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Amerman Middle School's Earth Day clean will be held from noon-5 p.m. Sunday, April 29. In addition to the regular activities, there will be a tree planted at 2 p.m. in honor of Alec Cunningham, a former Amerman student who recently passed away.

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# 6 Mile: Two, three or five lanes?

By **Lonnie Huhman**  
Correspondent

Drivers and homeowners along Six Mile Road in Northville Township know of the congestion that can occur during times of high traffic volume, especially between Bradner Road and the railroad tracks.

Wayne County is now thinking about widening the two-lane road into five lanes, which would include a center turn lane.

According to Northville Township Public Works Director Tom Casari, the project probably wouldn't happen for another year or two, but a plan is moving forward. The project work would span nearly two miles, ranging from Haggerty to Northville roads.

*"I don't think widening Six Mile makes any sense at all ... it's a residential area."*

**MARK ABBO**  
Northville Township supervisor



Many want something done to this section of Six Mile, but this particular plan has some officials at Northville Township concerned.

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## Happy 50th, Schoolcraft

In the 50 years since voters from the school districts of Livonia, Plymouth-Canton, Garden City, Clarenceville and later Northville established Schoolcraft College, the school continues to grow, change and invigorate the greater western Wayne and west Oakland landscape.

Inside today's edition is a special supplement produced by this newspaper, in collaboration with the college. The section highlights the programs, people and philosophy that remain at the heart of this community jewel.

**Former editor lived college history, see page A14**

Today's section seeks to give readers a flavor of the energy and enthusiasm that surrounds the college, its leaders, staff and students today. It looks at the special programs that the college has been known for and/or has fostered throughout the last half-century.

Be sure to read about the Schoolcraft College Difference Makers (in print and online) — those individuals who have made a significant impact in their community professionally or personally over the last 50 years.

Schoolcraft has transformed the lives (and hearts) of many over the last 50 years. We are confident it will continue to do so for the next 50 years and beyond.

**Susan Rosiek**  
publisher/executive editor

## City tries to do more with less

By **Lonnie Huhman**  
Correspondent

Providing the same level of services and in some cases doing it better with less staff has become a normal thing at city hall in Northville.

However, the city also understands that conveniences from the past might not be there anymore due to the reality of maintaining a sound financial plan while experiencing tough economic times.

Since 2005, the full-time staff level at city hall has dropped from 58 to 41. This has been a 29-percent reduction, said Sandi Wiktorowski, treasurer/finance director.

Despite the layoffs and unfilled positions through retirement, things remain relatively the same as far as the city being a well-run municipality.

This year's budget will be balanced and emergency services like police and fire are strong. The police have seen a decrease in staff, but it has made up for things in some areas through a partnership with Northville Township. And the city fire department is now working with the city of Plymouth to provide it with protection, expanding in the process while keeping Northville covered.

City Manager Patrick Sullivan came to Northville in 2006 just as things were getting more challenging. He said things have worked out because of the projections and planning done by the finance and city staff.

The "ride" hasn't exactly been smooth for the city, Sullivan said, but through working together it has gone better than anticipated seven years ago.

The challenges then were the locally decreasing property values and general weak state of the Michigan economy. Like many other cities, this had Northville wondering about its future.

Sullivan said they knew tough times were coming and they had time to prevent a big problem, such as deficit budget.

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Northville Mayor Chris Johnson, right, speaks to David Boyd during the April 18 State of the Community luncheon at the Meadowbrook Country Club.

## State of Community Partnerships, creativity keys to Northville's success

By **Lonnie Huhman**  
Correspondent

The State of the Community presentations given at Meadowbrook Country Club on April 18 gave a view of a community working hard and creatively to overcome challenges to remain and become an even greater place to live, work and play.

Northville Township Supervisor Mark Abbo, Northville Mayor Chris Johnson, Northville Public Schools Superintendent Mary Kay Gallagher and

Wayne County Commissioner Laura Cox were all on hand to give their perspectives at the annual luncheon, which was hosted by the Northville Chamber of Commerce.

Each leader highlighted the accomplishments and challenges from the past year. Adjusting to the trying economic conditions and looking ahead to the future were common themes. So were the reasons behind the successes, which came about through

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Mark Abbo addresses the State of the Community on April 18 — for the last time as the Northville Township Manager.



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# Have fun and support the stadium Saturday

Help the TURF Club to reach its \$1 million goal by May 1 and attend A Night for Northville from 8 p.m.-midnight Saturday at Northville Square Mall, 133 W. Main Street. This event will feature hors d'oeuvres and cocktails, live music by the Randy Brock Group, and two silent auctions.

Tickets are \$100 per person (\$70 is tax-deductible) and can be purchased at the door the evening of the event. Additional ticket sale locations are listed at [www.NHSTurfClub.org](http://www.NHSTurfClub.org).

In just six months, TURF Club — a consortium of community members representing numerous Northville area organizations and businesses — has secured more than \$830,000 towards its May 1 goal to raise \$1 million for improvements to the Northville Public Schools Eight Mile Stadium.

“The Foundation is pleased to work with the excellent community volunteers in TURF Club to raise the additional funds necessary to fund turf and other improvements at Eight Mile Stadium,” said Northville Educational Foundation President Eric Barritt. “NEF is following the wishes of



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Work continues on April 19 on the effort to replace the natural grass field with artificial turf at Northville High's football stadium. The stadium, off Eight Mile Road at Hillside Middle School, is having the field replaced by the Turf Club in an approximate \$1,000,000 effort. The club is sponsoring a fundraiser night at Northville Square on April 28.

the \$500,000 anonymous donor and the subsequent \$100,000 donation from the Friends of Northville Parks and Recreation to put artificial turf on this field by Fall 2012. Rais-

ing an additional \$400,000-plus from the community in such a short timeframe is an aggressive goal. Families, local businesses, foundations and corporate sponsors are all coming

together to make this happen. NEF supports and raises funds for many different academic, athletic and artistic initiatives; turf is only one of our current campaigns.”

While the artificial turf and new scoreboard planned for Phase I will be paid for exclusively through donations, Northville Public Schools will provide funding from the sinking fund millage to help with other stadium improvements. Planned to coincide with the turf installation include a new press box, lighting and sound system. Over the course of the five-year sinking fund millage allocation, the school district anticipates it will devote \$1.35 million to necessary stadium improvements.

Home to the Northville High School Mustangs, and several of the district's middle school athletic teams for nearly 50 years, the Eight Mile Stadium field and facilities are also used by numerous community athletic organizations including youth football, soccer and lacrosse programs.

All contributions to TURF Club are managed by the Northville Educational Foundation, which has established a restricted fund for this purpose. For more information about TURF CLUB visit <http://nhsturfclub.org>.

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## Bowl-A-Thon helps summer camp for kids

A Bowl-A-Thon will be held Sunday, April 29, at Westland Bowl to help raise the money needed to provide a one-week summer camp experience for abused and neglected children.

The April 29 fund-raising event will help raise public awareness and financial support for Royal Family Kids Camp (RFKC) held July 29 to Aug. 3 at a camp near Fenton, sponsored locally by Detroit First Church of the Nazarene in Northville and Northville Christian Assembly church.

The \$20 per person charge for the Bowl-A-Thon includes two games of bowling, shoe rental, pizza and soda. Check-in will be at 1:30 p.m. and bowling will begin at 2 p.m. There also will be a silent auction

room, door prizes and other opportunities to receive a prize.

Royal Family Kids, Inc. is a concentrated program of recreation, education and affirmation to aid in the process of healing the emotional scars of childhood abuse experienced by children involved in the foster care system in Wayne County.

Royal Family Kids, Inc. has a proven track record with more than 155 camps scheduled for 2012. More than 80 volunteer staff members from throughout metropolitan Detroit will spend a week to help provide a positive, life-changing summer camp experience for some 48 children ages 7-11. The camp is provided at no cost for the campers who are selected to attend

the camp by Wayne County Department of Human Services.

The camp budget is met through fundraisers, such as the bowl-a-thon and from contributions made by local businesses, from grants, and from other donors who share a concern for this population of children.

Northville Christian Assembly and Detroit First Church of the Nazarene are both a recognized 501c3 organization so any contributions made to RFKC are tax-deductible.

Westland Bowl is at 5940 N. Wayne Road between Ford and Warren Road. For more information about the Bowl-A-Thon, contact co-director Bethann Parker at [parkette@sbcglobal.net](mailto:parkette@sbcglobal.net).

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# It was a ‘weird winter’ indeed, says local weather man

By Stacy Jenkins  
Observer Staff Writer

Everyone called it a “weird winter,” followed by a freakishly warm and early start to spring. They were certainly right. Temperature records were broken, flowers and trees bloomed more than a month early and southeast Michigan had already experienced four tornadoes before spring even got started. While most people didn’t complain about the string of days in March that brought summer-like temps in the 80s, their brows would furrow as to the “why.”

Paul Gross of Farmington Hills, a WDIV-Channel 4 meteorologist, confirms southeast Michigan had unusual weather through the winter and early spring — a phenomenon that has occurred all over the world. “We (meteorologists from around the globe) are all talking about this,” he said. “They’re experiencing this kind of warmth in their countries, too.” Gross, who recently attended an international weather forum in Geneva, Switzerland, sat down



Channel 4 Meteorologist Paul Gross, of Farmington Hills, confirms we’ve had a strange winter and an even more unusual early spring.

with the secretary general of the World Meteorological Organization, Michel Jarraud, to discuss the global warming trend. Gross learned that the La Niña years, which are the cooler years, are getting warmer. “It was very striking information to me,” said Gross. This past winter was supposed to be a cooler winter, with average to a bit above-average snowfall, due to the La Niña pattern in the Pacific. It was a mild winter, indeed, but the pre-spring

and first days of spring were record-breaking. Southeast Michigan had 10 consecutive 70-degree days from March 14-23, breaking the previous record of nine days in April of 1886. “We broke the record that was set back in 1886, that’s how unusual this warmth was,” said Gross. But, the 80-degree days really grabbed the attention of everyone. March 20-22 were all in the 80s, breaking the record that was set in 2007. The warmest March day ever recorded was Thursday, March 22, when it hit 86 degrees. “The weather affects everybody. My job is to try to take out some of the surprises that we saw with the heat wave,” said Gross. “We saw that coming, but, on the other hand, the entire warm winter

was a surprise to all us meteorologists.” **So, what happened?** The La Niña pattern normally brings cooler weather down from the north, but this past winter, it was locked in northern Canada by the North Atlantic Oscillation, which, for some reason, remained in a positive phase for most of the winter. “What caused the North Atlantic Oscillation to remain positive? The answer to that is, I have no idea,” said Gross. He said the warming climate trend did not cause the heat wave, but it may have intensified and prolonged it, he said. “One of the widely accepted and agreed upon theories of climate change is that we will see more heat extremes and fewer cold extremes,” he said. Gross studied the Detroit area’s record high and low temperatures in the 1990s and from 2000 to 2010. “In the 1990s, the record highs outnumbered the record lows by a 3-1 margin,” said Gross. “From 2000 to 2010, the record highs outnumbered the record lows by 6-1. That is a clear signal, showing a warm forcing on our climate.” Gross acknowledges that global warming is a debatable topic between scientists and politicians, but, he said there’s a consensus among those who study it.

“Ninety-seven percent of the world’s climate scientists now agree the proximate cause of this warming is human activity,” said Gross. **Common concerns** Some of the common questions or concerns among local citizens, following the “weird winter” and warm, early spring, are the spring storm season, a hot summer, the health of Michigan’s crops and the Great Lakes lake levels. Many people think because it was a mild winter, we’re in store for an unusually hot summer. Not true, said Gross. “There is no correlation between the type of winter we have and the type of summer we have,” he said. And, for those who believe in the Farmers Almanac predictions, he has a few words about that, too. “The Farmers Almanac is a comic book,” he said. “If you really believe there’s a way to forecast specific days a year in advance, don’t you think we’d be doing it by now?” He said long-range models do not currently show distinct trends that indicate extreme temps for this summer. In terms of spring storms, it all depends on the jet stream. “If you have an early warmup, that can lend itself to severe weather periods, as we’ve seen already,” he said.

In southeast Michigan, the record for tornadoes in March is 10, set back in 1950. “We had four in a two-day period,” he said of this year’s activities so far. Lake levels, given the minimal amount of snow over the winter, are a concern of many, but Gross noted that we had record rainfall in November, which makes up for the lack of snowfall. The warm weather led to the early blooming of flowers and trees, which was a problem when we experienced a hard frost. Gross noted that the more hardy plants and flowers survived. He said there could be an impact on Michigan’s cherry crops, for example. Other implications of the warm winter and early spring are pests and allergies. He said there could be an increase in the number of ticks, mosquitoes and other bugs because the mild winter may have prevented the annual freeze kill. Allergy season has started early for many people, as well — a full month early. However, there’s an upside to the winter we’ve had, Gross added. “The increased sunshine this winter is what made people feel so much better,” he said. “The 2011-12 winter will go down in the books as a nice respite for a lot of people, except for skiers.”

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## ON CAMPUS

### Western Michigan University

The official graduation list for the 2011 fall semester includes the following Northville students: **Evan Anton**, bachelor of science, biology; **Brian Ashby**, bachelor of arts, history; secondary education; **Andrew Distler**, bachelor of science, interdisciplinary health services; **Patrick Ganzak**, bachelor of business administration, finance; **Michael Garbarz**, bachelor of business administration, integrated supply matrix management; **Kelsey Lehman**, bachelor of science, textile and apparel studies; product development; **Fred-eric Oehmke**, bachelor of science in engineering (mechanical), mechanical engineering; **Jennifer Rosbury**, bachelor of business administration, human resource management; **Kristin Sarafian**, bachelor of science, elementary professional education; **Megan Sheremet**, bachelor of science, dietetics; **Stephanie Sorenson**, bachelor of arts, English; and **Jeffrey Woodside**, bachelor of science in engineering, aeronautical.

### The College of Wooster

**Jordan Nelson**, a graduate of Northville High School and a senior English major, received the Thomas D. Claeson Prize at Wooster's 42nd Annual Recognition Banquet. The prize is award-

ed to the English major who has written the best junior independent study thesis.

### University of Michigan

Northville's **Tyler Jones** was one of two University of Michigan juniors (along with Noel Gordon) who aspires to make the world a better place through public service. They are one step closer to becoming "change agents" as the newest Truman Scholars.

The Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation announced the names of 54 recipients to receive this prestigious award that gives \$30,000 for graduate studies.

Jones and Gordon, who is from Henderson, Nev., were selected from 587 candidates nationwide. They are the first U-M students since 2005 to receive the award.

Truman scholars must be interested in being change agents by improving the ways that government agencies, nonprofit organizations or educational institutions serve the public.

Jones created an honors concentration in asymmetric conflict and Middle Eastern and North African studies. He is interested in diplomacy and the roles of religion, culture, and political psychology in transnational negotiations.

"This scholarship represents more than prestige and support," Jones said. "It represents a

charge from society to give back ... and affect change."

### Michigan State University

**Jaclyn Marie DeGior- gio**, a 2008 National Honor Society graduate of Northville High School, is graduating with a bachelor's degree in supply chain management from Michigan State University's Eli Broad School of Business with honors. She completed the necessary requirements to be selected for the Dean's List during all four years of college for her excellent academic performance. Upon graduation she will relocate to Washington, D.C., for a consulting position with IBM.

### Central Michigan University

**Paul Young**, of Northville, is part of the award-winning editorial team producing the university's Grand Central Magazine. The student-run online publication recently received a national EPPY award for Best University Journalism Website by Editor & Publisher Magazine, the trade journal covering the international journalism industry. In winning the top honor, Grand Central competed against finalists from DePaul University, Temple University, Berry College and City University of New York Graduate School of Journalism.

## Meads Mill bake sale



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Debbie Grant-Kelterborn, left, and Denise Bondoni help a customer at the March 1 Meads Mill PTA bake sale. The sale's proceeds were to go to fund the school's educational assemblies and extracurricular activities through the year.

## NORTHVILLE SCHOOL BRIEFS

### Moraine fundraiser

The second annual Moraine Wine Tasting and Silent Auction to benefit The Leader in Me will be held at 7 p.m. May 4 at Karl's Cabin in Plymouth. Tickets are \$50 each (\$60 at the door) and can be purchased at <http://northvillefundraiser.com> or send a check into the Moraine Office.

If you have items to donate to the silent auction please contact Denise Bryan at [bryande@northville.k12.mi.us](mailto:bryande@northville.k12.mi.us).

### April is the Month of the Young Child

The Early Childhood Education and Extended Day Programs traditionally celebrate the Month of the Young Child in a variety of ways. This year the National Association for the Education of Young Children is embracing the theme Early Years are Learning Years... Make Them Count! and it is a perfect fit with an upcoming exhibit and links with the ECE's 2011-2012 school improvement initiative, Developing Communities of Learners.

The Children's Exhibit - Capturing Everyday Moments is the seventh program-wide event of its kind. It will be held April 20-May 2 in Northville Square (133 W. Main

Street, downtown Northville) and includes a sampling of work from each of the classes in the program.

An opening will be held from 5:30-7:30 Friday, April 20.

It is a project that began years ago with inspiration from the Hundred Languages of Children Exhibit, originally from Reggio Emilia, Italy. The idea of capturing everyday moments in a study helps children grow in their social and communication skills, as they are the vital component to negotiating their plans, processes and application of their work.

Teachers are listening to children and their ideas.

They may be using books as provocations to spur children's imaginations and help them focus on ideas, as well as a variety of materials with which they can express themselves.

### Jason Brooks wins My Favorite Teacher Contest

Barnes & Noble announced that Jason Brooks from Silver Springs Elementary School in Northville Public Schools has been named the local winner of the My Favorite Teacher Contest. Brooks was chosen from 37 entries at the Barnes &

Noble on 17111 Haggerty Road in Northville Township. Brooks was nominated by students Anna Koppin and Kailyn Bondoni.

Students were invited to nominate their teacher by writing essays, poems or thank you letters that share how their teacher has influenced their life and why they appreciate and admire their teacher. Entries were judged on the compelling nature of the teacher's qualities, the sincerity of the student's appreciation and the quality of expression and writing.

Brooks was recognized at an event at the Northville Township Barnes & Noble at noon on April 21, where received a special award acknowledging his achievement, a set of Sterling Classics books for his personal or classroom library, and additional recognition and praise from the community.

Bondoni and Koppin, who both wrote winning essays or poems, will both receive a certificate of recognition and will be honored at the Northville Township store during the ceremony for the winning teacher. Other local nominated teachers and their students will also be given certificates of achievement during the ceremony.

Brooks will now be entered into the regional competition where six winners will be chosen.

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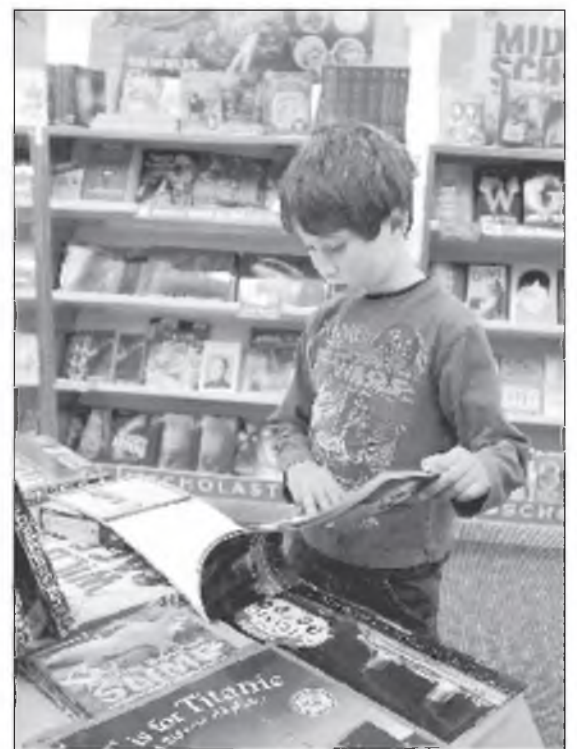
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Ridge Wood Elementary School student Bruce Gold peruses some selections during the school's April 18 book fair. The fair is being run by parent volunteers and lasted until April 20th.

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# Cook eKitchen stirs love of cooking in young chefs

By Stacy Jenkins  
Observer Staff Writer

Taima Ezzeddine could be the next Paula Deen, Rachel Ray or Martha Stewart.

At just 9 years old, the Farmington foodie is a whiz in the kitchen.

From scrumptious Chocolate Peanut Butter Bites to rich and savory Spinach Stuffed Shells, she's perfectly at ease cooking all by herself.

And, her mother, Colleen McGowan Ezzeddine is fine with that, too.

This pint-sized chef has all the tools she needs, right on her computer screen, as she watches cooking videos — by kids for kids — on Cook eKitchen, a new program offered by Health Alliance Plan.

"This is something that I trust — I have no reservations," said her mom.

Taima, who collects cookbooks and loves to try new recipes — just like her mom — started out with the no-bake Chocolate Peanut Butter Bites.

"They were so good and easy to make. I love peanut butter cups and these were just as good, only healthier," said Taima. "The best part was that they were no-bake. They were a little time-consuming to make, but so totally worth it."

Colleen said they discovered Cook eKitchen after tuning in to the many healthy programs offered by HAP. She took advantage of



Colleen McGowan Ezzeddine, of Farmington, and her 9-year-old daughter Taima Ezzeddine, show off some brownies Taima made through the Cook eKitchen online program.



DeAnté Lipscombe, 13, of Farmington Hills, is quite good at making cheese quesadillas by following the recipe and how-to video on the Cook eKitchen website.

HAP's partnership with Weight Watchers about five years ago, for example, and the results were nothing short of awesome.

"I got down to a healthy (body mass index) and it just changed my life," she said. The Cook eKitchen

reinforces her family's quest for healthy meals and instills healthy habits in her three children.

"I'm just so grateful to HAP," she said. "They have great partnerships and they're always offering free opportunities to learn."

Her family was among the first to try out the Cook eKitchen. Colleen, a busy mother who home schools her children, and also teaches public speaking at Wayne State University, quickly realized that the Cook eKitchen could be a time-saver for her.

"It's easy to get in the habit to plan and prepare meals for your family, but this allows you to get your children involved," she said.

"You're giving them such a great skill. It can make a parent's life easier."

Her son Hassan, 7, also enjoys cooking.

"He made pancakes this morning," said Colleen. "My husband is always cooking, and he would always watch his father cook."

## Young chefs

Another family, the Lipscombes of Farmington Hills, are making good use of Cook eKitchen.

DeAndre Lipscombe, who is HAP's vice president of community outreach, introduced his three sons, DeAndre II, 16, DeAnté, 13, and DeMarius, 11, to it.

"I love that the website is very easy to navigate," he said. "It is colorful and kid-friendly. My sons, especially my 13-year-old DeAnté, love the videos. DeAnté wants to be a chef and watches the Food Network all the time. Cook eKitchen has been a great way for him to find recipes that are quick and easy make. He loves watching the videos of the chefs preparing the food. I also like that all of the recipes include nutrition information, so it's never a secret what you or your kids are eating."

His sons love to make the cheese quesadillas and the cinnamon muffins.

He also recognizes that Cook eKitchen can help kids make healthy food choices.

"Cook eKitchen is a great resource for working parents who want to make sure that their preteens and teenagers are eating healthy when they are not around to encourage them to make healthy choices," he said. "In my family, the junk or processed food that is quick and easy to prepare was always the first choice for my sons. Cook eKitchen provides a nice balance for my family between food choices that are nutritious, fun to make and will not leave my sons feeling like they are missing out on their favorite snacks."

## Healthy focus

HAP encourages families with children ages 8-14 to take advantage of Cook eKitchen's educational and entertaining content to help them cultivate healthy eating habits to last a lifetime.

"Childhood obesity is threatening the health and well-being of our communities, and we're excited to introduce this wonderful, engaging resource to our youngest community members," said Terri Kachadurian, director, worksite health and wellness programs.

Cook eKitchen is not only for HAP members, it's free and available to anyone at hap.org/cookekitchen. Launched just over one month ago, the site already has nearly 11,000 page views and more than 1,580 unique visitors.

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decisions to work together.

Abbo and Johnson both pointed to their municipalities' partnership with Cox and Wayne County to get the popular Bennett Arboretum Pathway constructed. Gallagher highlighted the crucial community support for the school district on such projects like the Turf Stadium and approval of the sinking fund.

However, they also spoke about the economic challenges. Gallagher referred to the cut in state funding for K-12 public schools in Michigan and its impact on the district. Johnson spoke about big legacy and pension costs facing the city budget planners in the coming years.

Those were just a few of the topics.

**Northville Township**

The luncheon was the last for Abbo as supervisor, who after 12 years of serving will not be running for re-election.

For him the time has come to move on, but he says he will miss it. Looking forward, he believes Northville only will become better.

"I don't think we've seen the best of Northville Township, I really don't," he said. "I think the best of Northville Township is coming."

He said the township had laid down a very solid foundation for the future. He centered his talk on the value of partnerships and planning, with the ultimate goal of building a better community.

In the area of development, Abbo sees many successes from the past, present and in the future.



Attendees of the 2012 State of the Community luncheon listen in to a speaker at the Meadowbrook Country Club on April 18.



Northville Township Clerk Sue Hillebrand was one of many people who were glad to greet Jim Nield at the April 18 State of the Community luncheon. Nield has made incredible progress for about a year now since a carbon monoxide poisoning accident in the spring of 2011.

He said the township has taken some control over development by acquiring land, so its use would better benefit the residents. He said the future University of Michigan medical location at Seven Mile and Haggerty roads

and redevelopment of the Five Mile Road corridor are two big successes yet to be fully realized.

Abbo said the partnerships with neighbors have always been a big key to the community's success. He referenced

the parks and recreation relationship with the City of Northville, and working with Plymouth and Canton to expand their shared sewer capacity.

**Wayne County**

Cox began by saying the last year was a tough one for Wayne County. With investigations centered on Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano's administration, Cox said it is now more important than ever that the county commission exert its oversight role and demonstrate transparency.

She said she called on Ficano to resign in an effort to remedy the current scandal of tax dollar misuse, but expects difficulties to persist.

"It's my belief that our federal government is a long way from completing its investigation of Wayne County," Cox said.

She remains committed to her goals of working for transparency and making sure tax dollars are not wasted. Accomplishments toward this are the online tools now available to residents giving them a view of her office's budget, county revenue sources

and campaign finance records.

Highlights also included the road projects scheduled to be worked on in Northville in the next year or two. One will be the improvement of the Seven Mile Road and Center Street intersection, which has long been a gripe for residents.

Despite the challenges, she reassured everyone that she will continue to be a staunch supporter of Northville.

## Northville Public Schools

This was Gallagher's first luncheon as superintendent and she said it was her honor to represent the school district. She opened her presentation by thanking the board of education and support staff.

She went on to give some good news from the high school that five juniors recently received perfect scores on the ACT, which is another highlight from the high-achieving student body.

Emphasizing the gratitude the district has for the community with the sinking fund vote and renewal of the nonhome-  
stead, she said along with the Turf Club and Northville Educational Foundation more opportunities are being created for the students.

Soon wireless capabilities will be enhanced within the district through the money generated by the five-year sinking fund.

After reflecting on last year's budget, she said since 2004 and because of the struggling economy, school aid has fallen by 30 percent. However, she added there should be no more painful steps

ahead. Last year, the district privatized transportation and custodial services.

Looking to the future, Gallagher said she thinks of the over-400 kindergarten students attending Northville this year. Preparing the future for them and making it better is the main goal, she said.

**City of Northville**

Johnson began with partnerships and got a laugh when he first highlighted the hazardous waste day, which is shared with Livonia and Northville Township. But he then went on to point to the emergency dispatch and lockup, Johnson Creek Day and youth assistance as just a few that they share with the township.

He spoke of relationships with almost every municipality that surrounds Northville.

Positives from his talk centered on redevelopment of downtown.

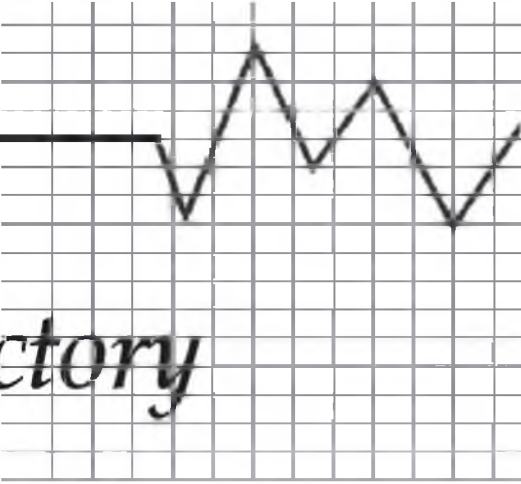
The Garage Restaurant is another development from this year that will be completed in the months to come. He said road work around town has been tough, but it has and will improve the streets for drivers and pedestrians. And finally, the Comerica Community Connection walkway is another renovation under way that will help enhance the downtown.

Johnson ended his segment by thanking Abbo. He said it has been a true partnership with him as leader of the township, saying it has been a pleasure to work with him the last 20 years.

"Partnerships are important, and you don't have good partners without good leaders," Johnson said.



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## CAPTURING EVERYDAY MOMENTS

**Time/Date:** Exhibit open for viewing through May 2.  
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**Details:** This exhibit includes a sampling of work from each of the classes in the Northville Public Schools' Early Childhood programs. The annual exhibit celebrates children, honors their unique qualities and captures the power of ordinary moments that constitutes the child's story.

**Contact:** Call (248) 344-8465 or visit [www.northville.k12.mi.us/earlychildhood](http://www.northville.k12.mi.us/earlychildhood).

## NORTHVILLE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

After Hours Business Social  
**Time/Date:** 5:30-7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 26  
**Location:** Genitti's, 108 E. Main, Northville  
**Details:** Hosted by Solstice Run/Kona Running Company; free; appetizers available with cash bar.

## MARQUIS THEATER

**Location:** 135 E. Main, Northville

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

**Contact:** (248) 349-8110  
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**Time/Dates:** 2:30 p.m. April 28-29; and May 5-6

**Details:** Don't miss this energetic, live musical in the fun-filled world of Wonderland and its memorable cast of characters – The White Rabbit, The Cheshire Cat, The Queen of Hearts and many more. Tickets are \$8.50 each; group rates and reserved seating for 20 or more; no children under age 3.

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**Location:** Northville High School  
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Run/Stroll beginning at 11 a.m. The pricing for walkers and runners is \$20 for runners of all ages; \$15 for walkers ages 13 and older; \$10 for walkers ages 12 and younger. Deadlines for registration are April 30 to guarantee an event T-shirt; May 1-15 regular; and late is available on the day of event for an additional \$5.

**Contact:** [www.parkinsonsmi.org](http://www.parkinsonsmi.org), or (800) 852-9781.

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# I-275 road work underway

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) is reminding motorists that a project to repair 34 bridges between Hannan Road in Van Buren Township and 6 Mile Road near Northville Township began last week. This \$23.5 million project will result in freeway lane closures and overpass restrictions, and is expected to be completed in late November.

Crews will closed the westbound Michigan Avenue ramp to northbound I-275 with a detour posted. In addition, crews also will close the shoulder on the southbound I-275 exit ramp to Michigan Avenue.

Overpass work began with the eastbound Plymouth Road overpass above I-275 closed for two months. Also, lane restrictions will be in place for several weeks on 6 Mile Road over I-275.

Additional information on this project can be found at [www.michigan.gov/mdotprojects](http://www.michigan.gov/mdotprojects).

## NORTHVILLE POLICE BRIEFS

### Vehicle theft

A Northville Township man had his vehicle stolen on April 13, however, it was later found abandoned in Detroit.

The 44-year-old man, who lives in the 44800 block of S. Broadmoor Circle, told police he had parked his Ford station wagon the previous night and discovered it missing the next day when he went to the mailbox. It was unknown if it was locked or not, but police did not report any evidence of a break-in at the scene. The owner said the keys were in the driver side door pocket.

The vehicle was found by Detroit Police with no evident damage or license plate at the intersection of Virginia Park and 3rd streets.

### Larceny from autos

In addition to the vehicle theft, there were two larcenies from automobiles reported in the Broadmoor Circle neighborhood on April 13.

Also on S. Broadmoor, a 47-year-old Northville man reported to police that his wallet was stolen from his vehicle, which was parked in his driveway overnight. There were no signs of forced entry. The wallet had \$100 in it and three credit cards.

The second incident occurred in the 44500 block of N. Broadmoor. A Northville man reported to police that his briefcase had been taken. He found evidence that his vehicle had been gone through by an unknown suspect, but was unsure if it was locked.

### Stolen catalytic converter

A Novi woman went to police to report that the catalytic converter on her work van had been cut off and stolen while it was parked at Enterprise Leasing.

The 49-year-old woman told police that she regularly parks her work van at the location, which is at 17000 Northville Road, and on April 9 it was no different. However, the next day her husband went to use it and upon starting it up he found it to be extremely loud. After a visit to a repair shop, it was discovered the converter had been taken.

The report stated it appeared it was cut off with a saw.

### After hours violation

Three Livonia teenagers were cited for being at Edward Hines Park during after hours. This was after police found them on top of a park pavilion.

On April 8, Northville City Police checked the city's portion of the park after observing a parked car. The police said there had previous reports of unknown individuals

possibly using a picnic table turned upside down to get on the roof of the pavilion. The patrol officer checked the building and found the two 17-year-olds and 18-year-old on top of it.

They told the police they knew it was wrong and had done it before. They said they were just hanging out.

### Misdemeanor arrest warrant

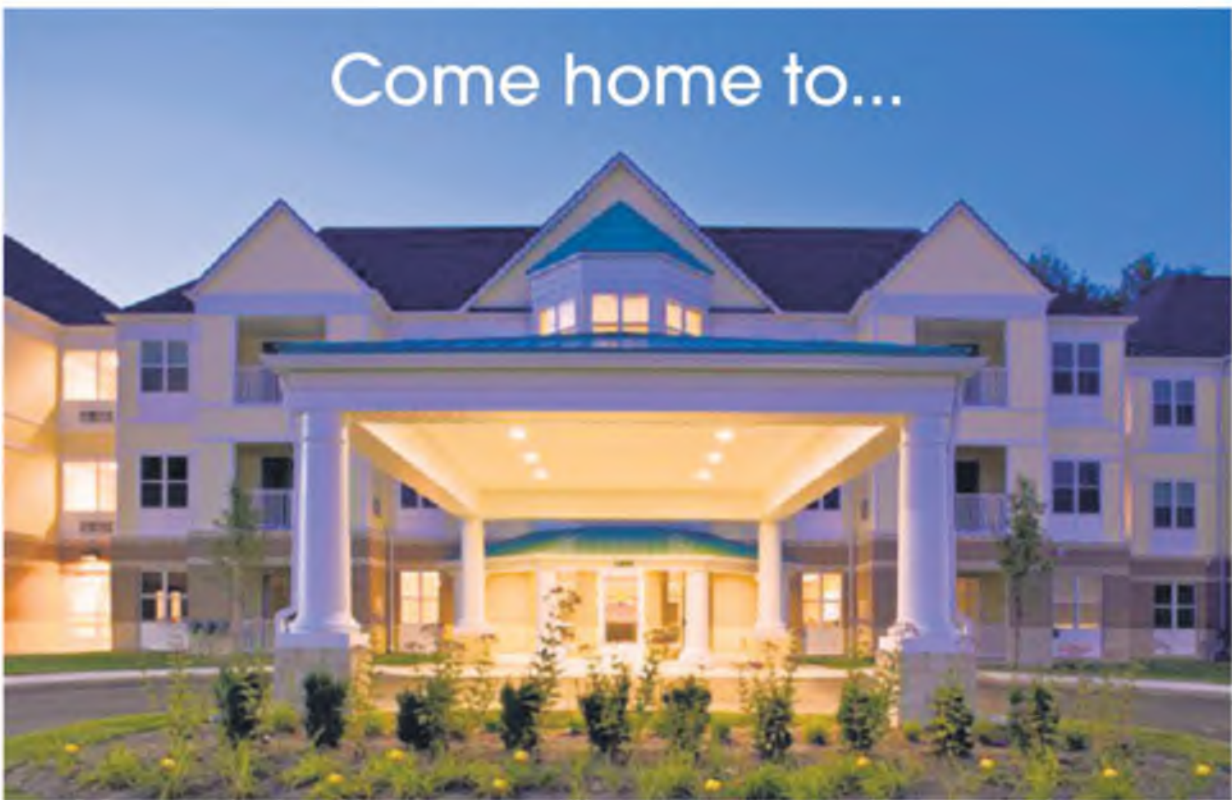
Running out of gas gets a Novi woman arrested.

On April 5, a Northville City Police patrol discovered a vehicle stopped and apparently disabled at the entrance of the Mobil Gas Station on Eight Mile Road.

Upon making contact with the driver, a 29-year-old woman, the police found out she had coasted into the station, but didn't know it was closed.

A background check of the woman revealed she had a warrant out of Novi for a disorderly conduct charge. She was detained and released to Novi PD. Her car was pushed into a parking spot and secured.

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NEWSMAKERS

Lundberg joins law firm

Southfield-based Collins, Einhorn, Farrell & Ulanoff, P.C. (www.ceflawyers.com) announced that attorney and Northville resident Tanya E. Juarez Lundberg has joined the firm's Professional Liability Practice Group.

Lundberg's practice focuses on the defense of professional liability claims. The Northville resident's experience also includes representing businesses and individuals in commercial litigation, consumer financial litigation, real estate litigation and bankruptcy matters. She has achieved successful outcomes for clients at the state, federal and appellate courts as well as various forms of alternative dispute resolution.

The Wayne State University Law



Lundberg

School alum is admitted to practice in the State of Michigan, U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan and U.S. District Court for the Western District of Michigan.

Lundberg, who earned her bachelor of arts from the University of Michigan, is active in the Oakland County Bar Association and Wayne State University Law School Alumni Association.

Bodnar's reporting earns recognition

Bridget Bodnar has received honorable mention for Enterprise/Investigative Reporting from the Michigan Associated Press in the Non-Commercial Radio category for her 2011 story "Health and Safety Concerns Surround Glittersniffer Cosmetics".

Bodnar also served as the voice for her award winning report which originally aired on Mich-

igan Radio - 91.7 WUOM.

Bridget is one of twin daughters of Ron Bodnar (owner of Copy-Boy Printers in Northville) and Kathy Jerore (owner of Healing Is A Process in South Lyon).

Bodnar is a 2011 University of Michigan/Ann Arbor graduate where she earned her BA in communications (high honors) and comparative literature with a minor in modern European studies.

She also studied French and Swiss literature and language at Université de Lausanne - Switzerland.

Bodnar's award was among eleven presented to Michigan Radio for news coverage by the Michigan Associated Press at a ceremony April 14 at the Marriott in Southfield.



Bodnar

ENGAGEMENT



Steele-Szymanski

Jamie Marie Steele and Paul Szymanski Jr. announce their engagement.

The bride-to-be, daughter of Bernard Steele and Gloria Matuszewski of Northville, received BA and MA degrees from Michigan State University. She teaches first grade at Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish School.

Her fiancé, son of Paul and Sandra Szymanski Sr., of Livonia, graduated from Wayne State University. He is a principal at Detroit Edison Public School Academy.

A July 2012 wedding is planned at Sweetest Heart of Mary in Detroit.

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May is student art month in Northville. The Northville Art House will feature its 13th annual juried Student Fine Art Exhibit, featuring the work of middle and high school students. This exhibit will open Friday, May 4 at the Northville Art House and is a collaboration with Northville's art educators to promote art appreciation among the community's youth. This annual exhibit features an array of exceptional two and three-dimensional work from Northville's most talented students. The public is invited to celebrate the work of our many talented young artists from 6-9 p.m. Friday, May 4 at the Northville Art House. This show will continue through May 12 during regular gallery hours of Wednesday through Saturday, 1-5 p.m. For further information, please call (248) 344-0497. The Art House is located at 215 W. Cady Street and is a facility of the City of Northville.

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Age 78, of Brighton, MI, passed away peacefully at home with his loving family at his side on Easter day, April 8, 2012. He was born on April 19, 1933 to Roy and Julie Workman in Saginaw, MI. He attended South Lyon schools. Survived by loving wife Barbara, children Tony (Judy) Workman, Roy Workman, Brenda (James) Yonkin, Lori (Kevin) Gasparotto, Allison (John) Palmer, Janceen (Kurt) Walz, 14 grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren, 1 great grandson due August. Sisters, Donna Moran, and Kathryn (Gary) Underhill. Preceded in death by his parents Roy and Julia Workman, and 2 brothers Tom and James. He will be missed greatly by family and friends. He proudly served in the Air Force-Korea 1951-1959. He was an auto body technician. He attended Brighton Nazarene Church. His greatest passion was the times spent with his family going on family vacations to GA. to visit family, visiting 6 Flags, Cedar Point, Toledo Zoo, campings, trips, Florida, family gatherings, fishing and hunting trips, and golfing with his sons and friends. In his recent years his favorite past time was fishing on Fonda Lake for hours. A time he could reflect on life, and draw closer to God. Visitation was held April 12, 2012 at Phillips Funeral Home in South Lyon, MI. Funeral services April 13, 2012 at Brighton Nazarene Church, Clergy Pastor Mark Wagner. Interment in Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holly, MI. Grave side Clergy Pastor, Ben W.F.s Memorial Donations to: V.F.W. Post 2502, South Lyon, MI 48178. American Legion Post 0338 South Lyon, MI 48178

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**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  
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**Submit:** Send calendar submissions via e-mail to cstone@gannett.com; by fax to (248) 685-2892; or by mail to Church Events/Northville-Novl, 101 N. Lafayette, South Lyon, MI 48178. Items must be received by noon on Monday to be included in Thursday's newspaper.

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**Contact:** (248) 669-9400, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday-Thursday or visit www.crosspointemeadows.org.  
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**Location:** Ridge Wood Elementary School, 49775 6 Mile Road, Northville  
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**Contact:** (248) 442-8822  
**FAITH COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
**Location:** 44400 W. 10 Mile Road  
**Contact:** (248) 349-2345 or visit www.faithcommunity-novi.org  
**Sunday Worship:** 10 a.m.  
**Book of Revelation Study**  
**Time/Date:** 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays and 9:30 a.m. Wednesdays  
**Details:** Come and learn what John is writing about, what the symbolism means, and how this book still speaks to us today.  
**Faith Journeys**  
**Date:** Third Sundays  
**Details:** Following worship and fellowship, someone will share how they have experienced God

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**Location:** 217 N. Wing  
**Contact:** (248) 348-1020  
**Sunday Worship:** 10:45 a.m. and 5:45 p.m.  
**Sunday School:** 9:30 a.m.  
**Ladies Bible Study:** 9:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Tuesdays  
**Men's Bible Study:** 9 a.m. first Saturday of every month  
**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF NOVI-FAMILY INTEGRATED CHURCH**  
**Location:** 45301 W. 11 Mile Road  
**Contact:** (248) 349-3647 or firstbaptistchurchofnovi.org  
**Family Bible Hour:** 9:45 a.m.  
**Family Worship:** 11 a.m.  
**Bible Study:** 6 p.m.  
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**Location:** 21260 Haggerty Road,

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**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 through May 23  
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## OUR VIEWS

# TB

## District, health department react quickly to disease

When Northville High students left the school April 5 to begin their spring break, little did they know the news that would be awaiting them when they returned April 16.

The district learned that one of those students had contracted tuberculosis with the infectious period beginning in January and lasting through April. As students were enjoying their time off, school staff was meeting with the Wayne County Department of Health to determine how to deal with the situation – the first of its kind ever at the school.

Thankfully, the district has a health management plan in place for disease control, and a number of procedures have been followed.

Informing is the first step, and the district blasted out an e-mail via ListServ to notify the community and explain how one gets TB:

“Tuberculosis (TB) is caused by bacteria called *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*.

***According to the Health Department, it is important for parents to understand the nature of TB infectiousness and the need for duration of contact to spread illness.***

TB bacteria are released into the air when someone who is ill with Tuberculosis coughs or sneezes. People nearby may breathe in the bacteria and become infected. Individuals who did not have a prolonged contact

with the sick person in a confined area have a low likelihood of becoming infected with Tuberculosis. Note that individuals cannot get Tuberculosis from someone's clothes, drinking glass, eating utensils, handshake, toilet, or other surfaces where a TB patient has been.”

Scary stuff, indeed. Now the health department had to determine who of the over-2,000 students and staff might be at risk. The district requested that everyone in the school be tested, which seems logical given the ramifications of TB. However, health officials determined that was not necessary but decided to test around 400 individuals after being granted permission from the state. Letters were mailed April 14 to parents of those students.

According to the Health Department, it is important for parents to understand the nature of TB infectiousness and the need for duration of contact to spread illness. Just being in a building with a case does not constitute a contact. The health department is looking for the “close contacts”, those who spend extended amounts of time in close proximity to the person. Due to the nature of class schedules and no assigned seating, the health department and the district are being very conservative in testing entire classes. As a point of reference, when the health department has an active case who traveled on an airplane (confined space, limited ventilation), contacts are notified if they were on the aircraft for eight or more hours. In addition, only the passengers seated in the same row, two rows in front, and two rows behind are included in the contact investigation testing.

On Monday and Tuesday, no-cost skin testing began on those who might be at higher risk based on their duration and proximity of exposure – basically anyone exposed for eight hours or more or those sitting immediately around --to the infected student. The health department was to return yesterday and today to evaluate those tests. Note: A positive skin test alone does not mean someone has TB. It reflects the need for further evaluation of those individuals.

Still, there are many student and staff who were not identified as higher risk – but they can still be tested for a \$10 fee at the Wayne County Health Department TB Clinic (2001 South Merriman Road, Suite 300, Westland; 734-727-1130), operated by Oakwood Hospital. Hours are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays and 8 a.m. to noon Fridays.

## GUEST COLUMN



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Former O&E editor and reporter, Tim Richard, (right) was awarded an honorary degree from Schoolcraft in 1980, Trustee Harry Greenleaf (member of the board of trustees from 1977 to 1995) is at the podium. Schoolcraft's second president, Dr. C. Nelson Grote is standing behind Greenleaf.

# From its beginning, Schoolcraft has stood out

By Tim Richard  
Guest Columnist

It's amazing that Schoolcraft College ever built a campus and opened its doors at all 50 years ago.

Most community colleges had a definite geographic base. Some, like Highland Park, Dearborn and Benton Harbor, were spawned by a K-12 school district. Others, like Oakland and Kalamazoo Valley, were county-wide inventions.

Schoolcraft was unusual — a cooperative venture of five school districts forming a team. There were six at first — Livonia, Plymouth, Clarenceville, Garden City, Redford Union and South Redford. The publisher of the *Redford Township News* killed the “scheme,” as he called it, gunning down RU's and SR's participation. The other four districts formed the college under an amended law signed in 1960 by Gov. G. Mennen Williams, a Democrat. A fifth district, Northville, saw a good thing and joined. It was the first multi-district community college in the state.

Instead of the bland name assigned by the state — Northwest Wayne County Community College — the founders elected to name the district after one of the state's unsung pioneers: Henry Rowe Schoolcraft (1793-1864), state geologist and ethnologist of Native American tribes, who gained the admiration of poet Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, who in turn used Schoolcraft's writings as the basis for *The Song of Hiawatha*.

In their second try at the ballot, the organizing committee had open support from Gov. John B. Swainson in a letter to the public. Voters said yes Oct. 24, 1961.

There were long arguments about where to build the campus. Only Livonia and Plymouth had the needed 150-acre tracts available. Livonia Mayor Harvey Moelke iced it for the city by offering to put in water and sewers. He also persuaded the owners of the farmland at Seven Mile and Haggerty roads to deal gently with the college.

“Colleges are made, not born,” quipped Sam Hudson, a historian, one of the organizers, a trustee and the author of *Reaching Out: A History of Schoolcraft College* (1984).

But what should a two-year college be like? Early students often admitted to being “draft dodgers” from the Vietnam war. New to the beat, this reporter asked first President Eric Bradner if it would grow into a four-year university. He straightened me out. That was never in the scheme of things.

Transfer programs for students who wished to go on to a four-year university, that was for certain. Terminal programs for those not going on. This included those seeking technical skills for industrial jobs, as well as nursing, health assistant programs and especially culinary arts for top jobs in the hospitality industry. In short, any company that



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The Bell Tower is a landmark on the Livonia campus. It is 90 feet tall. The Carillon Bells were purchased by Floyd Kehrl for \$6,500. The five small bells are from schools in the five local K-12 districts which comprise the College District — Livonia, Northville, Plymouth-Canton, Garden City and Clarenceville. The small bells do not ring.

needed skilled teachers to teach employees job skills could look to Schoolcraft for help.

Schoolcraft always has been a bargain in tuition. An early champion was the late R.T. (Tommy) Thompson, this paper's executive editor at the time. He covered the beat lustily. Tommy had put in a year at Ohio State, but had to drop out when he was maneuvered out of a dishwashing job at a sorority. I think Tommy was pitching for all the kids of limited means.

One other service came to mind: the arts. Wayne Dunlap, hired away from the University of Michigan to set up the arts program, noted a wide, empty valley between Ann Arbor and Detroit. Dunlap and his successor, Richard Saunders, saw the need for a 2,000-seat auditorium catering to (especially) chamber music.

I was with them. “We're getting only part of the value of a college — classroom instruction — and short-changing ourselves in the arts,” I said editorially, in a comment that Sam Hudson included in his book. But the majority of voters rule: Yes to a culinary arts addition, no to the fine arts. So it was.

There were other views on what should be taught. Trustee Mark McQuesten, the first ex-student elected to the board, blustered the thought of a Garden City center and vo-tech courses. McQuesten saw a sophisticated liberal arts program attracting scholars of many ethnic and national groups, not the career programs that President Nelson

Grote was serving. The board, the business community and the public, however, were all for job preparation.

The faculty union caused a few fusses. They disliked the hiring of part-time instructors to teach specialized programs, preferring full-timers who earned benefits and paid union dues. The faculty wanted a non-voting “advisory” seat on the board — a lobbyist and a terrible conflict of interest at bargaining time. Despite my political differences, I made many friends on the faculty.

Dr. Grote, the second president, had more than his share of headaches with the faculty, but was well-enough regarded outside the community to be under consideration for state superintendent of public instruction. He was finally hired by a Washington community college, which was impressed with his handling of a multi-campus system.

Despite all the local battles over the college's existence, bond issues, purpose and unionization, one thing has been constant over more than 50 years: the support of the governors.

I've already mentioned Williams and Swainson from the early 1960s. A big thanks goes to William G. Milliken, whose 14 years at the governor's desk were preceded by a term at his hometown community college in Traverse City and by his advocacy of expanding community colleges in the early 1960s as a rebellious moderate Republican in the Legislature.

Democrat Jim Blanchard and Republican John Engler had soft spots in their fiscal hearts for community colleges, as did Democrat Jennifer Granholm. Current Gov. Rick (the Tough Nerd) Snyder says he earned three degrees in six years (BGS, MBA, JD) from the University of Michigan, but he'll also tell you that as a high school student he piled up 25 or so advance credits with dual enrollments at his Battle Creek Community College. He's trying to be good to the likes of Schoolcraft.

Charles A. Murray, author of the new shocker *Losing Ground*, opines that “too many people are going to college,” meaning four-year universities, and many would be better off learning career skills.

Myself, I had 20 or so years of (paid) fun covering the college, took a night Spanish course prior to our journey to Iberia and South America, learned about Mozart in the outdoor chamber concerts and enjoyed watching my Norwegian elkhound track a fox who had a den in a rock pile behind the gym. I wonder if foxes still inhabit the area.

There was always a lot to love at Schoolcraft College.

**Tim Richard** was awarded an honorary degree at Schoolcraft in 1980 and in 1998 was elected to the Michigan Journalism Hall of Fame. He is retired in the northern hamlet of Bear Lake, where his most strenuous activity is fishing for maskinoge (the northern pike).

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# Northville beautiful by design (but energized by volunteers)

By Karen Bitterle  
Guest Columnist

Northville is my home. With the exception of a few years in Sydney, Australia and a year in Nashville, Tenn. my family and I have lived within three miles of our current downtown house since 1988. The opportunity to travel extensively has made me appreciate the charm and energy that characterize Northville. With its brand new cityscape, its central business district could be a prototype for the classic American hometown. Northville's tree-lined streets are home to stately Victorian mansions, mission-style ranches and pre-World War II bungalows creating unique, architecturally eclectic neighborhoods. Northville is a city that blends the past with the present; form with functionality.

That careful balance does not happen by chance. Northville is beautiful by design. The mayor, the City Council, the Downtown Development Authority, the Department of Public Works and the Beautification Commission all work together to ensure that downtown Northville looks its best. Many of the people in these groups are not paid; they are volunteers who donate their time and talents to make Northville a better place to live.

Three years ago my next door neighbor, Council Member Nancy Darga, noticed that I am an avid gardener. She asked me if I would be interested in joining the Beautification Commission. I had no idea what the Beautification Commission was, but I knew that I wanted to become more involved in the community.

### What is the commission?

I learned that the Beautification Commission is a volunteer group that reports directly to the City Council. Members are appointed by the mayor. They are responsible for designing, planting and maintaining the large flower pots that grace the sidewalks of Main and Center streets.



Northville Beautification Commissioner Karen Bitterle was appointed for a two-year term in spring 2010 and chairs the Adopt-A-Bed Program.

Every year they plant hundreds of annuals in flower beds all across town. This industrious group also co-sponsors the tree giveaway in the spring and runs the beautification awards program during the summer.

I was appointed for a two-year term in spring 2010 and asked to chair the Adopt-A-Bed Program, an effort to get Northville groups (families, businesses, churches, playgroups, etc.) to maintain a specific flowerbed in the downtown area. The volunteer groups keep their adopted beds weeded and litter-free. Some groups participate in planting the annuals while other groups prefer that the Beautification Commission handle that task. The time commitment is usually less than an hour a week per group. Over the last few years the following businesses have participated in the Adopt-A-Bed program: Kym's House Daycare; Long's Plumbing, Heating & Cooling; Main Center Family Medicine, PC; MOMS Club of Northville; Northville Moose Lodge 1190; Northville Sports Den; Northville Yoga and Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church.

Jim and Lorna Gallogly adopted the center island on the north end of Randolph

Street where it intersects 8 Mile Road. They have been maintaining the area for several years. As the Public Works director for the City of Northville, Jim understands the value of volunteers. It's no surprise to anyone that tax revenue has significantly decreased over the last few years. While the city has worked hard to continue to provide excellent services, it is a challenge to do more with fewer resources. Volunteers are a great non-monetary resource. They help fill the gap between what Northville residents expect and what the city can actually afford to provide.

Several Beautification Commission members have adopted beds downtown. Nachiko Hirato takes care of a beautiful perennial display on the corner of Cady and Center streets and Diane Pittaway tends the wonderful day lilies near city hall. Donna Moak, a commissioner since 2009, belongs to two groups who participate in the program. Her Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church group adopted the area in front of the fire station where they plant and maintain fire-engineered geraniums. Donna also participates in the Northville Yoga group that adopt-

ed the well area at the Northville Rotary site. Plans for this site were voluntarily developed by Randal Kuznicki of R. Richard Landscape Design. They are hoping to get the Rotary involved to really make this area a special landmark for residents and visitors of our community for years to come.

My family adopted the three landscape islands on the south west corner of 8 Mile Road and N. Center Street in 2010. My nephews, nieces and sister (who are also Northville residents) have all participated in weeding, trimming and planting the beds.

The Beautification Commission is currently looking for groups to participate in the Adopt-A-Bed Program for summer 2012. If you are interested in contributing to the charm and energy of Northville, volunteer for the program by contacting Julie Mantay, Northville Beautification Commission at (248) 349-1602 or mantay@sbc-global.net.

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## SOCIAL SECURITY

Many people are wrongly rejected when they apply for Social Security Disability benefits. Money was taken out of their paychecks for Social Security taxes to ensure that they would receive disability benefits if they could no longer work full-time. Sadly, the government denies approximately 60% of those who apply for disability benefits.

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Those denied can appeal on their own but statistics for many years reveal that those represented by attorneys win a much higher percentage of appeals. And attorneys who specialize in Social Security Disability cases win a much higher percentage yet.

In addition to practicing only Social Security disability law attorney Bieske has written a book for attorneys about the

subject and has been interviewed on various television programs. Both attorney Bieske and Alfonsi have also been interviewed on radio programs and have given speeches to many groups.

Attorneys Bieske and Alfonsi offer free phone or office consultation. If they represent you, there will be **no fee charged until after the case is won**. The fee is a percentage of retroactive benefits.


Bieske and Alfonsi represent clients from all over the state of Michigan. Their Livonia office is on Six Mile Road just west of I-275. Their Novi office is located on Haggerty Road just north of 12 Mile Road. Call them at 1-800-331-3530 for a free consultation if you have been denied, or if you are thinking of possibly applying for Social Security benefits.

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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF NORTHVILLE

The City of Northville has prepared draft overlay zoning ordinance amendments for a portion of North Center Street. The boundaries of a new overlay zoning district are described in the zoning map below. While all current uses such as retail, office, and restaurants will be allowed to continue, modifications to building height, setbacks, landscaping, parking, etc. are proposed. A draft of the proposed ordinance is available through the City of Northville Building Department, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan, 48167, during normal business hours of Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and is also available on the City's website ([www.ci.northville.mi.us](http://www.ci.northville.mi.us) – go to Services, Building Department, Planning Commission).



The Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on the draft zoning amendments on May 15, 2012 at 7:30 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 215 West Main Street, Northville, Michigan, 48167, 248-349-1300. The purpose of the hearing will be to receive public input on the proposed amendments. Written comments pertaining to the proposed zoning amendments will also be received at the above address.

Jim Penn, Building Official  
Dianne Massa, City Clerk

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### SYNOPSIS APRIL 19, 2012 – REGULAR MEETING CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

**DATE:** Thursday April 19, 2012  
**TIME:** 7:30 p.m.  
**PLACE:** 44405 Six Mile Road

**Supervisor Abbo called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.**  
**ROLL CALL: Present:** Mark Abbo, Supervisor; Sue Hillebrand, Clerk; Richard Henningsen, Treasurer; Trustees Marjorie Banner, Marv Gans, Mindy Herrmann, and Christopher Roosen.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

- Agendas:**
  - Approve the Consent and Regular Agendas: Approved
- Appointments, Presentations, Resolutions & Announcements:**
  - C.E.R.T. Presentation
  - Bill Wehrle – re-appoint to the EDC/BRA - approved
  - Resolution 2012-48 authorizing refunding bonds for WTUA - approved
  - Pump Station Update – no action taken
- Public Hearing:**
  - Set Public Hearing for the reallocation of the Community Development Block Grant Budget for the May 17, 2012 Board of Trustees Meeting – Approved.
- Brief Public Comments:** A resident commented about the improvements that DTE is proposing for 2013-2014, DTE responded and explained the process and upgrades being proposed.
- New Business:**
  - Finance Building Proposal – tabled.
  - Board Pay for next Term – approved.
  - Intergovernmental Agreement with Wayne County for pathway on Haggerty – approved.
- Unfinished Business: None**
- Ordinances:**
  - Approve amendments to Zoning Ordinance – approved.
- Bills Payable:**
  - Bills payable in the amount of \$1,583,987.86 - approved.
- Board Communication & Reports from the following:** Mark Abbo, Sue Hillebrand, Richard Henningsen, Margie Banner, Marv Gans, Mindy Herrmann, Chris Roosen.
- Any other business or public comment for the Board of Trustees: None**
- ADJOURN:** Meeting was adjourned at 9:37 p.m.

This is a synopsis of the meeting. A draft of the unapproved minutes will be available after May 1, 2012.

**Respectfully submitted:**  
Sue A. Hillebrand, M.M.C.

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Dems holding education meeting

A public town hall meeting on the future of public education in Michigan will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday, April 26, in the Forum Room of Hillside Middle School (775 N. Center Street at 8 Mile Road in Northville). It is free and open to the public.

The program is designed to explore two questions: Are students better off? What is the real agenda?

The Republican Legislature has passed dozens of bills in the past year transforming the face of public education in Michigan. The question is, have these changes improved public education for our students?

Panel members will include Scott Craig, a teacher and member of the Northville School Board, and Carolyn Norris, past president of the Livonia Education Association.

Craig, a Northville Township resident and Fulbright Scholar and educator for 25 years, teaches history and government at Seaholm High School in Birmingham. He is president of the Northville Democratic Club, which sponsors the Town Hall.

For further information, contact Craig, [scraig27@comcast.net](mailto:scraig27@comcast.net)

Thumbs Up For Charity” finalists announced

Community Financial Credit Union announced the five finalists in its Thumbs Up for Charity program. Now, it is up to the community once again to determine how the \$25,000 donation from Community Financial will be divided.

The community will vote among the finalists at [www.cfcu.org/ThumbsUpForCharity](http://www.cfcu.org/ThumbsUpForCharity) to choose which one will receive the \$10,000 grand prize. The finalists that finish in second and third place will receive \$5,000 each and the fourth and fifth place finishers will each receive \$2,500.

The finalists, selected from over 70 nominated nonprofits, are:

- New Hope Center for Grief Support – Northville: Dedicated to providing grief support services to adults and children grieving the loss of a loved one;
- Old Village School,

Dems Spring Gala



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Northville Democratic Club members Lisa DiRado, left, and Mona Alonzo join Meadowbrook Country Club chef Steven McKigney in a sampling of the fare they'll have at their May 19 Democrats' Spring Gala at the club. Set for 7 p.m. until midnight, the Gala has added Democrats of West Oakland County to last year's four sponsoring Democratic Clubs; Northville, Livonia, Plymouth and Community (Canton and environs). Adding the Oakland club to the four Wayne County clubs makes it a two-county affair for the first time since the event began in 2010, with the five-club membership now totaling some 600. Spring Gala offers an opportunity to rub elbows with the stars in the panoply of Democratic local and national office holders and activists in the area's most elegant country club. Meadowbrook is located at 40941 W. 8 Mile Road, just west of I-275.

Northville: A program for emotionally and cognitively challenged students, assisting them in reaching their potential to participate, as independently as possible, within the home and community;

- Friendship Shelter – Otsego County: An agency rebuilding lives by providing shelter and social services, empowering homes individuals and families to become self-sufficient;
- Montmorency County Council on Aging – Montmorency County: Coordinating and implementing public and private programs to promote the independence, welfare and dignity of residents;
- WSDP Radio, 88.1 The Escape – Plymouth-Canton Community Schools: A student-run radio station providing experience and training for high school students while contributing to the community's charity events, cultural activities and news coverage.

"The community has an extremely difficult task," said Sarah Cousineau, Community Financial manager/marketing. "All of these groups do great work, so choosing a winner will be tough."

For complete contest

rules, please visit [www.cfcu.org](http://www.cfcu.org).

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 Mich-

igan 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 stimulate 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.BuyMichiganNow-Fest.com](http://www.BuyMichiganNow-Fest.com).

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Big adjustments have been made by the police department. Through several measures, the force has gone from 19 full time to 13, with eight part-time positions being eliminated. With less staff, the department's hours have changed as far as walk-ins are concerned, but for emergency help it hasn't changed one bit.

Police Chief Gary Goss said more use of technology has helped the department make up for lost staff. Working efficiently and thoroughly is the department's primary goal.

One change was the emergency dispatch and lockup, which are now shared with Northville Township. This decision saved the city over \$160,000 in expenditures.

Sullivan said the concerns in this year's budget process are similar to previous years. The current budget as well as the one for next year should be balanced, but looking out in the years to come there is potential deficits. That is if plans are not made.

But they are making plans, Sul-



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With fewer full-time employees at Northville City Hall since cut backs, visitors see fewer faces and mostly-empty rooms like this one that used to house its tax and assessing departments.

livan said, and it's his hope that Michigan has seen the worst of the economic downturn. Northville is not forecasting any more layoffs, so that's encouraging. However, it is looking ahead to the potential deficits that could come with high pension costs. The coming years will again be a test of city hall's foresight.

6 MILE

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Trustee Chris Roosen raised the widening possibility at the last board of trustees meeting. He thinks many along the road would be against this type of solution because it would drastically change the look and feel of the neighborhoods in the area.

But Treasurer Richard Henningsen said some type of change does need to be made along this span because many times cars will be lined up 20 deep near Meads Mill Middle School.

Supervisor Mark Abbo thinks it's too much of a residential area for it to become a five-lane thoroughfare. He's opposed to it and wants to sit down with Wayne County to let it know what the community really wants to see before any plan is set in stone.

"I don't think widening

Six Mile makes any sense at all ... it's a residential area," Abbo said during the board meeting on April 19.

For him it would make more sense to make it a three-lane, which would mean adding a center turn lane. He thinks five lanes might be more suitable for Seven Mile Road.

Casari assured the board the plans are just in the very preliminary stages.

Several days after the board meeting Abbo said he had spoken with officials high up in Wayne County, and they are willing to work with the township. He said coming up with other options to lessen the congestion will be explored.

The ultimate plan will be to construct a project that is a mutually beneficial and desirable solution for everyone involved, Abbo said. The board wants to further discuss this issue at a study session next month.

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# Three scouts of Troop 755 achieve Eagle rank

Northville BSA Troop 755 continues its proud tradition of fostering the achievement of the rank of Eagle Scout as Travis Compo, Adam Curry and Jared Myers have all earned the honor. They will be formally recognized at a Court of Honor, to be held at First Presbyterian Church in Northville, on April 22.

All three started scouts together as Tiger Cubs back in 2000, and they progressed first through Cub Scout Pack 755, and then on to Boy Scout Troop 755.

**Travis Compo**

With a family in construction, it seemed only natural Compo would choose to build something for his Eagle Scout project. He identified a need at Thayer's Corner Nature Center, a community park building that had been unable able to



Pictured (l to r) are Troop 755's newest Eagle Scouts: Travis Compo, Jared Myers and Adam Curry.

fully open to the public because it wasn't handicapped accessible. With some assistance from his carpenter father, Compo surveyed the site, drew up a blueprint, obtained a building permit and got to work.

Over the course of two days, he supervised 15 of his fellow scouts, friends and family to erect a handicapped ramp and porch leading to the center's main entrance. This task included digging

three-and-a-half-foot holes, installing posts and framing, installing decking and fastening it down with over 1,500 screws. They also created a rock border for future perennials to be planted in.

"This is a time in my life I will look back on without regret," said Compo of his time in scouting. "Through the Boy Scouts I've gained skills, gone on many adventures, made unforgettable memories and formed friendships

that will last a lifetime."

This fall, Compo will attend The University of Michigan, where he will major in aerospace engineering.

**Adam Curry**

While Northville's Fish Hatchery Park may be best known for its large pond, tennis courts and baseball fields, it also boasts a 1/5-mile walking trail across the bridge over Johnson Creek. Over time, this walking trail had become overgrown with vegetation and partially blocked by fallen trees. Also, trash and other debris had collected around the pond.

By working with the Northville Parks and Recreation Department, Curry planned and executed a trail restoration and pond cleanup project. Utilizing over 30 volunteers, the vegetation and trees were cleared, fresh mulch was

spread along the entire trail, and a rotted wooden bench was replaced. In addition, trash and fallen tree branches were cleared from the edges of the pond.

"It took a lot of hard work, but I am proud to count myself among the few who have earned this prestigious award," Curry. "I'd like to thank Jeff Moore, Bill Phillips and my entire family for all their help in making this possible."

This fall, Curry will attend Michigan State University where he will major in their pre-dentistry program.

**Jared Myers**

Jared's Eagle project consisted of providing labor and material to repair rails and deck, prep for stain and stain the deck and stairway to Ford Field in Downtown Northville. There were

more than 25 scouts and volunteers that participated over a three-day period. Approximately 50 gallons of stain was used and the project logged more than 140 hours.

Myers is a senior at Northville High School and has been in scouts for eight years including Cub Scouts. Myers has attended a number of high adventure trips including Yukon Quest in Alaska and Sea Base in the Florida Keys. As a Life Scout he was the Troop librarian and an assistant senior patrol leader. Myers grew up in scouts with Compo and Curry, so it's only natural that they should all have their Eagle Court at the same time.

Myeres is considering basic training for the National Guard after graduation, and he's already been accepted to Western Michigan University.

## DETAILS

**Troop 755's 65th anniversary celebration**  
**Time/Date:** 6:30 p.m. Friday, April 27 to noon Sunday, April 29  
**Location:** Ford Field, downtown Northville



Senior Patrol Leader Aaron Kowalczyk and Scoutmaster Mike Kowalczyk (both of Northville Boy Scout Troop 755) review diverse activities developed by the troop for its upcoming 65th anniversary celebration. The father-son team prepares for the April 27-29 campout at Northville's Ford Field.

# Troop 755 welcomes all to 65th anniversary campout

Nineteen-forty-seven heralded the invention of Tupperware. Sightings of flying saucers were first documented. Drive-in movie theatres dotted America's landscape. Harry Truman was president. Here in Northville, Boy Scouts of America (BSA) Troop 755 was founded and sponsored by First Presbyterian Church of Northville.

Troop 755's colorful 65-year history boasts strong community service, unparalleled leadership opportunities, and nearly 1,000 rigorous campouts. Scouts recently explored caverns in Indiana and traveled by dogsleds in Canada. Yet no milestones, even high adventure trips to Alaska and Hawaii, compare to their one-time-only event on tap for late April, right here at home.

The troop will celebrate its 65th anniversary with an ambitious campout which starts at 6:30 p.m. Friday, April 27 and concludes at noon Sunday, April 29. Ford Field, in downtown Northville, will host over 150 scouts and scouters (registered adult leaders), past and present, for two nights of camping, training, demonstrations and ceremonies to commemorate this important anniversary. For 40 fifth-graders, new to the troop, this marks their first troop campout.

Select activities are open to the public. Saturday's activities include two service projects. The troop will spread mulch at Mill Race Village (adjacent to Ford Field) and help First Presbyterian Church with a clothing drive.

At Ford Field, guests can watch diverse demonstrations, led by scouts

and scouters. A reunion lunch will host many of the troop's 193 Eagle Scouts. The 4 p.m. dinner will welcome troop families, alumni and friends, along with a special ceremony to honor previous scoutmasters, senior patrol leaders and Eagle scouts. Troop 755's Summer Camp Band (one of BSA's few in-house bands) and Alumni Band will provide music.

Committee Chairman Alan Bennett looks forward to the "unique chance to welcome new Scouts and their families, along with the return of past Scouts and Scouters. Many have not been home for several years."

**Flag retirement**

Saturday's 4:30 p.m. flag retirement ceremony encourages citizens to surrender weathered American flags. Those with flags to retire can contact Scoutmaster Mike Kowalczyk at (203) 675-5011 or go to [www.troop755.org](http://www.troop755.org) and use the Contact Us feature to notify the troop. Tattered flags can also be brought to the ceremony or given to a troop member. Senior Patrol Leader (SPL) Aaron Kowalczyk, an NHS sophomore, reflects that "many people don't know what to do with old flags. We're trained to retire them properly. We've done this service dozens of times, and are proud to serve our community in this unique way."

As SPL, Kowalczyk is the troop's youth leader for one year. Adult leadership starts with Kowalczyk's father, Mike, now in his third year as Troop 755's scoutmaster, who said "the boys pick their own leaders. Adults have

no vote. The fact that Aaron's peers chose him is a great source of pride for me. He really cares about upholding the traditions entrusted to him."

**A Proud Tradition**

Troop 755's motto, A Proud Tradition, is bolstered by 80 scouters who volunteer with the 150-member troop.

"First Presbyterian Church of Northville has provided unsurpassed support since 1947," said scoutmaster Kowalczyk. "The church is an amazing partner."

These commitments, along with steadfast parental help, saw this group grow to be Michigan's largest BSA troop, and the 34th largest troop in the nation. The troop is confident that the high ideals and diversity of scouting will be readily apparent throughout the upcoming 65th anniversary celebration.

"When we do service projects, ring the Salvation Army bell at Christmas and go on campouts, the sense of pride and optimism in the future is evident. The spirit is contagious," notes scoutmaster Kowalczyk. His son, SPL Kowalczyk, added: "We're proud to celebrate our history. We're also anxious to welcome new scouts and their families, along with past scouts and scouters. While we camp somewhere exciting every month, this will be really special. We've planned some awesome surprises and unforgettable activities, right in our own back yard."

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Boys track team splits dual meets

Mustangs get past South Lyon, fall to Novi

By Sam Eggleston  
Correspondent

You lose some and, if you're lucky and tenacious, you win some. That's the up-and-down nature of sports.

The Northville Mustangs boys track and field team rode that roller coaster last week, suffering a heartbreaking loss to Novi before rebounding to earn a win over South Lyon just days later.

The squad, coached by Gordie McIntosh, fell to rival Novi, 72.5-64.5, last week but rallied to come back and defeat South Lyon later last week, 93-44.

Against South Lyon, the Mustangs used their track events to collect the victory as the Lions took first in all five field events.

The 4-by-800 relay team of Nathan Tajer, Trevor Smith, Jason Ferrante and Dan Sims earned a first-place finish for Northville, as did the 4-by-200 team of Andrew Schanne, Jack Henderson, Jomi Ogunfiditimi and Brandon Love.

The 4-by-400 relay team wasn't about to be outdone, either, running to first with a team of Ryan Flanagan, Ferrante Schanne and Tajer.

Individuals earning first-place finishes were Schanne (110 hurdles), Dan Sims (1,600-meter run), Smith (400 dash), Justin Hsieh (300 hurdles), Ferrante (800 run) and Nick Noles (3,200 run).

In the field events, Griffin Goble took second in the discus, followed by David Hornshaw in third. Goble also took second in the shot put, the same place Sean Wagner got in the high jump for Northville. Wagner and Peter Hubbard took second and third, respectively, in the pole vault while Henderson took second in the long jump followed by Joe Chou in third.

Against Novi, the Mustangs were down by just three points going into the final event of the day in the 4-by-400. The race was shoulder-to-shoulder until the last few steps when the Novi anchor edged Love for the win with a time of 3:31.62. Northville's Smith, Sims, Flanagan and Love finished in second in 3:32.81.

The Mustangs won the other three relays, though suffered an injury with All-State runner Edward Clifton in the 4-by-800 that has him sidelined for at least the next few weeks.

Other winners for Northville were Ferrante (800), Noles (3,200), John Wines (shot put) and Sims (1,600).

Northville also competed in a relay event at Walled Lake West-

ON TAP

The Northville Mustangs boys track and field team will be competing again when they compete in the Ypsilanti Invitational at 10 a.m. Saturday before visiting Livonia Stevenson at 3:45 p.m. Tuesday.

'Stangs have big week

Squad defeats Novi, Salem in intense contests

By Sam Eggleston  
Correspondent

Anytime the Northville Mustangs get a win over rival Novi it's worth noting, but it's even more important when both teams are undefeated when they meet up.

That was the case last week when the Northville girls soccer team edged the Wildcats in Central Division play, 1-0, to keep their own record free of losses. The win over Novi snapped the Wildcats 40-game win streak.

"(This was a) great team win," said Northville coach Eric Brucker. "We played at our tempo, which I think was important. When you can limit Novi to only a handful of shots, you're defense is playing well."

The lone goal of the game came in the second half after the two teams played to a 0-0 finish in the first. At the 63 minute mark, Northville senior Jenni Borawski corralled a cross from the right hand side of the field and played the ball forward into the 18-yard box and to sophomore Jamie Cheslik. The sophomore faced the oncoming defenders, juked to the inside and then surprised the goalie by turning to the outside and firing a hard, low line-drive shot to the near post. The ball skipped under the diving goaltender and into the back of the net for the lone score of the game.

"The girls are very excited to end Novi's unbeaten streak," said Brucker. "It's such a great rivalry."

Kiki Hilmer earned the shutout in goal for Northville.

Northville climbed to 4-0-2 on the season (2-0 in the KLAA Central Division) while Novi fell to 3-1-3 (1-1-0).

ON TAP

The Northville Mustangs girls soccer team is slated to be back on the field when they play against Saginaw Heritage Saturday before hosting Livonia Stevenson Tuesday at 7 p.m. and then Salem at 7 p.m. next Thursday.



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Wildcat Natalie Krygier goes up for the ball with Mustang Jamie Cheslik. Cheslik, right, scored the only goal of the April 19 game giving Northville a 1-0 victory over Novi.

Please see SOCCER, B5

Northville sweeps two doubleheaders

Squad defeats Wayne and Salem, takes third in Mercy tournament

By Sam Eggleston  
Correspondent

What a better way to start defending a division title than with a sweep against your first division foe?

The Northville Mustangs softball team did just that last week, upending Salem in a doubleheader. Of course, it wasn't all easy runs and a smooth ride to victory, especially in the second game.

In the opener, Northville earned a 3-0 shutout win. In the nightcap the team had a bit more of an exciting end to it all, scoring three runs in the final inning for a come-from-behind victory, 6-5.

In the first game, Northville followed senior Laura Pond's pitching to the win as she allowed just three hits, struck out 12 and had no walks.

The offense got the squad on the board

ON TAP

The Northville Mustangs softball team will be back in action when they visit Saline for an invitational tourney starting at 8 a.m. Saturday before visiting Plymouth on Monday, South Lyon East on Wednesday and then home against Franklin a week from today. All three of those games start at 4 p.m.

in the second inning, scoring two runs off a RBI by Maggie Stewart and another by Allie Chapekis. They added an insurance run in the fifth following singles by Jen Buckingham and Meredith Williams and a RBI by Ashley Schiffer to make it a 3-0 contest.

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A Mustang infielder makes a play at first base during Northville's April 23 game against Canton.

Northville dominates opponents

Baseball team sweeps Salem, crushes Wayne

By Sam Eggleston  
Correspondent

Over the past three games the Northville Mustangs have average a whopping 25 runs.

Not too shabby when you're on the Northville roster, but not so hot for Northville's foes, who scored just one run in those same three games.

The Mustangs, coached by John Kostrzewa, blanked Salem in a doubleheader last Friday, 12-0 and 2-0, after crushed Wayne Memorial, 11-1, last Wednesday.

In the opening game against Salem, the Mustangs followed the pitching of Jake Hansen, who went all five innings in the mercy-rule shortened contest and gave up just two hits while striking out six batters.

ON TAP

The Northville Mustangs baseball team is slated to be back on the diamond when they play Allen Park in a double header at home starting at 11 a.m. Saturday. They then visit Plymouth on Monday and have a double header at South Lyon East Wednesday. Both games are scheduled for 4 p.m.

The real key to the game was the offensive play of the Northville squad as Matt Stojkov had two hits and two RBIs in the contest, followed by Scott Matthews' two hits. Connor Smith and Jeff Gertley each had one hit and two RBIs in the victory while Brett Mac-

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A Northville Mustang lays down a bunt during their April 23 home game against Canton.



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Mustang Joe Chou in action April 17.

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Mustang Andrew Bumbaugh, left, works near the Novi goal against Wildcat Wes Guenther.

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# Boys lacrosse team nets three big wins

**By Sam Eggleston**  
Correspondent

The Northville Mustangs officially have a winning record with a 3-2 mark on the season thanks to three big wins last week.

The squad, coached by Greg Durham, earned wins over Howell, Walled Lake Northern and Walled Lake Western.

Against Howell, the Mustangs collected a 17-5 victory on their way to the first victory of the year. They followed the lead of Joe Chase, who had seven goals and one assist on the day, while Jakob Kippola scored seven goals. John Cook collected a goal and an assist while Tyler Gozdor and Marshal Williams

had a goal each and Nick Melucci, Connor Smith and Colin Bailey collected assists in the win.

“Spring break really hurts us, and this was our first game back with fresh legs,” said Durham. “Though we didn’t play well in the beginning of the game, the boys picked it up and made the most of it.”

David Blough made eight saves in the game while Smith went 11-for-12 and Gozdor went 9-for-10 on face-offs. Melucci picked up four ground balls.

Against Walled Lake Northern, the Mustangs picked up a 19-4 victory as Chase and Melucci collected four goals and three assists each, followed by Kippola’s four goals and two assists and

Andrew Bumbaugh’s three goals. John Cooke collected two goals and two assists while Nathan Ray had a goal and an assist and Bailey earned a goal.

Blough and Joe Kim combined for 11 saves in goal while Smith went 7-for-12 and Gozdor went 9-for-10 on face-offs. Chase led the team with three ground balls.

“Kyle Keech is our intangible player this season,” said Durham of the defense. “It is amazing to see how well he has played the defensive mid-field position for us, primarily mistake free, having never played lacrosse before this season.”

“Minnesota transfer Taylor Short has also played very consistent in

a specific role on defense and keeps improving every day.”

Northville collected 15 assists in the game. Prior to their match against the Knights, the team had just six assists over the course of three games.

The Mustangs also collected a 19-8 victory over the Walled Lake Western Warriors last week with Blough and Kim combining for six saves to secure the victory between the goal posts.

Leading the offensive charge was Kippola, who collected five goals and four assists, while Chase had three goals and four assists, followed by Melucci’s three goals and one assist. Bumbaugh collected two goals and two assists on the day while Max Grezlik added two scores of his own. Earning

a goal each were Cooke, Jake Fuller, Max Eitelman and Marshall Williams.

“In the first half we looked like a JV team,” stated Durham. “We forgot how to play and we weren’t moving the ball at all. It was 0-4 at the half, but we gave up four easy goals and our guys looked lethargic.”

Durham said the magic words at the half, however, expressing the need to pick it up as a team and not try to win the game as individuals.

“Once we did this, we scored nine goals in the third quarter alone with nine assisted goals in the second half,” Durham said.

Smith went 12-for-15 and Gozdor went 8-for-12 in face-offs while Kevin Piwowar snagged an impressive seven ground balls in the game.

### THE WEEK AHEAD

**Northville**  
**GIRLS SOCCER**  
4/26 7 p.m. South Lyon East  
4/28 @ Saginaw Heritage Invitational  
5/1 7 p.m. Livonia Stevenson

**GIRLS TENNIS**  
All games at 4 p.m. unless noted  
4/28 8 a.m. @Ann Arbor Pioneer  
4/30 Ann Arbor Huron  
5/1 Association XO North

**TRACK & FIELD**  
All events at 3:45 p.m. unless noted  
4/28 10 a.m. @Ypsilanti  
5/1 @Livonia Stevenson

**BOYS GOLF**  
4/30 3:30 p.m. @Stevenson  
5/2 3:30 p.m. Salem

**SOFTBALL**  
All games at 4 p.m. unless noted  
4/28 8 a.m. @Saline  
4/30 @Plymouth  
5/2 @South Lyon East

**BOYS LACROSSE**  
4/27 6 p.m. Holt  
4/28 2 p.m. Rockford  
4/30 6:30 p.m. South Lyon  
5/2 6:30 p.m. Canton

**GIRLS LACROSSE**  
4/28 TBA @Rockford  
5/2 7:30 p.m. @Canton

**BASEBALL**  
All games at 4 p.m. unless noted  
4/28 11 a.m. Allen Park  
4/30 @Plymouth  
5/2 @South Lyon East

**Catholic Central**  
**BASEBALL**  
All games at 4 p.m. unless noted  
4/25 Divine Child  
4/26 @Detroit Western  
4/28 11 a.m. @O.L. St. Mary's  
4/30 4:30 p.m. @Harper Woods  
5/2 University of Detroit

**LACROSSE**  
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4/27 7:30 p.m. @Culver Military Academy  
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Mustang pitcher Matt Stojkov competes in Northville's April 23 home game against Canton.

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## BASEBALL

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Donald had one hit and scored three runs. Brandon Patrone had a hit of his own and crossed home plate three times.

"Overall we had a very balanced attack with nine hitters collecting at least one hit," said Kostrzewa. "We pitched very well and played great defense, which has been consistent all season. Jake did not walk a single batter. He did a great job of pitching to contact and allowing our defense to make plays."

In the nightcap of the twinbill, the Mustangs found Gertley earning the win on the mound as he allowed four hits, walked four and whiffed three.

"Our defense made some great plays late in the game in key situations," said Kostrze-

wa. Like when Salem had two runners on base and just one out in the seventh inning and Matt Satterfield snagged a hart hit ball and fired a quick throw to second for the double play to end the contest.

Another big play came in the fifth off a hard throw by Jack Gessert to Matthews at second base, who got the tag down in time to throw out a runner trying to stretch a single into a double.

"He made a perfect throw to Scott and negated a potential big inning for Salem," said Kostrzewa, who noted that the team has work to do still despite their success. "Offensively we struggled to get anything going all game, but Matt Stojkov came up big again with a two-run double and that's all the offense Jeff needed."

Patrone collected two hits in the winning effort.

Northville is now 7-2 on the season and 3-0 in league play.

### Northville 11, Wayne Memorial 1

The Mustangs earned an easy win in a mercy-rule shortened six-inning game last week.

The squad scored seven runs in the top of the first inning — which Kostrzewa noted was "great to see" in the team's first at bats since Northville's 10-day spring break started.

Earning the win on the mount was Stojkov, who threw three shut-out innings before Bobby Sable and Brad Vanhulle finished the final three innings.

"We pitched very well and played good defense," said Kostrzewa, pointing out the fundamentals that his team has been doing well.

Gertley and Smith each had two hits on the day.

## NORTHVILLE SPORTS ROUNDUP

### Girls lacrosse team bows in two games

It wasn't a great week for the Northville Mustangs girls lacrosse team, but that didn't mean they didn't go down in their two matches without a fight.

The squad took a heart-breaking loss against Canton, 10-8, and just couldn't seem to find their game when they were on the wrong end of a 13-2 loss against South Lyon last week.

Against Canton the Mustangs had a balmy 60-degree day to play in as they got off to a quick start with goals from Erica MacDonald and Charlotte Peterson in the first five minutes of play.

The game was evenly matched from that point on as the two teams traded goals back and forth and used their defensive strengths to stalemate one another throughout the contest.

The Chiefs' break came with a quick run of four goals that helped them slide into the lead, 4-2, in the first half — a lead the Mustangs just weren't truly able to overcome despite a strong effort by the entire squad.

Just before the half Northville cut into the Canton lead off a shot by junior Ashley Hart with under a minute to go and that momentum carried over into the opening minutes of the second half as Northville tied the game, 4-4 off a shot by MacDonald that found its way past the Canton goalie.

The two teams then went on to swap goals with Canton scoring three goals for a 7-4 lead, followed by Northville scoring three goals off Peterson's shot from a free position at the eight-meter line and goals from MacDonald and Erin

Vogel to tie it up.

Unfortunately the Mustangs couldn't stop another streak of goals by the Chiefs as they tallied three more for a 10-7 lead that held until the final few minutes when Peterson tallied Northville's final goal of the game to make it a 10-8 final.

Kali Maisano took the loss in goal, making 16 saves to help keep her squad in contention.

Lauren Syverson had two ground balls and led the defense with three forced turnovers. Peterson and MacDonald each had three goals and two assists on the day while Hart had a goal and an assist and Vogel had a goal.

Against South Lyon the weather wasn't cooperating with intermittent rain and cold temperatures just adding to the misery of a 13-2 loss.

Northville watched as the Lions scored eight unanswered goals in the first half before scoring five more in the second. Northville's two goals came off the stick of Peterson.

The score could have been worse as Maisano stopped 15 in the losing effort.

### Junior varsity girls lacrosse team splits week

The Northville Mustangs junior varsity girls lacrosse team split their week as they fell in a close match to Canton, 13-

9, but rebounded for a 3-2 victory over South Lyon.

Against the Lions, the Mustangs fell behind, 1-0, in the first half as South Lyon scored the first tally of the game before Northville was able to tie the contest off a goal by Alex Sheremeta, the lone score for Northville in the first half.

The squad then tallied two more in the second before the Lions were able to score their final goal of the game. Northville's first goal of the stanza came off the stick of Audrey Tatge and the second from Mary Dalrymple, who also collected an assist in the victory.

Earning the win in goal was Paige Chapman, who made 13 saves to secure the victory for her squad.

Against Canton, the Mustangs found themselves trailing, 9-6, at the end of the first half and weren't able to overcome the deficit as they bowed to the Chiefs, 13-9.

Leading the Northville offense was Grace Guibord, who scored four goals in the losing effort, while Nicole Evangelista added two goals of her own. Sheremeta, Dalrymple and Tatge had a goal each in the game while Alyssa Alvarez collected an assist.

Isobel Bush took the loss despite snagging seven saves at her goalie position.

— By Sam Eggleston

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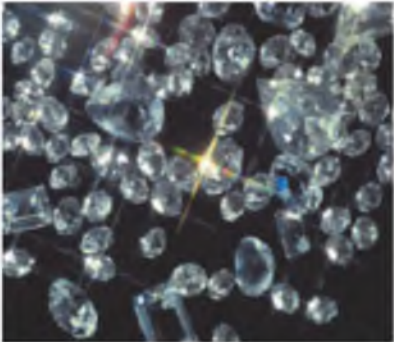
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# Northville has little trouble picking up wins

## Tennis team sweeps dual meets, takes first in North Farmington invite

**By Sam Eggleston**  
Correspondent

It's got to be tough being a team that has trouble finding an opponent that can win even a single flight against you. But, then again, it's got to be nice, too.

The Northville Mustangs tennis team has that particular problem. In their last two dual meets, they crushed South Lyon and South Lyon East with perfect 9-0 scores against each. In the North Farmington Invitational, the Mustangs took first with 19 points while second place was Farmington Mercy with just 12.

"I am very pleased with how our team competed this weekend against some tough competition," said coach Brady Crosby of the invitational victory. "All three teams in the invitational were very capable teams, so it was nice to see our team rise to the occasion and win the tournament."

In the No. 1 singles flight, Erin Doud went 2-1 on the day as she collected a 6-1, 7-5 victory in the first round and a 6-1, 6-0 win in the second round. She fell to Rochester Adam's Halle Hyman in the final round, 6-2, 7-5.

**ON TAP**

The Northville Mustangs tennis team will be back on the court when they play in the Ann Arbor Pioneer Invitational at 8 a.m. Saturday before hosting Ann Arbor Huron on Monday and then playing in association cross over games Tuesday and next Thursday. All three of those games start at 4 p.m.

At No. 2 singles, Danielle Romano also went 2-1 with a 6-0, 6-4 win in the first round and a 6-3, 7-5 loss in the second round before defeating Mercy's Caroline Peterson in the third round, 6-2, 6-2.

The 2-1 streak continued into the No. 3 singles flight for Northville as Claudia Ma won her first round match-up, 6-1, 6-2 before stretching her second round into a 6-0, 4-6, 6-3 victory. Her final round was a loss to Rochester Adams' Victoria Morin, 6-1, 6-3.

Alex Jeannotte had a good day at No. 4 singles, winning all three of her rounds as she took a 6-3, 6-4 victory in the first and a 6-0, 6-0 win in the second before defeating Kate Cenko of

Rochester Adams, 6-2, 3-0 when she retired from the match.

In the first doubles flight, Mackenzi Powers and Anika Mukherji had little trouble as they earned three big wins. In their first round they collected a 6-4, 6-3 win before earning a 6-3, 6-7(3) victory in round two. In the final round of play they defeated Rochester Adams, 6-0, 6-1.

The same three victory record was collected by the No. 2 doubles duo of Elizabeth Sakorafis and Jordan Hermiz as they won round one, 7-5, 6-3, and round two, 6-4, 7-6(4). In the last round they upended Rochester Adams, 6-1, 6-1.

At No. 3 doubles, the duo of Paige Baal and Chloe Page collected three wins as well as they went 6-1, 6-2 in the first round and 6-0, 6-4 in the second before defeating Farmington Hills Mercy, 6-3, 6-4, in the final round of play.

Shannon Williams and Val Trupiano had a good day at No. 4 doubles, earning a 6-3, 6-0 victory in the first round and a 6-4, 6-2 in the second before dominating Rochester Adams in the final round, 6-0, 6-0.

"I thought it was great experience for our players to prepare them for the later parts

of the season when we will be seeing some tough competition on a regular basis," said Crosby. "We are a young team, so the more chances we give ourselves to play those tough matches, I think the better we will do when it comes time to the state tournament."

**Northville 9, South Lyon 0**

Northville had very little trouble with the Lions in a KLAA Central Division match-up last week. Doud went 6-0, 6-0 over Caroline Harding at No. 1 singles while Ramano went 6-1, 6-0 over Nicole Fergusson at No. 2. Claudia Ma collected a 6-2, 6-1 win over Jenny Quang at No. 3 singles and Jeannotte went 6-0, 6-0 over Sophie Welch at No. 4.

In the doubles flights, Powers and Mekhuri went 6-0, 6-0 over Amanda Montrief and Sami Leonardo in No. 1 doubles while Sakorafis and Hermiz won No. 2 with a 6-1, 6-0 showing over Kaitlyn Richter and H. Munzenberger. At No. 3 doubles, Page and Baal beat Lauren Majetic and Kelsey Combs, 6-0, 6-0, which was the same score Williams and Tupiano collected over Madeline Herzog and Katelyn Osterdale at No. 4.

The No. 5 doubles team of

Rachel Crittenden and Nicole Khamis went 6-0, 6-1 over Elaine Foster and Ashley Osterdale while the No. 6 doubles team of Alison Kozerski and Libby Quinn collected a 6-1, 6-0 victory over Ashley Pogue and Sara Plohetski.

**Northville 9, S.L. East 0**

Against the Cougars, Northville cruised to victory with Doud, Ma and Jeannotte collecting 6-0, 6-0 wins over their foes in Julie Wilder, Colleen Ferda and Rosemary Hyrila, respectively. Romano earned a 6-1, 6-1 win over her No. 2 singles opponent Erin Blackledge.

The closest flight of the day was at No. 1 doubles where South Lyon East's Abbie Fileding and Sam Raney put up a 6-2, 6-3 fight against Powers and Mukherji before falling to the Northville duo. The teams of Sakorafis and Hermiz, Page and Baal and Crittenden and Khamis all went 6-0, 6-0 against their foes while Williams and Trupiano collected a 6-1, 6-2 win over Kayla Marquardt and Laura Marple at No. 4 doubles.

Kozerski and Quinn took a 6-0 victory at No. 6 doubles over Megan Shaffer and Megan Renehan.

### NORTHVILLE SPORTS BRIEFS

#### Competitive dance team auditions to be held

The Northville Mustangs competitive dance team will be holding a skills workshop in the NHS auditorium from

3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. on May 1 and from 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. May 2. Both days workshops will be held in the high school cafeteria.

Auditions for the team will be held from 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. May 3 in the

cafeteria. Additional information may be found on the team website at [www.northvilledanceteam.com](http://www.northvilledanceteam.com).

#### Mustangs boys basketball team outlines accolades

The Northville Mustangs boys varsity basketball team earned a slew of individual accolades for players this year and, as a team, finished ninth in the state for Class A schools for team GPA with a 3.55 cumulative grade-point average.

Individuals earning recognition were:

Jeff Gertley (All-Conference, All-Area First Team, Detroit Free Press All-West Honorable Mention, Detroit News All-West Honorable Mention), Jeff Hewlett (All-Conference Honorable Mention, All-Area Honorable Mention, Detroit Free Press All-West Honorable Mention), Brett MacDonald (All-Conference, All-Area Second Team, Detroit Free Press All-West Second Team, Detroit News All-West Honorable Mention), Andrew Meacham (All-Area Second Team) and Andrew Poterala (All-Area Honorable Mention).



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## SOFTBALL

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Williams and Chapekis each had two hits in the opener to lead their team and Rachel Deacon added a base hit as well.

In the nightcap of the twin bill, the Rocks looked quite determined to win as they jumped out to a 5-0 lead following a triple and a bases-clearing double by freshman Maranda Armstead that scored four of the five runs for Salem.

Northville wasn't about to just pack up and go home, however, and scored in the bottom of the second to make it a 5-1 game.

The Mustangs' offense added two more scores in the bottom of the fifth as Pond slapped a two-run home run out of right center field to make it a 5-3 game. The true rally, however, was in the bottom of the sixth. Despite having their first two batters ground out, the Mustangs managed to score three runs to come back and win the shortened

contest — due to darkness — as Ellie Asher hit a single and Pond was walked to put the tying runners on base. Micaela Petrucci (4-for-4 in the game) took advantage of that, slapping a single to deep right center to score Asher before Chapekis loaded the bases when she was hit by the following pitch.

Pond tied the game on a wild pitch to make it a 5-5 contest and Deacon walked to once again load the bases with two outs. With three balls and two strikes counted against her, senior center fielder Jen Buckingham stayed calm and collected and watched as a ball sailed past her and out of the strike zone to earn a walk and the win for the Mustangs.

**Northville 14,  
Wayne Memorial 0**

Pond and sophomore Jessica Jones combined to earn a shutout on the mound as the Mustangs collected their first conference victory of the season against the Zebras last week.

The Mustangs' pitchers allowed just one hit and had eight strikeouts while Williams had two hits, two RBIs and scored three runs in the winning effort, followed by Deacon's two hits, two runs scored and a RBI. Petrucci collected two doubles in the win while Schiffer, Suzanne Hasse, Maggie Stewart and Carly Oosten each had a hit and a RBI in the game and Nikki Thibodeau had a single. Jessica Jones and Chapekis were each credited with a RBI in the victory.

## Northville third in Mercy tourney

The Mustangs finished in third place in the Mercy Invitational Tournament last Saturday as they took on some of the top teams in the state with six of the 12 participants having been ranked in the pre-season coaches' poll.

Northville earned two wins and two losses in the tourney, playing against three state-ranked teams and KLAAs rival Plymouth.

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Northville also won their first Central Division match-up of the year last week when they topped Salem, 5-2.

"This was a good win for us. Joe has a young talented bunch of kids at Salem," said Brucker. "It's tough to get the girls started back up again after being off on spring break for the last ten days. We created a lot of scoring opportunities and the defense played solid."

The Mustangs scored the first goal of the game at the 13 minute mark of the first half as senior Mallory Weber's shot bounced off the goalie and to Northville junior Emily Bush, who fired the ball

home for the 1-0 lead.

That advantage didn't last too long as Salem came back 12 minutes later and collected a goal of their own and knotted the contest, 1-1. Nancy Krutty picked up the ball out of a scrum following a corner kick and fired it home to tie it up.

Northville's offensive pressure proved to be too much for the Rocks, however, as the Mustangs tallied two goals just minutes apart to hold a 3-1 lead heading into the halftime break. Bush snagged her second goal of the night on a header from a crossing pass by Weber before Weber scored a goal of her own off a cross from the left side by Borawski.

In the second half, Northville started off with a goal right away as Bor-

waski played a slotted ball off the Salem back touch line to an on-rushing Weber, who fired a one-timer into the back of the net for the 4-1 advantage.

The Rocks proved to be tough to keep down, however, and they continued to push into the Northville defense until their efforts hit pay dirt once again. Haley Rogers took advantage of a slip and fall by a Northville defender to scoot the ball into the net and cut into the commanding Mustang lead, 4-2.

Five minutes later, however, Weber hammered home the final nail in the Salem coffin as she scored her third goal of the night on a slotted pass from Cheslik.

Freshman Emily Maresh earned the win in goal for Northville.

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ern last Saturday. Despite chilly and windy conditions the team was able to place in seven of the 14 relay events. The pole

vault relay team of Hubbard, Alex Kerns and Wagner took third place to earn the only points for Northville in the field events.

In the running events, the Mustangs team of Sims, Smith, Ferrante and Noles took third in the 6.4-kilome-

ter relay while the sprint medley relay team of Flanagan, Henderson, Love and Smith took second.

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## Estate planning and your digital assets; part one

By Dan Hoops  
Guest Columnist

I recently completed an exhaustive analysis of estate planning and your digital assets. What happens to your email, social network and blog in the event of your death or incapacity? These issues are especially relevant considering that there are billions of email accounts and hundreds of millions of Facebook and Twitter users alone.

I'm going to break this discussion into two parts (see part two in a future edition) considering the complexity of this issue. Part I considers the importance of having some planning options for users of free Internet email. Part II discusses the few options available to people interested in planning their digital legacies.

So what happens to your email account if you are dead or incapacitated? This all depends on which service your email account is registered.

For example, if you have a Yahoo account, the present terms of service provide that there are no post-mortem rights to a Yahoo account. This means, if you were to die, your entire Yahoo account is terminated and no one can access the account or its contents. If you have a Hot-mail account on the other hand, the terms of service provided by Microsoft include a mechanism where the user's surviving family members can receive a copy of all data in the account (e.g. all email, attachments to the email, email address book) on a DVD.

Free email accounts are created by users who must accept the terms of service for the particular website in order to access the account. In other words, an eContract is created between the user and the service provider; this contract is binding upon the user's survivors and heirs.

Each service provider has their own set of rules that the account holder agrees to at the time their account is created. So, the terms of service can provide that the account is accessible only by the registered account holder. Terms of service can provide that the account will be terminat-

ed if a surviving family member attempts to access the account. Some terms of service provide that the account will be terminated due to inactivity for a period of months (e.g. a lengthy hospitalization or coma).

Unfortunately, there are no standard terms of service that any of the major service providers follow, whether it is an email service provider, blog platform or Internet social network. In addition to this lack of uniformity, each service provider reserves the right to change their terms of service after publishing notice of these changes to their users. Google and Facebook recently informed their users of changes to their privacy policies. Of course, users were not given an opportunity to negotiate these changes because the original terms of service (the eContract) reserved the right in Facebook and Google to make changes unilaterally.

Terminating email accounts or restricting access is problematic in the event a person is deceased or incapacitated. People rely less and less on the traditional U.S. mail service to handle their personal affairs, much of which must be accounted for upon their death or incapacity. More and more people file their taxes online, shop online, pay their bills online and handle banking online; all of these transactions are tied to an email address.

A troubling issue for probate attorneys relates to the inability of personal representatives from accessing deceased users' accounts. Only five states (not Michigan) confer this authority under their probate statutes. Under the law of the other forty-five states, the personal representative is bound by whatever contracts the decedent signed during life ... the restriction on third-party access in the eContract an agreement that binds the user's estate.

Without being able to track down whatever information is stored in an email account can be frustrating for those persons appointed as personal representative of estates. Consider writing down your account passwords and keeping them with your estate planning documents.

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Dan Hoops

## MEDC appoints Watkins to attract Chinese business

Tom Watkins, a Northville resident, has been appointed to the International Board of Advisors for Business Development by the Michigan Economic Development Corporation.

The focus on the board is on establishing formal business development strategies to increase exports to China and on attracting Foreign Direct Investment from China to Michigan.

"China can and must be part of the ingredients necessary to reinvent and revitalize Michigan's economy," said Watkins, CEO of TDW & Associates, a global consulting firm. "I am honored to work with the state to build two-way economic, educational and cultural bridges with China in ways to benefits us all. Our role will be to help grow jobs and investment in the great State of Michigan."

Gov. Rick Snyder, who took office a year ago, included China in his first trade mission to Asia.

"As we continue to build a bilateral trade bridge with China, Tom will help us shape that strategy," said MEDC Senior Vice President Doug Smith.

China is home to one-fifth of all humanity, the fast growing large economy and a rising middle-class. Michigan offers much of what China needs and wants.

Watkins has a life-long interest in China sparked by a great fourth grade teacher. He has traveled, written about and worked in China for a quarter of a century. He was named the first non-Chinese, honorary board member for the Chinese Association of Greater Detroit (CAGD) and was recently given the 2012 Leadership Trailblazer Award from Chinese Consul General Yang Guoqiang



Tom Watkins' role in his new position will be to attract Chinese businesses to Michigan. (His shirt spells "Michigan!" in Chinese.)

and CAGD president Lisa Gray, also of Northville, during the organization's 20th anniversary celebration.

"We gave Tom this award for his unwavering passion, vision and leadership in building economic, cultural and educational bridges to China," said Gray.

Watkins is on the advisory boards for the Detroit Chinese Business Association and University of Michigan's Confucius Institute.

He has an eclectic background serving in a number of leadership roles in both the private and public sectors. Watkins is a former Michigan state superintendent of schools and president and CEO of the economic council of Palm Beach County, Fla.

He is an international educational consultant to Greentown Schools in Hongzhou, China and an

honorary professor at Mianyang Normal University in Siuchen Province China.

L. Brooks Patterson, Oakland County executive, credits Watkins with the idea of bringing Chinese language and culture into all Oakland County Schools.

"Tom's knowledge and understanding of China culture and China's educational system is remarkable and his input simply invaluable to building effective bridges between our countries," said Michael Liu, of CompuPacific.

C. Peter Theut, president and CEO of China Bridge, has looked to Watkins for guidance. "Tom's global vision and relentless commitment to all things China has qualified him as the leading advocate for the diverse opportunities that China offers Michigan," Theut said.

### NORTHVILLE BUSINESS BRIEFS

#### Grants available for non-profits

Michigan's Metro West Chapter of Credit Unions is seeking Detroit area non-profit organizations in need of financial grants of up to \$2,500 each to support local community improvement activities.

The money must be used to directly benefit the communities served by the Metro West Chapter of Credit Unions. These include Belleville, Brighton, Canton, Dearborn, Detroit, Eastpointe, Flat Rock, Highland Park, Hillman, Lathrup Village, Livonia, Melvindale, Northville, Plymouth, Redford, Romulus, Taylor and Westland.

Non-profit organizations that wish

to apply must submit a written grant request of no more than two typewritten pages by Friday, July 13. The request must include the name of the organization; contact information; website address if available; 501(C)3 number; organization's mission; requested amount of up to \$2,500; complete description of how the funds will be used within 12 months of receipt; and the estimated number of people who will directly benefit from the grant. Grant recipients will be recognized at the annual Metro West Chapter Charity Golf Outing to be held at the Northville Hills Golf Club on Thursday, Aug. 16.

Organizations interested in receiving more details about grant submissions are requested to email [metrowest@cscu.org](mailto:metrowest@cscu.org).



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## Report: Smoking-related fire deaths drop sharply

According to a recent report released by the National Fire Protection Association, 610 civilian deaths in the United States were attributed to smoking material fires in 2010, a number at or near the all-time-low and well down from the 1980 levels. During 2010 there were an estimated 90,800 smoking material fires resulting in \$663 million in direct property damage.

Several factors, including a decline in smoking and stricter fire resistant standards on mattresses and upholstered furniture have been credited with the decrease in smoking material fire deaths over the last 30 years. The most recent drops in fatalities and injuries, though, owe much to the "fire-safe" cigarette legislation.

Local firefighters agree with the national report. "The advent of fire-safe cigarettes has done a great job in helping to bring down the number of fire deaths due to smokers," said Tom Kiurski of Livonia Fire & Rescue. "The cigarettes are designed to self-extinguish when not being inhaled regularly. This can bring down the incidents of cigarettes igniting furniture and beds when the smoker has fallen asleep or forgotten about the cigarette."

"Our greatest loss of life from fire is smoking materials, so any effort to reduce the ignition sequence and its effects has helped the fire service," Kiurski added in an e-mail.

In 2003, U.S. states began requiring that all cigarettes sold must be "fire-safe," that is, have sharply reduced ignition strength (ability to start fires), as determined by ASTM Standards. By 2010, fire-safe cigarette legislation was in effect in 47 states. From 2003 to 2010, the number of civilian deaths in smoking-material fires fell by an average of 21 percent.

The year 2012 is the first year all 50 state laws are effective, and all inventories of pre-standard cigarettes should have sold out. A projection linking the percentage decline in fire deaths to the percentage of smokers covered suggests that when smoking material fire death numbers are analyzed for the year 2012, the reduction in civilian



deaths will reach roughly 30 percent.

According to Lorraine Carli, NFPA's vice president of Communications, "The adoption of fire-safe cigarette legislation is proving to be a giant step forward in reducing the leading cause of home fire deaths."

"NFPA is very encouraged by these numbers, which show the requirements are having the intended consequences," said Carli. "It is clear that our efforts have already made an impact on public safety and will continue to provide further progress in the years to come."

Other key findings in this report show:

- Older adults are at the highest risk of death or injury from home smoking-material fires, even though they are less likely to smoke than younger adults.

- One fatal victim in four (24 percent) of home smoking-material fires was not the smoker whose cigarette started the fire.

- Sleeping is the primary human factor contributing to ignition cited for one-third (32 percent) of home smoking-material fire deaths.

As with virtually all types of fires, there are many steps that people can take to prevent smoking-material fires. NFPA has developed the following safety tips focusing on safe storage and disposal of cigarettes:

- Whenever you smoke, use deep, wide, sturdy ashtrays.
- Ashtrays should be set on

something sturdy and hard to ignite, like an end table.

- Before you throw out butts and ashes, make sure they are out. Dowsing them in water or sand is the best way to do this.

- Check under furniture cushions and other places people smoke for cigarette butts that may have fallen out of sight.

NFPA is a worldwide leader in fire, electrical, building, and life safety. The mission of the international nonprofit organization founded in 1896 is to reduce the worldwide burden of fire and other hazards on the quality of life by providing and advocating consensus codes and standards, research, training, and education.

Livonia Fire & Rescue contributed to this report.

## Buenos Aires land: pricey, thriving

By Robert Meisner  
Guest Columnist

**Q:** I understand that there are many new developments along the river in Buenos Aires which is ripe for commercial development. Do you have any information?

**A:** Buenos Aires has been able to develop its riverfront with a series of shops, restaurants and hotels on both sides of the river. Obviously, the prices per lot involved are substantial as compared to other parts of the city



Robert Meisner

because of their location. There is an additional degree of benefit since rapid transit abuts

these areas, but you are best advised to joint venture with a local company or real estate group so that you maximize your opportunities for investment with local expertise and political connections.

**Q:** What common fair housing problems arise from community restrictions or rules?

**A:** In general, community restrictions or rules trigger fair housing problems in one of two ways, either the rules are enforced unfairly or the rules themselves are unfair. For example, a Condominium Association faces potential liability if members of a protected class are singled out for strict enforcement of the rules by enforcement against others is lax. An example is that it would be unlawful to come down hard on African American residents for breaking the rules while ignoring similar infractions by white residents.

The second relates to the fairness of the rules. For example, communities have legitimate reasons to govern resident behavior in common areas, such as hallways, parking lots and outside spaces, but rules that unreasonably target children or limit their behavior in common areas could lead to a complaint of discrimination based on familial status. Of course, rules that have no reasonable relationship to the operation of the condominium would similarly be suspect. The Federal Housing Act bans discrimination in housing because of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, familial status or disability. Check with your attorney regarding the nature and extent of your rules.

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### HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-WAYNE

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Jan. 16-20, 2012, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

#### CANTON

7280 Almaden Ct	\$189,000
7212 Camelia Ct	\$110,000
7737 Embassy Dr	\$180,000
2235 Hendrie	\$265,000
2383 Hogan Way	\$187,000
1349 Longfellow Dr	\$115,000
550 Manhattan Ct	\$399,000
45236 Middlebury Ln	\$266,000
7436 Pointe Dr	\$138,000
49092 Poppleton Ct	\$315,000
6266 Porteridge Ln	\$165,000
1835 Preserve Blvd	\$88,000
342 Princess Dr	\$149,000
41812 Princess Dr	\$207,000
386 Princeton St	\$173,000
641 Roosevelt St	\$342,000

5950 Runnymede Dr	\$147,000
658 Shana St	\$119,000
43726 Simsbury St	\$125,000
41366 Southwind Dr	\$39,000
4194 Strathmore Ln	\$151,000
42334 Trent Dr	\$210,000
GARDEN CITY	
973 Arcola St	\$42,000
28611 Beechwood St	\$37,000
29804 Bridge St	\$67,000
31406 Ford Rd	\$325,000
28620 Rosslyn Ave	\$72,000
32439 Warren Rd	\$32,000
LIVONIA	
11034 Arden St	\$170,000
16072 Fairlane Dr	\$204,000
18544 Filmore St	\$79,000
31346 Hillbrook St	\$182,000
19738 Ingram St	\$118,000
14036 Lyons St	\$95,000
11327 Mayfield St	\$117,000
18472 Mayfield St	\$252,000
39270 Meeting House Ln	\$165,000
31609 Middleboro St	\$86,000
32907 Middleboro St	\$170,000
35463 Northgate Dr	\$197,000

27473 Oakley St	\$160,000
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18584 Clairmont Cir W	\$792,000
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16284 Country Knoll Dr	\$210,000
16827 Country Knoll Dr	\$210,000
16859 Dover Dr	\$102,000
16760 Lyonhurst Cir	\$240,000
15917 Morningside	\$118,000
19202 Northridge Dr	\$38,000
16145 Oakwood Ct	\$430,000
PLYMOUTH	
13077 Andover Dr	\$285,000
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1350 Hartsough St	\$134,000
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25679 Deborah	\$29,000
26640 Dover	\$55,000
13120 Hemingway	\$39,000
11378 Leverne	\$55,000
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32027 Avondale St	\$89,000
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2809 Cadmus Ct	\$22,000
35567 Dove Trl	\$65,000
35858 Florane St	\$84,000
33135 Lancashire St	\$88,000
37499 Lang Ct	\$90,000
6072 N Carlson St	\$40,000
7395 N Hix Rd	\$65,000
800 N Linville St	\$22,000
723 Rahn St	\$59,000
1254 Selma St	\$113,000
1176 Shoemaker Dr	\$45,000
627 Van Sull St	\$75,000
7953 Whispering Willow	\$82,000

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These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Jan. 3-6, 2012, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

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17117 Dunblaine Ave	\$205,000
BINGHAM FARMS	
32300 Bingham Rd	\$390,000
BIRMINGHAM	
1556 Emmons Ave	\$115,000
838 Hidden Ravines Dr	\$475,000
1043 N Old Woodward Ave	\$118,000
1596 Northlawn Blvd	\$426,000
381 W Brown St	\$265,000
BLOOMFIELD HILLS	
510 Wilshire Dr	\$155,000
2235 Cameo Lake Ct	\$225,000
2041 Eagle Pointe	\$120,000
494 Fox Hills Dr N # 3	\$35,000
BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP	

7340 Chula Vista Ln	\$155,000
3392 Dogwood Ct	\$260,000
3234 E Bradford Dr	\$360,000
168 Hillboro Dr	\$450,000
1050 Top View Rd	\$288,000
2756 W Hickory Grove Rd	\$335,000
6370 Westmoor Rd	\$255,000
185 Woodedge Dr	\$265,000
5199 Woodlands Dr	\$115,000
COMMERCE TOWNSHIP	
6039 Amadore St	\$83,000
1761 Applebrook Dr	\$50,000
3337 Benstein Rd	\$63,000
5308 Kristi Ln	\$183,000
8145 Locklin Ln	\$365,000
555 Sherbrooke St	\$160,000
9532 Volga Dr	\$175,000
2406 Yasmin Dr	\$220,000
FARMINGTON	
33825 Glenview Dr	\$116,000
23255 Prospect Ave	\$158,000
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28892 Bannockburn St	\$162,000
25883 Chapelweigh Dr	\$140,000
32305 Chesterbrook St	\$127,000

30116 Club House Ln	\$163,000
31243 Folsom Rd	\$57,000
20961 Indian Creek Dr	\$25,000
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21526 Oxford Ave	\$113,000
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FRANKLIN	
32920 Brandingham Rd	\$145,000
30800 Inkster Rd	\$760,000
31050 Oakleaf Ln	\$300,000
MILFORD	
1877 Honeysuckle Ln	\$47,000
189 Noble St	\$92,000
2476 Our Land Acres	\$265,000
3180 Pine Cone Ct	\$292,000
678 Summit Ridge Dr	\$134,000
NOVI	
45186 Bartlett Dr	\$105,000
51109 Mayfair Ter	\$258,000
27931 Middleton Dr	\$152,000
22120 Perth Ct	\$417,000
21943 Picadilly Cir	\$430,000
44882 Revere Dr	\$260,000
39895 Squire Rd	\$142,000

39627 Village Wood Ln	\$36,000
SOUTH LYON	
58698 Castle Ct	\$40,000
1141 Colt Dr	\$193,000
1361 Drury Ln	\$300,000
54888 Grenelefe Cir W	\$345,000
835 Westbrooke Dr	\$198,000
SOUTHFIELD	
15588 Addison St	\$57,000
30516 Brentwood St	\$21,000
24135 Evergreen Rd	\$30,000
26388 Franklin Pointe Dr	\$39,000
17151 Goldwin Dr	\$130,000
15905 Harden Cir	\$66,000
19752 Hilton Dr	\$27,000
23505 Lee Baker Dr	\$87,000
23745 Lee Baker Dr	\$37,000
28675 Lowell Ct N	\$35,000
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3pm  
20297 Woodhill,  
Northville 48167. Generator,  
mower, ladder & tools, lawn  
furniture, snow blower, player  
piano, furniture, lamps, ping  
pong table, treadmills, small  
appliances, china, kitchen  
stuff and more!

NOVI  
24216 Bashian (Applegate II),  
N. off 10 Mile, btwn Haggerty &  
Meadowbrook, April 26-28,  
9-4pm. Adult clothes, dishes,  
boat items & household items.

NOVI SUB SALE!  
Multi-Family Garage Sale!  
Dunbarton Pines - NE corner  
of 9 Mile & Taft. April 27 &  
28, 9am-4pm.

PINCKNEY - SUB SALE  
Lawrence Ct. off Chilson near  
M36. Fri., & Sat., 9-4.  
Furniture, household items,  
garden supplies, much, more.

PLYMOUTH - Moving/Estale  
sale. 100s of good quality  
TOOLS. Sat. & Sun, 4/28 &  
4/29, noon-5pm. 11238  
Briarwood Dr., just W of  
Sheldon Rd. N. of Ann Arbor  
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SALEM TWP. Sat. Apr. 28,  
9am-5pm. Sun. Apr. 29, 9-1.  
7650 Five Mile Rd. E. of  
Pontiac Trail. Furniture, decor,  
antiques, misc.

SOUTH LYON CITY WIDE  
GARAGE SALE. April 27, 28 &  
29, 10am. Estate Sale:  
Collector Plates, Avon  
Collectibles, leather bound  
signed 1st edition books,  
china & glassware, household  
items. 601 S. Lafayette St.

South Lyon City Wide Yard  
Sale April 27th, April 28th  
and April 29th.  
Rain or Shine!  
Sponsored by the City  
of South Lyon.  
100's of homes!  
1000's of bargains!!

SOUTH LYON MULTI GARAGE  
SALES: Colonial Acres  
Clubhouse. 25015 Potomac Ct.,  
W of Pontiac Trail, btwn 10 &  
11 Mile Rd. Sat, April 28, 10-3.

SOUTH LYON - Girl's toys &  
clothes (toddler & up). 4/27 &  
4/28, 9-4pm. 56769 McKend  
Ln, off Milford Rd, 1/4 mile  
from 10 Mile.

SOUTH LYON - Multi family  
sale! 340 Gibson (Hagadorn &  
Whipple). April 27 & 28, 9-4pm.  
Furniture & household  
items.

SOUTH LYON: Thurs. Apr. 26  
only, 9-4pm. Dining set,  
household, clothes & more.  
13074 Pembroke Cir. Off 10.

LIVONIA - 3rd annual  
GARAGE SALE benefiting  
KOMEN for the CURE 3DAY.  
Multi-family (12+). Collect-  
ibles, electronics, furniture,  
games, holidays, household,  
TV, '04 Pontiac which access  
van, much more. 9AM Thurs-  
Sun, April 26-29th, 32960 6  
Mile, E of Farmington Rd.

LIVONIA - Garage Sale, Multi-  
family. Thurs., 4/26, 2-7pm,  
Fri., 4/27, 9-6pm, Sat 4/28,  
9-4pm 9752 Hix

LIVONIA - Multi family rum-  
mage sale, April 26 & 27th,  
10-3pm. Michigan Taj-Chi  
Livonia Center, 38121 Ann  
Arbor Rd., 1 mile E of I-275.

LIVONIA-MOVING! Furniture,  
misc household, everything  
must go! 11400 Ingram, S of  
Plymouth, W of Merriman.  
April 26-29, 10-6pm.

LIVONIA: 4/26-4/28, Thurs &  
Fri 10-4pm, Sat. 8-3:30pm.  
19669 Gary Ln, N of 7, W of  
Farmington. Teaching materi-  
als, childrens books & misc.  
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Sale. Something for everyone.  
Apr. 27, 28 & 29, Fri., Sat. &  
Sun. 9am-4pm.

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Estate Sale. 9am-5pm. 4/27 &  
4/28. 7706 Pontiac Trail. 1st  
house on left, S. of 6 Mile.

SOUTH LYON: Orchards of  
Lyon Sub Wide Garage Sale.  
Thurs-Sat., May 3-5, 9am-  
5pm. Located off of Grand  
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decor. Fri-Sat, 4/27 - 4/28, 9-  
5pm. 60649 Lyon Trail South,  
off Pontiac Trail.

St. Paul's Lutheran Church  
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Farmington Hills, 48334. Btwn  
Orchard & Middlebelt. Sat.  
April 28, 9am-4pm.

TROY  
SUBDIVISION GARAGE SALE  
WATLIES & ROCHESTER RD.  
Saturday, April 28, 9-4pm  
with some sales on Friday,  
April 27. Several estate sales,  
furniture, collectibles, pianos,  
sporting equipment, Spode  
and Royal Doulton china,  
Coke collectibles, bikes, etc.  
Longfellow and Thurber  
Streets (2 bks N. of Watlies,  
W. of Rochester Rd.).

WEST BLOOMFIELD ESTATE  
SALE May 3-4-5, 10am-4pm;  
Sat., 9am-12 noon. 5339  
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# What are employers asking your references?

**Debra Auerbach,**  
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References are often the last step in the screening process before an employer extends an offer. While every company has a different policy on references, most still ask for them. What a reference says, or doesn't say, can sometimes make the difference between getting an offer or not. Greg Szymanski, director of human resources at Geonerc Management in Seattle, says that when employers contact references, they're looking to determine if the candidate is the person who presented himself in the interview. "Often what's not said is more important than what is said. And hesitations and dancing in a reference's answers are very telling."

## The questions employers are asking

### Employment verification:

The standard questions a hiring manager will ask are ones related to your employment. The employer will want to verify that you did indeed work with this reference, the dates of your employment and the reference's relationship to you (boss, peer, etc.). Sean Milius, president of the Healthcare Initiative, an affiliate of global recruiting firm MRINetwork, says employers also want to know why you left. "It is very important that their story matches that of the candidate," Milius says. "If the candidate says it was a 'mutual parting,' but the reference says they were let go or laid off, there will be a problem. The candidate should always be truthful when asked why they left, as the potential employer will check out their story."

### Workplace performance:

After a hiring manager asks

the basic questions, she might dig a little deeper into your work performance. Common performance-related questions will cover strengths, areas for improvement, ability to work in a team and biggest accomplishments. Sunil Phatak, director of U.S. recruiting at IT staffing and consulting firm Akrya Inc., says the following questions on both hard and soft skills are also often asked:

- What would you say is his strongest attributes?
- How would you describe her interpersonal skills?
- What would you say motivated him most?
- Would you rehire or recommend her for rehire?

### Personality and well-roundedness:

Szymanski notes that while work-performance questions provide important insight, they don't always give a complete picture of the candidate. "If you want to know what the person is like, you have to ask questions that get at that information in a different way." For instance, an employer may ask, "Would you trust the reference to watch your children if you were away on vacation?" Or, "Would you take the candidate to dinner at a nice restaurant with your parents/spouse/significant other?" "The more personal/nonwork-related questions are often useful, not for what the reference says, but [for] what the reference doesn't say and/or the manner in which the reference provides an answer or doesn't answer," Szymanski says.

### Who the references are matters, too

Sure, a reference's answers hold a lot of weight, but who the reference is can be just as telling to a hiring manager. If



the only references you can provide are your mom, your sister and your best friend, it might raise a red flag with the potential employer. "Most employers would prefer that a job seeker choose a former manager or supervisor as a reference," Phatak says. "This is because managers are usually able to deliver a relatively unbiased opinion and are much less likely to be swayed into giving a positive referral if one isn't truly deserved. A manager is also a good pick for a reference because a positive referral from him will hold more weight than one from a co-worker who is similarly ranked. Job seekers should also select references who worked with them for at least a year, have a good understanding of their abilities and can attest to their positive attributes."

### Setting your references up for success

While you likely won't know the exact questions a hiring manager plans to ask your

references, you can still prepare them for the call. The first thing you should do is tell your references that they are one. While that may seem obvious, it's not always done, and the last thing you want to do is have your references be blindsided by the hiring manager's call. Even if you've used certain references in the past, don't just assume they'll be available or willing to serve as one again. The best approach? Ask your contacts first before giving their information to the employer.

Phatak says that if you've done a good job of selecting your references, they'll know you and your work style well enough that they won't need any coaching on the answers. He does suggest that you share the basic job description with your references and refresh them on the position you had and contributions you made while working together. "This is especially helpful if a lot of time has passed since you last worked with them. You don't want your references to be

caught off-guard and failing to recall what it is you even did on their team."

Szymanski shares this metaphor to summarize the use of references during the hiring process. "Reference checking is one spoke in the wheel of talent acquisition. If you can get as many spokes in the wheel as you can, your hiring will get better. Reference checking is not perfect, but if used in conjunction with other spokes, reference checking can be useful in verifying/confirming what you already know or breaking ties between two or more closely matched candidates."

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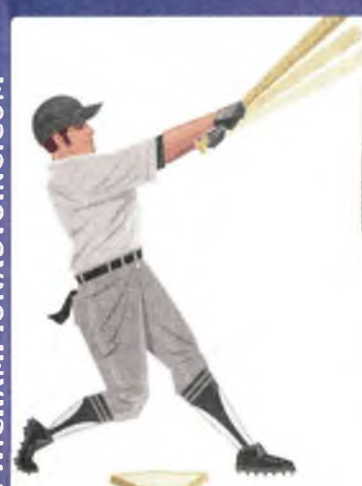
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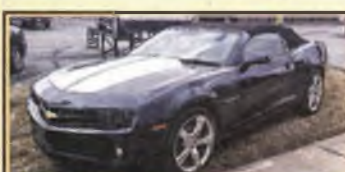
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