrook Rd \$522,000  
635 Overhill Rd \$930,000  
1245 Robson Ln \$175,000  
4320 S Willoway Estates Ct \$310,000  
6796 Vachon Dr \$288,000  
42160 Woodward Ave \$87,000  
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2284 Brigantine \$40,000  
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2688 Ivy Hill Dr \$233,000  
5350 Riverwalk Trl \$235,000  
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22840 Farmington Rd \$120,000  
23300 Hillview Ct \$263,000  
**FARMINGTON HILLS**  
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29630 Green Acres \$188,000  
35928 Johnstown Rd \$235,000  
28566 Kendallwood Dr \$147,000  
28422 Kirkside Ln \$164,000  
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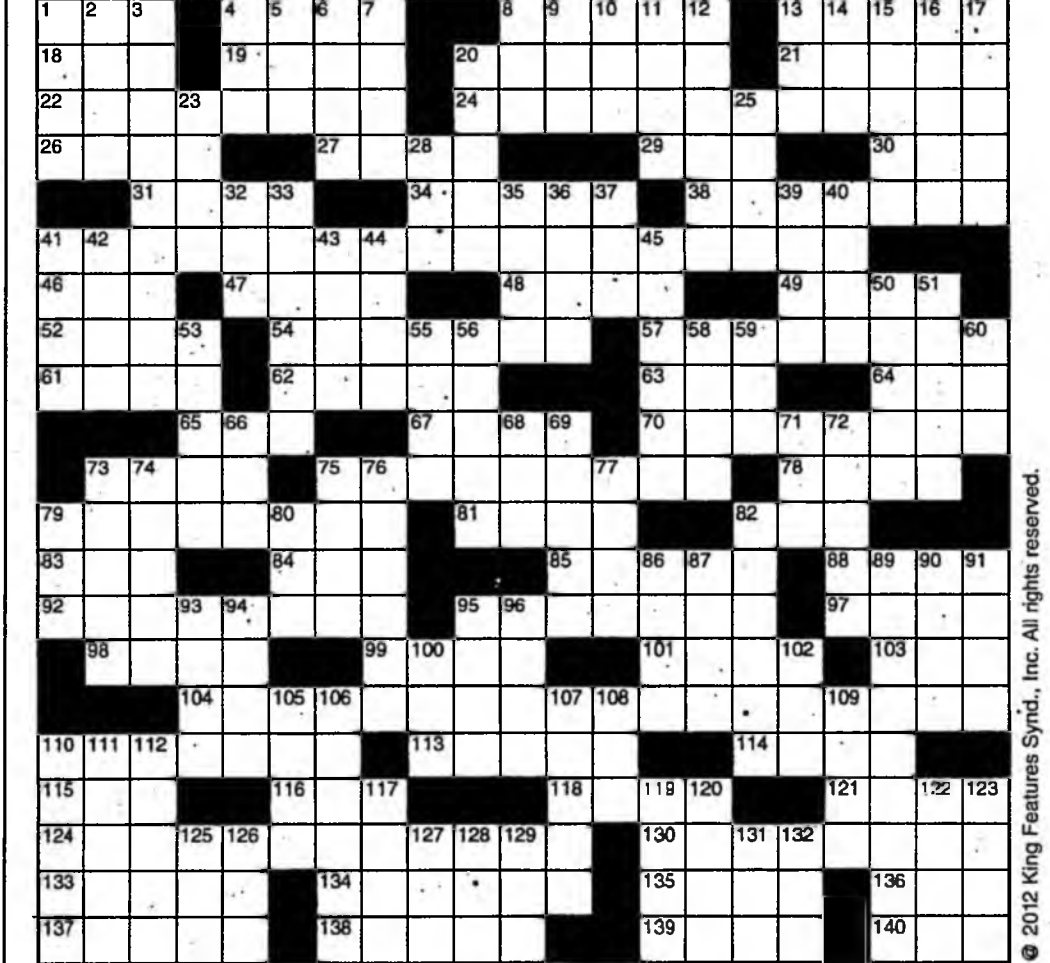
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# Crossword Puzzle

## Art Work

<b>ACROSS</b>	1 Mushroom part	4 Demented	8 Vatican-related	13 Heiss on the ice	18 Hasten	19 Pianist	20 Venus' sister	21 Speak one's mind	22 Art Carney role	24 Art Tatum recording of '49	26 Paper quantity	27 the Hyena (Capp character)	29 Two — kind	30 Organ of equilibrium	31 South American capital	34 Laotian native	38 Wholly	41 Art Rooney's team	46 Palindromic dictator	47 Wing-ding	48 Croquet arena?	49 Model	52 Pub orders																														
54 Flask	57 Zimbabw, formerly	61 Celebratory suffix	62 Alliance	63 Tiriatic of tennis	64 61, to Cicero	65 Hosp. areas	67 Stable	70 Casino	73 Italian statesman	75 Art	78 Travelers' aids	79 Food fish	81 Lhasa —	82 Drink like	81 Across	83 Business abbr.	84 Conger or moray	85 "Jeepers!"	88 "Back in the '68 song"	92 Composer	95 Ms. Van Tassel	97 Yeam	98 "Hook" heavy	99 Chutzpah	101 Watch pts.	103 "Bali —"	104 Art Malik																										
110 Annoying	113 Depart	114 Tabriz	115 Society	116 Claire or Balin	118 Bouquet	121 Kite part	124 Art Sansom cartoon	130 Art Fleming hosted it	133 Arrested	134 Hire	135 Mine feature	136 Sportscaster	137 Stout	138 Boca —, FL	139 Kansas city	140 TV chef	<b>DOWN</b>	1 "Dark Lady" singer	2 Helper	3 Gridiron calls	4 Drop a brick	5 Tub	6 Superstar	7 Debussy's "Clair de —"	8 Schoolboy's shot	9 Joan Van	10 Mile High Center																										
11 architect	12 Part of A.D.	13 Permissible	14 Dovecote	15 Mil. address	16 More	17 Actor	18 Patrick	19 Suspicious (of)	20 Reduce to smithereens	21 Skip	22 Subornate	23 Say please	24 too often?	25 Flavor	26 enhancer	27 Problem solver?	28 Tropical spot	29 — impasse	30 Fresh	31 Walked	32 Ferrara first family	33 Chanteuse	34 Edith	35 Eric of "Nuns on the Run"	36 — Bator	37 Rampur royally	38 Fermi or Caruso	39 Long Island resort	40 51 At — and sevens	41 Baby bird?	42 Soybean product	43 Biol. or																					
56 "Gay"	58 It holds plenty!	59 Lennon's widow	60 Tune	61 Caviar	62 Nile	63 slitherer	64 Composer	65 Franz	66 — New Guinea	67 Frenzied	68 Take place	69 Nest noise	70 Accuse tentatively	71 "Wuthering Heights" setting	72 Russian jet	73 Agt.	74 Head	75 Fade, as a flower	76 Move like molasses	77 Academic	78 "The Young Lions" author	79 Harness part	80 Tiplers	81 Canyon sound	82 Swiss artist	83 — breve	84 Shoemaker's tool	85 Biol. or	86 chem.	87 Mideastern title	88 Decathlete	89 Bruce	90 Tower	91 material?	92 "Waking —" (98 film)	93 Pro — (proportionately)	94 Foreword, for short	95 Change for the better	96 New Hampshire city	97 Soprano	98 Gluck	99 California resort	100 Try again	101 Concept	102 Actress	103 Fontanne	104 Encore exclamation	105 "— Bad Apple" ('71 song)	106 Select, with "or"	107 — mo	108 Tons of time	109 Garage supply	110 Child welfare org.



# Answer to Last Week's Puzzle

WELK JAMAL TROY DRAKE  
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# 5 Job-search tips for career changers

You've hit a turning point in your career. Whether it's because your job has slowly become less satisfying over the years, or you woke up one morning and realized you hated going to work, you've decided it's time for a change.

If only you knew what you wanted to do next. Details. The "I don't know what I want to do, but I know it's not this" predicament is confusing at best. Besides the issue of figuring out what you want to do, there's also reality to consider. You might think you'd make a great marriage counselor, but do you really have the time, energy and means to get the necessary training? Will your career change require you to relocate? How will you convince potential employers that, after 10 years in one career, you have the necessary experience for a new one?

Because the career-change process is complicated, it's important not to rush into anything. Take time to explore your options and answer all of the questions you have about the career paths you're considering. Or, as "What Color is Your Parachute?" – the best-selling career guide – puts it:

"Good career choice or career planning postpones the 'narrowing down' until it has first broadened your horizons and expanded the number of options you are thinking about. For example, you're in the newspaper business, but have you ever thought of teaching, or drawing or doing



fashion? You first expand your mental horizons, to see all the possibilities, and only then do you start to narrow them down to the particular two or three that interest you the most."

Once you've got a short list of potential careers, it's time to begin your job search. Mark C.D. Newall, senior vice president at Keystone

Associates, a career transition and management firm in Boston, offers the following quick tips for job searching in a new field.

## 1. Play the game

As newbie, you're going to have to put in a lot of footwork. "Intensively networking, utilizing technology, honing your

interviewing skills -- all of these things are important and need to be done," Newall says.

## 2. Identify your edge

Since you won't be able to rest on your experience, it's important to identify other selling points that will make you stand out to employers. "Everybody is smart,

everybody works hard, everybody has a good degree -- differentiate yourself from all of the others by having an edge," Newall advises. "If you have global expertise, call it out. If you have outstanding and demonstrated interpersonal skills, let interviewers know that you will connect with and take care of their clients."

## 3. Be willing to move

Flexibility can go a long way when breaking into a new career. "Expanding your geography will also expand your opportunities," Newall says.

## 4. Speak to your passion

"Know what is important to you -- what really gives you that sense of accomplishment -- what gets you out of bed in the morning. Hiring managers will see your passion and how it relates to their business, and they want to hire that," Newall says. Given the amount of self-reflection career change usually requires, rattling off a list of things that make you tick shouldn't be too hard.

## 5. Have a solid methodology

Like in any job search, you'll need a game plan. Newall says. "Organize your time, your contacts, your approach, and conduct your job search in a planned and thoughtful manner. Then be ready to toss aside your plan, and be able to react to that last minute call."

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