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It's time for an upgrade

Voters overwhelmingly approve technology bond for schools

By Lonnie Huhman
Staff Writer

Technology in Northville Public Schools will soon get a needed upgrade as school district voters overwhelmingly approved the technology bond proposal Tuesday.

For school district administration the voter outcome

couldn't have gone better. "The Northville Board of Education, district leadership team, teachers and staff gratefully acknowledge this overwhelming support from the Northville school community in our efforts to provide proven, interactive classroom technology across the school district to meet the needs of all

students," Superintendent Mary Kay Gallagher said.

The proposal, which is calling for a \$20.87 million bond over nine years, was passed district-wide by 13,484 to 9,541 votes. Northville Township reported unofficial results of 8,000 votes in favor of the bond and 5,699 against, while the City of Northville reported it

as 1,577 to 1,091, respectively.

The plan for the new revenue will be to replace aging technology and provide proven, interactive classroom technology to meet the needs of all students at all levels and abilities. Gallagher said there will be no increase to the existing

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Many of the candidates for the Northville Township Board of Trustees gathered at a home off Six Mile Road on Tuesday night where they awaited final word on the election. From left is new Supervisor Bob Nix, Marv Gans, Fred Shadko, Symantha Heath, and new Treasurer Marjorie Banner.



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Republicans sweep to victory in township board race

By Kurt Kuban
Staff Writer

With the majority of the seats already decided, there wasn't much drama involved in the race for the Northville Township Board of Trustees. The

August primary already determined that Bob Nix would replace outgoing Mark Abbo as supervisor, Marjorie Banner would replace outgoing Dick Henningsen as treasurer, and Sue Hillebrand would remain as clerk.

Tuesday's race was all about who would win the four trustee seats. And the four Republicans in the race — incumbents Marv Gans and Mindy Herrmann as well as newcomers Fred Shadko and Symantha Heath — easily earned four-year terms.

With a voter turnout exceeding 70 percent, Herrmann earned the most votes with 10,187, followed by Heath with 9,655 votes, Gans with 9,438 votes, and Shadko with 9,360

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A close-up of one of the creatures featured on Jennifer and Joe Rutherford's "Carousel of Dreams". This horse's head was created by Jennifer by "fusing" glass — cutting small shards of colored glass and then heat welding them together.

By Lonnie Huhman
Staff Writer

An award winning art piece is calling Northville Square home.

The Fantastic Carousel of Dreams has been placed inside the mall in downtown Northville by Joe and Jennifer Rutherford after it finished in the top 100 at the Art Prize competition in Grand Rapids this past month.

The Rutherfords brought their carousel to Northville after speaking with Bob and Margene Buckhave at the Art Prize. They wanted an indoor location for it at the competition, but couldn't get it. However, the location they are in now couldn't be any better.

"The Buckhaves made this happen and

we couldn't be happier than with this location," said Joe, as the sun light beamed through the windows making the piece shine with brilliance.

At the south end of the upper level at Northville Square, the piece is a site to behold with its various colors and designs. It's a fused glass work of art with metal work giving the various animals within the carousel their design. Each piece was individually hand cut and fused in the kiln.

The Rutherfords are full-time and long-time artists who reside in Plymouth. They specialize in glass and metal.

Around 1,200 hours of studio time was put into the piece. It was a year and a half undertaking for the Rutherfords. A

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Jennifer and Joe Rutherford are displaying their Grand Rapids' Art Prize entry "Carousel of Dreams" in the lobby of Northville Square through the holidays. The metal and glass creation (Jennifer did the glass fusion and Joe the metal fabrication) took them about 1,200 hours to complete and a bit more than \$10,000 in materials.

2012 RESULTS NORTHVILLE

How your community voted. The unofficial results below include some separate vote totals for the City of Northville and Northville Township. Others are combined numbers.

Overall winners are denoted with a ✓.

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(City of Northville)
✓ Barack Obama (D) i..... 1,393
Mitt Romney (R) 1,810

PRESIDENT

(Northville Township)
✓ Barack Obama (D) i..... 7,094
Mitt Romney (R) 10,084

U.S. SENATE

(City of Northville)
Pete Hoekstra (R) 1,577
✓ Debbie Stabenow (D) i. 1,476

U.S. SENATE

(Northville Township)
Pete Hoekstra (R) 8,881
✓ Debbie Stabenow (D) i. 7,657

U.S. HOUSE 11TH DISTRICT

(City of Northville)
✓ Kerry Bentivolio (R) 1,621
Syed Taj (D) 1,314

U.S. HOUSE 11TH DISTRICT

(Northville Township)
✓ Kerry Bentivolio (R) 9,100
Syed Taj (D) 6,712

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(City of Northville - partial term ending 1/02/2013)
✓ Kerry Bentivolio (R) 1,625
David A. Curson (D) 1,158

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Doug Dern 628
Connie Marie Kelley 4,950
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Bob Roddis 559

SUPREME COURT

(Incumbent position. Partial term ending 1/01/2015)
Mindy Barry 1,028
Shelia Johnson 3,782
Brian Zahra (i) 9,836

STATEWIDE PROPOSALS

Proposal 12-1
(Referendum on Public Act 4 of 2011 Emergency Manager Law)
Yes 14,216
✓ No 5,490

Proposal 12-2
(Amend the state constitution regarding collective bargaining)
Yes 4,967
✓ No 14,784

Proposal 12-3
(Establish a standard for renewable energy)
Yes 5,841
✓ No 14,073

Proposal 12-4
(Establish the Michigan Quality Home Care Council and provide collective bargaining for in-home care givers)
Yes 5,200
✓ No 14,403

Proposal 12-5
(A proposal to amend the state constitution to limit new taxes by state government)
Yes 5,021
✓ No 14,704

Proposal 12-6
(A proposal to amend the state constitution regarding construction of international bridges and tunnels)
Yes 4,416
✓ No 15,281



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Two men killed after head-on collision on Eight Mile

By Kurt Kuban
Staff Writer

Two motorists were killed last week after a head-on collision on Eight Mile Road near Sports Park Drive (between Beck and Napier roads). According to Northville Township police, the accident occurred just before

4 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 31. Police say the driver of a 2000 Ford F-150 pickup truck — 82-year-old Arthur Campbell of Lyon Township — was traveling westbound on Eight Mile when he crossed over the center line colliding with a blue Mercury driven by Mark Allen Poe, a 26-year-old Livonia man. That section of Eight Mile has a 55 m.p.h. speed limit, and both vehicle sustained massive damage.

Poe was pronounced dead at the scene. Campbell was still alive when emergency workers arrived and he was transported to Botsford Hospital, where he was later pronounced dead.

There were no other passengers in either car, and nobody else was injured in the accident.

According to Northville Township Public Safety Director John Werth, there were two witnesses to the accident. Both told police they saw Campbell seemingly reach down



Northville Township emergency personnel on the scene of an Oct. 31 accident that killed a 26-year-old Livonia man and a 82-year-old Lyon Township man.

for something before going across the center line. Neither vehicle braked before the collision.

Werth said they are awaiting Campbell's autopsy results from the Oakland County Medical Examiner, but the preliminary investigation has ruled out he suf-

fered a heart attack. Police don't think alcohol or drugs played a role in the accident, but the autopsy and toxicology tests will make that determination.

"Our assumption is there may have been something wrong, but we just don't know," Werth said. "Right now

we're investigating everything."

Werth said Poe was engaged to be married. "This is just a tragic, tragic accident," Werth said.

After the accident, police had to shut down both eastbound and westbound Eight Mile Road for several hours.

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‘You’ll shoot your eye out’

Students to stage ‘Christmas Story’ at Northville High

By Julie Brown
Staff Writer

If you’ve seen the movie *A Christmas Story*, you recall when young Ralphie Parker didn’t say “fudge” while helping his father change a flat tire.

Students at Northville High School rehearsed that scene and others in preparation for their Nov. 15-17 staging of the play at the high school auditorium on Six Mile. Showtimes will be 7 p.m. Thursday and Friday, Nov. 15-16, and 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 17.

Director Tracy Spada is resident stage manager at Northville’s Tipping Point Theatre and has worked on high school productions since 2008. She’s proud of her cast of 12 and the crew.

“I think we’re going to get the big families in here,” said Spada, adding auditions and the start of rehearsing was mid-September. “It’s a really fun show. Great cast, great group of kids. It’s a nice change of pace.”

The students are in grades 9-12, and include Ryan Duda as young Ralphie and Dominic Seipenko as adult Ralph, who narrates and handles other roles. The show is quite similar to the 1983 movie, Spada said, which was based on a book by Jean Shepherd.

Other cast members are: Halle Bins, Mother; Steven Collareno, The Old Man; Joseph Wylie, Randy; Kaitlyn Kallas, Miss Shields; Dan-youl Yamin, Flick/Desperado One; David Song, Schwartz/Desperado



“Christmas Story” character Randy (Joseph Wylie) turns to a screaming mess in the arms of Santa (Brent Bartone) as his helper (Jayla Murray) looks on.

Two; Brent Bartone, Scut Farkas/Black Bart/Santa; Jayla Murray, Classmate/Elf; Julia Raspbury Greenspan, Classmate; Annie Sullivan, Classmate.

The play, set in the 1940s after World War II, tells of Ralphie wanting for Christmas a Red Ryder BB gun (made at that time in nearby Plymouth.) The neighboring Bumpuses’ dogs, the bane of the father’s existence, will be brought to life through sound cues.

The set was still being worked on the day after Halloween, due to the Drama Club’s Haunted House, but the student cast was in costume and rehearsing well. A



Cast members of Northville High’s production of “Christmas Story” rehearse a scene on Nov. 1. From left are students Halle Bins, Steven Collareno, Ryan Duda, and Joseph Wylie. Duda is playing the role of Ralphie, whose only wish is for a BB gun for Christmas.

slide for the Santa in the department store scene, where Ralphie meets the big man in the red suit, is

being built.

Young Ralphie will wear the pink bunny suit near the show’s end.

“Indeed he does,” Spada said with a smile. “He’s a great actor. I think he’ll be OK with the teasing.”

The actors have rehearsed around choir rehearsals. The scene in which the family goes by car to get their yule tree requires them to sing off key, a challenge as the students are excellent singers.

“We’re ready,” Spada said of opening night. “I’m just very happy to be back and working with the kids.”

Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$8 for students and seniors age 55 and up. You can order online at www.nhstheatre.com and from there (using a credit card) to www.showtix4u.com.

Tickets may be purchased with cash or check at the Northville Public Schools Central Office, 501 W. Main Street, Room 307, weekdays 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. or at the Northville High School Theatre box office one hour before show time on performance days.

The crew numbers around 30, said Tracy Bins, a mom who’s active in theater at NHS.

Bryan Johnson is Drama Club adviser and auditorium manager.

“It’s big this year,” he said of the show. “We never have enough time. It’s very detailed.”

He and the crew like the challenge of recreating the 1940s, even the leg lamp central to the



Northville High student Dominic Seipenko portrays the adult Ralphie who narrates the story.

plot.

“For me, that’s the era I love to do,” Johnson said. “It’s fun to do something period.”

The color schemes will be just right, and there will be a refrigerator of that era along with a replica 1930s Oldsmobile. (Not many cars were manufactured in the U.S. in the World War II years.) A RCA Victor record player of the era will be used.

“We really pay attention to the time period,” Johnson said.

“They’re having a great time” Johnson said of the students.

He’s been on the job six years, and thinks the team/family feel is the biggest benefit to drama students.

“They’re going to miss everybody they worked with,” he said. “It becomes a second family, really.”

Northville High has had students go on to professional theater careers, said Johnson.

“I love all these kids and I’m going to miss my seniors. It’s going to be sad and happy because they’re moving on.”

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Dems stage stunning upset in Oakland County races

By Greg Kowalski and Jay M. Grossman
Staff Writers

It was the message, not party affiliation, that led two Democratic challengers to unseat their Republican rivals in Tuesday's election.

"I talked about issues that were really important to people," said Democrat Jim Nash, who narrowly upset incumbent Republican Water Resources Commissioner John McCulloch.

Fracking, a controversial method of drilling, is an issue that registered with the residents of the county, he said. "Drilling is a very dirty business," Nash said. It's particularly sensitive in Oakland County, which has hundreds of lakes that risk being contaminated if something goes wrong with the process. Nash said he held a town hall meeting in February on the issue, and it drew a large crowd.

It helped give him momentum to defeat McCulloch by a margin of 292,889 to 285,446 votes.

As for being a Democrat in a largely Republican arena, Nash said he doesn't see that as being a problem. A sitting Oakland County Commissioner from Farmington Hills, he said, "I've always worked across the aisle." His management style, he said, "is to try to convince people it's the right thing to do."

Incumbent Republican Clerk Bill Bullard also was upended in his bid for re-election by Democrat Lisa Brown, from West Bloomfield, 313,391 to 272,592 votes.

But the other incumbents fared better: County Executive L. Brooks Patterson, Sheriff Michael Bouchard, Prosecutor Jessica Cooper and Treasurer Andy Meisner will keep their seats for another four years. Cooper and Meisner are Democrats,

while the other county officials are Republicans. Patterson reportedly recruited former state lawmaker Mike Bishop to run against Cooper. Bishop and Meisner's opponent, Marty Knollenberg, both appeared in several campaign fliers along with Patterson, Bouchard, McCulloch and Bullard.

Cooper still won, defeating Bishop, 311,916 votes to 274,086 votes.

In an interesting twist, Bishop ran political ads featuring Birmingham resident Barry King, the father of Timothy King, one of the children kidnapped and abducted by the so-called Oakland County Child Killer in 1977. In the commercials, Barry King, 81, maintains Cooper's office has refused to meet with him and share pertinent information about the case.

Patterson himself faced questions from his opponent, Democrat Kevin Howley, about whether he's fit to serve another four years after being seriously injured in a two-car crash in August. Seeking a sixth term as county executive, Patterson, 73, wasn't able to return to work until Oct. 30 — exactly one week before the election.

But that was enough for him to post a win, 352,318 votes to 267,108.

Meisner also fended off a challenge from Marty Knollenberg, winning by a margin of 319,859 to 277,149 votes.

In the sheriff's race, Bouchard faced Democrat Jane Felice Boudreau, a former deputy with the department who was fired in 2006. Bouchard started off the week being slapped with a lawsuit, from a Pontiac resident who claimed Bouchard authorized a police helicopter to hover too low to the ground during the 2012 Woodward Dream Cruise, causing damage to the owner's car and minor injuries to his family.

Bouchard still won, 364,385 votes to 252,066 votes.

ART PRIZE

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lot of work, but the end result was worth it.

"It's about dreams," Jennifer said of the carousel. "Each animal is dreaming about something and that is represented on it along with the word dream in a different language."

There are eight animals depicted in the piece, each three feet by three feet in size. The entire piece weighs in at 800 pounds and has a diameter of 11 feet and is 10 feet high. The couple spent more than \$10,000 on materials.

"We really enjoy speaking with people about it because we want to share the experience of a piece we really believe in," Jennifer said.

Northville Square is located at 133 W. Main Street in downtown Northville. To learn more about the Rutherfords and their work, which is for sale, go to www.uponawall.com.

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Laura Cox easily wins re-election to Wayne County Commission

By **Lonnie Huhman**
Staff Writer

Republican incumbent Laura Cox won re-election to the Wayne County Commission Tuesday, beating Democrat challenger Susan Nichols in what turned out to be a lopsided contest.

Cox, who has served for nearly eight years on the commission, won with 10,536 total votes to Nichols' 5,695. In the City of Northville Cox garnered 382 votes and more than 10,000 in the Northville Township precincts.

"I'm very grateful to all the voters and volunteers who supported me," said Cox, a Livonia resident. "There are big challenges ahead and I plan on working harder to make Wayne County run better."

She said her big focus will be the county's deficit spending. Curbing that will be the goal.

"I'm not going to stop working hard for the taxpayers of Wayne County," Cox said. "I plan on being actively involved in solving our fiscal issues."

This race was for the Wayne County Commis-



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Wayne County Commissioner Laura Cox talks with supporters, including John Gormley.

sion's 9th District, representing Northville and Livonia. It's a two-year term ending in 2014. Cox will continue to run as one of 15 commissioners who comprise the legislative branch of county government.

Despite losing a hard fought race, Northville resident Susan Nichols was thrilled by the outcome.

"I'm in a very red (Republican) area, so the fact that I got 40 percent of the vote is something for me to be happy about," Nichols said.

As for her opponent, she said Cox has done some good things. However, going forward she is hoping for more transparency from the entire commission.

"I hope they work together to stop the corruption," she said. "They need to try to make decisions that make good sense for Wayne County because that's what matters most."

Cox is also looking forward to continuing to work with the Northville community. She said projects like the pathway along Sheldon Road are good examples of getting things done by working together.

"I have always worked well with the elected officials of Northville," she said. "This will continue so that we can accomplish even more goals together."

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Bentivolio claims victory after improbable Congressional run

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Kerry Bentivolio, who rose from relative obscurity to become the Republican front-runner in Michigan's 11th Congressional District race, is heading to Washington, D.C.

And so, presumably, is Democrat David Curson, who will likely serve out the remaining two months of the current 11th Congressional District, based on preliminary, unofficial results.

Bentivolio, a former teacher, home builder and U.S. military veteran from Milford, carried the Oakland County vote Tuesday night for the newly drawn 11th District for the U.S. House of Representatives, which includes portions of Oakland and Wayne counties. His top challenger, Dr. Syed Taj of Canton, was favored in Wayne County — but not by enough votes to earn him the seat.

Unofficial results show Bentivolio earning the two-year term in the newly drawn district, racking up 166,226 votes while Taj received 146,128 votes. Bentivolio had the advantage in Oakland County, snagging 52.39 percent of votes compared to Taj's 42.42 percent, but among Wayne County voters, based on 88 percent of precincts reporting, Taj drew a slight advantage — drawing 48 percent of the votes compared to Bentivolio's 46.3 percent.

Curson is the presumed winner of the race for the final two months of the current 11th congressional District, beating out Bentivolio 140,402-131,959, based on 91 percent of Wayne County precincts reporting. In Oakland County, Bentivolio had the advantage, 56.26 percent, compared to Curson's 38.45 percent, but in Wayne County the balance tipped in Curson's favor, 54 percent to Bentivolio's 39.44 percent.

"We're going to go to Washington and represent the 11th District like it's never been represented before," said Bentivolio dur-



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Kerry Bentivolio gives one of his supporters a hug at his victory party Tuesday night in Novi. The Milford Republican will be the next congressman representing the 11th District.

ing his victory party Tuesday night at the Sheraton Hotel in Novi.

Bentivolio made a brief appearance shortly before midnight Tuesday, telling his crowd of supporters that "it looks pretty good."

"I love you, I thank you very, very much for the opportunity. God blessed us and I hope he will continue to bless us," he said.

Bentivolio ran on a platform of conservative values, decrying a federal government that he said overspends, overborrows and overregulates.

"It's a congressman's job to protect your rights, not take them away," he said, drawing cheers and applause from the crowd.

One of his supporters, Doug Moore of South Lyon, said he knows Bentivolio personally and is confident he will make a difference in Washington.

"He gets it about our country. He's not (just) a politician looking for a job — he cares," Moore said.

Bentivolio was largely ignored in the race until former Congressman Thaddeus McCotter dropped out amid a petition signature scandal. He beat out challengers for the final two months of the current 11th Congressional District seat.

Moore added that Bentivolio's presumed win eased a bit of the sting for

him after Gov. Mitt Romney's apparent defeat in the presidential bid.

"At least we got someone in Washington who might slow down the massive spending, the irresponsible government," he said.

Taj graciously conceded the race Wednesday morning, saying the results represented "democracy, the people's voice."

"We gave it a shot, and came up short," he said. "In an election only two things can happen — win or lose. I had hoped to win, but it didn't go the way I wanted."

Taj said having more experience in the political arena "and more money" might have made a difference, but he holds no bitterness about the campaign or election results.

"The people spoke against me and elected somebody else — that was their choice," he said.

With the race over, Taj said it was too soon to decide if he would eventually seek political office again. "One thing is for sure — I'm going to take a little time off, see what's happening. It's been a year-and-a-half, and I haven't gone anywhere," he said, chuckling.

Curson declined comment until all results were in.

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Rep. Heise breezes to re-election

By **Matt Jachman**
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Freshman state Rep. Kurt Heise, a Republican whose district includes Plymouth, Plymouth Township and eastern Canton Township, secured a second term Tuesday with a decisive win over Democratic challenger Tim Roraback.

Heise won 27,356 votes in the 20th District Michigan House of Repre-

sentatives race, about 56 percent, to 21,445 votes for Roraback. The incumbent did extremely well in Plymouth and Northville townships, also won the cities of Plymouth and Northville, but lost Canton to Roraback, who was helped there by a 58-percent straight-ticket Democratic vote.

Heise is an attorney and the former director of Wayne County's environmental department.



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State Rep. Kurt Heise gathers election results.

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votes.

Mike Nolta, the only Democrat in the race, ran a spirited campaign for trustee but came up short, finishing fifth with 6,888 votes.

Herrmann, who will be serving her second term, admitted she didn't campaign as hard as her first election four years ago and was surprised she finished in first place. She feels the success was due to her hard work on the board.

"I hope it's an affirmation from the people that they are getting someone who is ethical, who is capable, and who is motivated to serve them the way they want," said Herrmann, who is a lieutenant colonel in the U.S. Marine Corps.

Herrmann said she is already working on one of her pet projects — to improve the pathway system in the community.

Heath, a local attorney who was running in her first political campaign, spent much of the day at

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Northville High School talking to voters. As polls closed Tuesday evening, she was happy to be crossing the finish line.

"It's a nice feeling. I feel good about the way I ran. I met a lot of good people, and listened to their concerns," she said.

Nolta, who campaigned as the self-professed "most fiscally conservative candidate", said he knew that he was a long shot as the only Democrat in the race, but had "no regrets" with the campaign he ran.

"This was my first election. I'm pleased with my effort. I realized it was an uphill effort," Nolta said. "But it's been a civil campaign, which is the way it should be. I plan to stay involved and be more involved in my community in other ways."

Despite the fact there will be several new members on the board, Nix, who spent much of the day campaigning for his fellow Republicans, said he feels the makeup of the board will be strong.

"I think we're going to have a real strong board. When we are sworn in on Nov. 15, we will hit the ground running," Nix said. "We'll be prepared. There are some big challenges ahead of us."

Each board member will serve a four-year term. As supervisor (part-time), Nix will earn a \$25,000 salary, while the full-time Hillebrand has a salary of \$82,000, Banner will earn \$17,000 as treasurer (also part-time), and the four trustees earn a salary of \$9,000 per year.

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millage rate of 4.3 mills.

The district is prepared to move ahead on upgrades. It has done so already with some sinking fund money meant for infrastructure. Now the main goal will be improving the daily learning environment for the students.

"Thoughtful planning is already under way in partnership with teachers, staff and students for the purchase and installation of these technology improvements

with a focus on the 21st century learning experiences our students will need to compete in the ever-changing and increasingly interrelated world in which we live," Gallagher said.

Among the voters who approved it, the general consensus was the need to keep Northville as a great district and community.

"I don't have kids, but I know that excellent schools mean a great community," said voter Robert Will. "Having the right technology in place will only help that, so that's why I supported it. Jennifer Goldstein

agreed. For her, good schools also mean good property values.

"Northville is an excellent community to live in, so we need to always find ways to maintain that," she said.

Those who disapproved of it, including Kitty Liddell, said they weren't too familiar with the proposal, so they felt uncomfortable supporting it.

"I wasn't really familiar with it, so I voted no," said Liddell, whose children attend private school.

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Jankowski, Phelps and Wilk pledge to lead district through troubled waters

By **Lonnie Huhman**
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Cyndy Jankowski, Matthew Wilk and Adam Phelps all know they face big challenges ahead in the next four years after winning the race for Northville Public Schools Board of Education.

"The big challenges before us are class size and the teacher staffing to address that, as well as a budget deficit," Wilk said. "Northville schools are excellent and we need to work to maintain that, but we can also work to make it better."

The two incumbents (Jankowski and Wilk) along with newcomer Phelps will fill the three openings on the in what turned out to be a tight race with them beating out first time runners Mickey Barrett and Roland Hwang.

It was a bittersweet ending to a hard fought campaign for Hwang and Barrett. Both congratulated their opponents on their victories.

"I want to congratulate the winning candidates," Hwang said. "I appreciate being able to voice my views on behalf of people all over the district on the issues facing the Northville School District, such as class sizes, focusing on curriculum for the



Cynthia Jankowski



Adam Wilk.



Adam Phelps.

future, and consideration for adding world languages including Mandarin. I hope the discourse on those issues continues for the sake of our students."

Numbers reported from the City of Northville and Northville Township precincts had Jankowski finishing with the highest

est total with 7,397 total votes while Phelps and Wilk garnered 5,730 and 5,602 votes, respectively. Hwang finished a close fourth with 5,480 and Barrett picked up 3,148 votes.

Both incumbents were appointed to their positions during the past year, so this was also their first time running for election.

For Phelps, this is just the start.

"I look forward to working with the other board members to build confidence with our residents and teachers that we're moving the school district in the right direction," he said.

Appointed earlier this year to fill in for the departed Joan Wadsworth, Jankowski said she was humbled by the outcome and is very grateful to the voters showing confidence in her to continue the job.

"To earn the voters trust feels good and I look forward to taking on the challenges in a way that is open and responsive to parent input," she said.

What's ahead of them ahead are continuing fiscal challenges with less funding from the state and an increasing enrollment with larger class sizes, which are just a few of the board faces.

Considering these challenges, Barrett offered up some advice to the new board: "Continue to listen to the parents and students. Get a pulse on how the students think and feel. They are the reason Northville is such a great school district."

School board members earn no annual salary.

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District may add a few teachers to help reduce class size

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To address class size at the middle and high school levels Northville Public Schools will be looking to add three teachers for the rest of this school year.

No final decision has been made yet, but at their last Committee of the Whole meeting the general sense on the Northville Board of Education was to move forward on a plan to consider adding three full-time teaching positions at middle/high school to alleviate class size in areas of greatest need.

According to Superintendent Mary Kay Gallagher, administration was directed after a previous study session meeting to come back with a staffing plan.

“There has been a lot of concern and discussion of class size,” Gallagher said of the reasoning behind this proposal.

One big development is a higher enrollment — about 100 students — which was a surprising development because the district had predicted a flat enrollment from last year. There were just over 7,000 students attending last school year.

This is a move that school board Trustee Scott Craig has been pushing for over the last year. He has spoken with a lot of district teachers and he thinks they are almost at the breaking point with classes ranging in sizes from 38-42 students in some areas.

“This is the right thing to do now,” Craig said.

Board Secretary Jim Mazurek and Treasurer Joe Hige both agree that class size needs addressing, but they say the big challenge facing the district is that it’s still in a fiscal budget deficit position.

“We can take some pain off the table for six months by taking three people, but it doesn’t solve the greater issue,” Hige said of the fiscal challenge.

With the slight increase in enrollment comes some additional revenue. Gallagher said the net change in enrollment is 94 students, which is based on the unaudited FTE count, and the head counts from this past October and February. This will result in just

over \$750,000 in additional revenue and when she compared the teacher adds to the additional funding the spending on hiring will still fall \$170,000 short of that total, so there is some financial room to do this now.

Human Resources director David Rodgers said this is a challenging decision to make because the school district is “continually weighing our budgetary circumstances while also being very mindful of our class sizes.”

However, he said given the increase in enrollment and the respective revenue that comes with such an increase, careful consideration was given to areas within the middle schools and high school that would most benefit from some additional staffing at the semester.

“After much consideration, the decision was made to add the equivalent of three full-time teaching positions which enables us to add additional sections in core areas including math, science, English and world language,” Rodgers said.

He added some of the sections will be absorbed by current part-time NPS teachers and emphasized there are still challenges ahead.

“We still have very significant challenges with funding,” Rodgers said. “These adds should not be interpreted to mean otherwise, but simply reflect the board’s and the administration’s ongoing efforts to strike a careful balance on this important issue that impacts our students and the stability of the district.”

This won’t be the first time this year the district has addressed staffing. Rodgers said during the past summer they made some adjustments to staffing numbers due to the move to full-day kindergarten, so additional elementary teachers were required as part of the transition. In addition to that, staff monitored the projected class sizes at each of the elementary schools, and it was determined there were a few locations that necessitated adding sections.

Six new elementary teachers were hired before the start of school.

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Showing off their moves

A few Meads Mill seventh graders get into some “Gangnam Style” dance moves during the school’s Oct. 24 pep assembly. Meads Mill recognized the efforts of all of their fall sports teams’ efforts and got fired up by a presentation by the school’s cheerleading squad. From left are Morgan Kloosterman, Christina Valentini and Courtney Gozdzor, who are members of the school’s volleyball team.

NORTHVILLE SCHOOL BRIEFS

SANP committee needs space

The Senior All Night Party Committee (SANP) has always strived to put on a safe party after graduation. Very talented parents have put in countless hours to create props and decorations that have transformed the high school in years past. Most of these decorations have been saved and stored. The group is in desperate need for space to do so this year.

The group needs to be out of their current space by Sunday, Nov. 11. If they are unable to secure additional storage, all items will be either donated to the fire department or disposed of. If you have storage space to donate please email Mary Clark at Clark1mf@comcast.net.

This year’s committee is already actively working on the 2013 Senior All Night Party and is looking forward to creating an amazing party for the 2013 graduates.

Parent series

Northville Public Schools is inviting parents to a Michigan CSI Community Seminar from 6:30-8:30 p.m., Nov. 14 at Hillside Middle School. This presentation of the Michigan Cyber

Safety Initiative offers parents an opportunity to learn about how to promote responsible online behavior, reduce the risk of internet predators, and better understand how cyber-bullying and social media impact children.

Meads Mill parking issues

District officials have been receiving complaints about the parking lot situation at Meads Mill Middle School. They are receiving complaints from the elementary schools that some middle school parents are speeding and inattentive when dropping students off at buses. Please be aware that there are staff and child-care students in those lots at the same time our buses are there.

Officials suggest that parents arrive a few minutes earlier and have your child ready to exit the vehicle. Drop off is for the front door for private vehicles, not the band door. At dismissal, the lower lot is for students who require special transport — like using crutches. The top of the circle is not designed for pick up and u-turns. Please stay in the upper lots. The par-

ents using the circle lot and making u-turns are creating traffic issues.

NHS drama production

The Northville High School Drama Club will present “A Christmas Story” Nov. 15-17, at Northville High School. Show times are 7 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday, with an additional 2 p.m. matinee on Saturday. General admission tickets for A Christmas Story are \$10 for adults and \$8 for students and seniors age 55 and over.

To order tickets, visit www.showtix4u.com/boxoffice.php?submit=Search+for+Events&begin=1542968¤t_client=0401451209101148&ts=1349697430.

Tickets are also available at the Northville Public Schools Central Office, 501 West Main Street, Room 307 from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. weekdays. Additionally, the Box Office at Northville High School will be open one hour prior to each performance.

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Special visits

The two NCA Lights Robotics Team from Northville Christian Assembly recently visited Wynwood Senior Living Community to interview its residents. The teams are working on their first Lego League Project of creating an innovative solution to help senior citizens. They learned the answers to such questions as: “What is the hardest thing about getting old?” Pictured are (front row from left) Allen Ho, Eric Liu, Natalie Corrigan, Disha Satapathy, Melina Varlamos, (back row from left) Zachary Brauchler and Bryce Cosmon.



The second team included (front row from left) Mitchell Brown, Jake Bulat, Evan Lenze, Reilly Mitchell, (back row from left) Xavier Stockman, Xander Strattor, Brody Mitchell, and Gabe McKean.

Parents offer some ideas as school officials begin to ponder redistricting

By **Lonnie Huhman**
Staff Writer

‘Don’t separate the neighborhoods’ and ‘try to make it last as long as possible’ are the two guiding principles some Northville Public School parents want to see the district hold fast to as district officials move forward on the attendance boundary study process.

This process will eventually lead to a decision to reshuffle some district students around to another school building in an effort to balance out the growing number of students in schools like Meads Mill Middle School and Ridge Wood Elementary.

Before the Northville Board of Education goes forward with the process and come up with a plan, they accepted some input from parents at their last Committee of the Whole meeting on Oct. 30. More than 15 parents attended to voice their concerns and give ideas.

It’s the board’s goal to balance the following guiding principles as boundary plan options are developed: keep families together (K-5 children attend the same school), develop a plan that will last for as long as possible, balance enrollment across schools within school capacity, and minimize length of bus rides/transportation costs to the extent possible.

Parent Bill Stevens said he hoped the school district’s main goal would be to have this change last “as long as possible.” He hopes the plan will shoot for a higher number of lasting years so his daughter will be able to go from kindergarten through fifth-grade at the same school.

School board vice president Ken Roth said they do want to shoot for the higher goal, but he said it’s unfair to say to the community that goal will succeed. He said planning out beyond five years is speculation, and added experience has taught them not to do this.

The last time the Northville Public Schools last addressed attendance boundary changes was in the 2007-08 school year.

“We are shooting for five years or better, and if we get the better, great, but be aware this is the world we live in,” Roth said.

In other words, Northville continues to experience growth, primarily in the western region of the district and has seen an increase of more than 100 new students overall this year. According to Superintendent Mary Kay Gallagher, this growth has resulted in some imbalance in enrollment across schools and has stretched capacity at several buildings.

Parents Tammy Raffle and Allison Link said they feel the main goal should be to keep communities together and not split up neighborhoods. Raffle said moving onward she would be willing to drive further everyday if it meant her neighborhood staying together as a unit.

“Keep communities together,” Link said. “It will take a lot of emotion out of it if you keep this in mind.”

Roth said the process will be open-minded, transparent and input will be respected, but he said there will always be someone who will not be happy with the outcome.

School Board president Dottie Garrity said she has gone through a change in schools with her children and understands the concerns. She said it may be impossible to make every neighborhood happy because of the sizes of some of the subdivisions.

Treasurer Joe Hige said they will be trying to balance the numbers in order to bring equity to the entire district.

“None of us, who have kids in the schools, we don’t want to go through this either, so we want to do the best job we can to make the best decisions we can,” Garrity said of the process.

The board was expected to make a decision on the guiding principles at its Tuesday, Nov. 6 meeting. It’s assumed they will try to keep families together; minimize the division of neighborhoods to the extent possible; and minimize the number of families impacted.

The next step will have district administrators developing and reviewing alternative attendance boundary scenarios including bus routing. The school board will review proposed options at a study session in late January or early February.

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‘Bricks for Kidz’



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Silver Springs’ Elementary School students Charlie Green, left, and Justin Rickard team up to work on a “Bricks for Kidz” project on Oct. 30. The projects give students a chance, working from detailed instructions and blueprints, to put together a multi-piece toy with a small motor to test their problem solving abilities.

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Dressed as Ninja-Turtle Raphael, Renee Breyer hands out treats at her Northville home on Oct. 31 as trick-or-treaters take to the streets.

Northville District Library tech worker Michael McEvoy holds a battery-powered bat to complete his interesting costume as he greets trick-or-treaters in downtown Northville on Halloween night.



Vampire Ally Braidwood, 11, gets set to haunt the streets of Northville on Halloween night.



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Wixom man arrested in roadway shootings

By Aileen Wingblad
Staff Writer

A 43-year-old man was arrested Monday night at a Wixom home on Kings Crown Court in connection with 24 shootings reported in four counties. The shootings began Oct. 16 in Wixom and Commerce Township, then spread to Livingston, Ingham and Shiawassee counties. Only one person was reported injured in the string of shootings, Delton resident Scott Arnold, 46, who was hit by a bullet Oct. 27 while traveling eastbound on I-96 near Fowlerville. A separate incident had occurred about 30 minutes prior to Arnold being shot. All the shootings were at motorists except one that narrowly missed a Wixom man as he took out his trash. A press release issued Tuesday by the task force working on the case stated the arrest resulted from information received during the past few days and that potential evidence seized during the arrest will be evaluated by crime laboratories. The suspect is known to have driven a vehicle matching the vehicle description provided by one of the victims, police said.

Additional information about the investigation or the suspect, including his name and arraignment date, hasn't been released as the investigation continues by the four county prosecutor's offices and the U.S. Attorney's Office. Brett Baier, who lives a few doors from the residence where the man was taken into custody, said the suspect is the son-in-law of the homeowners and moved there a couple months ago with his wife and young child. He said he has known the homeowners for the past 12 years, describing them as "an older couple who have always been very nice," but that he wasn't acquainted with the suspect. "We didn't see much of him; he didn't really talk to anyone," Baier said. Baier said everyone but the suspect — including his wife and child — attended a neighborhood Halloween party last weekend. Baier said police towed the suspect's car, a charcoal-colored Chevy Malibu, from the in-laws' home at around 5 p.m. on Monday night. About six hours later, several law enforcement vehicles filled Kings Crown Court. "They lit up the whole house," he said. Soon after, he and other neighbors standing

outdoors learned of the arrest from FBI agents, he said. The arrest took Baier by surprise. "I never thought something like this would happen around here. This is a very quiet area," he said. As for the suspect's in-laws, wife and child, Baier said "I feel bad for them. It's kind of sad." Baier said the suspect didn't resemble the sketch released by law enforcement, reportedly created from information provided by a witness. The suspect, Baier said, has short curly hair and looks older than the late 20s, early 30s age range that had been described. The task force of some 100 law enforcement personnel reportedly received more than 2,800 tips since it was established Oct. 19, three days after the shootings began. Though an arrest has been made, the task force continues to encourage citizens to report information that could lead to potential suspects. Anonymous tips can be reported to 1-800-SPEAK-UP. Tips can also be reported to any local police agency. A \$102,000 reward was offered for information leading to an arrest and conviction.

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A night of comedy

Improv at the Point, an evening of comedy hosted by local performer and TPT favorite, Dave Davies will take place at 7 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 11. The event is a fundraiser for the non-profit Tipping Point Theatre, which is located at 361 E. Cady Street, Northville. Tickets are \$15 and seating is limited. Davies, most recently seen at TPT in "The Love List" (nominated for a Wilde Award and by the Rogue Critic for Best Comedy) has been an improviser for as long as he can remember. His entire life has been a series of unscripted situations that he simply "ad-libs" his way through his performance. "Life can be so spontaneous," he said. For tickets or for more information, call the Box Office at (248) 347-0003 or visit www.tippingpointtheatre.com.



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Massage Envy, located at 17909 Hagerty Road in Northville, will offer "Massages for Military" — an event honoring military personnel, veterans, and their spouses. In appreciation for their service, Massage Envy will provide military participants complimentary one-hour massage sessions on Sunday, Nov. 11 from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

"We are excited to be able to give back to the men and women who have dedicated their lives for the safety and freedoms of our country," said Josh Shields owner of Massage Envy Spa Northville. "Massage is a tremendous stress reducer and ideal gift for us to provide to our military personnel and their spouses."

Those eligible for the special event are encouraged to call (248) 697-2961 to set up a session time.

Northville Square seeks vendors

Northville Square is accepting applications for vendors with holiday-themed gifts, crafts and art for the "Holiday Marketplace" scheduled for Dec. 7-9. For more information call (248) 773-7664.

Annual holiday event

Craig David Butler Studios will hold their annual holiday event from noon to 5 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 1 at Northville Hills Golf Club, 15565 Bay Hill Drive, Northville. The event theme is "Deck Yourself Out for the Holiday's". The event will provide for a very entertaining afternoon filled with live demonstrations. Salon Domani will demonstrate holiday hair styles and Mi Amore will demonstrate make-up tips for day to evening looks. The Pampered Chef will explain ways to entertain during the holidays. To top off the festivities there will be a live fashion show showcasing holiday apparel from area boutiques.

The silent auction/fundraiser is being held in honor of photographer, Dionne Haglund, who on Sept. 10 was diagnosed with a very rare and aggressive form of breast cancer. She is a mother of

two young sons, 13 years and 3 months. She has been told by her doctors that she will be unable to work during her 20 weeks of chemotherapy, which adds additional financial stress along with fighting for her life.

For tickets to the event, visit <http://cdbstudiosdeckyourselfout.eventbrite.com>, or for more information call Bonnie Butler at (734) 560-3220 or email her at bonnielbutler@me.com.

Book signing

Barnes & Noble, located at 17111 Hagerty Road in Northville, will host a book signing from 1-3 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 18 with local authors Cathy Clough and Linda Pouliot. Their book "GRIEVING FORWARD: Death Happened, Now What?" has become a resource for people grieving the death of a close loved one, and discusses the five needs of every griever plus how to deal with normal grief guilt, normal grief anger, normal grief depression and the "dumb" things that people say. Clough is the founder and executive director of New Hope Center for Grief Support in Northville.

Both women will be on hand to sign copies of the book. Also signing his book will be Jim Bloom, author of "A Tithe of Their Own", the story of a humble couple who was led to Vietnam to minister to soldiers for seven years and found God leading them into a broader ministry.

Short sale seminar

The MacNRo Team, Keller Williams agents working the Detroit metro Area, will host a free seminar about short sales from 6:30-8 p.m., Monday, Nov. 12 at the Novi Public Library, 45255 10 Mile Road.

A Professional Resource Panel, from both the selling and buying side, including a Lawyer, CPA, financial advisor, mortgage specialist, broker and real estate agent, will answer questions about short sales, and discuss options.

Call Sheila Roma at (248) 760-6785 or Debby McLaughlin at (248) 561-0077 for reservations by Friday, Nov. 9.

Coming into focus

Vision care and selection is what it's all about at Urban Optiques

By Lonnie Huhman
Staff Writer

Comfort, cutting edge styles, a wide selection and patient care are just a few of the reasons why Urban Optiques is such a popular vision center for Northville and surrounding communities.

Owned and operated by Dr. Michelle Calder, Urban Optiques boasts one of Metro-Detroit's most extensive collections of premium boutique, designer and luxury eyewear. It offers more than 700 of the latest frames and sunglasses from exclusive brands like Sama, Badgley Mischka, Loree Rodkin eyeCouture, Chrome Hearts, Prada, Lafont, Lanvin, Chloé, Tag Heuer, FRED and much more.

But it's not just the selection that makes it a great place. Dr. Calder, the lead optometrist, said it's also about their number one goal, "to make taking care of your eyes like taking a trip to the spa, instead of the eye doctor's office." Each staff member has the experience and ability to make this happen.

"We are about patient experience and care," she said. "We will spend as much time as needed to ensure the patient has what they need and desire."

Located in downtown at 105 Maincentre, Urban Optiques has been a vision center for some time, but it re-opened its doors in 2009 after Dr. Calder left her former career as an engineer, received her Doctor of Optometry from The Michigan



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Northville's Urban Optiques owner Dr. Michelle Calder models a pair of the Main Street Centre's popular line of Tom Davies eyeglass frames. The frames, which are hand-made in England, can be customized with different colored bridges and bridges to exactly fit a wearer's face.

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College of Optometry at Ferris State University and bought the location. She is also a state licensed optometrist specializing in ocular disease diagnosis and treatment, contact lenses and vision therapy.

Dr. Calder said each patient has different needs, so finding that right custom fit for them is the priority. She said it's essential that this be considered throughout the process. It all begins with one of the most comprehensive vision and ocular health exams around and then from there finding the right fit and style.

The selection of frames and eyewear has something for everyone. There are specialty glasses for those who are in front of the computer all day to those who need something that is flexible and can

stand up to constantly taking them on and off. Children's glasses are also available.

The end goal is to find a pair of glasses that a patient can see well out of and likes to wear.

"Finding the right pair is a big deal for people, and that's why we offer the complete service that we do," Calder said.

To find out more about Urban Optiques and its services, or to schedule an appointment call (248) 347-9090 or email them at seebeseen@urbanoptiques.com. The website is www.urbanoptiques.com and they are on Facebook at www.facebook.com/pages/Northville-MI/Urban-Optiques-Vision-and-Eyewear/181514871460 and Twitter at www.twitter.com/urbanoptiques.

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Bailey & Shamoun Interiors ready to kick off holiday help

In an effort to give back and bring joy to the underserved during the holidays, Bailey & Shamoun Interiors of Northville has again selected Holiday Helpers as its mission for the 2012 Christmas season.

Kicking off with a Girls Night Out on Nov. 9 at their downtown Northville store, Bailey & Shamoun will be supporting Holiday Helpers throughout the November and December holiday season.

Holiday Helpers is a non-profit organization started and run by several Grand Valley State University students, including many gradu-

ates of Northville High School. Holiday Helpers' mission is dedicated to easing the burden and stresses of children's hospital stays that coincide with the holiday season. For further information: www.holidayhelpersmi.org.

"Holiday Helpers is a great cause," said Bailey & Shamoun owner Kathryn Bailey. "Their mission is to serve children who are hospitalized during the holiday season — something that brings joy and a sense of caring to a child during this special time."

Shoppers will have the opportunity to purchase a \$5 donation card for

Holiday Helpers at the Bailey & Shamoun Interiors Store, an interior design service and home furnishings store located at 191 Cady Centre in downtown Northville. The donations will fund toy purchases for hospitalized children in Michigan. This year marks Bailey & Shamoun's second year of support. In 2011 the store raised nearly \$2,000 with the support of its customers.

Bailey & Shamoun Interiors store hours are Monday-Thursday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Friday 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, call (248) 380-7898.



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Medical miracle

Reattached hand puts man in medical history books

By Julie Brown
Staff Writer

Todd Nadeau, 51, of Northville Township holds a place in medical history.

Nadeau, who at the time was a senior at Catholic Central High School, was working a summer job at a downtown Northville car wash site when an industrial accident severed his hand.

"I had just turned 18," the psychologist recalled. "The saw was still moving. The next thing I knew my hand was severed."

Young Nadeau was rushed to then-St. Mary Hospital in Livonia and from there to Harper Hospital in Detroit "where they had a team of hand surgeons."

His first operation was 15 hours, with more surgeries to follow.

"It was the first successful reattachment," Nadeau said. "I've had 22 major surgeries (since), about 120 hours of surgeries."

He has about 20 percent use of the injured right hand, and can grip with it. Nadeau engineered braces approved by the NCAA (National Collegiate Athletic Association) to allow him to play basketball as a Wayne State University and Albion College student.

The accident was Aug. 12, 1979, said Nadeau, who certainly didn't set out to make medical history.

"That wasn't my goal. You go through something like that, you're just gripping the steering wheel as tight as you can."

His great family and school helped, "a lot of encouraging people. It helped me to weather the storm."

Nadeau had been in several sports at CC but focused on basketball as a



Nadeau severed his right hand in a 1979 accident. He continues to wear a special sleeve to protect the limb.

senior. "Most people didn't give me a whole lot of respect" as an injured athlete, he recalled.

He still plays basketball at Our Lady of Victory in Northville and St. James in Novi.

Nadeau works with traumatic brain injury patients, who also must learn to cope.

"Now all of a sudden you have a tragedy. You've got to cope and deal with it," he said.

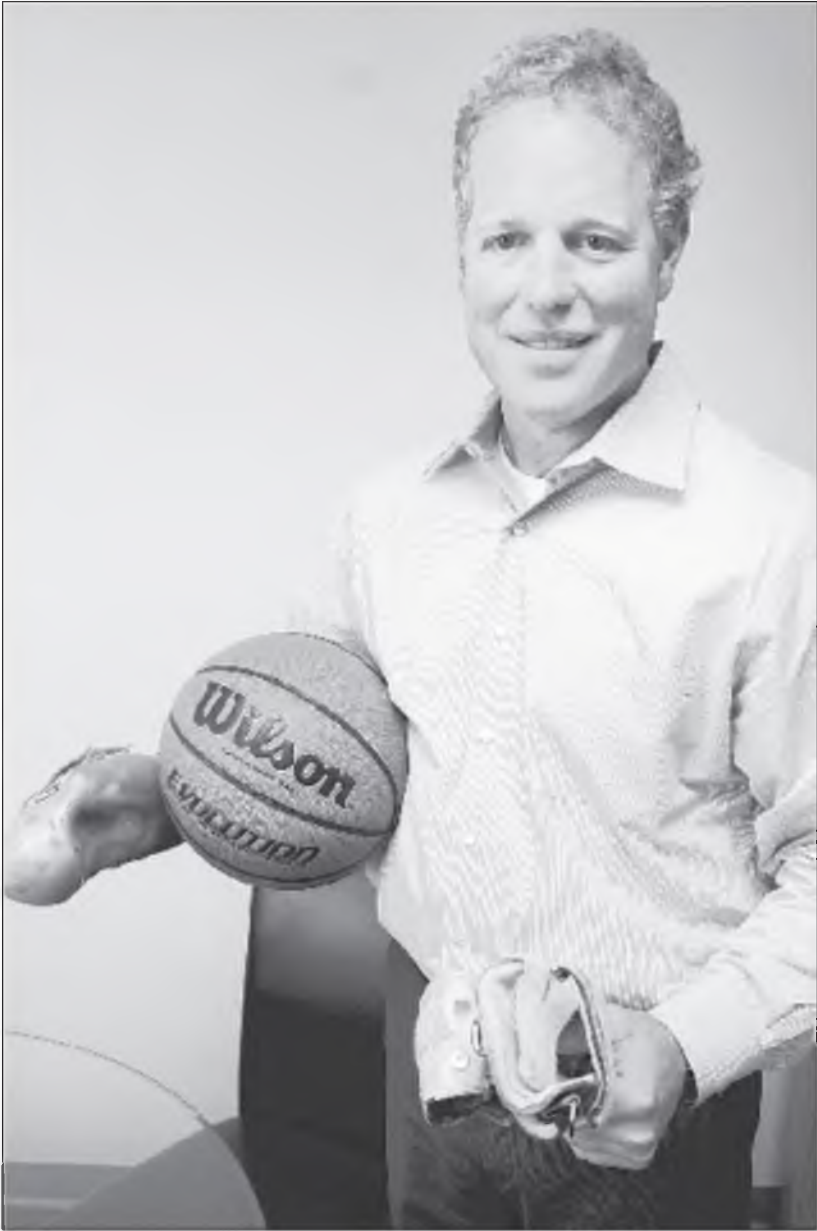
Still to this day, he gets a lot of questions about his injury.

"It was a miracle to have it saved. I was blessed to have strong family," he says.

Nadeau earned a B.S. in biology from Albion along with a B.A. in psychology there. He also holds an M.A. from Western Michigan University in psychology.

He works out of Novi and Grand Blanc offices as a psychologist. Nadeau is married to Julie and dad to two daughters in 10th and ninth grades and a son in first grade.

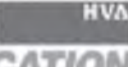
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Novi psychologist Todd Nadeau severed his right hand in a 1979 accident and was one of the first successful reattachments of a limb in the state of Michigan. He went on to play basketball in college using a padded brace that he designed himself. Nadeau wears the padded brace in this photo and also holds another brace he developed for weight lifting.

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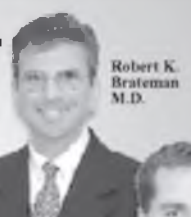
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NORTHVILLE POLICE BRIEFS

Trespassing

Northville Township police continue to write tickets for people trespassing on the former Northville Psychiatric Hospital property on Seven Mile.

On Oct. 28, shortly after midnight, officers arrested a 36-year-old Canton man and a 41-year-old Detroit man found squatting on the property. Both men had felony warrants. Officers made the arrests after monitoring the property, and witnessing the two walking on the north end near the main building. When confronted, both men said they did not have identification, and that they were homeless and looking for somewhere to sleep. One of the men gave a false name, which police realized after performing a fingerprint test with the Livescan program. Both men were detained and taken to the Northville Township Police Department, where they were issued trespassing tickets. The Detroit man was also charged with obstruction for lying about his identity and then turned

over to Westland police. He has two felony warrants out of Westland, and another from Livonia.

The Canton man was turned over to Wayne County, where he has a felony warrant. He also has one warrant out of Houghton County.

Both men were given a Nov. 14 date to appear in 35th District Court.

On Oct. 26, police ticketed six teens (two from Warren and four from East-pointe) for trespassing on the property. An officer saw them walking on the property, and commanded them to come over and talk to him. At first they ran into a wooded area, but soon came out and spoke to the officer. They were cited for trespassing and also given a Nov. 14 date in 35th District Court.

Wheels stolen

A 59-year-old Northville Township resident called police to report someone stole the tires and rims from his vehicle sometime between 11 a.m. on Oct. 21 and 9:45 a.m. on Oct. 23, when he realized they were missing.



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Northville Township officials are trying to determine the most cost-effective way to demolish the buildings on the former Robert Scott Correctional facility at Five Mile and Beck, so they can sell the property to a developer.

Township mulling options for former prison site

By **Lonnie Huhman**
Staff Writer

Northville Township has a few options before it for the demolition and removal of the closed down Robert Scott Correctional Facility, which the township recently took ownership of, according to Public Services Director Tom Casari.

The option eventually picked by township officials will probably be the one that makes the most financial sense.

The township purchased the former prison for \$1 from the State of Michigan in September. Now it's trying to put together a demolition plan for the 53-acre property at 5 Mile and Beck roads, which includes multiple buildings and is surrounded by barbed wire fencing.

Casari gave the board of trustees an update at their October meeting on the options he put together. He said going into this the board made it clear that they see this location as a great opportunity to create a gateway into the community. And they also

made it very clear they all want to see the place leveled for new development and not for a prison.

The options were rated by two main factors: which one will have the entire prison removed and what has the least financial risk. Other factors include decrease liability and exposure to the township, and guarantee the best resale value.

The first option Casari calls the "do nothing alternative", which is to just throw up a 'for sale' sign out front and try to sell it to a developer that can deal with the demolition and removal costs. But he said that might not accomplish their goals for the site.

"There are not many pros to that. There are a lot of cons though," he said of this option.

The second is a hybrid that involves the township salvaging as much as they can to generate revenue and then demolish as much they can so it doesn't become a prison again. He said there is potentially \$400,000 in salvage revenue, but to do this the township would have to spend

more than \$100,000 on staff time and then another \$100,000 to cover public safety/security for up to an eight month period.

"That option might net us \$160,000, but you are going to have some pretty rough looking buildings still sitting there," he said. "You're going to market the property and it's probably not going to receive its highest value because it doesn't look so good."

The final one would be to set up a license agreement with a demolition company that would have the contractor taking temporary ownership so it can get what it wants out of it salvage-wise, but after six or eight months the township would take it back. Casari said the contractor could do what they want, but when done all of the buildings should be gone.

He said this option may give it the best resale value.

The township should be making a decision on this in the coming months.

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ABB, NORMA M.

Age 90, passed away November 2, 2012. She was born on January 11, 1922, in St. Louis, MO, to the late Peter and Clara (Volk) Schneider. She retired from Sears Roebuck Co. after 30 years of service as a Credit Supervisor. She was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church Altar Society and a teacher's aide with the South Lyon School district. Norma is survived by her children: Alexi (James) Volz, Robert Abb, James (Nancy) Abb; five grandchildren: Karen, Anne, Nathan, Gregory, Robert; three great-grandchildren: Jeffrey, Devin, Morgan; two step-grandchildren: Sarah, Christopher and her sister Doris Hoffman. She was preceded in death by her husband Leo in 1984, three brothers and two sisters. Visitation was held held on Nov. 6, Tuesday, from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. with a funeral mass following at 11:00 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 830 S. Lafayette, South Lyon. Memorial contributions may be made to Beaumont Hospice, 1410 E. 14 Mile Rd, Madison Heights, MI 48071. Online guestbook: www.phillipsfuneral.com

BALDEN, JOSEPH FRANCIS (FRANK)

Died November 4, 2012. Born March 2, 1930 to William and Elise Balden. Lifetime resident of South Lyon. Preceded in death by his beloved wife of 51 years, Barbara (Copeland) Balden, his youngest daughter, Sandra (Balden) Ledbetter and granddaughter Billie Joe Cavanaugh; his sisters, Margaret (Balden) Day and Mary (Balden) Simmons, and brother Leonard Balden. Survived by son Robert (Ellen) Balden, daughter Sharon (Bill) Cavanaugh, son Thomas Balden, son William (Julie) Balden and daughter Patricia (Frederick) Simpson. He had eight grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. A veteran of the U.S. Army 1952 to 1954; and a member of the V.F.W. Post #2502 in South Lyon. Frank worked for Packaging Corporation of Plymouth, MI for 35 plus years. Interment in Oakland Hills Cemetery in Novi, MI.

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FRENETTE JOHN, JR.

Passed away November 4, 2012. He was born on April 10, 1950; son of the late John and Joan Frenette. John proudly served in the Army 101st Airborne Rangers and was a member of the American Legion Post 235 in Brighton. He was an Executive Chef in the area for many years prior to his retirement. He is survived by his loving wife Ricki Frenette, his son Clint (Charity) Frenette, his brother Larry and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by three brothers and his parents. Memorial contributions in loving memory of John can be made to his family: Ricki Frenette care of Phillips Funeral Home, 122 West Lake Street South Lyon, MI 48178. Visitation will be held on November 9, Friday, from 3:00-9:00 p.m. A Funeral service will be on Nov. 10, Saturday at 11:00 a.m. at Phillips Funeral Home, South Lyon.

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MCCORD, ANDREW PAUL

Age 61, died after a nine-month struggle with cancer Saturday, Oct. 27, 2012 at home in New Hudson. Andy was born in Ann Arbor on June 27, 1951 to Edna (Gae) and Denver McCord. He attended schools in Grand Rapids; Scottsdale, AZ and Plymouth, graduating from Plymouth High School in 1969. Andy was a gifted mechanic and carpenter and often volunteered to fix cars, lawn mowers, motorcycles and other motorized equipment for friends and neighbors. As a young man, he also was a test driver, and "train-wrecker," driving the heavy equipment needed to right derailed railroad cars. Car racing – first as a mechanic and driver and then as a spectator – was among his life-long passions, as was reading – especially detective mysteries. After many years apart, Andy reconnected with his high school sweetheart, Detroit News Business Editor Joanna Firestone, and the couple married in 1993. The following year, their son Matthew was born, and Andy became a full-time, at-home dad – a role he relished, from driving carpools to supervising homework to arranging doctors appointments. Always a talented cook, he taught himself the art of smoking fish, meat, cheese, nuts and other foods and delighted in delivering these treats to his friends and family. Andy is survived by his wife, Joanna Firestone; son Matthew McCord, a student at Ohio Wesleyan University; mother Gae McCord of Novi; sister Martha (William) Nedzel of Columbia, SC.; brothers Patrick (Tish) McCord of Westport, CN and William (Tracy) McCord of Plymouth; aunt and uncle Nancy and Robert Cooper of Plymouth; nephew and niece Casey and Maria McCord of Plymouth; sister-in-law and brother-in-law Janis and Russell Nelson of New Albany, OH; and nephew Russell Nelson of Cordova, TN. Visitation is at 10 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 17 at the First United Methodist Church in South Lyon, followed by a memorial service at 11 a.m. Memorial gifts may be made to Active Faith (P.O. Box 188, South Lyon, MI 48178 or online at: www.activefaithcs.org a nondenominational food & clothing bank & social services agency serving the South Lyon area

MIELKE, DAVID R.

Passed away Nov. 4, 2012. Call Phillips Funeral Home at 248-437-1616 for arrangements. Online guestbook: ww.phillipsfuneral.com

SEGAL, JEREMY G.

Age 30, passed away Sunday, Nov. 4, 2012 in a car accident. He was born on Sunday May 9, 1982, to Gordon and Carol (Coffelt) Segal. Jeremy is survived by his beloved wife of 6 ½ years, Nadine; his loving children: Livia and Jackson; parents: Gordon and Carol Segal; sisters: Joy Segal, Jamie (Sean) Cummings; maternal grandparents: Harold and Hazel Coffelt; 5 nieces and nephews: Christopher, Courtney, Caiden, Mason, Owen; and many aunts, uncles, cousins, and loving friends. He was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents Harry Segal and Theresa Blevins. Visitation will be held on Nov. 8, Thursday, from 1:00 - 9:00 p.m. at Phillips Funeral Home, 122 West Lake Street, South Lyon. A funeral service will be held on Nov. 9, Friday, at 11:00 a.m. at the Fellowship Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 22200 Pontiac Trail, South Lyon. Memorial contributions may be made to his children's future, c/o Nadine Segal. Online guestbook: www.phillipsfuneral.com

WALLACE, BRODIE

Age 87, passed away November 2, 2012. He was born on June 2, 1925 in Marguerite, Pennsylvania to the late Brody and Anne (Haxton) Wallace. While growing up, he moved often as his father found work as a draft horse teamster on farms in Pennsylvania, Ohio, and Michigan. He joined the U.S. Marine Corps in 1943 and served in the Pacific Theater (including Iwo Jima) as a member of the 10th Amphibious Tractor Battalion. Upon discharge from the Marines in 1946 he rejoined his family at their farm in the South Lyon area. On October 25, 1952 Brodie married Elizabeth (Betty) Lee in New Hudson. He drove truck for over 30 years for Hornet Concrete, Hamlin-McCain, and Milford Redi-Mix. During that period he always found time to coach Little League and attend local sporting events. In his retirement he enjoyed farming, playing cards, and spending time with his grandchildren. Brodie is survived by his daughter Nancy of Linden; sons Jim (Laurie) and David of Chandler, AZ; grandchildren Samantha, Ian, and Elizabeth of Tempe, AZ; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; wife Betty; sisters Ann, Cecelia, and Margaret; brothers John and Jim; and grandson Andrew. Visitation Nov. 7, Wednesday, 3:00 - 9:00 p.m. at Phillips Funeral Home, South Lyon.

Online guestbook:
www.phillipsfuneral.com

WILLIAMS, DAVID DALE

Age 64, passed away October 30, 2012. He was born on November 19, 1947, in Flint, to the late Dallas and Ellen (Gerhard) Williams. He attended Pontiac Central High School, Cedarville College, OCCC and received a degree in Business Administration. On Aug. 9, 1968, he married Carol Dudley. He retired from General Motors as an Electrical Troubleshooter and was a self-employed craftsman. He served in the U.S. Navy as a Radarman 3rd Class during Vietnam. David loved to fish, teach, and lead small groups. He loved the water, swimming and traveling. He enjoyed woodworking and making hand turned pens. He was a member of the Oak Pointe Church and the American Woodworkers Association. David is survived by his loving wife Carol Dudley Williams; daughter Lauri Ann and Bob Zdravkovski; brother Dean; sister-in-law Terry Ann Williams; his aunt Sue Hodge and several nieces, nephews and cousins. He was preceded in death by his brothers Dwight and Dan. Visitation was held on Nov. 3, Saturday, 6:00 - 9:00 p.m., Nov. 4, Sunday 3:00 - 9:00 p.m. A funeral service was held on Nov. 5, Monday, at 11:00 a.m. at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, 122 West Lake Street, South Lyon. Online guestbook www.phillipsfuneral.com

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Total Estimated Allocation – Wayne County		\$42,000
Proposed uses include:		
Public Services- Senior services		\$ 9,442
Rehab Publicly Residential		\$28,438
General Program Administration		\$ 4,120

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Proposed uses include:		
Public Services- Senior services		\$ 5,000

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OUR VIEWS

More than a pat on the back

On Sunday, the nation will celebrate Veterans Day. Dating back to Armistice Day ending World War I in 1918, the annual national holiday honors our military veterans who have served during wartime, and is a reminder that our freedoms have not been given to us but earned on battlefields all over the globe.

One of the questions we hear every year on Nov. 11 and will likely hear on Sunday is: "Have you thanked a veteran today?"

All over the country, communities and military organizations will host ceremonies where we do just that — thank America's 21 million military veterans for the sacrifices they have made for each and every one of us.

Unfortunately, though, in many cases our veterans need more than just an annual pat on the back. In particular, recent veterans of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan could use the same commitment from their nation as they have shown in its defense.

In the time since the U.S. was attacked on Sept. 11, 2001, roughly 2.5 million military personnel have been sent overseas to either Iraq or Afghanistan (or in many cases to both). Of those, nearly half have been deployed more than once. In addition to the 6,600 troops killed in action, far too many veterans have suffered serious injuries that have rendered them unable to live a normal existence.

About 50,000 troops have the visible scars of war, while many more have suffered from invisible injuries like post-traumatic stress disorder and depression that have destroyed families and in too many cases led to suicide.

And if the injuries weren't bad enough, many of the veterans have come home to find other obstacles. The U.S. Department of Labor Statistics reports the unemployment rate for the most recent military veterans is about 12 percent — well over the national rate of 7.9 percent. It is even worse when you look at younger, male veterans between the ages of 18 and 24, who are experiencing an unemployment rate of nearly 30 percent.

This is unacceptable. And it is likely to get worse. Over the next five years, as we begin to pull out of Afghanistan, there will be another million veterans returning to civilian life. The post-war landscape they face is bleak.

The Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America (IAVA), a non-partisan, non-profit organization committed to veterans of Iraq and Afghanistan, recently released some troubling information it gleaned after surveying its members.

- Almost half of their unemployed members did not feel that employers were open to hiring veterans.

- Some 37 percent of IAVA members personally know someone they served with or another veteran who has committed suicide.

- About two-third of their members do not think troops and veterans are getting the care they need for mental health injuries.

- More than 30 percent are divorced or broke up with a long-term partner as a result of deployment and the return home.

While the public's attention and interest in the wars has waned considerably, these brave individuals and their families have trudged, bearing the brunt of these conflicts. It is understandable the nation has become war weary with a conflict that has gone on for more than a decade, but that is no excuse for ignoring the plight of veterans.

Perhaps one answer is a program to create jobs specifically for returning veterans, similar to Franklin Roosevelt's Civilian Conservation Corps that put many people to work during the Great Depression. In fact, President Obama proposed something similar earlier this year. His proposal would have spent \$1 billion over five years to help vets find work in their communities. Unfortunately, the bill was buried in election year politics and stalled.

Now that the election is over, it is time to revisit the bill or something similar that puts veterans to work and helps them pick up the pieces of their lives so they can continue to be contributing members of society.

Some may say — and they have — that we don't have the money for such programs. Where were those critics when we somehow found the money to send these patriots off to war?

We urge our elected officials to honor the commitment this nation made to our troops.

Our obligation to them extends far beyond a handshake and pat on the back once a year.

COMMUNITY VOICE

Veterans Day is Sunday, Nov. 11. Is there anything you'd like to say to our veterans?

We asked this question in downtown Northville.



"Thank you. Without them, we wouldn't have our freedoms. I can't thank them enough."

Cheri Harvey
Northville



"Thank you!"

Oliivia Booth
Northville



"Thank you for all that you've done. We need to do more to properly thank them."

Kim Guenther
Northville



"Thank you for your service."

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Northville

LETTERS

Career day a success

On behalf of the American Association of University Women-Northville, Novi I want to thank members of our community for participating in Career Path Day on Oct. 25. This was an event organized to provide eighth grade girls from Novi Middle School with the opportunity to explore their local community college and to introduce them to local women entrepreneurs.

We especially want to thank the organizers at Novi Middle School: RJ Webber, Stephanie Schreiner, Leslie Condon, Madeline Mills and Joann Kefalas as well as Arlene Frank, Evan Kaplan, Sue Baier, Gail Piepenburg and Pam Micallef, presenters at Oakland Community College.

The establishments in Northville that participated are Lora's, Urban Optiques, The Bee's Knees, Chocolates by Renee and Tipping Point Theatre. The Northville Chamber of Commerce provided walking maps of the downtown and Michelle Fecht, representing the City Council, welcomed our visitors to Northville.

We are gratified at the enthusiasm expressed by the girls, the organizers and the presenters and realize that only with the cooperation of everyone could the day be such a great success.

Christine Litka

chairperson, Career Path Day

Turf Club needs help with Phase II

The new and improved Tom Holzer Ford Field has seen plenty of action in the first few months of the 2012 athletic season. All three of Northville High School's football teams, as well as the eight teams from the Northville Youth Football organization represented by the Colts and Stallions, have hosted numerous games to the delight of our community and Northville sports fans alike. Northville lacrosse programs, both at the high school and recreation programs, are looking forward to utilizing the field in the spring of 2013.

We could not be more thrilled with Phase I of our campaign, which gave Northville athletics the "next-generation" in turf-grass fields. Phase I was primarily funded through donations from the community, school sports organizations, as well as a few very generous local sponsors, in addition to being supplemented by the Sinking Fund Bond. The temporary Turf Club Donor Board, which is located at the northern end of the track and football field, displays a list of donors, regardless of donation amount. A permanent wall will be erected in Phase II.

While we are excited and beaming with pride as to what was completed in Phase I, we are not done yet. The ultimate vision includes fan-friendly entrances, upgraded and renovated restrooms and locker rooms, a larger storage facility to house

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Phase II needs you. How can you help now? Go to our website www.nhsturfclub.org for details on how to make a monetary donation. Your donation is fully tax deductible as a 501(c)3 organization through Northville Athletic Boosters.

Additionally, we are hosting a second "Night for Northville" at Northville Square on Saturday, Feb. 23, 2013. Tickets are \$100 each (\$70 of which is tax-deductible) and are available for purchase now. Entertainment will be provided by Northville's own Shawn Riley Band. Appetizers and cocktails will be available throughout the night, while the Northville Sports Den and Brick's will be donating a portion of their proceeds on this night to Phase II as well. A silent auction will also be on display offering everything from gift certificates to tickets to sporting events to sports memorabilia.

Last year's event was extremely successful. Needless to say, we are looking for a repeat performance in February, so mark your calendars now and plan on being part of a fun-filled evening for a great cause. For ticket information, please e-mail Carrie Slominski at cslomo2022@yahoo.com.

Dave Laabs

Northville Turf Club

Proud of the Colts

During this season, I have written articles about the Northville Colts football program. The JV Colts played in the Super Bowl over the weekend, and lost to a Falcons team that was a combined 39-0 over several years and had beaten the Colts 33-19 earlier this year. Unfortunately, the final score board didn't reflect how well the Colts played in the game.

The articles I have written this year have been about the players. This time, however, it's

a little different. I'm writing this letter to the players. Those who worked so hard to get so far. This one's for you.

Players, keep your heads up. You've made all of your fans so proud. For the second straight year, you've made it to the Super Bowl. We've watched you play week in and week out as hard as you possible could play, and you've not only grown as individuals, but you've come together better as a team. Don't ignore the successes you've had along the way. Honor your achievements that you have earned. The game of football is a fickle giant; one missed assignment causes the whole play to fail. But you've put it all together, in a fashion only seen in championship teams. And for that, I call you all champions.

Be proud of who you are, where you've come, and keep your eyes on where you want to go. Want it bad enough and you can get there.

On behalf of all the community, I say congratulations Northville Colts JV players. You deserve it.

Jillian Rizk

Northville

Partisanship is harmful

I wanted to write and convey how much I thoroughly enjoyed Kurt Kuban's op-ed "Don't let politicians slice and dice you with their divisive tactics." Like Kuban, I was stunned when I recently was in one of the Plymouth-Canton elementary schools, shortly after the start of the school day and saw the little Pledge of Allegiance ceremony in the office area and realized that it was being "broadcast" to all of the classrooms. Those kids, secretaries and principal, all standing, with hands over hearts, made me think back to my elementary school days in the 1950s when the same practice was done faithfully. As a Vietnam veteran, I thought those days were long gone, so to see that practical patriotism was still alive and well in our schools was pretty neat.

As Kuban stated, those who serve in the military don't serve just for their own selfish little "piece of America," but for all of America. I know partisanship is as old as our republic, but so are the warnings against it. Washington was concerned about it, and almost every president since him. It is sad to me, that so many of my fellow citizens judge everyone else, based solely on a partisan basis, causing conflict wherever they work, socialize or even worship. Keep proclaiming the truth, Mr. Kuban. As Lincoln said, "as God gives us to see that truth." And like President Obama says, "let us be able to disagree, in an agreeable manner." And God bless America.

Stephen Oison

Canton

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Ardis McLeod serves tea and coffee during the Northville Genealogical Society's 25th anniversary celebration last month at the Northville District Library.

Northville Genealogical Society has been researching ancestry for 25 years

A celebration marked the Northville Genealogical Society's 25th anniversary Oct. 15 at the Northville District Library. Nearly 50 members attended the milestone event. Three founding members — Gloria Collins, Faye Reeves and Al Smitley — were honored and were on hand to reminisce about the 25 years of the Society's history. Anniversary booklets were created containing the group's history and were handed out to each member. The highlight of the afternoon was a video presentation of some of the interviews of long-time members, some now deceased. A DVD of all the interviews, as well as a "Show and Tell" event,



Faye Reeves, Gloria Collins and Al Smitley, all founding members of the Northville Genealogical Society, were honored at the group's 25th anniversary celebration.

was placed inside each of the booklets. Ardis McLeod, a long-time member, served coffee and tea from a silver tea set.

About 15 people showed up and decided that was enough to get started. Since then the society has been going strong, with 66 current members. Researching your ancestors 25 years ago was an enormous task considering today's age of technology. One had to travel to their ancestor's hometown to obtain information, glean it from the local courthouse, library or town hall. Records were transcribed by hand. With today's digital technology, much research can be done in the comfort of your own home, or at a local family history library. Records are being digitized daily and are becoming available online through free sites and

paid subscriptions. Family trees are kept on the computer with various software programs. A laptop computer and flash drive has replaced the reams of paperwork previously taken on a research trip. The Northville Genealogical Society meets on the second Sunday of the month at the Northville District Library. A roundtable discussion begins at 1:15 p.m. followed by a business meeting at 2:30 p.m. Refreshments are served and followed with a speaker at 3 p.m. Meetings are free and open to the public. Research help is also available in the Local History Room of the library from 1-3 p.m. on Mondays.

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visit www.downtown-northville.com.

Christmas workshop
The Northville Historical Society's 34th Annual Children's Christmas Workshop will take place Saturday, Dec. 1 in the New School Church at Mill Race Village. Children in grades 1-6 are invited to participate in the opportunity to make seven old fashioned, hand-made gifts for the special people on their Christmas lists. The intent of the workshop is to surprise family members with the gifts that the children have worked on and made themselves. There are still spots available in the morning session from 10 a.m. to



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A closer look

Tim Balogh checks out some photographic works by his wife Dana at the Northville Art House on Nov. 3. The Art House co-sponsored part of the town's regular "First Friday" activities that night with an open house and holiday gift basket fundraiser to benefit the art center on Cady Street. Other galleries in town were open for First Friday and Northville Square featured live music through the night.

noon. Enrollment is \$20 per child. Payable by cash or check made out to the Northville Historical Society. Contact the Stockhausens at (248) 349-2833 for more information.

Lighted Parade entries
The Northville Chamber of Commerce is now accepting entries for the annual Holiday Lighted Parade, which will take place on Friday, Nov. 16. The 2012 Parade theme is "It's a Wonderful Northville!" and entries are invited to follow the theme in order to compete in three award categories. Awards will be given for Best Parade Theme, Best Holiday Spirit and Mayor's Choice. Bands, floats, dancers and entertainers are welcome to perform in the evening parade that kicks off the holiday season in downtown Northville. Applications are available on the Chamber of Commerce website at www.northville.org. The Holiday Light-

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

Bell ringers needed
Volunteer bell ringers for the Salvation Army's Red Kettle Campaign are needed at the downtown Northville Hiller's for two-hour shifts beginning Nov. 19 through Christmas Eve. To volunteer or for more information, call Judy Kohl at (248) 348-2678 or e-mail her at fakoh@aol.com.

Genealogical event
The Northville Genealogical Society will present the program "Finding That Ancestor You're Not So Proud of!" on Sunday, Nov. 11 at the Northville District Library. The presenter, Kar-



'Ordinary Days'

Tipping Point Theatre's second production of the 2012-2013 season, "Ordinary Days", is running through Dec. 9. Theatre's second show in its 2012-2013 season. The play tells the interwoven story of four New Yorkers on a desperate search for their futures. The show's cast includes Eric Gutman and Sonja Marquis (who are both pictured), as well as Kryssy Becker and Christopher Tucker. The curtain rises at 8 p.m. Thursdays through Saturdays, with matinees at 3 p.m. Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday. A special matinee performance has been added on Wednesday, Nov. 28 at 3 p.m. The theatre is located at 361 E. Cady Street in Northville. Tickets are \$29 to \$32 for adults and \$27 to \$30 for students and senior citizens and are available now by calling the box office at (248) 347-0003. For more information, visit www.tippingpointtheatre.com.

en Krugman, is a professional genealogist and has more than 20 years of experience. She has written five books based on her family history research. She will put her unique, humorous spin on finding the black sheep of the family. The presentation will be held at 3 p.m. A roundtable discussion will be held on using newspapers in your family research, at 1:15 p.m., followed by a brief membership meeting and refreshments. The event is open to the public and free of charge. The library is located at 212 W. Cady Street in Northville. Contact Tillie Van Sickel with questions at (734) 595-7806.

Library Board member sought
The Northville District Library Board of Trustees has a vacancy. The library is seeking applicants to fill the remaining two years of a four-year term due to the vacancy. Position information and description are available at the library. Please contact Julie Herrin, library director, by Nov. 12 if you are interested, by calling (248) 349-3020 or e-mail her at jherrin@northvillelibrary.org.

Picks & Sticks to play
After playing to standing room only audiences at the Northville District Library the past three years, the four-member Picks & Sticks string band will play a return engagement on Tuesday, Nov. 8 at 7 p.m. in the Senior Community Center next to the Northville District Library, 212

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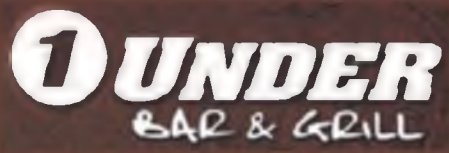
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CC continues march toward finals goal

Squad upends high-octane Walled Lake Northern

By Sam Eggleston
Correspondent

When Tom Mach first started coaching high school football over three decades ago, he brought with him one very steadfast belief—defense wins championships.

With a slew of league, district, regional and state titles under his belt, Mach would know what it takes to get there and win. After upending a very potent Walled Lake Northern offense last week for a 45-17 victory, Mach can say with confidence that defense brought the Shamrocks another district championship.

The Shamrocks marched into Walled Lake Northern knowing full well the Knights were able to put up big points.

ON TAP

The Detroit Catholic Central Shamrocks football team will be back on the grid-iron when they visit Plymouth Saturday at 1 p.m. for the regional final. The winner will take on the victor between Rockford and Clarkston.

The option-based offense had been averaging 44.3 points per game heading into the game against Catholic Central, which had backed into the playoffs this year with a 5-4 regular-season record. When all was said and done, the Shamrocks defense did what they have always done best—control the tempo of

Please see SHAMROCKS, B4



DENNIS BARNES

Quarterback Garrett Moores lines up the Shamrocks against the Walled Lake Northern Knights.

Mustangs finish second at conference meet

By Sam Eggleston
Correspondent

It wasn't the end of the conference season the Mustangs girl's swimming and diving team was hoping for, but, in the end, the second-place finish was something to be proud of.

"This was obviously a disappointing final result, but the girls did everything they could and just came up short. Both South Lyon and us had a great meet, but they were just a little better," said Northville coach Brian McNeff. "It is tough facing the team for the third year in a row and tell them how proud I am after a second place finish—but it is the truth. They worked their butts off all year long to

be in this position and performed great. Just about ever swim was a season- or lifetime-best and that's what we aim for."

The Mustangs finished with 756 points, just shy of South Lyon's 764 points. Novi finished third with 651, followed by Livonia Stevenson with 564.5 and Canton with 548.

Taking first for Northville was Andrea Meister, who picked up 401.75 points in the diving event to lead all competitors. Catherine Cui also took a top spot, finishing in first in the 100 breast-stroke in 1:04.72 to help the Northville tankers to their second-place team showing.

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Northville squares off against Novi at Novi High on Nov. 2.

Mustangs make history

Volleyball team wins first-ever district title

By Sam Eggleston
Correspondent

Want to know what history in the making looks like? Head over and watch the Northville Mustangs volleyball team and you'll witness it.

The girls wrote their own page in the school's history book last week as they became the first-ever volleyball team from Northville High School to win the district tournament title. The final showdown between them and archrival Novi ended with the Mustangs winning the final three games, 25-4, 25-20 and 25-15, after dropping the opening round, 25-23.

"This victory marked the first district championship for Northville High School," said Amanda Yaklin, head coach of the Mustangs. "After Northville lost a close first set by two points to Novi, they cranked it up another notch, won set two big, and never looked back. The Mustangs had a solid and consistent effort with minimal unforced

ON TAP

Northville was slated to take on Ann Arbor Huron Tuesday, after the sports section went to press. Results will be available in next week's edition of the Northville Record.

errors to seal the deal."

The finals match was the fourth time the two teams squared off this year with Northville winning the two initial conference matches and the Wildcats earning the KLAA Association title most recently.

The gym was packed to the gills, and the Northville faithful were loud and boisterous all night despite being outnumbered by the Novi fans in attendance. Their voice proved to be the loudest in the end as the team celebrated its championship.

The first and third matches in the final

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Cinderella Wildcats knocked out of semis

Novi soccer team bows out 3-0 to eventual state champs

By Chris Jackett
Correspondent

In their first Division I semifinal since winning the state title in 1998, Novi's boys soccer team had a tough task slated.

The No. 16 Wildcats (17-4-3) traveled to Holt High School on a wet Oct. 31 to battle No. 1 East Kentwood (22-1-4) with the winner slated to be the favorite in the championship game against unranked Grand Blanc (16-7-2) three days later.

Having already secured their seventh 20-win season in the past eight years in the quarterfinals, East Kentwood came out hungry, but the Wildcats were prepared with a defense-loaded 5-4-1 formation.

"We came into the East Kentwood game knowing they were loaded with offensive talent and that they have great ability to beat players one versus one, so we knew we had to get extra players around the ball, so we decided to play a 5-4-1 formation," Novi coach Brian O'Leary said. "It worked very well in the first half. (East Kentwood) had the majority of possession, which we knew would happen, but they did not have any quality scoring chances and we had one great opportunity to score but we shot the ball off of the near post into the side netting on the outside of the goal."

Tied 0-0 at halftime, Falcons forward Erick Pizano beat a Novi defender 5:05 into the second half and took the ball to the touchline before centering it with a low, hard drive into the goal box intended for Josh Hagene, but the wet ball deflected off a defender's leg into the goal past senior netminder Andy Netter for a 1-0 East Kentwood lead.

Down a goal, Novi was forced to open up their formation and move players forward, which allowed Charlie Constantino and Vincent Msafiri to add insurance goals in the final 22 minutes.

"We were forced to move up some

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'Cats swim to two conference titles, finish third of 11 squads

By Chris Jackett
Correspondent

It was a day of records Nov. 3 at the KLAA Kensington Conference meet hosted by South Lyon East.

Four conference records were set as the Central Division dominated the 11-team meet, finishing in five of the top six spots. South Lyon Unified won the conference title with 764 points, just ahead of Northville's 756. Novi took third with 651 points, more than 85 points ahead of the rest of the competition.

Although no records were set in the 50-yard freestyle, the Wildcats dominated the event with three finishes in the top eight, although they had four student-athletes within the top eight times. Senior Maranda Buha won the title in 24.23 seconds, just ahead of senior Kara Berg's runner-up time of 24.42. Senior Janice Burnett finished seventh in 25.43.

Although senior Andrea VanderMey's time of 25.31 seconds was seventh best overall, just ahead of Burnett, she took 10th due to her placement in the B heat, which was determined during Friday's preliminary swims, and runner-up finish there.

VanderMey also improved greatly upon her preliminary time in the 100 back to the point that she won the conference title in the event in 56.61 seconds, breaking the 2010 conference record of 56.70 seconds set by Livonia Franklin's Kayla Douglas. Sophomore teammate Mallory Buha took second in 56.99 and senior Dana Morgan took seventh in 1:01.70 for the Wildcats.

Mallory Buha nearly had a record of her own, finishing second in the 200 individual medley in 2:07.65, which was 0:00.03 behind her Plymouth Salem counterpart, Linda Zhang, who won and broke a 2011 record of 2:10.52 set by Northville's Catherin Cui.

Maranda Buha simi-

ON TAP

Novi's girls divers head to diving Regionals Nov. 13 at Ann Arbor Huron in hopes of joining several teammates Nov. 16-17 at the Division I state meet in Holland.

larly took second in the 100 free in 53.24 seconds, behind South Lyon's Rachel Green's 52.27, breaking her own 2010 conference record of 52.63.

Senior Rachel Aepelbacher also was a conference runner-up for Novi, amassing 393.45 points in the 1-meter dive, behind Northville's 401.75. Senior teammate Lauren Harrington took eighth with 319.10 points.

The Wildcats didn't have any A flight finishers in the top eight for the 200 free or 500 free, both won by Plymouth in 1:54.01 and 4:58.35, but did have finishers in the 100 breaststroke and 100 butterfly. Freshman Lauren Kim finished fifth in the 100 breast in 1:10.62 behind Northville's 1:04.72, while senior Kelsey Shurmur was seventh in 100 fly in 1:01.07, behind South Lyn's 56.09 seconds.

A 2011 conference record held by the Buhas, VanderMey and Berg for the 200 medley relay in 1:50.13 was broken by a South Lyon team in 1:48.27, as the Buhas, Shurmur and Kim finished third in 1:49.31.

The 'Cats were also involved in the new 400 free relay record race. VanderMey, the Buhas and freshman Ava Bianchi finished fourth in 3:39.57 as South Lyon won in 3:32.42, breaking the previous 2011 record held by other South Lyon teammates for 3:36.07.

Plymouth captured the 200 free relay title in 1:39.66, edging out fourth-place Novi's 1:47.87. The Novi team was Burnett, Shurmur, Bianchi and Berg.

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Wildcat volleyball showdown tilts in Novi's favor

KLAA champ dispatches Plymouth, drops district final to division champ Northville

By Chris Jackett
Correspondent

After winning the KLAA title Oct. 20 and a strong Oct. 27 showing at the Bedford Tournament, Novi's volleyball team managed to find a few more victories despite some struggles during Districts on their home court.

Ranked No. 10 in the state, Novi (38-13-1) started off Oct. 30 with No. 141 Plymouth Salem (5-15-2), allowing the Rocks to get a little closer than comfortable. But the 'Cats managed to pull things together for a 25-20, 25-18, 25-16 district quarterfinal victory.

Senior Kacey Sheldon led the way with team highs of 18 kills, 17 digs and then 16 serve receptions. Junior Isabelle Glancy led serve receptions with 22, while providing primary offensive support with 11 kills and 12 digs. Junior Emily Robb had 33 assists.

Things got even more intense Nov. 1 against No. 26 Plymouth (32-10-3). Novi managed to win 25-21, 27-25, 25-17, but not before getting a few scares from their fellow KLAA Wildcat counterparts.

"Plymouth is a good team that can get very hot and I think we handled them, didn't let them get a lot of runs and we really didn't play very well on Tuesday," Novi coach Jen Cottrill said. "I thought our serve and pass was a little sloppy today and we've just got to calm down."

After Novi won the first set with relative ease, Plymouth stayed neck in neck for the second set, taking a 9-8 lead that would balloon up to 20-15. But Novi was able to tie it at 22 before a block by senior Christina Oakley sealed a 27-25 come-from-behind victory shortly after in the second set.

"I think that we kind of just lost focus for a little bit and then we had that one timeout at 13-18 and said 'hey, let's get out of our heads and play our normal game of volleyball' and we started coming back," Sheldon said. "That was huge because we were down so much that when we got into a run, there was no stopping us until we won that game."



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The Novi bench and their coach Jennifer Cottrill, right, erupt in a cheer as the Wildcats take a point from Northville during the Nov. 2 district finals.



Wildcat Kacey Sheldon has a net shot blocked by Mustang Megan McCrohan during the teams' Nov. 2 district final. Northville won 3-1 to advance in the playoffs.

son. "Every time you play them, you want to win," Cottrill said. "They're a great team. I have a lot of respect for them. It's tough when you play a team so many times because you know what they're going to do and they know what you're going to do, so it's just about execution at this point."

Sheldon's had 17 kills, 17 digs, 17 serve receptions to go with 31 assists from Robb and a defensive effort of 31 serve receptions and 11 kills from Glancy, who added seven kills offensively. Timar added 11 digs and 11 serve receptions, while Massab had 10 digs.

"(Sheldon's) our rock," Cottrill said. "Her and our setter (Robb) have been here before. Kacy's a great leader and Emily's a great leader, as well."

The Mustangs got 18 kills from junior Symone Abbott and 14 kills from junior Olivia Landis, while senior Rebecca Martin added 43 assists and 16 digs. Junior Kelsey Knickerbocker had team highs of 22 digs and 20 serve receptions.

With Sheldon graduating, Novi loses a key piece of its lineup. However, Oakley is the only other outgoing senior, as eight juniors, five sophomores and two freshmen are slated to return to the varsity squad from a successful season in Cottrill's first at the helm.

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NORTHVILLE COLTS FOOTBALL ROUND-UP

JV comes up short in championship game

The Colts entered Saturday's championship the underdog. In fact, any team entering that game facing the Livonia Falcons would have been a four-year underdog. The Falcons were 39-0 entering this year's finale. That being said, and after a 33-19 loss earlier in the season, the Colts had a decision to make. They could cower away in the corner; or they could come out swinging.

And the latter is exactly what they did. Having nothing to lose, the Colts JV team put everything they had into the game on Saturday. The scoreboard didn't offer their effort due justice, as the team lost 34-6. It was one of those "you had to be there" situations. Rarely all year had the players hit so hard and with such conviction as they did Saturday. They came prepared, and they put it on the line.

Despite the loss, the team had a fantastic year.

— By Jillian Ritze

Freshman Colts lose Super Bowl

For the second year in a row the Northville Freshman Colts went to the league Super Bowl. Coming off an amazing season with only one loss, the Freshman Colts played for the championship this past Saturday at Eastern Michigan University against the Livonia Orioles and suffered a disappointing 34-6 loss.

The highlight of the game for Colts fans was a 20-yard touchdown run by Danny Sheehan at the start of the second half. The game also featured a couple of great passes by quarterback Nick Lauderback to Brandon Slusser, but neither resulted in a touchdown. Gavin Nafso, Alex Condino, Shane Sandhu and Adam Harp dominated the Colt's defense but the Orioles offense proved too strong and a very successful Colts' season has come to a close.

— By Amber Slusser



KEVIN AVENIUS

Ryan Logan (15) aids the Colts' defensive effort with a shoestring tackle in Saturday's Super Bowl game at Eastern Michigan University.



PETE HAYEK

Danny Sheehan of the Freshman Colts runs away from an Orioles defender in the championship game.

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Mustangs finish fifth at state finals

Squad follows lead of Erin Dunne in her final high school appearance

By Sam Eggleston
Correspondent

They say you should save the best for last. Erin Dunne, a senior with the Northville Mustangs girl's cross country team, did just that last Saturday, saving her season-best performance for the state finals.

Dunne led the Northville squad to a fifth-place finish at the finals as the squad ran against a field of 28 teams. They all turned in outstanding performances, with four personal-record times being recorded.

Dunne led the way, finishing in 44th place in 18:45—just off her all-time best run.

The team finish was right on the bull's-eye as far as the goals that were established prior to the event. "Our goal as a team was to be in the top five, and we did that," said Northville coach Nancy Smith. "Each athlete left it all out on the course today and I am so proud of them. The team stepped up again, helping each other throughout the race to earn the top-five team (finish)."

Next in after Dunne for the Mustangs was Taleen Shahrighian, who finished in 54th place in 18:58, followed by Alison Robinson in 70th with a career-best 19:02. Erin Zimmer turned in a season-best time with a 19:06, which was

good for 81st, followed by Nicole Mosteller's 90th-place finish in a season-best 19:01. Emma Herrmann turned in a career-best time in 19:34 and Rachel Coleman crossed the finish in 20:03.

Coleman, who was a favorite to lead the Mustangs as she has done for much of the season, fell at the three-mile mark after establishing a time of 5:39 over the first mile of the race. She got up and, despite the set-back, finished the race.

"I am so proud of Rachel," said Smith. "She attacked the race just like she had planned and literally left it all out on the course. I could not of asked for anything else of her. She is definitely one of the best runners in the state and will be up there next season."

Sharighian, who was the team's No. 1 runner for the first part of the season, ran in the state finals despite suffering a hamstring injury that has kept her out of competition for a couple weeks.

"To have your one and two not at their full capacity is always hard, but as a team they carried each other as they always do," said Smith.

Northville will only graduate Dunne from this year's state finals team.

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Northville finishes 11th at state finals

Dan Sims makes history with back-to-back All-State honors

By Sam Eggleston
Correspondent

After an exhausting season of personal-best performances, championship titles and an outstanding race at the regional tournament, the Northville Mustangs boy's cross country team finished the year up with an 11th-place finish at the state finals.

It was the cap to one heck of a season, and Northville coach Chris Cronin was beaming with pride when all was said and done.

The first name on everyone's lips when the discussion turned to the Mustangs was junior Dan Sims, who turned in a time of 15:28.7 to take eighth-place overall.

He was the third-fastest non-senior at the race and became the first-ever Northville harrier to earn back-to-back All-State honors.

"A look inside the numbers reveals that Dan was able to use his incredible kick to overcome a six-second deficit in the finals 160 meters of the race to catch, and pass, Ryan Robinson of Waterford Mott," said Cronin.

Sims finished the first mile in just 4:50 and didn't slow down much as he ran the next mile in just 5:08 and the third mile in just 5:03 for his All-State finish.

Sophomore Nick Noles turned in a tough performance as well as he

came in next for the Mustangs. He finished in 65th in 16:13.8. It was just his sixth race of the season and his season-best time by 12 seconds. The race was Noles' second appearance in the state finals.

Next in for Northville was Drew Kanya, who finished 66th in 16:13.9.

"Drew ran his race and made up chunks of time once back on the infield at MIS," said Cronin. "As he was all season, Drew showed patience early and strength later to run a career-best time."

Sean McCullough finished in 110th with a time of 16:30.9—a career-record for the harrier, who chopped 17 seconds off his previous best performance.

Conor Naughton ran the race in 16:58.8 to take 176th place, a personal-best time for the Mustang and the ninth-best time of any freshman at the finals. Naughton is only the third freshman to compete for the boy's team in the state finals with Frank Griffiths running as a freshman in 2007 and Noles in 2011.

Rounding out the runners for the Mustangs were Jimmy Castellano, who ran a 17:03.4 for 118th in his first state finals appearance, and Jason Ferrante, who ran a 17:31.7 for 220th.

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NOVI BOBCATS FOOTBALL ROUND-UP

Varsity Bobcats fall in Super Bowl

The Novi Varsity Bobcats achieved milestones this season, winning more games in a season than any prior varsity squad, becoming the first-ever Bobcat varsity team to win a playoff game and capture a berth in the league's Super Bowl at Eastern Michigan University's Rynearson Stadium on Nov. 3.

Nonetheless, before a large contingent of faithful Bobcat fans, the Livonia Falcons (10-0) defeated the Bobcats (8-2) by a decisive score of 26-0.

While these teams played a hard-fought battle during the regular season won by the Falcons, the Falcons dominated the championship game from the start. It held the Bobcats' powerful running game in check and took away the outside lanes from the Bobcats' Anthony D'Annibale, recognized for the past six years by opponents as one of the fastest and most dangerous players in the league. For much of the day, the Bobcats' offensive load was carried by Ian Patterson, who gained over 100 yards but was kept out of the end zone for the first time all season. Patterson, who rushed for well-over 1000 yards and scored 20 touchdowns for the Bobcats this season, was universally recognized throughout the League as one of the most dominant players both offensively and defensively.



NANCY LYONS

Varsity Bobcat Ryan Welch (34) has a big gain against the Livonia Falcons in Saturday's Super Bowl.

The Falcons struck with a touchdown on their first possession and later added another before the end of the first quarter to take a commanding 12-0 lead. They scored again in the second quarter to post a 20-0 halftime lead. While the Bobcat defense stiffened in the second half to allow the Falcons only one additional score, its offense was never able to cross the goal line, although the Bobcats drove the ball into the red zone on more than one occasion during the game.

Although much of the fanfare for this year's success was the dominance of Patterson and electrifying runs by D'Annibale, the core of second year varsity players who have been in the Bobcats' pro-

gram with Patterson and D'Annibale for six years deserve a great deal of credit for their leadership, hard work, and being part of the legacy of Bobcat players who reached five Super Bowls in six years and won a championship. Those players are Connor Moore, Michael Ulle, Lincoln Cleary, Andrew Calhoun, Scott Latham, Ryan Welch, and Travis Davis. Second year varsity players who also had distinguished Bobcat careers were Ricky Turner, Rakin Parker, Colin Beylue, and Anthony Zimbalatti. Adding to the mix this year were first year 8th grade players James Graham and Suhas Chinthalapuri.

The Varsity Bobcats also had a core of first year players who are expected to return and

excel for next year's campaign, led by Tyler Vankirk, who played well on defense all season and shined in the Super Bowl with several tackles and a big interception. Chad Howell, Blake King, Jordan Castleberry, Brendan Smith, Demond Ellison, Stephen Cadwell, Isaiah Hawkins, Casey Lyons, Matt Williams, Jordan Ward, and Keegan Houseworth were also all contributors throughout the Bobcats' successful 2012 campaign.

Varsity head coach, Bill Ulle is also leaving the program after eight successful years leading several Bobcat teams, attaining multiple league championships, and helping shape Bobcat players for ongoing success.

— By Eric Smith

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more players and try to get the equalizer, but they are just way too good offensively and the open space made it so they scored two more times," O'Leary said.

East Kentwood went on to defeat Grand Blanc 1-0 for their fourth title in six years.

Although the semifinal loss wasn't what the 'Cats were hoping for, advancing that far into the playoffs was a surprise for most.

"We won three overtime games in the state tournament alone," O'Leary said. "We improved greatly during the season. In the first half of the season, we were 4-3-

2 and scored 13 goals and gave up 13 goals, and then we went on an incredible run. For the rest of the season, we were 13-1-1, scored 28 goals and gave up seven. I never would have dreamed coming into the season that we would have ended 17-4-3 and ended our season in the state semifinals and the credit goes entirely to our senior class."

The team graduates Netter and seven other seniors, including Tyler Holt, Tyler Sloan, Mitch Adams, Clay King, Jon Rice, Anton Karamuco, Josh Bowne and Hiroki Sakai.

"I can't say enough about our outgoing seniors," O'Leary said. "None of them were superstars, but they defined what it means to be a team. They each understood their role on

the team, they each understood the strengths and the weaknesses of all of their teammates and they made it so that we were a difficult team to beat. We became very good at winning close games."

Despite the graduates, the team will return 13 student-athletes next fall, including juniors Don Nakashima, Matt Kiura, Nick Oakley, Aric Mann, Stevie Caruso, sophomore Ryan Kobakof and freshman Tony Asimadu. "Hopefully next year's class will have learned from this year's class that it has way more to do with attitude and teamwork than it does with soccer ability," O'Leary said.

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Fourth in nation



Mary Anolick (front row, fourth from left) was co-captain of the girls swim team her senior year (2009) at Novi High School. Now she's a member of Grand Valley State University's water ski team, which earned fourth place at the national tournament in October in Baton Rouge, La.



ROBERT SMITH

Sophomore Casey Croad finished 45th in 19:17 during the Lakeland Freshman/Sophomore invitational Oct. 29 as the young Wildcats finished fourth as a team.

NOVI SPORTS ROUND-UP

By Chrls Jackett
Correspondent

Mullins caps high school harrier career in top 55 of Division I

Senior Jackie Mullins was the lone Novi cross country runner participating in the Nov. 3 Division I state meet at Michigan International Speedway in Brooklyn, finishing 54th in 18 minutes and 54.9 seconds, an improvement on her regional qualifying time of 19:33.23. West Bloomfield's Erin Finn won the individual state title with ease in 17:07.9.

It was Mullins' third trip to the state meet in four years, an improvement her upon her junior time of 19:00.7, which was good for 37th in 2011. She finished 12th in 18:42.2 as a freshman in 2009. For

full results, visit www.mhsaa.com.

Young harriers place well at Lakeland's underclassmen invite

The younger members of Novi's boys cross country program capped their season Oct. 29 by finishing fourth of 20 teams at the Lakeland Freshman/Sophomore Invitational. Pinckney won with 60 points, followed by Lake Orion at 102, Walled Lake Central at 104 and Novi with 121 points.

The Wildcats were led by sophomore Nate Hall with a 17th-place finish in 18 minutes and 17 seconds.

Freshman Andrew Mizerowski followed at 18th in 18:19 and freshman Joost Plaetinck was

close behind at 21st in 18:24. Sophomores Sahisnu Malapati and Paul Li finished 33rd and 34th in an identical time of 18:57, while other Novi runners included sophomores Collin Thomas (39th in 19:04), Cameron Misko (45th in 19:17), Casey Croad (45th in 19:17), Declan Winship (48th in 19:20) and Steve MacPherson (51st in 19:26).

"Given the weather conditions, we were more interested in places than times today," Novi coach Robert Smith said. "The temperature was around 38, with 38-mile per hour winds to match. The driving rain didn't help the situation either. Rather pleasant conditions for long distance runners."

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VOLLEY

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were tight with the Wildcats squeaking out a 25-23 win over Northville in the first round and Northville taking the overall lead with a 25-20 victory in the third. The second match, however, was an absolute blowout as the Mustangs pounded out a 25-4 victory thanks to several uncharacteristic errors by the Wildcats.

The fourth set found the Mustangs and Wildcats knotted up early, 2-2, before Northville went on a six-point run for a comfortable 8-2 lead. That lead extended and, eventually, turned into a convincing 25-15 victory for the Mustangs.

Northville got 18 kills from junior Symone Abbott and 14 kills from junior Olivia Landis, while senior Rebecca Martin added 43 assists and 16 digs. Junior Kelsey Knickerbocker had team highs of 22 digs and 20 serve receptions.

Northville had a bye into the second round of the tournament and defeated South Lyon, 25-16, 25-17 and 26-24 to earn a trip to the tournament finals.

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SWIM

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Second-place finishes came from the 200 free relay team of Briana Schoenek, Riley Bruen, Alissa Moore and Cui, as well as from Grace LaFreniere in the 500 freestyle. Taking third was Moore in the 200 freestyle, as well as Cui in the 200 individual medley and Sarah Lohman in the 100 breaststroke and the team of Lia Nagata, Moore, Emily Butler and Cui in the 400 freestyle relay.

Fourth-place finishes went to Moore in the 500 free and the 200 medley relay team of Nagata, Lohman, Schoenek and Butler. Nagata took fifth in the 100 butterfly, while LaFreniere took sixth in the 200 freestyle and Schoenek took sixth in the 50 free.

Finishing in seventh place was Lauren Jarzembowski (100 breaststroke), while ninth-place finishes went to Darby Mroz (200 IM), Butler (50 free), Bruen (100 butterfly), Schoenek (100 free) and Nagata (100 backstroke). Rounding out top finishes with 10th-place results were Lohman (200 IM) and Butler (100 free).

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SHAMROCKS

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the game.

The Knights scored on their first drive of the game but didn't get another look at the end zone until the final minutes were ticking off the clock in the fourth quarter.

In between those two Walled Lake scores, the Shamrocks were busy putting on an offensive and defensive clinic.

The Shamrocks held the Knights to just over 150 yards throughout the game while the offense followed the lead of senior Anthony Darkangelo, who put up 117 yards on 22 carries and scored three touchdowns to lead his team. Also finding himself taking a trip over the goal line three times was David Houle, who ran for 131 yards on 18 carries.

Garrett Moores, who had a field goal to give the Shamrocks their ini-



PHOTOS BY DENNIS BARNES

The Shamrocks hoist another Division Championship trophy.

tial points, threw for 117 yards in a 6-for-8 performance.

The Shamrocks trailed, 10-3, when Houle first scored, rumbling in from one yard out with 8:42 left in the first half to tie the game.

Darkangelo added a score two minutes later and the Shamrocks, leading 16-10, never looked back. Darkangelo went on to score two more touch-

downs before Houle added two more of his own.

The Shamrocks, who are now 7-4, will play Plymouth (9-2) for the regional final. Plymouth defeated previously-unbeaten Churchill, 20-14, to advance to the regional game.

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CC fullback David Houle breaks for the end zone on a second-half touchdown.

First place



The Novi Parks & Recreation Wildcats soccer team celebrates after finishing in first place in the WSSL Division 1 Girls U11 Fall 2012 league with an undefeated season. The Wildcats won six games, tying two while leading the league with both the top defense and offense. In only one game did they allow more than one goal while also leading the league in scoring, averaging nearly three goals per game. The Wildcats offense had many different weapons with nine of the girls contributing a goal during the season. The member of the Wildcats include Lindsay Boals, Alexa Griffith, Elaina Hauncher, Ime Inyang, Rachel Jennings, Shannon Jennings, Ella Jones, Lauryn Mezigan, Emma Roy, Mehreen Singh, Ann Stone, Carly Summers, Maggie Mae Thompson and Akhila Vunnam. The Wildcats are coached by Kevin Jennings.

Rush U16 girls avenge loss to Jags for state trophy

The MI Rush Northville U16 girls team brought home the State Cup Championship trophy for the first time ever.

The final game was played at Ultimate Soccer Arena in Pontiac on Oct 27. The stage was set for a rematch of last year's final as the Rush again faced off against the Michigan Jaguars of Novi. Last year's game was hard-fought all the way through regulation time and two overtime periods, with the ultimate result determined by shoot-out. The Jaguars were confident on the line and bested the heartbroken Rush at this one test of skill.

This year's contest, however, would not get that far, and the Rush girls would persevere to maintain a 1-0 lead gained in the first OT period. The first half was intense, but fairly evenly matched, perhaps giving a slight edge to the Rush girls for control of the game and time of possession. While the defense, including Morgan Gozdor, Tara Pawloski, Karen Lovelace, and Sara Castellano, worked to keep the ball out of the Rush zone for the most part, keeper Emily Maresh came up with a clutch save to keep the Jags off the board. Midfielders Gabby Mencotti, Taylor Babcock and Erin Winters kept pushing forward,



The MI Rush Northville U16 team: (l to r, back) Mark Zathey, Erin Winters, Kelly McHugh, Kelly Schmidt, Tara Pawloski, Dave Hart, Alana Dorfstatter, Karen Lovelace, Courtney Tyler, Paige Messmer, Angel Calzadilla; (middle) Margaret Terhune, Morgan Gozdor, Gabby Mencotti, Kyra Dahring, Sarah Castellano, Megan Kerr; (front) Taylor Babcock, Emily Maresh.

and Forwards Alana Dorfstatter, Kelly McHugh, Margaret Terhune and Kyra Dahring stressed the Jaguar defense with steady pressure. But the Rush could not find net, or capitalize on corner or free kicks,

and halftime's score was a 0-0 tie.

The second half saw a little more intensity from the Jags, and a little less control and possession by the Rush. Maresh and the Rush D were

able to fend off several good scoring opportunities by the Jags; and the goal-post was the Rush enemy, turning away shots by Dorfstatter and Pawloski. As the seconds and minutes ticked by, memories of

last year's regulation 0-0 tie came rushing back, with both teams appearing desperate to score. Despite the tremendous effort by both teams, regulation came to an end with nothing on the board.

To this point, neither team had been able to advance from free kick opportunities, but the Rush caught their break mid-way through the first OT as Dahring was fouled in Jag territory. Lovelace took the free kick and Mencotti directed the header into the far corner. With momentum on the Rush side, the girls resumed control and ended the first OT up 1-0. The longest 15 minutes ever played on the pitch then ensued, but the fresh legs of Megan Kerr helped to keep up the Rush pressure. Confidence was evident on the faces of the Rush players, and they continued play like they knew it was their win to keep.

The Rush team was very well-supported with dedicated Rush staff including Head Coach Angel Calzadilla, Technical Director Mark Zathey, and guest coach Dave Hart, as well as a huge showing of incredible fans.

The U16 Rush girls will represent Michigan in the US Youth Soccer's Region II Tournament next June.

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News is encouraging on housing diversity in metro Detroit



Debbie Zalewski and speaker Monica Emerson visit during the Realtor diversity event. Emerson (right) is a diversity officer with the U.S. Navy and a trustee of Oakland University.

By Julie Brown
O&E Staff Writer

The Greater Metropolitan Association of Realtors Oct. 19 held a regional diversity event for Realtors in the metro Detroit area. The speakers included Victor Green, director of Community Relations at Wayne State University, and Monica Emerson, Diversity officer with the U.S. Navy and a trustee of Oakland University. The sponsors were the Greater Metropolitan Association of Realtors, the three Women Council of Realtors Chapters, and several local businesses. Once the most segregated region in the country, Metropolitan Detroit dropped to fourth



on the list (behind Milwaukee, New York and Chicago) due to recent populations shifts. These shifts have increased the number of prospective non-white homebuyers leaving historic minority enclaves and seeking greater integration into surrounding suburban communities — underscoring the importance of Realtors well-educated in the benefits of diversity and the challenges in ensuring a fair and equal homebuying process.

Speaker Victor Green of Wayne State has been an Oak Park resident a little over a year. He's married with a son age 19.

"The main purpose I was there was to discuss different ways we can talk to different cultures and different ethnicities," said Green, who grew up in Detroit and graduated from Renaissance High School in

1984.

At the diversity event, Realtors talked about stereotypes "and to treat people as individuals. Kind of going back to the basics," he said.

"We are extremely, extremely diverse. Each ethnic group has their own way of doing things." "I commend the Realtors," said Green, a black man who believes it's good to discuss diversity. "I commend them, to have these open dialogues and conversations."

Realtors are key in making sure community is diverse, he said. Green feels welcome where he makes his home.

"Where I live, absolutely. Especially when we have different groups such as the Realtors having these dialogues. We just need to be conscious. We all have our different biases and stereotypes. If we start looking at the person for who they are,

it'll help us go beyond that."

It's good to ask questions and seek explanations, Green added. "We don't know what we don't know. No question is too dumb."

He's hopeful such training for Realtors will continue. Green joined WSU in that role of director of Community Relations in April 2005. In his work, he promotes the urban mission of the university through building and sustaining partnerships in the community.

Green had been an inspector of internal affairs and community relations for the Kalamazoo Police Department. He holds a bachelor of science and master of public administration degrees from Western Michigan University.

Though its place in the upper echelon of big American cities has waned, Metropolitan Detroit's role in the international automotive industry and its close proximity to highly ranked colleges and universities, combined with a cost of living notably lower than many of those upper-echelon cities, ensure that diverse populations will continue making Metropolitan Detroit home, according to the sponsoring Realtors.

Realtor Diversity Seminar 2012 is an event open to all southeast Michigan Realtors striving to learn more about the powerful positive impact diversity can have on their businesses and communities.

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Lawyer can help on tenancy issue

By Robert Meisner
Guest Columnist

Q: We have a situation where my mother prepared a deed which indicated that me and my brother or survivor would own the property. I am wondering whether the deed creates a joint tenancy



Robert Meisner

or a tenancy in common, or, was there a joint tenancy with the right of survivorship?

A: Unfortunately, I think that you have a situation where the

presumption of a tenancy in common will be established, because the deed did not say "with right of survivorship," the usual and customary language employed to create a joint tenancy with rights of survivorship. You are best advised, however, to get a legal opinion as you must look at all of the facts surrounding the establishment of the deed and which state law prevails.

Q: I am wondering whether the Statute of Frauds applies to a settlement agreement where it requires the transfer of an interest in real property when the agreement was effectuated by e-mails?

A: It depends on whether your state has an active Uniform Electronic Actions Act which permits business transactions, even ones involving a transfer of land, to be conducted electronically. Under the UETA, an e-mail may constitute a writing for purposes of the Statute of Frauds when it describes the terms of the agreement with sufficient specificity and bears the signature of the party to be charged. Any mark or symbol, even a cross mark, initial, or numerals will suffice as a signature when used with the intention that it serve that purpose. If, in fact, the e-mails in your case laid out the parties agreement that the property would be transferred referring to it by its colloquial name, and it was the only property at issue between the parties, and it stated the other terms, it would be enforceable. Obviously, you will have to look at all of the e-mails in total to see whether the terms of an agreement can be satisfied.

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

HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-WAYNE

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of July 27 to Aug. 3, 2012, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

CANTON

179 Cherry Stone Dr	\$150,000
2631 Cleveland Way	\$220,000
45077 Coachman Ct	\$124,000
1924 Crosswick Ct	\$322,000
1542 E Lakeview Ln	\$140,000
41981 Echo Forest Dr	\$269,000
42136 Echo Forest Dr	\$215,000
1562 Emerald Pines Dr	\$208,000
2110 Fairway Cir	\$153,000
45689 Graystone Ln	\$127,000
7367 Green Meadow Ln	\$130,000
7447 Green Meadow Ln	\$135,000
1197 High Ridge Dr	\$210,000
1228 High Ridge Dr	\$215,000
50101 Jackson Ln	\$210,000
43001 Lancelot Dr	\$133,000
1766 Manton Blvd	\$150,000
47307 Northgate Dr	\$230,000
47326 Northgate Dr	\$215,000
7241 Peachtree Ct	\$177,000
43491 Proctor Rd	\$130,000
144 Queens Way	\$140,000
352 Queens Way	\$135,000
1863 Rector Ct	\$150,000
45646 S Stonewood Rd	\$168,000
49417 Taft Ln	\$314,000
571 Terrace Ct	\$367,000
2005 W Roundtable Dr	\$141,000

GARDEN CITY

28485 Balmoral St	\$15,000
29830 Ford Rd	\$77,000
422 Harrison St	\$79,000
29470 John Hawk St	\$28,000
32397 Lespedeza Ave	\$149,000

6033 Middlebelt Rd LIVONIA

38178 Ann Arbor Trl	\$25,000
18051 Deering St	\$94,000
20214 Deering St	\$105,000
9815 Denne St	\$117,000
9348 Eastwind Dr	\$146,000
16507 Farmington Rd	\$152,000
16968 Farmington Rd	\$110,000
33475 Griffin Ct	\$257,000
31532 Haldane St	\$128,000
11200 Harrison St	\$91,000
14059 Houghton St	\$135,000
10033 Inkster Rd	\$43,000
14101 Inkster Rd	\$94,000
18666 Lathers St	\$45,000
10737 Laurel St	\$68,000
18500 Loveland St	\$215,000
29168 Meadowlark St	\$64,000
20110 Merriman Rd	\$340,000
33494 Nancy St	\$130,000
37602 Newburgh Park Cir	\$208,000
8933 Oporto St	\$103,000
9113 Pere Ave	\$122,000
28861 Richland St	\$90,000
14107 Riverside St	\$170,000
38653 Stacey Ct	\$181,000
19847 Stamford Dr	\$195,000
36804 Sunnydale St	\$187,000
28123 Terrence St	\$142,000
18631 Westmore St	\$98,000

NORTHVILLE

19171 Clement Rd	\$139,000
49081 Freestone Dr	\$417,000
46027 Greenridge Dr	\$366,000
16025 Homestead Cir	\$340,000
47849 Lake View Ct	\$195,000
39777 Muirfield Ln	\$254,000
17747 Parkshore Dr	\$660,000
19839 Scenic Harbour Dr	\$225,000
745 Thayer Blvd	\$410,000

16745 Yellowstone Dr PLYMOUTH

46609 Arboretum Cir	\$366,000
725 Auburn St	\$240,000
11072 Chestnut Dr	\$160,000
718 Harding St	\$110,000
12800 Hidden Creek Dr	\$220,000
12005 Leightwood Dr	\$340,000
40231 Newport Dr	\$60,000
9284 Northern Ave	\$95,000
45885 Rockledge Dr	\$265,000
11270 Sandalwood Dr	\$435,000

REDFORD

24816 Dover	\$36,000
15090 Fenton	\$73,000
16639 Five Points St	\$22,000
11395 Hazelton	\$30,000
25240 Keeler	\$59,000
14395 Lenore	\$58,000
15489 Leona Dr	\$18,000
11399 Mercedes	\$48,000
18492 Norborne	\$39,000
27202 W Six Mile Rd	\$60,000

WESTLAND

34331 Algonquin St	\$90,000
7549 Arcola St	\$32,000
26452 August Ave	\$54,000
31607 Avondale St	\$63,000
32317 Birchwood St	\$65,000
35820 Booth St	\$45,000
37531 Colonial Dr	\$33,000
36563 Deerhurst Ct	\$90,000
35819 Florane St	\$71,000
33441 Forest Ct	\$65,000
33573 Hunter Ave	\$95,000
7598 Lathers St	\$75,000
7943 Rivergate Dr	\$77,000
278 S Carlson St	\$118,000
36532 Tom Brown Ct	\$200,000

HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-OAKLAND

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

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20022 Carriage Ln	\$270,000
22070 Nottingham Dr	\$431,000
23020 Nottingham Dr	\$300,000
32411 Sheridan Dr	\$240,000
16247 Wetherby St	\$270,000

BINGHAM FARMS

24130 Bingham Pointe Dr	\$413,000
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BIRMINGHAM

2560 Dorchester Rd	\$280,000
2587 Dorchester Rd	\$200,000
1724 Graefield Rd	\$85,000
837 Humphrey Ave	\$430,000
550 Larchlea Dr	\$285,000
988 Madison St	\$305,000
175 N Adams Rd	\$298,000
1534 Penistone St	\$130,000
1480 S Bates St	\$420,000
410 Smith Ave	\$149,000
1878 Stanley Blvd	\$289,000
1919 Stanley Blvd	\$230,000

BLOOMFIELD HILLS

4765 Hedgewood Dr	\$276,000
2957 N Westview Ct	\$245,000
4462 Parklane Ct	\$285,000
1042 Stratford Ln	\$114,000

BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP

2756 Brady Dr	\$210,000
663 Brockmoor Ln	\$305,000
5177 Echo Rd	\$307,000
5431 Forest Way	\$260,000
1891 Heron Ridge Dr	\$200,000
1778 Hickory Bark Ln	\$275,000
4021 Hidden Woods Dr	\$275,000
1671 Keller Ln	\$230,000
1530 Kirkway Rd	\$733,000
1537 Ledbury Dr	\$137,000
3586 W Bradford Dr	\$290,000

COMMERCE TOWNSHIP

5037 Carinas Way Ct	\$240,000
1800 Carriage Hl	\$325,000
585 Crystalia St	\$80,000
4215 Rolling Pines Ct	\$433,000
422 W Beechdale St	\$122,000
4911 Whitlow Ct	\$185,000

FARMINGTON

21580 Birchwood St	\$159,000
23097 Hawthorne St	\$40,000
35539 Heritage Ln	\$125,000
32321 Shiawassee Rd	\$275,000

FARMINGTON HILLS

25128 Appleton Dr	\$165,000
34585 Bunker Hill Dr	\$145,000
24645 Glen Orchard Dr	\$351,000
37442 Glengrove Dr	\$266,000
20740 Hugo St	\$90,000
25539 Hunt Club Blvd	\$255,000
30041 Northbrook St	\$455,000
34021 Northwick St	\$138,000
32300 Old Forge Ln	\$150,000
32202 Olde Franklin Dr	\$315,000
30414 Orchard Lake Rd Unit 1	\$80,000
36339 Parklane Cir	\$258,000
26150 Rose Hill Dr	\$169,000
26586 Trillium Dr	\$750,000
33209 Walnut Ln	\$181,000
28441 Westerleigh Rd	\$177,000

FRANKLIN

26023 German Mill Rd	\$194,000
31225 Sunset Dr	\$333,000

MILFORD

901 Meadowbrook Way	\$175,000
326 River Wood Trl	\$365,000

NOVI

2022 Austin Dr	\$65,000
45216 Bartlett Dr	\$84,000
22036 Chase Dr	\$405,000
51236 E Bourne Ter	\$45,000
22066 Edgewater	\$65,000
45827 Galway Dr	\$232,000
44496 Gwinnett Loop	\$156,000
41692 Hampshire St	\$450,000
28076 Hewes Ln	\$159,000

28080 Hewes Ln	\$152,000
28082 Hewes Ln	\$158,000
28084 Hewes Ln	\$156,000
40555 Mill Road Ct E	\$190,000
24777 Naples Dr	\$260,000
41197 Park Forest Ct	\$145,000
24466 Redwing Dr	\$300,000
41302 Scarborough Ln	\$370,000
25456 Sutton Ct	\$50,000
23561 Valley Starr	\$155,000
21723 Victoria Rd	\$45,000
46355 White Pines Dr	\$524,000
24923 White Plains Dr	\$270,000

SOUTH LYON

1138 Corral Ln	\$235,000
702 E Lake St	\$153,000
24836 Purlin Ct	\$71,000
22660 Valerie St	\$170,000
917 Village Way	\$150,000
52896 Willowbrook Dr	\$61,000

SOUTHFIELD

28296 Everett St	\$50,000
26200 Franklin Pointe Dr	\$50,000
26652 Franklin Pointe Dr	\$55,000
6 Fredricksburg Towhe St	\$40,000
18662 Greenwald Dr	\$44,000
29075 Heritage Ln	\$89,000
21750 Midway Ave	\$23,000
27335 Pierce St	\$110,000
29850 Titus Ct	\$65,000
22950 W 12 Mile Rd	\$43,000
20744 Westover Ave	\$27,000

WHITE LAKE

491 Berry Patch Ln	\$270,000
536 Burgess Dr	\$260,000
8599 Cooley Beach Dr	\$430,000
1761 Kristina Dr	\$176,000
96 Lisa Cir	\$160,000
9870 Mandon Rd	\$160,000
9870 Mandon Rd	\$225,000
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Reality TV stars who make more than government officials

Debra Auerbach,
CareerBuilder Writer

Our nation's leaders carry a heavy weight on their shoulders. They are under intense pressure and scrutiny, charged with making decisions that affect each and every American.

Then there are reality TV stars. Sure, they help Americans in their own special way -- giving viewers a mindless and entertaining escape from life's daily stresses. But there's no way these stars get paid more money to broadcast their lives on national TV than top government officials do to run our country. Right? Wrong. While government leaders do earn high salaries, their paychecks don't compare to the hundreds of thousands, or even millions, of dollars that reality TV stars pocket per episode or season.

To see just how big the salary discrepancies are between these two groups, here's a list comparing the earnings of top government leaders and reality TV stars. Of course, any one of the earners on this list may make, or have, more money from additional sources -- such as previous businesses, other current ventures or inheritances -- but this list focuses solely on the salaries made via their government job or their current reality TV show.

Read on, and get ready to be shocked:

President of the United States: President Barack Obama makes \$400,000 a year*, which includes a \$50,000 expense allowance. The first U.S. president, George Washington, earned a \$25,000 annual salary -- a large sum for that time in history.

Reality TV star who earns more: Snooki, JWoww, Mike "The Situation" and the entire cast of "Jersey Shore" reportedly make \$100,000 per episode. With an average of 13 episodes per season, they're raking in more than \$1 million to drink, swear and generally make fools of themselves.

Vice president of the United States: In 2012, Vice President Joe Biden earned a salary of \$230,700.

Reality TV star who earns more: According to the website Celebrity Net Worth, "Bachelor"/"Bachelorette" host Chris Harrison makes \$60,000 per episode. There were 12 episodes in the most recent "Bachelorette" season, so that equals a cool \$720,000.

Speaker of the House: According to 247wallst.com, Rep. John Boehner, R-Ohio, earns an annual salary of \$223,500 as the current speaker of the House.

Reality TV star who earns more: It's hard for anyone -- government official or other reality TV star -- to keep up with Kim Kardashian. Kardashian makes

\$40,000 per episode for her reality TV show "Keeping Up With the Kardashians." There are 18 episodes in the 2012 season. Remember: This doesn't include the money she earns from various endorsement deals, product lines and appearances.

Chief Justice of the United States: All eyes were on Chief Justice John G. Roberts Jr. after he upheld Obama's health-care reform. In his role as the head of the U.S. federal court system, Roberts makes \$223,500 a year.

Reality TV star who earns more: Entertainment news website Radar Online reports that Vicki Gunvalson of "The Real Housewives of Orange County" makes \$450,000 a season.

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Reality TV star who earns more: "The Real Housewives of Beverly Hills" star Lisa Vanderpump's famous pup, Giggy, truly lives in the lap of luxury. He can afford to be spoiled, since Vanderpump makes a reported \$250,000 a season.

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Reality TV star who earns more: Emily Maynard, the most recent "Bachelorette," was looking for love with the help of an estimated \$250,000 paycheck. Who wouldn't be ready and willing to find "the one" for that salary?

*Unless otherwise specified, all U.S. government officials'

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Advertising Feature

New Scion 'Motivate' promotion reflects nudging up of target age



By Dale Buss

A new marketing campaign by Scion underscores the brand's decision to target older Millennials instead of the recent college graduates who were the brand's original target. Scion's Motivate promotion also generally demonstrates how the plague of unemployment and financial malaise among young twenty-somethings is forcing brands to look elsewhere for growth.

Motivate targets young entrepreneurs in the creative-arts community with chances to win the services of a "personal business mentor," \$10,000 and a Scion vehicle to promote their careers. Applicants between the ages of 18 and 35 are invited to submit written responses and a 60-second video describing their career passions and spelling out what resources they would need to achieve their goals.

"This is not a contest where you are going to just win a prize and you're done," Owen Peacock, national marketing and communications manager for Scion, told me. "This literally is something the winning individuals will take forward with them. The idea is to keep this going over time so it's rich source of education and information that people can go back to."

The program aims at "our target consumer: leaders who will make something happen for themselves, not people who are sitting on their laurels until the next job comes to town and they can get it. It's aimed at self-starters who want to follow their passions."

It's just that the "self-starters" Scion has in mind are a little bit older than the ones

they mostly pursued when the Toyota-owned entry-level "youth" brand got its start in 2003. Scion's bull's-eye is the 25-year-old "who is through [college] and starting their real, first 'career' job," Peacock explained.

"Five years ago, it was the 21-year-old who would have the high propensity to buy a new car, and their parents or other co-signers had a higher propensity to help them out with that purchase. Now if you look at a 21- or 22-year-old, their top concerns tend to be debt and student loans and getting a job. And the first thing when they're done with school isn't going to be buying a new car."

This youngest portion of Generation Y in America, Peacock said, "have gone through a lot in the last few years, and it's started to affect their perception of the world. They're different even from other people who are older but within the



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same generation; some of that group went through boom times, while others came of age when things weren't so rosy."

The recent introductions of the FR-S sports car and the premium micro-subcompact iQ have "broadened Scion's reach to new audiences," Peacock said, "and we want our unique passion and business approach to continue to shine through."

Scion's customers "have long been among the youngest in the industry, but many are also characteristically self-starters with strong interest in pursuing their passions," Scion Vice President Doug Murtha added, in a press release.

"Drawing on the unique strengths of our creative communities and Scion's commitment to the arts, we designed a powerful way to support young entrepreneurs in pursuing their dreams. We hope to inspire young leaders to seize the day and succeed."

Motivate targets 25-year-olds by building on Scion's "tradition" of supporting young creatives. "We've been doing this in some way, shape or form for the last ten years," Peacock said, pouring millions of dollars into marketing initiatives aimed at the creative community. That has included sponsoring 1,700 artists in film, fashion and the arts, he said, and about 10,000 events in more than 250 cities that have boosted the fortunes of small businesses in these pursuits including record labels, galleries, printers and independent publications.



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A Scion Music List conference each fall now "brings in people who are going to educate people who want to get involved in the music industry from the ground up," he said. "And we videotape all of it so that more people can gain an education."

After a review of applications, Motivate will select 50 semi-finalists to attend a three-day workshop with industry leaders to learn "essential skills" they can use to improve their businesses. They'll get a chance to revise and incorporate the lessons into their entries before 10 winners are selected at the event's close.

Peacock depicted the Motivate initiative as an extension of Scion's "What Moves You" brand platform and said that advertising in various outlets will support the program.

He said Scion continues to focus on "creatives" because "that's where we feel our brand resonates with our target the most." But Peacock said that young entrepreneurs in other areas could benefit as well from the intellectual capital generated by Motivate, including information about forming corporations, using social media and hiring an attorney.

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