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The TurfClub will host the second "Night for Northville" from 8 p.m. to midnight on Feb. 23 at Northville Square, 133 W. Main St., Northville. This fundraiser will help pay for ongoing stadium improvements to Tom Holzer Ford Field. Phase II work will include renovating the restrooms, concessions, facilities, locker rooms, fencing and walkways.

The event will include cocktails and hors d'oeuvres, live music by The Shawn Riley Band and a silent auction.

Tickets are \$100 (\$70 is tax-deductible).

To purchase tickets, make a donation or for more information, visit [www.gonorthvillemustangs.org](http://www.gonorthvillemustangs.org). You can also contact Northville Public Schools athletic director Bryan Masi at [masibr@northville.k12.mi.us](mailto:masibr@northville.k12.mi.us) or (248) 344-8414.

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Man dead after exchanging gunfire with police officers

By Kurt Kuban  
Staff Writer

What began as an ongoing investigation into a series of arson attempts at a Northville Township home on Napier near Six Mile ended in gunfire early Tuesday morning that left one man dead after being shot by a Michigan State Police officer. Police have identified the man as 18-year-old Gabriel Vernon Stevenson of Ypsilanti.

According to Northville Township Public Safety Director John Werth, some of his officers were patrolling near the home

around 2 a.m. when they noticed a suspicious pickup truck parked on Napier. About 15 minutes later, the Northville Township Fire Department received an emergency call about a fire at the same location. Werth said the officers saw a man get in the pickup truck and drive toward Six Mile, where the man turned and headed westbound into Washtenaw County.

The officers made a traffic stop on Six Mile. Stevenson stopped, but then pointed a gun out the window and began shooting at the officers,

according to Werth. As the officers returned gunfire of their own, the Stevenson sped away heading west.

"He was still inside the vehicle when he shot at the officers," Werth said. "Our officers returned fire, and he took off westbound."

After crossing over Pontiac Trail, the vehicle, which was driving at a high rate of speed according to Werth, hit some ice and the driver lost control, careening off the road through a road sign and crashing into a home

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The chase ended here, at the corner of Six Mile Road and Dixboro on the Salem Township/Northfield Township line. The suspect's car, going westbound on Six Mile, first ran over the traffic sign and then collided with the home at right.

Jesse Jackson inspires students

Civil rights icon makes special stop at Moraine Elementary

By Lonnie Huhman  
Staff Writer

As part of honoring Black History Month at Moraine Elementary School, the Rev. Jesse Jackson made a special visit to Northville on Tuesday afternoon to attend an assembly and give students a few lessons from the past that can be used today.

"Dr. King taught us to

learn to live together," Jackson said to the gathered crowd of students, parents and school staff.

A civil rights pioneer and recipient of the Presidential Medal of Freedom, Jackson used his time to inspire the crowd. He had them repeat after him some of the lessons he took from that time in history.

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The Rev. Jesse Jackson gathers Moraine Elementary students Anthony Gardino (left) and Thomas Morgan for a hug during his Feb. 12 visit to the school. The students introduced the Civil Rights leader to the gathering at the school.



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A Valentine's Day bouquet

Kroger floral department worker Amanda Weldon arranges bunches of roses at the Six Mile and Haggerty location in Northville Township. Weldon and others manning the shop on Valentine's Day will find many men and women buying arrangements for their sweeties.

Getting ready for the tax man

By Lonnie Huhman  
Staff Writer

Free tax return help is being offered at the Northville Community Center for the next two months. This service is helping many senior and low-income residents in the community with their income tax filings.

Volunteers with Michigan's AARP Tax-Aide group began helping peo-

ple last week in Northville with their income tax returns as part of a statewide effort that in 2012 served more than 750,000 people at 184 sites. Northville's site coordinator Jim Gallas said the IRS certified service is aimed at seniors and low-income people, but anyone who needs it is welcome.

"We are here to help people put their

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*"We are here to help people put their tax situation in scope and get them an accurate return."*  
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AARP tax prep volunteer and Northville resident Theresa Kuehn (right) finishes up the 2012 taxes of Lola Fay Craig during a Feb. 7 meeting at the Northville Community Center.

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# Seniors can get free help with tax returns

## TAX HELP

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tax situation in scope and get them an accurate return," Gallas said.

On Feb. 7, the first day of the service, the community center was very busy with people coming in and out. Tax-Aide volunteer Bill Baumgartner, of Canton, has been doing this for 27 years. The nation-wide effort began in 1968.

For Baumgartner, this is something he likes to do and he knows many

people don't like it, but want and need it done properly.

"It used to be much simpler (the tax returns process) but things have become more complicated, so it's important to have someone who knows what they are doing," he said.

Northville residents Susan Shields and Dave Davis, who live at Allen Terrace, have used the service in previous years and recommend it to others.

"It's really great," said Shields. "If you don't know where to go or what

to do exactly then there are some really good people here who can help. This is my second year and I plan on coming here again next year."

Davis added, "Plus, it's free."

Interested clients are asked to bring in all the necessary documents: last year's tax returns; forms related to income from employment, pensions, annuities, Social Security, dividends and other sources as well as other paperwork showing payment of state or federal taxes.

Gallas said last year

in Northville they did around 300-400 returns. He said working with repeat clients is always a plus because the volunteers grow to know a client's income history. A system to double check the return is in place to ensure accuracy.

The service will be provided from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. every Thursday through April 11. For an appointment, call (248) 349-4140. The Northville Community Center is located at 303 W. Main Street.

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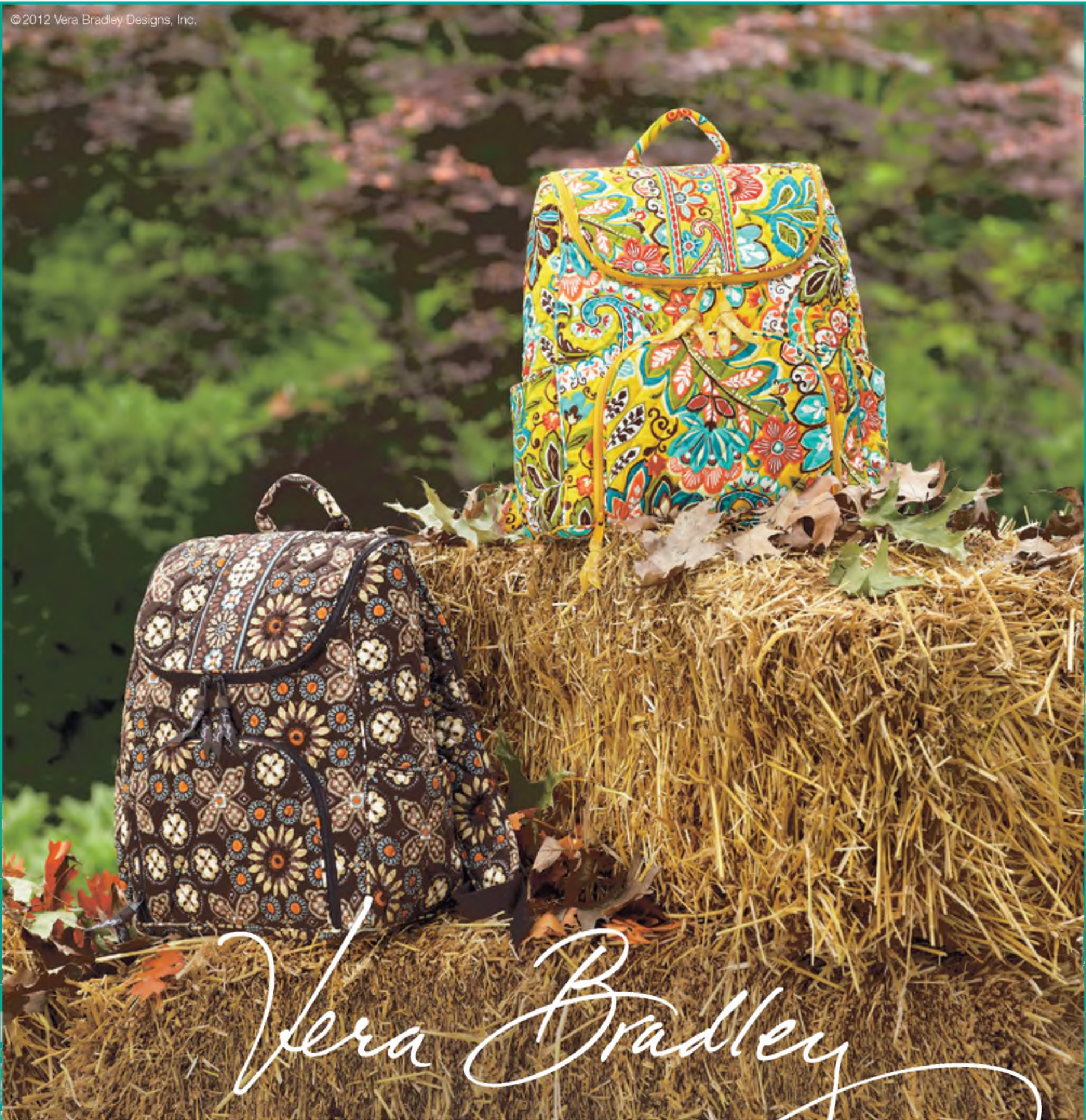
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Lessons from the past



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An actor portraying Abraham Lincoln, the nation’s 16th president, talks to a gathering of Thornton Creek Elementary School students on Feb. 4. “Lincoln” told the kids stories about his youth spent in a log cabin in Indiana and his move to Illinois where he became a lawyer and state representative. Lincoln was born on Feb. 12, 1809. Monday is President’s Day.

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Northwood Dean’s List

George J. Wellmer of Northville earned a place on 2012 fall term Dean’s List at Northwood University’s Florida campus. In order to achieve Dean’s List status, students must have earned a minimum grade point average of 3.25 for the term.

Butler Dean’s List

Several local residents were among more than 800 students from Butler University who made the Dean’s List for the fall semester of the 2012-2013 academic year. The local students are:

- Aaron Havlish of Northville, majoring in actuarial science
- Rebecca Pokrandt of Northville, majoring in elementary education
- Michelle Quenon of Novi, majoring in dance

Students on the list are in the top 20 percent of their college, as determined by the semester grade point average of all eligible students in each college.

LTU Dean’s honor roll

Several local students have been named to the Lawrence Technological University Dean’s Honor Roll. To be named to the honor roll a student must maintain at least a 3.5 average for the term. The local students are:

- Ian Kienbaum of Northville, majoring in architecture
- Amina Ahmed of Northville, majoring in architecture
- Jamie MacLennan of Northville, majoring in mechanical engineering
- Stephen Osterhoff of Northville, majoring in biomedical engineering

District focusing on six options for changing school boundaries

By Lonnie Huhman  
Staff Writer

Either let enrollment take its natural course at the elementary level but adjust middle school enrollment, or relieve some of the overcapacity at both Meads Mill Middle School and Ridge Wood Elementary.

These are some of the basic ideas before the Northville Public School Board of Education and community as the process to balance enrollment across the elementary levels and middle schools moves forward.

District consultant Paul Wills, of Plante-Moran CRESA, presented the six attendance boundary options for the first time at the school board study session on February 5 at Hillside Middle School.

They’re just ideas, nothing is definite yet, but they come down to either adjusting enrollment at Ridge Wood by having some students go to Moraine or Thornton Creek Elementary schools and shifting some students from Meads Mill over to Hillside, or creating some hybrid plan that fits better with the study’s guiding principles.

Mike Zopf, Assistant Superintendent of Finance and Operations, said the primary reason the district is looking into these options is because of the growth in enrollment in the western section of the district, which has seen

both Meads Mill and Ridge Wood reaching or exceeding building capacity.

According to the attendance boundary study, although enrollment is projected to go down district-wide from over 7,100 this year to 6,910 by 2017 there will still be capacity issues at those two schools.

The projections Wills presented stated by 2017, if nothing is done in the mean time, Meads Mill would have 1,059 students and Hillside would be at 761. The options show the best way to fix the middle school issue may be to have at least 150 Meads Mill students move over to Hillside next year.

The elementary numbers are different because in the next five years nearly each one is projected to have its enrollment go down, such as Ridge Wood’s current numbers going from 716 to 571 by 2017.

School Board Treasurer Joe Hige wondered about the idea of just addressing the middle schools and not the elementary level due to these decreased projections. Wills said this is an idea, but there will still be short term capacity issues at Ridge Wood. And school board member Adam Phelps said proximity of neighborhoods to schools will be an issue that must be kept in mind going forward.

“We’re at the start-

ing line right now,” said Board of Education President Ken Roth of the next steps. “We’re going to have discussions with the board and obviously with the community as well.”

Around 30 parents attended the study session with Ridge Wood well represented. Their concerns ranged from neighborhoods being split, transportation issues and overcapacity at Ridge Wood.

Ridge Wood parent Alison Link said right now because of the number of students that school’s situation is “controlled chaos” and she has seen a few parents choose a charter school over it because of these issues.

“The drop off/pick-up is unsafe, it’s scary for the kids and it’s not an ideal elementary setting,” said Ridge Wood parent Karen Kartun. “I love the school, teachers and everything about it, but I think it’s just overcrowded. I would prefer you look at the Ridge Wood options.”

The options will be discussed again at the school board’s committee of the whole meeting on Feb. 19. Community forums will be held March 5 and 11. Questions or comments can be directed to the district e-mail at [nps@northville.k12.mi.us](mailto:nps@northville.k12.mi.us).

To learn more about the study and options go this link: <http://www.northville.k12.mi.us/node/1074>.

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NORTHVILLE SCHOOL BRIEFS

Curriculum Night

The Northville Public Schools Early Childhood Education and Extended Day programs will host Curriculum Night from 6:30-8 p.m., March 7 at the Northville Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main Street, Northville.

The event is designed for families new to the programs, and will provide parents with information on the Early Childhood and Extended Day programs, curriculum and enrollment procedures.

Call the Early Childhood office to register at (248) 344-8465. For more information, visit [www.northville.k12.mi.us/earlychildhood](http://www.northville.k12.mi.us/earlychildhood).

Choir show

Northville High School Choirs will present “Country Cabaret 2013” — a nightclub style of entertainment featuring individual acts at 7 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 23 in the NHS cafeteria.

Refreshments will be served. Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$15 at the door. For more information including how to purchase tickets, call Carol at (248) 345-5536 or e-mail questions to [Carol.grimmer@gmail.com](mailto:Carol.grimmer@gmail.com).

Kindergarten signup

Northville Public Schools is now accepting kindergarten enrollment for fall 2013. If you have a child who will be 5 on or before Nov. 1, 2013, contact your local elementary school for enrollment information. If you are not sure what school your child will be attending, contact the district’s Office of Instruction at (248) 344-8442 or visit [www.northville.k12.mi.us](http://www.northville.k12.mi.us).

The district will attempt to again offer a half-day kindergarten program. During the registration process, parents interested in the half-day program will be asked to complete the commitment form located on the district website at [www.northville.k12.mi.us/node/584](http://www.northville.k12.mi.us/node/584). Decisions about specific buildings and if there is enough interest for a half-day program will be finalized and communicated to parents in late May or early June.

A parent meeting for incoming 2013-14 kindergartners will take place at each school; following are the dates for each Kindergarten Parent Orientation and Round Up:

- Amerman, May 7 (parent orientation); May 10 (Round Up)
- Moraine, May 14; May 17
- Silver Springs, April 24; May 2
- Thornton Creek, May 6; May 9
- Ridge Wood, May 15; May 16
- Winchester, May 6; May 9

Enrollment forms can also be picked up directly at each building. All parents are asked to register their child in early registration By April 30.

Scholarship applications

The local scholarship applications for seniors are now available online. All of the information can be found on the Northville High School website at <http://nhs.northville.k12.mi.us/node/111> and click on the “Scholarships” section.

The completed applications, with all supporting documentation, are due in the counseling office no later than Thursday, March 7 at 2 p.m. — no exceptions.

There are more than 30 local scholarship opportunities so please encourage your child to apply. Seniors should locate the necessary information online, complete the paperwork and turn it in by the deadline. If they have any questions they should contact Mrs. Purcell or their counselor.

Community coffees

Northville Public Schools Superintendent Mary Kay Gallagher invites parents, guardians, and community members for coffee and an informal opportunity to discuss important school district issues during a series of Superintendent Community Coffees planned for the remainder of the school year.

The Community Coffees are scheduled for the following dates, times and locations:

- Wednesday, March 20 from 1:30-3 p.m. at Next Chapter Bookstore & Bistro, 141 East Main Street
- Monday, May 20, from 6-7:30 p.m. at Board of Education Office, Room 302, 501 West Main Street

Gallagher is hosting the community coffees to provide another avenue for school families and community members to ask questions, offer input, and learn more about the school district in a small group setting. Gallagher also is eager to hear from school families and residents about those issues and concerns that are important to them. The coffees will have a very informal format. Those attending are welcome to come and go at any time during the specified time frame.

Look for additional Superintendent Community Coffees to be scheduled for the 2013-14 school year. Specific dates, times and locations will be sent via LISTSERV beginning in the fall.

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# Students rise above state MEAP averages

## Big improvements made in reading, math, while science scores suffer

By **Lonnie Huhman**  
Staff Writer

Students from Northville Public Schools again performed above the statewide proficiency averages for the 2012 Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP) testing.

District officials credit the good scores to what they call a partnership between stakeholders in the district to do all they can to make sure all students succeed.

“The performance of our students on the MEAP and other assessments is a direct result of the strong partnership between our students, teachers and parents that focuses on success for all students,” said Northville Superintendent Mary Kay Gallagher.

This past October, third through eighth grade students across Michigan were assessed under the MEAP in math and reading to comply with federal mandates. In addition, fourth and seventh grade students were assessed in writing; fifth and eighth grade students were assessed in science; and sixth and ninth grade students took the MEAP social studies test.

NORTHVILLE SCORES VS. STATE AVERAGES						
	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5	Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8
READING						
Northville	89%	88%	89%	86%	90%	87%
State	67%	68%	70%	68%	62%	66%
MATH						
Northville	65%	71%	69%	60%	76%	62%
State	41%	41%	46%	40%	38%	33%
WRITING						
	Grade 4	Grade 7				
Northville	78%	81%				
State	47%	52%				
SCIENCE						
	Grade 5	Grade 8				
Northville	34%	37%				
State	13%	16%				
SOCIAL STUDIES						
	Grade 6	Grade 9				
Northville	53%	57%				
State	30%	29%				

Amongst the stand-out scores for Northville, third-graders district-wide have seen their math scores jump from 53 percent proficient in 2010 to 65 percent in 2012. In addition, seventh-grade reading scores have jumped 77 percent proficient two years ago to 89 in 2012.

State-wide the average scores for third-graders in math were 40.9 percent met or exceeded standards in 2012, which is up from 36.3 percent in 2011.

Some 62 percent of seventh-graders state-wide met or exceeded the reading standards in 2012, also up from 59.7 percent in 2011.

Where Northville continues to struggle a bit was in fifth-grade science (proficiency has decreased 14 percent in the last two years, 47 to 33 percent) and in eighth-grade science where proficiency has stayed in the mid-30 percent.

However, these are still well above the state-wide averages of 13.1 percent of fifth-graders meeting or exceeding science standards in 2012 and 15.9 percent of eighth-graders meeting or exceeding the science standards in 2012.

“Northville Public Schools prides itself in providing an academically rigorous program with meaningful interventions for those students not performing at a level of proficiency,” said

Assistant Superintendent for Instructional Services Robert Behnke.

Individual MEAP reports for those Northville Public Schools students tested this past fall will be sent home to parents starting this week. In reviewing their students’ individual results, school officials said parents should keep in mind that in September 2011 the Michigan Department of Education instituted new proficiency cut scores for all grades and content areas of the MEAP (except for writing, which had new cut scores applied in the fall 2010 assessment).

The new proficiency ratings are meant to better align student performance with “college and career readiness” as compared to the earlier lower standard of “work readiness.” As a result of the change in proficiency cut scores, school officials said some MEAP scores may be lower than in the past and there may be instances where students who were considered proficient on a previous MEAP assessment using the old cut score are not ranked as proficient with this most recent assessment.

Behnke added; “Profi-

ciency in a content area is determined through a variety of student assessments over an extended period of time. The MEAP is just one tool used by Northville educators to help map out each child’s progress. We were very happy to see strong gains in math in grades 3, 4, 5, and 8 as a result of intervention, targeted instruction and goal planning with students, and a strong curricular alignment.”

As the district leaders and educators do the work of analyzing the 2012 MEAP results, they also are preparing for the new statewide student assessment program expected to replace the MEAP (for elementary and middle school students) and the Michigan Merit Exam (for high school students) beginning with the 2014-15 school year.

Called the Michigan Interim Assessment Program, the new assessment tool will be an online-assessment and may be used as one possible measure of student growth, according to the Michigan Department of Education.

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### COMMUNITY BRIEFS

**Northville Woman’s Club**

The Northville Woman’s Club will meet at 1:30 p.m., Feb. 15 at First Presbyterian Church, located at 200 E. Main in Northville. Speaker Dave Zurek, a local resident of Northville,

will discuss the topic of bee keeping. Zurek is the owner of Honey Bee Farms, and sells his products at local markets, including Hiller’s.

For more information, contact Virginia Martin at (248) 921-6892.

**Funky cello**

Northville’s Laurie A. Jarski, an alumni of Eastern Michigan and Western Michigan universities, composer, cellist and owner of Broughton Music & Art Center, will premier “The Funky Blues for Cello Quartet” on Feb. 20 at 8 p.m., at Alex-


ander Recital Hall at Eastern Michigan University’s biennial event, Music Now Fest 2013.

Jarski first explored the use of the combination of col legno (using the wood of the bow) and lefthand hits on the fingerboard to get a ‘drumming’ effect in her work Trav-

el Modalities for 16 Celli. In The Funky Blues, it becomes an integral and natural extension of the cross conversational nature of this piece. The bluesy nature of interweaving melodic lines over the bass line engine

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Loving the snow

Above left, Joelle Sarkozy skis out of the woods at Northville's Maybury State Park on Feb. 5. After a slow start, snow lovers have had more chance for recreation as the white stuff has accumulated a bit over the past few weeks in the area. Above right, Matthew Crain enjoys a slide down the hill at Amerman Elementary on Feb. 4. That day saw about two inches of additional snowfall, adding to the few more the area got over the weekend.

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Jarski in the cello IV part keeps this piece driving in a hypnotic rhythmic groove. All concerts for Music Now Fest are free to the public. For more information, contact the Broughton Music & Art Center at (248) 374-5596.

Troop earning recognition

Northville Girl Scout Troop 40844 recently made 83 bagged lunches for Northville Civic Concern. The "heart healthy" lunches included a peanut butter and

jelly sandwich, pretzels, an orange, some raisins, a granola bar and a Valentine card. The girls are working toward their Presidential Community Service Gold Award. As a troop they need to put in 1,000 hours of community service time. When they reach the goal, they will receive a letter from President Obama, a certificate and special pin. The girls earned the award last year also. The President's Volunteer Service Award is a prestigious national honor offered in recognition of sustained volunteer service. America has a long proud history of volunteer service, and volunteers work to unite our Nation. Whether mentoring a child, spending time with an elderly neighbor or cleaning up after a natural disaster, millions of Americans commit their

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# ‘Where I want to be’

## Catholic high school for girls puts emphasis on service, leadership

**By Julie Brown**  
Staff Writer

Samantha Blewett, 16, transferred from Ladywood High School in Livonia to St. Catherine of Siena Academy in Wixom.

“I transferred mostly for spiritual reasons,” said Blewett, a SCA sophomore from Farmington Hills. “I felt like I was at home.”

The Catholic girls high school on Napier south of Grand River opened in 2010 in temporary quarters on Beck Road just north of I-96. Students and staff moved to the sparkling new building the next year, with 92 girls in ninth through 11th grades enrolled. Next year will see SCA’s first graduating class.

“I feel like I could count on anyone here,” said Blewett, active in the Ambassadors Club which introduces new families to the school. The daughter of Kelly Campbell, Blewett’s in volleyball, softball, the Gianna Molla (pro-life) Society, and Mass Music Choir. She’d like to be a physical therapist and is considering Wayne State University, Grand Valley State University, Northern Michigan University or Oakland



Students of Wixom’s St. Catherine of Siena Academy crowd the hallways of the Napier Road school on Jan. 29.

University.

Haley Harris, 14, of Westland is a SCA freshman and daughter of Kim Harris and Tony Harris. She’s involved in the recent production of *Cinderella*, the school’s first play.

“I designed the shirts and designed the programs,” said Harris, who also is working backstage.

She too was at Ladywood.

“We took a tour here and we really liked it,” Harris said. “Everybody was so nice. Everyone was just so welcoming.”

She came back for a volleyball game and made up her mind.

“I think I want to do something in the medical field. I’m not so sure yet, though,” said Harris. She’s

a pianist in Band who took a first rating at Solo and Ensemble Fest with Mary Peters.

“I really enjoy going here. I feel like this is where I want to be,” and where God wants her, Harris said. “We’ll be prepared and have the skills we need to be successful.”

**Headed to college**

The school, at 28200 Napier, features a rigorous college prep curriculum, including mandatory Latin as well as many Advanced Placement classes. The school has a capacity for 700 girls.

Kathy Tarnacki’s in her second year as principal, and began by driving in from Jackson. Her family’s moving to Brighton.

“The mission,” the 31-year educator said of her job’s appeal. “Just being

Archdiocese of Detroit, said Lia Johnston of Ann Arbor, director of marketing and development.

**Student achievers**

Junior Ria Manimalethu, 16, of Brighton is the daughter of Toby and Simy. She’s been at the school since it started, and in basketball, cross country, Student Council, Gianna Molla Society and more.

“Then I started Future Doctors of America here,” Manimalethu said. She’s looking at Wayne State, MSU or the University of Michigan for medicine.

“It had a lot of opportunities available,” she said of SCA. “Something told me to come here. It was a really good opportunity to become a leader.”

Mary Green, 16, a SCA junior and Brighton resident, also belongs to Future Doctors of America. The daughter of Bob and Jacki would like to be a physician.

Green’s in volleyball, basketball, softball, yearbook, Student Council, Gianna Molla Society, and the Ambassadors Club. “I had narrowed it down to Ladywood and here,” she said. Her heart told her SCA was right.

“My favorite part is the environment,” said Green. “There’s no pressure to be anyone but yourself.” Green hopes for a softball scholarship for college.

Sophomore Erin Gries, 15, of West Bloomfield is the daughter of Melissa and Raymond. She’s in competitive cheer, softball and the Ambassadors Club.

Gries came from the

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West Bloomfield public district, drawn by the family environment. “It was just so different than what I could have gotten at West Bloomfield,” said Gries, who’d like a career in business or journalism.

The girls agreed not having boys around helps with academics, although they do have guy friends. “We’re able to be in the classroom and focus on school,” said Blewett.

Novi resident Emily Awdish, 14, is a freshman and daughter of Sam and Kris. She wants to start hockey there, and is a goalie.

Awdish is in basketball and Future Doctors. She hopes to attend U-M to become a physician.

“I liked how small it was,” she said. “It’s a nice environment to come to school.” Awdish likes her teachers and the family environment. “You’re kind of focused a little more,” she said of the absence of boys. “I don’t think there are as many distractions.”

The school is available by phone at (248) 946-4848 or online at [www.saint-catherineacademy.org](http://www.saint-catherineacademy.org).

A mission trip to the Dominican Republic was recently included in Epoch Week, which also featured many service projects closer to home. The school draws primarily from the



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St. Catherine of Siena Academy student Danielle Mersch gets some assistance from art teacher Mary Jane Samberg in a project at the Wixom school on Jan. 29. St. Catherine’s opened in 2011. The 164,000-square-foot school currently has 92 students and should have a class of 190 next year. The school has enough room for about 700 students.

I-96 corridor, Johnston said.

“There is a tremendous need,” she said of that being identified by then-Cardinal Adam Maida. “We want them to come in and discover who God wants them to be.”

During a recent Catholic Schools Week, girls and

some faculty wore “crazy socks,” and also donated socks for charity. Karen Rivard of Whitmore Lake, a math teacher and former biology teacher, wore crazy socks.

She’s been at SCA since its opening in the temporary facility. She taught two years in Minnesota

as a young woman, home-schooled her own children, then taught math to other homeschoolers before working for Sylvan Learning Centers and South Lyon Community Education.

She’s had some 25 years in education, including about five recently full

time. “The mission of it,” agreed Rivard. “I feel very strongly about women and their opportunities in math, science and technology. Math really opens doors.”

She noted some public high school girls hesitate to speak up in math class. “And all of my profs were guys except for one,” Rivard said. She loves being at SCA: “It’s just been a blessing.” Rivard has an MSU bachelor’s degree and is working on a master’s there.

Colleague Mary Wilson teaches biology and AP chemistry and is a South Lyon resident. This is Wilson’s first year teaching; she holds a Ph.D. in microbiology from U-M, as well as a U-M public health master’s and a bachelor’s in biochemistry from Texas A&M University.

“I’ve always been big in youth groups,” Wilson said. She was doing infectious disease research when the SCA job opened.

**‘Girls are amazing’**

“It almost seemed like I was guided here,” Wilson said. “Our girls are amazing.”

She aims to give girls an understanding of science, including a recent trip to U-M labs by 13 girls. “I think that was something I missed out on,” she said. “I try to bring that real-world perspective.”

Many SCA girls are the oldest in their families,

Rivard added, and the school helps them prepare for college testing and admissions.

Girls also go on a pilgrimage to Rome while at SCA, and a number went to the recent March for Life pro-life event in Washington, D.C.

“It’s a beautiful facility,” Johnston said, pointing out the 400-seat chapel visible from the main entrance where Mass is held daily. “We have phenomenal young ladies here. They’re pioneers. Everything for us is brand new.”

Pope John Paul II’s “On the Dignity and Vocation of Women” is referenced outside the chapel, including his reference to “feminine genius.”

The 27 classrooms have mostly smartboard technology. There are separate labs for biology, chemistry and physics.

The gym can seat about 1,100, Johnston said, and there’s a batting cage nearby.

Clubs and sports enrich student life, with girls recently garnering a divisional championship in softball with essentially a pickup team.

“They had a need and they wanted to do something,” Johnston said. “They put their minds together to be able to achieve it.”

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# Local Catholics ‘shocked’ by Pope’s resignation

By Kurt Kuban  
Staff Writer

Northville Township resident and lifelong Catholic Bryan Rizzo used the phrase “just shocked” to describe his feelings when he found out Pope Benedict XVI had announced his resignation Monday morning.

Rizzo, who is the athletic director at Madonna University, a Catholic-run institution in Livonia, said it took him a moment to digest the announcement that sent shock waves throughout the Catholic Church.

“I thought to myself, I don’t think this has ever happened in my lifetime,” Rizzo said.

As it turns out, he was right. Benedict is the first Pope to step down from the Papacy in nearly six centuries. Benedict, who cited health reasons, said he would step down, effective 2 p.m. Eastern Standard Time,

## WHAT DO YOU THINK?

What is your reaction to the resignation of Pope Benedict XVI, and what do you think it means for the Roman Catholic Church? Please e-mail your opinions to Editor Kurt Kuban at [kkuban@hometownlife.com](mailto:kkuban@hometownlife.com) or post a comment on our website at [www.hometown-life.com](http://www.hometown-life.com).

on Feb. 28. After that, the traditional conclave of cardinals will gather within 15 to 20 days to elect a successor.

Rizzo wasn’t alone in his feelings of surprise. Detroit Archbishop Allen Vigneron also said he was “stunned” by the news.

“The Holy Father and I ... we’re not buds, but I do feel a bond and I’ve always felt a lot of support from him,” said Vigneron, who was appointed

by Benedict in 2009 to lead the six-county Detroit archdiocese.

Even though Vigneron was informed of the pope’s resignation by e-mail Monday, he also was able to listen to an audio replay of the pope resigning before the gathering of cardinals.

“Hearing the Holy Father speak in his own words, his own sense of declining health ...,” said Vigneron, was “very poignant to me.

Cardinals Edmund Szoka, 85, and Cardinal Adam Maida, 82, who are both previous leaders of the Detroit archdiocese, will not be able to vote in the next conclave because they are past the age of 80. Both Szoka and Maida participated in the conclave’s secret voting in 2005, which elected Pope Benedict, then known as Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger.

Vigneron is not a cardinal, and thus not eligible to participate in the conclave. Vigner-

on said he expected the next pope will be in place by Easter, March 31, the holiest day of the Christian calendar and which marks Christianity’s belief that Jesus rose from the dead.

Local Catholics were still processing the news on Tuesday. Many felt sadness.

“It was with heavy hearts that we read the news of our Holy Father’s resignation on Monday morning. Pope Benedict XVI has led the Body of Christ, the Church, with much faith, hope and love, as our fearless shepherd over the past almost eight years,” said Marita Ladosen-szky, executive director of St. Catherine of Siena Academy Foundation in Wixom.

Officials at Our Lady of Victory Parish and School in Northville declined to comment on Benedict’s decision. An assistant for the Rev. Denis Theroux directed all questions to the Archdiocese of Detroit.

Over at Catholic Central

High School in Novi, Father John Huber read to students on Tuesday morning Vigneron’s statement about the Pope’s resignation.

“The school then prayed the Our Father for Pope Benedict and the Church. We are grateful for the Holy Father’s leadership and pray that the Spirit guide the College of Cardinals as they elect a new spiritual leader for us all,” said Father Jefferson Thompson, president of Catholic Central.

Despite the uncertainty that lies ahead for the Church, Northville Township’s Rizzo said he supports Benedict’s decision.

“As surprising as this is, I think he made the right decision if he’s not healthy enough to execute the responsibilities of the office,” Rizzo said.

Reporter Cal Stone and Gannett News Service contributed to this story.

# Two big outdoor shows roll into town

Two popular shows come to the area on Feb. 21-24 — Our-doorama and the Cottage & Lakefront Living Show — at the Suburban Collection Showplace.

Michigan is home to more than 1 million hunters and anglers, most of whom reside within an hour’s drive or so of Novi. They will fill the aisles at Outdoorama while looking for hot deals on boats and sporting gear, for conservation education that includes nearly 100 free seminars, and for family entertainment and features.

Returning to crowd fanfare are favorite attractions like Big Buck Night (Thursday only), Wildlife Encounters (all four days) and Ultimate Air Dogs” with Milt Wilcox hosting daily demonstrations and weekend competition. New this year is the WOW Whitetail display featuring some of the most famous whitetails of all time including the X-Factor buck, the Hole-in-the-Horn buck and several others.

The sixth annual Cottage & Lakefront Living Show returns with exhibits and experts for cottage, lakefront property



Traditional skills expert Jim Miller offers demonstrations on building birch bark canoes, making fire with a wooden stick, and tanning hides the Native American way at Outdoorama Feb. 21-24 at the Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi.

and vacation homeowners or those looking to buy, build or rent.

“We cover every aspect

of cottage and lakefront living at this pre-season event,” said Mike Wilbraham, show producer of ShowSpan, Inc.

“Information and educational materials to start planning, purchasing or renting will be available.”

## MILL RACE MATTERS

Mill Race Historical Village is located at 215 Griswold Avenue, north of Main Street near Ford Field.

- **DETAILS:** Office open 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Monday-Friday. Archives open Thursday and Friday, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Village buildings open free to the public 1-4 p.m., Sundays, mid-June to mid-October.
- **CONTACT:** (248) 348-1845

The Historical Society needs your help. They are looking for a volunteer to run their popular Sunday Docent program which operates from June to October. The job involves recruiting docents, scheduling docents every Sunday, and coordinating the program with other staff. For more details, please call (248) 348-1845.

**WEEKLY EVENTS**  
(\*Grounds closed to public)

- **Thursday:** 9 a.m. Archives Open; 9 a.m.-3 p.m. TARTS Stitching Group
- **Friday:** 9 a.m. Archives Open
- **Sunday:** 6-9 p.m. Girl Scouts #473
- **Monday:** 10 a.m. Heirloom Rug Hookers; 6:30 Northville Democrats
- **Tuesday:** 9 a.m. Stone Gang; 7 p.m. “Michigan Mania; Early Settlement of SE Michigan” lecture, free, in Church
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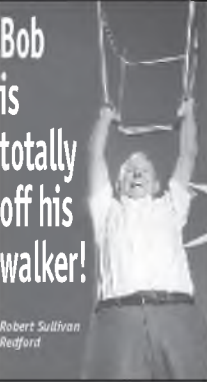
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instructor Noriko Rosen goes over some Japanese vocabulary words in a Feb. 4 class at Novi High. Students in her Japanese language class that day were learning the proper terms for body parts and how to express illnesses.

# Yen to learn

## Japanese is a popular class at Novi High

By Julie Brown  
Staff Writer

Denisse Flores, 15, a Novi High School ninth-grader, is well on her way to learning her fourth language, Japanese.

Flores took a break during a recent Japanese 2 class to talk.

“It’s not an ordinary language to learn,” she said as teacher Noriko Rosen moved around the room helping classmates. “I wanted to make a challenge for myself.”

Flores was born in Mexico, and moved to Germany. Her parents are Mexican and German, and the family came here four years ago.

“The teacher always inspires us and helps us to move forward,” Flores said. “She makes it fun. She’s really inspirational.”

Flores has liked meeting new people in class: “It will also give me more job opportunities

as well.” Learning about Japanese culture is her favorite.

Teacher Rosen, who is Japanese-American and a Farmington Hills resident, said there are five levels of instruction in Japanese at Novi High, including Advanced Placement.

In the recent Japanese 2, she acted out, “It hurts” with motions for parts of the body, such as a headache or sore throat. The students sang an earlier song they’d learned on body parts.

A computer game showing correct answers for Japanese words on such things as aching teeth and other parts kept students learning. Rosen, who grew up in Japan and did her college work there, also has a Japanese Club at the school of some 40-50 students.

Counting her substitute time, she’s been with the district 14 years. Her students are mainly American-born. “There are a few native Japanese speakers as well,” she said.

Spanish is the top language at the high school to meet the two-consecutive-year language requirement, she said, with French next and then Japanese.

“Japanese is a difficult language,” the teacher said. “Reading and writing is so different from European languages.”

Her students learn a lot about Japanese culture and the language as well. “It depends on the student,” she said of her enjoyment of teaching, noting one-on-one instruction helps. “It is

### LEARNING

The Consulate General of Japan in Detroit recently completed its annual survey of Japanese language education in the State of Michigan, confirming that Japanese language programs continue to have a strong presence at both the K-12 and college levels.

In Michigan, there are 36 high schools and 20 elementary and middle schools that offer Japanese language courses with a total of 4,377 students in the state enrolled at the K-12 level. In addition, there are 17 colleges and universities offering Japanese language programs with 2,145 students enrolled.

“I am so pleased to notice a trend of Japanese language enrollment remaining strong right here in Michigan. I have met many of these students and have always been impressed with their sincere enthusiasm in terms of their language studies. I have no doubt that when these students eventually graduate with a working knowledge of the Japanese language, they will have many career opportunities presented to them right here in the state,” said Kuninori Matsuda, Consul General of Japan, in a statement.

really fun to teach students who are motivated.”

Some students want to teach English overseas or study in Japanese universities. Anime has become popular with teens, she said: “Then they want to learn more about Japanese culture.” Anime are Japanese animated productions in many forms, including short films, computer animation creations and TV series.

Some students go to Japan as exchange students.

In class, students explore calligraphy as well as cooking and origami.

“Slang is difficult,” Rosen agreed. She still has some difficulty in English with “l” and “r” sounds.

“Usually I can communicate with American people just fine.”

Ryan Katulski, 14, a ninth-grader who’s American-born, was busy in class on a recent snowy day. “I wanted to learn it,” Katulski said. “I just like Japanese. It’s cool.”

He likes best “being with my friends and learning the language. I would say once you learn the alphabet it’s very easy. I just like it.”

Katulski agreed it will help with college and career plans.

The neighboring Northville Public Schools district does not offer Japanese instruction as part of its K-12 program.

However, “we do offer Japanese 1 and 2 via Michigan Virtual High School in our summer school program,” said Bob Behnke, assistant superintendent for Instructional Services.

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Novi High students taking the Japanese language go over some in-class exercises on Feb. 4 From left: Corey Bui, Jacki Brown and Irene Kim.

# Auto careers often bring Japanese families to Novi

By Julie Brown  
Staff Writer

The Novi Community School District doesn’t track Japanese students as a population, but has 2,066 Asian students, according to Superintendent Steve Matthews. That represents about 32 percent of the total student population.

Matthews said some insight comes from a question on the primary language spoken the home being Japanese. A total of 351 such responses were given, although Matthews has a sense the number of Japanese in the district is higher.

Auto industry work brings many families to Novi. “That’s our sense that the majority of them are here for some sort of employment situation, with autos,” he said. “Novi is a community where a lot of Japanese families settle.”

There’s some challenge as with any group where English isn’t the primary language. Novi district educators strive to communicate clearly and get mate-

rials to families, so they’ll “feel like they’re part of the school community.”

“The Japanese culture places a great deal of emphasis on education,” the superintendent said. Younger children are less likely to have English skills, but learn quickly.

Older students tend to come in with some English skills from their schools in Japan, he said. Novi educators teach not only conversational English but also the language needed for learning biology and handling other coursework.

“Japanese is a particularly difficult language,” he said of American-born students taking it for their language requirement. He’s excited such students are willing to work hard and learn.

U.S. Census data for 2010 show Novi is the Michigan community with the largest Japanese population at 3.6 percent, followed by Ann Arbor at 0.9 percent. Farmington Hills is fourth at 0.7 percent.

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**ANGLIN, BETTY IRENE**  
Age 91, February 9, 2013. Beloved wife of the late Jack B. Anglin. Loving mother of Mary Wagner, the late Jack B. Anglin II, and Lowell D. Anglin. Mother-in-law of Doreen Anglin. Grandmother of Kim, Tami, Jackie, Kristi, Doug, Ed, and great grandmother of ten. Funeral Services were held Wednesday, January 13, 2013 at O'Brien/Sullivan Funeral Home, Novi. Memorial donations may be made to the International Fellowship of Christians and Jews or [www.ifcj.org](http://www.ifcj.org).

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**BROOKS, IRENE**  
Age 83, Feb. 4, 2013. Mass was held Feb. 11, St. Joseph Catholic Church. Phillips Funeral Home. [www.phillipsfuneral.com](http://www.phillipsfuneral.com).

**BROTT, CONNIE J.**  
Age 72, passed away February 10, 2013. A family service was held. Online guestbook [www.phillipsfuneral.com](http://www.phillipsfuneral.com).

**CARTER, SHERI S.**  
Age 52, passed away February 8, 2013, at home surrounded by her loving family. She was born April 21, 1960, in Brazil, daughter of Carl & Phyllis Silvernail. Sheri was a Scout leader for many years and was a dedicated and active member of the 1st United Methodist Church of South Lyon. She will always be remembered as a loving and devoted wife and mother with a courageous spirit. She is survived by her beloved husband John; her children: Tommy McLeod, Cari (Jason) Haas, Chelsea Carter and Steven Carter. She is also survived by her father, Carl (Ruth Ann) Silvernail and her brothers: Jaime (Jenni) Silvernail and Scott Silvernail. She preceded in death by her mother Phyllis Silvernail. Visitation will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 13, from 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. and Thursday, Feb. 14, from 3:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, 122 W. Lake St., South Lyon. A funeral service will be held on Friday, Feb. 15, at 11:00 a.m. at the First United Methodist Church of South Lyon, 640 S. Lafayette, South Lyon. Online guestbook at [www.phillipsfuneral.com](http://www.phillipsfuneral.com)

**EAVES, THOMAS L.**  
Age 54, passed away February 8, 2013. Funeral Feb. 12, Phillips Funeral Home, South Lyon. Guestbook [phillipsfuneral.com](http://phillipsfuneral.com).

**MANTELA, RONALD**  
Age 66, of Hartland, formerly of Milford, passed on Feb. 7, 2013. Lynch & Sons. 248-684-6645 LynchFuneralDirectors.com

**LEWIS, DONNA (DUNCAN) (BERRY, BURKE)**  
Age 74, passed away February 4, 2013 from Pulmonary Fibrosis. She was born in South Lyon, moved to Whitmore Lake, then to Ann Arbor, where she was employed by the University of Michigan for 26 years. After retiring, she returned in 1988 to reside in South Lyon. She was preceded in death by her brother Delbert Frank Duncan. She is survived by her very loving and caring husband Robert; three children: David (Darlene) Berry of Tecumseh, Dianne Berry of Cadillac, Tammy Boyce of Ypsilanti; sister Dorothy of South Lyon and five grandchildren. Also surviving are seven stepchildren, 10 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. She totally enjoyed all her family, friends, casinos, fishing, camping, traveling and golf. Visitation was held on Feb. 9. Memorial service followed at Phillips Funeral Home in South Lyon. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude or Lung Cancer. Online guestbook: [www.phillipsfuneral.com](http://www.phillipsfuneral.com)



**OLIVER, WILLIAM**  
Age 71 of Northville, passed away at his home on Weds., Feb. 6th, surrounded by his loving family. Bill was born in Detroit to parents Lawrence and Grace Oliver. A 1959 graduate of Cody High School, he later attended the Center for Creative Studies. Although he made his living as the owner of "Bill Oliver's Wallpaper & Painting", his passion for art, in various media, remained his lifelong passion. Bill was a founding member of Detroit Focus (Cass Corridor Artists) in the 1970's, a past member of the Visual Arts Association of Livonia, and a current, contributing member of the Northville Art House. Bill is remembered as an outstanding talent and accomplished artist whose works were exhibited in many local and national art shows. He was an avid gardener and collector of art, glass and pottery. He also gave of his personal time to deliver meals on wheels in the Northville and Livonia areas for many years. In addition to his loving wife, Elizabeth, Bill is survived by his mother Grace, sister Susan Threet (Larry), son Adam Oliver, daughter Amy Gallico (Mike), son Andy Oliver (Debby), step-sons Matt Unsworth (Jennifer) and Don Unsworth (Amy). He is also survived by eight grandchildren, two nieces, and beloved dog Trixie. A memorial service celebrating Bill's life and beautiful art is planned for a later date. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial donations to the Northville Art House, Angela Hospice, the Animal Rescue Shelter of your choice, or Promise Village Home for Children. Arrangements were entrusted to Northrop-Sassaman Funeral Directors, 19091 Northville Rd., Northville.

**MARINELLI, NICK**  
Age 89, passed away Feb. 5, 2013. Funeral Feb. 9, St. Joseph Catholic Church. Online guestbook [www.phillipsfuneral.com](http://www.phillipsfuneral.com).

**MEYERS, IRENE**  
Age 84, passed away February 7, 2013. Preceded in death by her husband Charles Meyers in 2005. Irene is survived by her aunt Dorothy Hanton, several cousins and many dear friends. Celebration Service was held at Highland Church of the Nazarene, February 13, 2013. Pastor Mike Hefner officiated. Burial took place at Highland Cemetery. Memorial contributions to: Highland Church of the Nazarene or the Dearborn Heights Salvation Army. For further information, phone Lynch & Sons, Milford at 248.684.6645 or visit LynchFuneralDirectors.com.

**NANTZ, STUART O., JR. (JOE)**  
Of Highland, MI went to be with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on 01-27-13 at the age of 68. He is survived by his wife Bettie of 44 years and sons John (Mindy) Nantz, Waylon Nantz, Mark Nantz, Luke Nantz & Matt (Carrrie) Nantz and Daughters Mary (Dean) Fraser and Paulette Nantz. Also survived by his brother Larry (Marilyn) Nantz, and sister Sharon (Gary) Herdter and many extended family and friends. He will be missed by those who knew and loved him. Funeral was held at Lunch & Sons Funeral home and burial in Highland Cemetery.

**WOLICKI, LAWRENCE B.**  
Age 56, February 7, 2013. Beloved Husband of Joellen. Loving Father of Sara Beth and Maggie Wolicki. Dear Brother of Martin Jr. (Jeannie), Ray (Barbara), Kenneth (Tracy) Wolicki. Many nieces & nephews. Memorial Service 10am Thursday at Weise Funeral Home, 7210 Park, Allen Park (313-382-1150). Sign online guestbook at [www.weisefuneralhome.com](http://www.weisefuneralhome.com).

**QUINCY, ALVINA**  
Age 96, passed away February 6, 2013. She was born on Jan. 15, 1917, in Detroit, to the late Frank and Genevieve (Zablonski) Cisek Sr. Alvina is survived by her children: Kenneth (Ruth) Quincy, Kathleen Dembsy, Karen (Ray) Peterson, Kimberly Wojnarski, Kristen (Tom) Haataja; her brothers: Frank Cisek, Robert Cisek; 11 grandchildren, and nine great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband Edward in 1988, and her sisters: Dolores and Rosemary. A funeral mass will be celebrated on Feb. 14, Thursday, at 11:00 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 830 S. Lafayette, South Lyon. The family will receive friends from 10:15 - 11:00 a.m. at the church. Online guestbook: [www.phillipsfuneral.com](http://www.phillipsfuneral.com)

**RODDY, DOROTHY M.**  
Age 81, passed away February 6, 2013. A memorial service will be held at a later date. Guestbook - [www.phillipsfuneral.com](http://www.phillipsfuneral.com).





# Engagement proposal thrills local business

In honor of Valentine’s Day, we wanted to share a romantic story that recently took place at Spinerger Fitness in Northville. During evening exercise classes on Jan. 18, regular Christine Saatio was working out as usual, when the music cut off, and everyone was told to shut their eyes. That’s when her boyfriend of two years, Tony Rodriguez, walked out from behind a curtain and proposed to Saatio while others looked on. “Tony came through the curtains and asked for everyone’s attention. From there Christine started crying and Tony got down on his knee. There wasn’t a dry eye in the room at the end of it. He was very nervous before hand and very sweet, she was screaming and laughing with excitement afterwards,” said Shauna Parzuchowski of Spinerger. The couple, both Livonia residents, met while students at Churchill High School. Rodriguez, 21, is currently a student at U-M Dearborn, from which Saatio recently graduated. An April 2015 wedding is planned at St. Kenneth’s Catholic Church in Plymouth. Spinerger is located at 133 West Main Street (Suite 210) in downtown Northville.

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Walled Lake  
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10:30 a.m. - Morning Worship  
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Northville, MI 48168  
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Contemporary Worship at 9:30 & 11 a.m.  
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High School Student Ministries: Sunday Evening 6-8 pm  
Women, Men and Life Groups: Various Schedules

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**Milford United Methodist Church**  
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Sunday Worship at: 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.  
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Parish Office: 347-7778

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Sunday: 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. & 12:30 p.m.  
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Adult Bible Study: 9 a.m.

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Youth at 6:30 p.m.  
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10:30 a.m. Praise and Worship  
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## OUR VIEWS

# The whole picture

## Black history part of America's rich story

If you're tuned into the special observances that spring up throughout the year, you know that February is Black History Month — 28 days set aside to explore the contributions of black Americans to our country, our culture and our lives.

The observance dates back to 1926 when Dr. Carter G. Woodson launched Negro History Week as an initiative to bring national attention to the contributions of black people throughout American history. The son of former slaves, Woodson was disturbed that black Americans, even though they figured in, were ignored in history books and decided to take on the challenge of writing them into the nation's history.

Woodson chose the second week in February because of the birthdays of Abraham Lincoln and Frederick Douglass, who played important roles in the abolition of slavery. But February is filled with even more important dates. A few examples:

- The Underground Railroad providing black slaves with safe passage to freedom was established in February 1838.

- Congress approved the 13th Amendment ending slavery in 1865 and the 15th Amendment giving African American men the right to vote in 1870.

- The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) was founded by a group of concerned black and white citizens in New York City in 1909.

Our understanding of who we are as a nation is steeped in our knowledge of our past. We cannot know where we're going without knowing where we've been. It's important to know the whole story. We need to know all of the people who have played a role in shaping our country, everyone from George Washington to Abraham Lincoln and all the way up to Barack Obama — and everyone in between. The story of African-Americans in this country is a great example of how America has evolved around the notion of liberty.

That's why in recent weeks students in Northville Public Schools have learned a great deal about Martin Luther King, Jr. and the Civil Rights struggle. On Martin Luther King Day, for example, all 10 schools in the district incorporated curriculum about black history, with a focus on King. Some students read books or listened to King's speeches, while others sang songs, wrote essays or produced art work inspired by King.

Some of those works of art and essays are on display at the Northville District Library through the end of February. They offer an interesting look through the eyes of our children at the meaning of black history and the Civil Rights movement. Go check it out — it's displayed in the library's lower level adjacent to the main stairway.

History is a living document, each day a new page is written, and as our country continues to evolve, more and more of the pages are being filled with the successes of all Americans. We look forward to the day when it's not black history or white history, but our history, where we identified with those who have shaped our country not by the color of their skin, but by their deeds and accomplishments.

Even Woodson looked forward to that day, when he wrote: "We should emphasize not Negro History, but the Negro in history. What we need is not a history of selected races or nations, but the history of the world void of national bias, race hate, and religious prejudice."



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Northville school district students were asked to contribute art, that's on display at the Northville District Library, for Black History Month. Here Thornton Creek Elementary School kindergartner Nolan Huyck drew a picture of his bus driver Mr. Julian, when asked to draw a picture of himself and someone that does not look like him.

## COMMUNITY VOICE

### Do you have any special plans for Valentine's Day?

We asked the question in downtown Northville



"I'm going to the Grand Cayman with my husband, and it wasn't actually planned for Valentine's. But I do know a good place for a gift, and that's Dancing Eye Gallery."

**Carolyn Roth**  
Northville



"I'm taking my youngest son out for dinner."

**Sandy Johnson**  
Northville



"No, not really. My husband just had surgery on his left hip, so I'm playing nurse."

**Bev Kahler**  
Northville



"No plans as of yet."

**Steve Voelker**  
Novi

## LETTERS

### No sale

I am not in favor of the sale of city-owned land to Poole's Tavern for the following reasons:

The city needs to maintain some open space for shoppers and pedestrians to rest or relax that is away from the business of the shopping district on Main Street. The City Square is lovely, but sometimes full of citizens, events, noisy kids, etc. I have often found that little area alongside of Poole's a quiet oasis and a shady spot to rest.

Also, for Poole's Tavern to expand upon this property makes it difficult to get around to the back parking lots on Dunlap Street. I have noticed the further and further expansion of the restaurants and the bookstore out onto the sidewalk with their tables and I find this quite an impediment to a leisurely stroll or shopping convenience. I hope the City Council will not approve this proposal by Poole's Tavern. Please do not sell any more city property.

**Linda McLean**  
Northville

### Not in good taste

I would like to voice my strong opposition to any proposed sale or restructuring of the Northville city property located at the corner of Hut-ton and Main Street.

This city property should remain as a attractive walk-through passage at this busy intersection. Any addition of building structure or outside eatery at this intersection could distract from safe traffic or pedestrian flow, and would certainly not add to the beauty of downtown Northville.

I've been a City of Northville and/or Northville Township resident for over 40 years now, and believe this possible sale for expansion of Pool's Tavern would certainly not be in good taste for downtown Northville.

**H. Lynn Stringer**  
Northville

### Go up, not out

For what it's worth, I'd rather not see Poole's expand into the open community area. It's a wonderful spot where anyone can enjoy a shady rest under the trees. I'm glad Poole's is doing so well that they feel they need to expand, but they should go up, not out. Just my humble opinion.

**Louise Hopping**  
Northville

### Maintain 'pocket park'

Like many other longtime residents of Northville, I object to the sale of any of the current limited open space in our city as being inappropriate/short-sighted and would sup-

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port a petition drive to prevent it.

That being said, if any transfer of property to Poole's were to occur to promote business downtown, City Council should seriously consider the following:

- Have at least two, independent, objective, and professional appraisals conducted before arriving at the \$100,000 sales price? As a former licensed appraiser and current property tax assessor, the price for an improved one-acre parcel in such a prime commercial location in downtown Northville appears conservative.

- Offer instead of outright sale, a long-term lease of the land (20-30-plus years) so that it would be financially feasible for Poole's to expand, but the city retain ownership.

- Compromise, allowing the "Plan B" Poole expansion of 26 feet, with the remainder to be dedicated open space with a rezoning/classification as an official city park to prevent potential future encroachment. Many municipalities have utilized such parcels of an acre or less as "pocket parks" for their citizen's use and enjoyment.

**Carl Giroux**  
Northville

### Keep property public

I am definitely against the city selling property to Poole's Tavern to expand their outdoor dining. I like to eat outside, but do not want to give up a pleasant area to rest when I am in the downtown area.

**Carolyn Totten**  
Northville

### A great dance season

The Northville High School varsity and junior varsity dance teams would like to thank everyone who helped make our 2012-13 competition

season a success. Our coaches — Sarah Benish, Katy Pop and Meaghan Priebe — dedicated their time and energy to perfect our performances. The NHS Dance Team Booster Club Board of Directors, committee chairpersons, and committee members provided some great experiences for the teams and helped raise funds to support our activities. The Performers Edge Dance Company in Northville Square generously provided studio space to allow us to practice safely on floors designed for dancers. They even provided us with their studio space to hold our first annual dance clinic. We can't thank them enough.

We would also like to express our gratitude to everyone who made our end of the season dance team showcase a success. The participants in our first annual dance clinic were fun to dance with and they did a great job during their performance in the showcase. The showcase had the added talents of the emcees, Tim Fazzini and Brendon Kearney, and our guest performers from Gayle's DancePhase, Performers Edge Dance Company, Piazza Dance Company, Planet Dance, and the Noretta Dunworth School of Dance. The NHS auditorium manager Bryan Johnson and his tech crew did a great job helping our dancers look their best on stage. Thank you also to the NHS Honor Society and CIA For Students for volunteers to help usher, handle tickets sales, and other miscellaneous duties.

Finally, we would like to thank our NHS administrators and staff for all of their support this season. Athletic director Bryan Masi gave us the opportunity to support other NHS teams with performances at their events, and the administrative staff helped us let others know about our events through announcements and a display at the entrance to the school put together by booster member Theresa Zitkus.

Thank you to everyone who made this a great dance season.

**NHS dance teams**

### Much support

I wanted to thank the businesses and community members who support all the fundraisers for the Scout troops, schools, sport teams and clubs each year. This is my ninth year of being "cookie mom" for my daughter's Girl Scout troop and I especially want to thank the Northville/Plymouth Busch's at Five Mile and Sheldon and their patrons for helping my troop raise money each year.

**Denise Stacer**  
Troop 40737

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# Working familiar streets

## New city police officer grew up in Northville and is excited to give back

By **Lonnie Huhman**  
Staff Writer

Northville High School graduate Ken Delano is looking forward to following in his parents' footsteps and helping the community.

Delano was recently hired by the Northville City Police Department as a replacement for Glen Stewart, who retired last May. He is excited about coming back home and working in the community he grew up in.

"I look forward to serving the citizens of Northville and following in my parents' footsteps of being involved in the community," he said.

His father is a local businessman.

A 2004 NHS graduate, Delano earned a Bachelor's of Science in criminal justice from Eastern Michigan University. He had prior work experience with the Mackinac Island and Portage police departments.

"Officer Delano will be a welcome asset to the department and he has already demonstrated a positive work ethic and high ethical standards," according to Capt. Michael Carlson.

Delano will undergo a three month field training program before he takes his place in the schedule.

According to Northville City Police Chief Gary Goss, the current allotted strength at the department is 13 full-time sworn officers. This new hire is a



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**Ken Delano, a 2004 Northville High graduate, recently returned to his home town after being hired as an officer with the Northville Police Department.**

budgeted position and does not constitute an increase in personnel.

The department has been getting by with a smaller staff in recent years.

At the start of 2009, Goss said the department had 16 full-time officers, one full-time clerk, eight part-time officers and one part-time clerk. Staff has decreased since and at

that time, the department had already been contracting for dispatch and lock-up services with Northville Township for more than four years.

Prior to 2004 (the year the city entered into a contract with Northville Township) the department employed 30 people.

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## NORTHVILLE POLICE BRIEFS

### Not so concealed weapon

A 37-year-old Westland woman was arrested Feb. 1 at Rocky's on Seven Mile in Northville Township when patrons and restaurant employees reported the woman was in the ladies room with a handgun visibly showing in her waistband.

When Northville Township Police officers arrived at the scene, they found the woman leaning over the bathroom counter with her head in one of the sinks. An unholstered handgun was sticking out of her waistband. Officers approached the woman, who was passed out, and grabbed the Taurus 9 mm handgun, which included seven rounds of ammunition.

Once officers woke the woman, they could smell the odor of intoxicants. When advised she was in violation of her concealed pistol permit because she was intoxicated, the woman voluntarily took a Breathalyzer test, registering a .129 BAC (blood alcohol content).

The woman was arrested and transported to the Northville Township Police Department to be booked, and placed in a cell until she sobered up. She was released the next day. Police officials con-

tacted the Wayne County Gun Board, so they could review her CPL permit.

### Bad driver

A Northville Township police officer arrested a 73-year-old Detroit man for having multiple warrants for his bad driving.

According to police reports, the arrest took place around 1:30 a.m. on Feb. 3 after the officer witnessed the man driving his 2007 Chrysler Sebring very slowly north on Haggerty Road near Cross.

After making the stop, the officer administered a Breathalyzer on the man, and it came back .052 — below the legal limit for drinking and driving. However, after doing a background search on the man, the officer found there were at least seven warrants out for his arrest, as well as two current suspensions of his driver's license. Nearly all of the warrants — one from Huron Township, four from Farmington Hills, and one each from Dearborn and Detroit — were due to driving infractions.

The man was arrested and booked. He posted his \$300 bond and was released. He is to appear in 35th District Court on Feb. 20.

# Police K-9 search at Northville High turns up no drugs

By **Kurt Kuban**  
Staff Writer

Northville Public Schools officials conducted a search of Northville High School last week using canine drug dogs from across Wayne County, and are happy to report no drugs were found.

The unannounced search, in which 10 dogs were used, took place Wednesday. At no time did the dogs or their handlers have any interaction with either students or classrooms. The dogs were used to search halls, lockers and common areas throughout the building.

Principal Robert Watson said no controlled

substances were found during the search.

"The district will continue these searches throughout the school year," Watson said in a statement sent out to parents. "Our purpose is to provide a safe learning environment for our students. We also want to send a strong message that drugs will not be tolerated in our schools."

Had any drugs been located, district officials would have worked with law enforcement agencies to address the matter and discipline students within the guidelines of the Northville Public Schools Code of Conduct.

According to Bob Behn-

ke, the district's assistant superintendent for Instructional Services, this was the first canine search at the high school in about two years. The decision to do the search wasn't due to a surge of drug use, but to reinforce to students possessing drugs on school grounds will not be tolerated.

"We have been working through our buildings, Health Advisory Council, and with Youth Assistance to build awareness to support a substance free school district," Behnke said.

Behnke said a variety of police agencies took part in last week's search, including Northville Township Police. He said it was a good training exercise for them.

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LIBRARY LINES

The Northville District Library, which is located at 212 W. Cady Street, has a number of upcoming programs. For more information about these events or about the library, call (248) 349-3020 or visit <http://northville.lib.mi.us>. Upcoming events include:

- DROP-IN MORNING STORYTIME**  
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Details: Storytime fun for toddlers and preschoolers, all ages welcome to attend. Children 3 and younger must be accompanied by a caregiver.
- LITTLE ME STORY-TIME**  
10:30 a.m., Friday, Feb. 15  
Details: Little ones, babies to two-year-olds, along with caregiver, enjoy music, simple stories and playtime. Just drop in.
- TWEEN BATH SALTS CRAFT**  
4:15-5:15 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 20  
Details: Tweens ages 9-12 make your own soothing scent bath salts to give as a gift or keep for yourself. Call to register, limit 30.
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Fallen and Wounded Soldiers Fund’s dinner set for March 9

Don Mann, former member of SEAL Team Six and a trainer of the Seal Team Six Warriors who conducted the raid on Osama bin Laden, will be the keynote speaker at the Fallen and Wounded Soldiers Fund’s Eighth Annual Dinner & Auction at 5:30 p.m. March 9 at Suburban Collection Showplace (46100 Grand River Ave-



Mann

nue, Novi). FWSF, a Livonia-based nonprofit, all-volunteer organization dedicated to assisting U.S. soldiers and their families, is coordinating the event with Families United and Operation Care Package Michigan. This year, the FWSF anticipates selling over 1,100 tickets to both individuals and corporate sponsors. WDIV’s Chuck Gaidica, the evening’s master of ceremonies for the seventh consecutive year, will introduce honored veterans from all branches of service,

as well as state officials. Several metro Detroit companies committed to supporting the troops, such as Phillips Service Industries of Livonia, and Cornelius Systems of Berkeley, are also supporting the event. In addition to the entertainment, silent auction and inspirational stories that will be shared by wounded Michigan soldiers and their families, guests will be presented with detailed information on how donations to FWSF have made a positive

impact on Michigan’s military families. Since its inception in 2006, the FWSF has raised over \$1,000,000 to help wounded or fallen soldiers and their families. Returning troops often face delays in getting assistance from the government. The FWSF has the ability to quickly help those families in need, from paying medical bills and travel expenses for families to visit their recovering loved ones at Walter Reed Hospital in D.C., to living expenses, foreclosure assistance and home modifications to

create accessible living quarters. “The Fallen and Wounded Soldiers Fund was created with the goal of giving back to the troops that have done so much for all of us,” said Cornelius. “To consistently see so many Michigan residents and companies support this cause, year after year, has been amazing. Knowing that, together, we are helping make life a little bit easier for the brave men and women who have risked so much for our country is a truly gratifying experience.”

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NORTHVILLE WRESTLING

Four Northville Mustangs wrestlers escaped the MHSAA individual District Tournament last week to advance to the regional. Pictured are (from left) Sunhe Wang, Alex Coe, Sean Wagner and Jon Wines.

# Four Mustangs advance in individual wrestling tourney

Wang, Coe, Wagner and Wines will compete in regional

**By Sam Eggleston**  
Correspondent

When the smoke cleared at last weekend's MHSAA Individual Wrestling District Tournament, four Mustangs were left standing.

The Northville wrestling team, coached by Bob Boshoven, had four grapplers earn a way out of the district tournament at Southgate Anderson High School last weekend and into the regional.

In order to advance, a wrestler must take a top-four finish in the district tournament

## ON TAP

The Northville Mustangs wrestlers who advance to the regional will compete at Canton High School Saturday for a chance to advance to the state finals in Auburn Hills.

in their respective weight class.

Senior Jon Wines was well aware of what he had to accomplish and plowed through his first three matches in the 285-pound weight class, including two pins, to earn a trip to the tournament

championship. There he fell to the No. 1-ranked wrestler in the weight class, Detroit Catholic Central's Bob Coe, to take second.

Senior Alex Coe finished third in the 152-pound division as he picked up three wins and outscored his opponents, 37-2, throughout the day. His loss came to the eventual district champion in the semi-final round.

Senior Sean Wagner, a 135-pound wrestler, finished fourth, including a huge upset in the consolation semi-finals match, defeating an opponent from Dearborn Crestwood

who had previously toppled him twice this season.

"It's really easy to concede a match like that to a guy you have previously lost against, but Sean really came through in the final period, getting back points and riding tough for the win," said Boshoven.

Sophomore Sunhe Wang came into the tournament as a sixth seed and then proved the rankings wrong as he took fourth place in the 125-pound division to move into the regional next week. He earned three big wins, including a 3-1 victory in the consolation semi-finals.

# Mustangs get two wins in Showdown

## Squad defeats East Kentwood, Grand Haven

**By Sam Eggleston**  
Correspondent

The Northville Mustangs hockey team, coached by Clint Robert, wasn't too upset when they found out they would be playing against East Kentwood and Grand

## ON TAP

The Northville Mustangs hockey team will be back on the ice when they host Canton next Friday at 7 p.m.

ed East Kentwood, 2-1, and avenged a loss as they blanked Grand Haven, 5-0.

Against East Kentwood, the Mustangs jumped out to a 1-0 lead in the first period as Ryan Bloom picked up a long pass from Nick Melucci and went in alone against



JOHN PAWLOSKI

Northville's Ryan Bloom (3) brings the puck in against an opposing goalie in last week's game.

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JOHN PAWLOSKI

Northville's Ben Crabill (13) handles the puck for the Mustangs as the offense moves down the ice.

## HOCKEY

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the goalie to fire in a backhand for the early advantage. The squad increased their lead in the second period despite being shorthanded thanks to an inconvenient penalty. Jacob Strom snagged the puck at mid ice as part of the team's penalty kill and then skated ahead of the defense and buried a shot to make it a 2-0 game heading into the final stanza. There the Falcons tallied their lone goal of the night to make it a 2-1 game following a five-minute major penalty called on Jack Meacham. The East Kentwood squad's offensive pressure was stopped throughout most of the power play, but the Falcons managed to get on the board just before the penalty expired to get back into the game. The Mustangs offered

up a chance for the Falcons to tie the game with time expiring as a tripping call was enforced against them with 2:17 left in the game. East Kentwood pulled their goalie to give them a 6-on-4 advantage on the ice, but the penalty kill, led by Chance Boutin, held them off to preserve the win. The next day against Grand Haven, the Mustangs put on a hockey clinic in the third period as they kept the Buccaneers off the scoreboard while tallying five of their own goals to earn a lopsided victory. Of course, the final score wasn't nearly indicative of how close the game actually was as the two teams skated to a 0-0 tie through the first two periods of play. The knotted game started to go in favor of the Mustangs midway through the third period when senior captain Danny O'Malley scored the first, and ultimately game-winning, goal of the

game, firing it past the Grand Haven goalie after winning a scrum in front of the net. That lead was increased just a minute later when Tyler Gardiner scored with assistance from Ryan Bloom and Jacob Strom to make it a 2-0 game. The advantage grew and grew over the final five minutes of play as the Mustangs tallied three more goals. The first of the trio game with just 4:49 left in the contest as Andrew Rosati took a pass from Buddy DeBrabander and scored to make it 3-0. Bloom then went on to score the final two goals — the first at 3:30 and the second with just 41 seconds left — on assists by Ben Crabill and Gardiner and P.J. Schneep, respectively. Jake Pawloski earned his third shutout of the season as he stopped 26 shots on goal. Northville had 31 shots on goal in the winning effort.

## NORTHVILLE SPORTS ROUNDUP

### Swimmers win against South Lyon, compete in MISCA meet

The Northville Mustangs swimming and diving team took on the South Lyon Consolidated team last week and walked away with a 109-77 victory. "We had a couple of nice swims tonight with Andrew in the IM and some younger guys had some good swim with Jarvis Yan in the backstroke and Sho Kikumuri and Patrick Dunn in the breaststroke," said coach Rich Bennetts. "We are really going to have to rest up from this point and hope that our guys drop a lot of time at our division and conference meets. They have worked hard all year, it's just a matter of wanting to be good and understanding that it means letting go of your fear to fail and just getting after it. If we can do that we should have very good meet." Andrew Westphal earned his state cut in the 200 individual medley as he captured first place in 2:02.93. He also took first in the 500 freestyle in 5:05.87. Also earning first-place finishes for the Mustangs were James Xue (200 free, 1:51.38; 100 butterfly, 57.42), the 200 medley relay team (Nick Hayes, Josh Liu, Scott Wang and Brown), the 200 freestyle relay (Xue, Sam Boyea, Wang and Westphal) and the 400 free relay (Xue, Austin Hunt, Mark Kaminski and Westphal). The team also competed in the MISCA Invitational last weekend, hosted at Eastern Michigan University. The meet doesn't record team scores and is designed to give swimmers another chance at earning a state finals cut. "We had some OK swims in the freestyle relays, other than that, it was really disappointing," Bennetts said. "We have to be more aggressive in our race plan. We are allowing the competition to get out ahead of us and we just do not compete the way we need to in order to be successful. "These guys work hard in practice but for whatever reason they lack the confidence on race day to go out after each and every race. We need some more energy at the beginning of the race. The upperclassmen on this team have to

perform better that is plain and simple there is no other way to say it." Top finishers included the 200 medley relay team of Hayes, Alan Ruan, Wang and Xue (1:46.79), Hunt (200 free, 1:49.76; 100 backstroke, 57.61), Wang (200 IM, 2:06.53), Westphal (50 free, 22.65; 100 free, 48.60), Frank Zhang (100 butterfly, 57.07), Sergio Reyes (500 free, 5:12.37), 200 free relay team of Westphal, Boyea, Ruan and Hunt (1:30.75), Ruan (100 breaststroke, 1:04.16) and the 400 free relay team of Westphal, Boyea, Xue and Hunt (3:18.98). The Mustangs are now 8-2 overall and 7-1 in the conference. They swim in the Central Division Championship meet tomorrow (diving at 5:30 p.m.) and Saturday starting at noon at South Lyon East. They will swim next Friday and Saturday in the conference meet at Novi with start time slated for noon both days.

### Competitive cheer team has strong showing

The Northville Mustangs competitive cheerleading team turned in an impressive performance in the PR Competitive Cheer Invitational last week. The squad competed in at the DeltaPlex in Grand Rapids against some of the state's top-rated teams and turned in some of their best scores of the season. They finished the day with a team total of 706 points. The squad will compete tomorrow when they travel to Hartland to compete in the MHSAA District Tournament.

### Assistant track and field coach needed

Northville High School's athletic department is currently seeking an assistant track and field coach to instruct athletes in the shot put, discus and pole vault events for this coming spring season. Interested candidates should contact athletic director Bryan Masi at masibr@northville.k12.mi.us or at (248) 344-8414.

— Sam Eggleston

## SPORTS SCHEDULES

### Novi

**ICE HOCKEY**  
2/15 6:30 p.m. KLAA Crossover  
2/20 6:30 p.m. Oxford

**BOYS BASKETBALL**  
All games 7 p.m. unless noted  
2/15 @ KLAA Crossover  
2/19 KLAA Crossover

**GIRLS BASKETBALL**  
All games at 7 p.m. unless noted  
2/14 @ KLAA Crossover  
2/18 KLAA Crossover  
2/21 KLAA Crossover

**BOYS SWIMMING**  
All meets at 6 p.m. unless noted  
2/15-16 6 p.m./12 p.m. @ KLAA Central Division Meet (@ South Lyon East)

**BOYS & GIRLS BOWLING**  
All meets at 3:30 p.m. unless noted  
2/15 TBA @ KLAA Crossover/Tournament (@ TBD)

**COMPETITIVE CHEER**  
2/15 6:30 p.m. @ Districts (@ Hartland)

**BOYS & GIRLS SKIING**  
2/14 Regionals  
2/18 @ Milford  
2/19 8:45 a.m. KLAA Conference Meet

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2/14 @Cranbrook 5:30 p.m.  
2/21 Notre Dame Prep 7 p.m.

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2/16 CHSL Championship 8 a.m.  
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2/20 University Liggett

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Events at 6 p.m. at Mt. Brighton unless noted  
2/14 MHSAA Regional 9 a.m.  
2/18 SEMSL Meet TBA 9 a.m.

### Northville

**BOYS HOCKEY**  
All games at 7 p.m. unless noted  
2/22 Canton

**BOYS BOWLING**  
All events at 3:30 p.m. unless noted  
2/15 @KLAA Association Meet TBA

**GIRLS BOWLING**  
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2/15 @KLAA Association Meet TBA

**BOYS BASKETBALL**  
All games at 7 p.m. unless noted  
2/15 @Conference Tournament

**GIRLS BASKETBALL**  
All games at 7 p.m. unless noted  
2/14 @Conference Tournament  
2/18 Conference Tournament  
2/21 Association Crossover

**BOYS SWIMMING**  
All meets at 6:30 p.m. unless noted  
2/15-2/16 @Division Meet TBA

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TUESDAY, MARCH 5, 2013:	9:00 a.m. Administrative Meeting
THURSDAY, MARCH 7, 2013:	6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
MONDAY, MARCH 11, 2013:	1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13, 2013:	1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
THURSDAY, MARCH 14, 2013:	1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
THURSDAY, MARCH 14, 2013:	6:00 p.m. for Deliberations
FRIDAY, MARCH 15, 2013	3:00 p.m. for Deliberations

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BOARD OF REVIEW

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As Mustang Taylor Dempsey prepares to go on the bars, her teammates watch as Lauren Rodriguez goes through her routine.

# Northville gymnastics team earns season-high score

## Squad comes close to upsetting tough Salem team

By Sam Eggleston  
Correspondent

The Northville Mustangs gymnastics team continued to prepare for the post-season tournament as they turned in some impressive numbers against the Salem Rocks last week.

The team, coached by Erin McWatt, turned in a season-high team total against Salem as they came close to upsetting their foes in the 138.15-133.3 decision.

The Mustangs were led by Lauren Rodriguez, who turned in an absolutely dazzling performance on the beam to earn her career-high score from the judges with an impressive 9.025. Also having a strong day was Taylor Dempsey, who collected an 8.675 from the scoring table.

The Mustangs' Alyssa Breen had a strong showing as well as she earned an 8.45 on the vault while Gerianna Dauber collected an 8.6 from the judges with her floor routine.

The Mustangs also honored their seniors as they prepared to put an end to the regular season. The five seniors on this year's team are Dempsey, Erin Warwood, Jenn Upmeyer, Morgen Lindsay and Kelly Shashlo.

### ON TAP

The Northville Mustangs gymnastics team will compete in their final dual meet of the season when they visit Brighton/Howell at 7 p.m. today.



Mustang Lauren Rodriguez competes on Feb. 7 at Plymouth High.

# Six Mustangs headed to collegiate ranks

By Sam Eggleston  
Correspondent

The Northville Mustangs athletics family has a few more sons and daughters they are sending to the collegiate ranks following a signing event at the high school last week.

The Mustangs will send four girls soccer standouts, one football player and one tennis star to the college ranks next year as they all inked their National Letter of Intent to play sports at the next level last Wednesday.

"We are extremely proud of our student athletes who have made the decision to continue their athletic careers at the next level," said Northville athletic director Bryan Masi. "We believe they have been well prepared to take on the challenges of college athletics."

Masi said the six current Northville standouts will join "hundreds of former Mustangs athletes that have competed and are currently competing at the college level."

"We look forward to watching all of their future achievements and



Northville has several athletes sign their National Letter of intent to play collegiate sports. Pictured are (from left, front) Alexis Mencotti, Kiki Hilmer, Gabby Guibord, Emily Bush, Evan Shriner and Tyler Gardiner; (back) girls soccer coach Eric Brucker, football coach Matt Ladach and boys tennis coach Matt Stetson.

wish them much success," he said.

Girls soccer coach Eric Brucker stood by as he watched Alexis Mencotti, Kiki Hilmer, Gabby Guibord and Emily Bush sign their letters to play college athletics. He won't have to go far to watch Mencotti, Guibord and Bush play, as all three signed to continue their careers at Grand Valley State University. Hilmer will play soccer at the Uni-

versity of Rhode Island.

Northville football coach Matt Ladach wished standout Evan Shriner the best as he inked his letter to play for the Lakers at Grand Valley State University, while coach Matt Stetson congratulated nationally-ranked tennis all-star Tyler Gardiner on his decision to play for the University of Michigan Wolverines next season.

# Northville boys cagers pick up two victories

## Squad tops South Lyon and South Lyon East

By Sam Eggleston  
Correspondent

There are two more wins to be tallied to the Northville Mustangs boys basketball season as the team gains momentum heading toward the post-season.

The squad, led by Todd Sander, picked up two more wins, making it a four-game streak, as they defeated South Lyon, 54-45, and South Lyon East, 47-35.

"I am very proud of how our team has hung together the past few weeks after a couple tough games," said Sander. "Our young team is growing up gaining valuable experience, and guys should be excited about the tournaments that are ahead of us."

The Mustangs are now 9-7 overall and 6-4 in the Central Division.

Against South Lyon, the Mustangs avenged an earlier season loss that ended 61-42 in favor of the Lions. The Mustangs came into the game and went up 8-0 in the first quarter and didn't look back this time around as they played from tip-off to the final buzzer with a single focus of winning.

"It was our complete best game of the year," said Sander. "They guys were focused all week in practice and we did a much better job defending and challenging their shooters."

The Mustangs turned the ball over 15 times in the game — a marked improvement over the 22 times they turned it over against South Lyon's defense January 15.

Stewart Henzi was a dominant force in the game, scoring 17 points,

### ON TAP

The Northville Mustangs boys basketball team will be back on the hardwood when they play tomorrow in the KLAAs tournament.

including a career-high three three-point field goals. Joe Hewlett added 10 points in the win.

"Stew had that look in his eye tonight where he just was not going to let us lose," said Sander.

Against South Lyon East, the Mustangs' plans were delayed a day as the game was pushed to Saturday instead of last Friday due to inclement weather.

The South Lyon East Cougars continued their winless season as they fell behind 9-7 against the Mustangs in the first quarter and trailed, 32-13, by the end of the first half.

"We were little slow starting," said Sander of the early afternoon game. "We missed five or six lay-ups in the opening frame, but we had a renewed energy in the second quarter behind the defensive aggressiveness of Dan Sims. Dan really set the tone for us and his energy spread to his teammates."

The Mustangs sank four three-pointers in the second quarter, including two from Andrew Meacham to add to his 14-point team-high scoring total. Henzi added 10 points in the winning effort.

Northville went on to outscore the Cougars, 15-7 in the third quarter to have complete control of the game and secure the victory.

## BASKETBALL

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who put in 10 early points of her 15-point performance, to lead her squad to a 10-point halftime lead, 22-12.

The Lions wouldn't go away quietly, however, turning the contest into an interesting match-up in the third as they hit five baskets, including one at the buzzer, to make it a five-point game, 32-27. The Mustangs, however, didn't let the swing in momentum rattle them and came out in the fourth quarter to outscore the Lions, 16-10, to secure the win.

"South Lyon gave us plenty of scoring chances

early on and our girls made a conscientious effort to rebound the ball," said Gudith. "It's always harder playing a team the second time in just a couple of weeks because they are familiar with what you do. You always have to take the good with the bad in any game and although we improved our rebounding, we made some errors out there that are not characteristic of what this group has done this season. So we have some things to work on and correct."

Equalling Brenner's 15 points was Berehulka, while Mencotti added six, Giacomini and Randall added four each and Myers added two in the win.

## SPORTS BRIEFS

### Coach needed

The Northville High School Athletic Department is in need of a Assistant Track & Field coach to coach shot put, discus and pole vault for this spring, 2013. Interested candidates please contact Bryan Masi, athletic director, at masibr@northville.k12.mi.us or (248) 344-8414.

### Help Boosters

The NHS Boosters Board is looking to fill two positions at Northville High School.

The first open position is concessions chair for the 2013-14 school year. The job consists of buying and stocking the concessions stand in advance of sporting events held at Tom Holzer Field, NHS' Soccer field and at the NHS gymnasium. Each team would be responsible for scheduling the volunteers for the respective games.

The second open position is chair of the 2013 NHS Boosters Golf Outing and Silent Auction, which will be held on Saturday, Aug. 24 at the Links of Novi. While there are already volunteers in place to assist with the event, a chairperson is still needed.

If you or someone you know might be interested in either position, please email Sue Baldwin, President of the NHS Boosters at baldwins@huronvalley.k12.mi.us.



# CC grapplers advance

Team wins district and 13 individuals head to regional

By Sam Eggleston  
Correspondent

A whopping bakers' dozen from the Detroit Catholic Central Shamrocks wrestling team earned the right to advance to the regional tournament last week at the MHSAA individual tournament following a team victory in the district.

The squad, coached by Mitch Hancock, earned a victory at the MHSAA Team District Tournament last week to advance to the regional tournament this week. Following that performance, the squad entered the MHSAA Individual District Tournament and advanced 13 wrestlers to the regional.

"These guys are healthy and confident," said Hancock. "We have a few small things to fix here and there, but overall I liked the way our guys competed."

In order to qualify for the team regional, a squad must win the district title. To qualify for the individual regional, a wrestler has to be in the



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER  
Mustang Spencer Compo goes up against CC's Myles Amine on Feb. 6 at Novi High.

top four in order to qualify for the next round.

The Shamrocks qualified Logan Marcicki, Drew Garcia, Nick Giese, Jay Peterson, Bob Coe, Parker O'Brien, Trevor Zdebski, Evan Toth, Myles Amine, Ken bade, Malik Amine and Mike Babicz.

Marcicki won the title with a major decision over Dearborn Fordson's Yahya Yahya Talab, 9-0, at 160 pounds while Garcia won the 171-pound divi-

sion with a pin over Ryan Southerland of Farmington in 3:02. Zdebski also earned a title, his coming at 119 pounds with a pin in 3:49 over Southgate's Raven Schmitt while Toth earned a title at 125 pounds with a 7-4 decision over Farmington's Immanuel Govantes. Bade was the top grappler at 135 pounds, pinning Quentin Santiago of Wyandotte in 2:42, while Malik Amine pinned Logan Parks of Southgate in 1:00 to earn

## ON TAP

The Detroit Catholic Central Shamrocks wrestling team will be back in action when they wrestle Saturday in the individual regional. They were scheduled to wrestle in the team regional against Southgate yesterday, after the sports section went to print.

the title at 140 pounds. Coe earned a pin against Northville's Jon Wines at 285 pounds to secure his championship.

Giese took second at 189, falling to Allen Steele of Livonia Franklin, 3-2, while Myles Amine took second with a 1-0 decision going in favor of Southgate's Alex Molloy in the 130-pound division. At 215 pounds, Peterson took second place with a 6-3 loss against Wyandotte's Vincent Pizzo, while Mike Babicz lost via pin in 1:20 against Franklin's Jordan Atienza to take second place.

O'Brien took third with a pin over Abe Ajami of Dearborn Fordson at 112 pounds.



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER  
The Catholic Central hockey team huddles up before a recent contest.

# Shamrocks beat up two out of town teams

Hockey team defeats Upper Canada College, previously unbeaten Notre Dame Academy

By Sam Eggleston  
Correspondent

The Detroit Catholic Central Shamrocks proved to be welcoming and gracious to the visiting teams in the MIHL Showcase tournament last week before turning them out and sending them home with losses.

The Shamrocks earned a 2-1 victory over Upper Canada College a day after handing Notre Dame Academy of Wisconsin their first loss since winning the state title last season, 6-3.

Against UCC, the Shamrocks let Ryan Mulka keep out the majority of the shots he faced against our neighbors to the north, while Danny Middleton and Mitch Ossowski collected goals to help the Shamrocks secure the win.

The sweetest victory, however, was against the visitors from Wisconsin. The Shamrocks gave Notre Dame their first loss in over a year as they skated away with a 6-3 victory.

Leading the way was Ryan Burnett, who scored the first two goals for Catholic Central to give them a 2-0 advan-

## ON TAP

The Detroit Catholic Central Shamrocks hockey team will be back on the ice when they play Hill Academy tomorrow at 1:15 p.m. before playing Divine Child Sunday at 3:30 p.m. and University of Liggett at 7 p.m. next Wednesday.

tage. The first goal was unassisted, while the second goal found Burnett snagging a pass from Alex Kruetzer before firing it home.

The Shamrocks made it a 3-0 game when Carter Cerretani took assistance from Luke Turner and Mike Babcock and found the back of the net.

Some penalties put the Shamrocks in a bad position in the second period and the Wisconsin squad took advantage of it, scoring a couple of goals to make it a 3-2 contest.

But the Shamrocks would have none of it, gaining more momentum off a goal by Bobbie Carney, assisted by Ossowski and Carson Gatt before Nick Daigneau capped the scoring in the final minutes on an empty-net goal.

# Two more losses for Shamrocks

Basketball team falls to OLSM and University of Detroit-Jesuit

By Sam Eggleston  
Correspondent

The Detroit Catholic Central Shamrocks fell victim to back-to-back losses last week as they took lumps from two very competitive Catholic High School League foes.

The squad, coached by Bill Dyer, fell to Orchard Lake St. Mary's, 63-44, after taking a 60-30 loss to University of Detroit-Jesuit High School.

"We got beat soundly down the floor," said Dyer of the U-D game. "We were down six half-way through the second quarter and we didn't respond well late in the second quarter. We had problems guarding them in transition and we got beat down the floor a lot."

The Shamrocks trailed 20-8 after the first quarter of play but fought back in the second quarter to make it look as though they were going to make a game of it. Unfortunately, the squad couldn't keep up with the high-octane offense that University of Detroit has become known for this year and could only watch as they went up 36-20 by the end of the half. The Shamrocks were outscored, 24-10, throughout the remainder of the game.

## ON TAP

The Detroit Catholic Central basketball team will be back on the court when they play Saturday and into next week in the CHSL tournament.

U-D was led by freshman Cassius Winston, who poured in 16 points to lead all scorers, while senior A.J. Horde added 10. The Shamrocks were led by junior Noah Lee, who scored 10.

Against Orchard Lake St. Mary's, the Shamrocks trailed 17-11 after the first quarter before slipping behind, 33-22, at the half.

The team did, however, play inspired defense in the third quarter as they outscored their foes, 10-9 and narrowed the Eaglets' lead to just five points, 37-32. But OLSM was not about to be undone and came out to dominate the final stanza, 24-12, to finish the game.

Leading the way for the Eaglets was Ted McCree, who put on clinic for 25 points, including 10 in the fourth quarter, while Matt Linehan scored 14 points. Garrett Moores and Lee scored nine each for the Shamrocks.

Detroit Catholic Central is now 4-11 on the year.

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By Aset Hill



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## Best technology of 2013

**By Jon Gunnells**  
Guest Columnist

The new year is under way, but a host of new innovative devices and technologies have already been unveiled at the International Consumer Electronics Show in Las Vegas.

More than 3,000 exhibitors packed halls and conference rooms to showcase approximately 20,000 new products. Among those products are much of what you would expect: new cell phones, computers, televisions and cameras. But the CES show also providing a glimpse to the future in areas that many wouldn't expect, such as health and fitness, sports and even gadgets for children.

The products shown at the convention will impact every aspect of our lives and even the sports world. During the first day of the conference, for example, Major League Baseball and T-Mobile announced a multi-year deal to put T-Mobile cell phones in bullpens and dugouts.

The mobile phones will plug into wall units that serve as their own cell phone tower to ensure coaches in bullpens and dugouts don't experience communication problems as they have in years past.

T-Mobile also used the event to announce some new service offerings. The cell phone service provider said it will soon move all cell phone



Tech Savvy

Jon Gunnells

Instead, T-Mobile plans to allow subscribers to pay for the device in short loans over the duration of owning the device. As soon as a phone is paid off, users will be eligible for new devices.

Fisher Price hit the show floor with products for the youngest tech fans. Their new "Apptivity" products for users up to 5 years old are essentially interactive tablet toys for youngsters.

Tablets and mobile applications were also a big part of the CES 2013, as many manufacturers showcased faster, sleeker and more durable offerings.

Panasonic introduced two new "rugged" Toughpad tablets — one that runs on Windows 8 and one using the Android operating system. The Toughpads are resistant to fluids, extreme temperatures and, of course, being dropped. They have between 8GB and 16GB of memory and come with Bluetooth and WiFi connectivity. Of course, these durable machines come at a price — the smaller Android version starts at \$1,300, while the Windows 8 version will cost about \$2,900.

plans to new value-based plans. T-Mobile subscribers will no longer pay high costs for new phones up front.

Panasonic also made headlines with a 56-inch 4K OLED TV prototype after Sony unveiled a similar television of its own. An OLED TV is said to have a crisper and broader spectrum of colors because the screen is made using a red, blue, green printing technology. (I won't pretend I know what that means, but we can all agree it sounds impressive.)

An electronics expo wouldn't truly be complete without a flurry of new technology that you would never have thought possible.

One of the most mind-bending displays to come out of the CES 2013 is a mind-controlled helicopter.

The PuzzleBox Orbit by NueroSky is operated through a Bluetooth enabled headset. The user, or the pilot, sends brainwaves to the Bluetooth sensors, which make the PuzzleBox Orbit maneuver. Not exactly the flying car we expected in this digital age, but a mind-control device is not a bad start, especially for only \$189.

One other cool gadget from the show: A Bluetooth-enabled refrigerator from a company called Coolvox. The device will keep your milk cold, your vegetables fresh and even stream your music.

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## IT'S YOUR BUSINESS Q&A



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Schakolad offers a number of unique ways to get the chocolate message across to the Valentine's Day sweetheart, including these chocolate high heels filled with truffles and solid chocolate lips.

## Sweetest day

### Valentine's Day is big deal for local, family-owned chocolate shop

**Record:** Tell us about your business, including the types of services and/or products you feature?

Emily Barker: Schakolad of Northville is a family-owned chocolate factory where products are made fresh in our store. Every day our chocolatiers produce handcrafted chocolates using only the finest ingredients. We manufacture in small batches, without wax or preservatives, to ensure quality and freshness.

We create custom truffles and molds for wedding favors, corporate logos and holiday gifts. We offer behind the scenes tours and birthday parties for children and a Sweet Night Out for adults. Parties include a chocolate fountain and chocolate making.

Some of the products we offer include:

- 70 different types of truffles and nut clusters
- Signature Barks
- Vegan chocolate
- Gelato (in the spring and summer we offer 10 flavors of handmade gelato trucked in from Palazzolos in Saugatuck)

**Record:** How did you get started in this business?

Emily Barker: We were customers first and fell in love with the high quality chocolate. After receiving birthday, engagement and anniversary gifts from Schakolad we bought the store two and half years ago when the original owners were ready to move on. I love the creativity and that it's a family-oriented busi-



ness (for us and our customers).

Emily Barker, owner of the Schakolad chocolatier on Haggerty near Eight Mile, decorates milk chocolate boxes for the Valentine's Day crush.

**Record:** How important is Valentine's Day to your business?

Emily Barker: Valentine's Day is our single largest sales day of the year. We will dip by hand more than 1,000 chocolate covered strawberries and over 10,000 truffles for the holiday.

**Record:** Is chocolate really an aphrodisiac?

Emily Barker: Several components of chocolate (mainly phenyl-ethylamine and Tryptophan) have been linked to mood and potential "aphrodisiac" effects. Eating chocolate may improve your mood and pleasure by boosting serotonin and endorphin levels in the brain.

**Record:** If you had to recommend one of your products as a gift for Valentine's Day, what would it be?

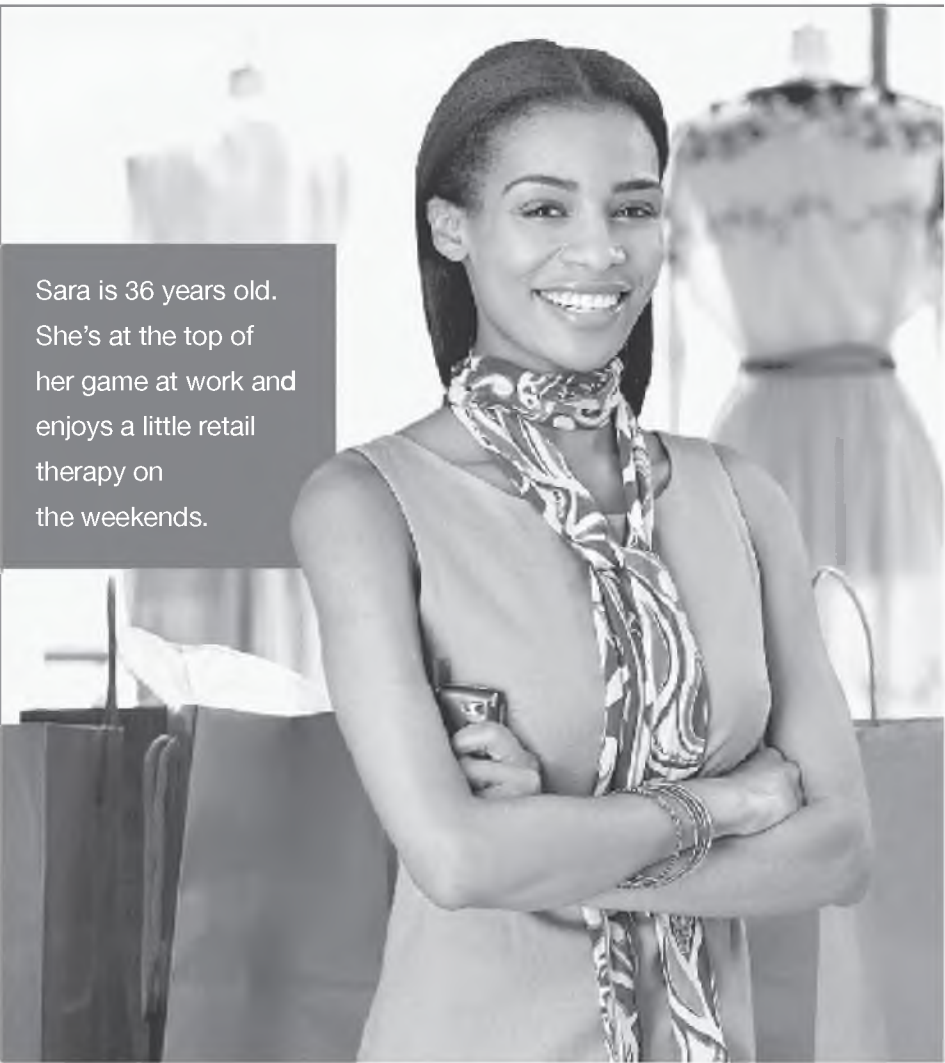
Emily Barker: A choco-

### SCHAKOLAD CHOCOLATE FACTORY

**Address/city:** 20450 Haggerty Road (south-east corner of Eight Mile and Haggerty roads — next to Trader Joe's), Northville MI 48167  
**Your name/title:** Jeff and Emily Barker, owners  
**Hometown:** Lincoln, Neb. (Emily)  
**Business opened when:** 2006  
**Number of employees:** 5  
**Your business specialty:** Handmade chocolate  
**Hours of operation:** 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday; 11 a.m.-8 p.m., Friday-Saturday; 1-5 p.m. Sunday; closed Monday  
**Special hours:** Open 9 a.m.-8 p.m. on Valentine's Day  
**Phone/website:** (734) 464-7040/[www.northvillechocolate.com](http://www.northvillechocolate.com)

late high heel shoe for the ladies. Shoes and chocolate, what more could a woman want? We have chocolate covered potato chips and cayenne hot lips for the men, too.

To show appreciation to our hometown heroes, we are running a special Valentine's Day promotion. For every person who comes in the store to buy chocolates for Valentine's Day, we will add a piece of chocolate to boxes that will be sent to a currently deployed Michigan military unit.



Sara is 36 years old. She's at the top of her game at work and enjoys a little retail therapy on the weekends.

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## NORTHVILLE BUSINESS BRIEFS

### Local firm at show

The Northville-based Guzman Landscape & Associates will have a landscaped garden on display at the Cottage & Lakefront Living Show Feb. 21-24 under the roof of the Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi.

They are just one of many exhibitors at the annual show, which will also include plenty of speakers.

"Now is the best time for cottage and lake front preseason planning whether you are maintaining, buying, building or renting," said Mike Wilbraham, show producer of ShowSpan, Inc. "Exhibits feature something for every interest from log home building and cottage furnishings to kayaks and seawalls. Learning how to keep the family in the family cottage and Michigan State University Extension Horticulture Smart Gardening Series are part of the presentations on the Cottage Living Stage."

Ideas to increase your outdoor living space are incorporated in the landscape displays that include wooden cabins, fireplaces, cooking options, patios, decks and gardening products. Other exhibits include log, timber frame and cedar homes, cottage rent-

al, cottage furnishings, lakefront home-builders and realtors, lakeshore maintenance, boats and docks, outdoor recreational equipment, non-profit environmental organizations, government agencies, financing and other products and services. Experts throughout the show will provide tips, advice and knowledge on purchasing, planning, maintaining, financing and landscaping for spring, summer and year-round cottages and lakefront living.

Suburban Collection Showplace is located at 46100 Grand River Avenue, between Novi and Beck Road in Novi. Show hours are from 2-9:30 p.m. Thursday and Friday; 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$10; \$4 for children 6-14 and children 5 and under admitted free. Discount coupons for \$2 off Thursday or Friday adult admission are available at show's website and participating Wendy's restaurants. There will be free crossover admission from the Cottage & Lakefront Living Show to Outdoorama. On-site parking is available for a fee. For more information, visit [www.NoviCottageShow.com](http://www.NoviCottageShow.com), Facebook.com/NoviCottageShow or call (800) 328-6550.



# Real estate association executive announces his retirement

By Julie Brown  
Staff Writer

Dale E. Smith, CEO of the Greater Metropolitan Association of Realtors, recently announced his upcoming retirement. The West Bloomfield resident, at the helm 12 years, will stay on for a transition time.

He oversaw the merger of the Western Wayne Oakland County Association of Realtors, where he'd worked from the Farmington office, with the Metropolitan Consolidated Association of Realtors to form GMAR.

The 2010 merger is a point of pride for Smith, who previously worked in a similar capacity at a larger association in New Orleans, La. He's a native of the Chicago area, and is married, with the couple's daughter making her home near Chicago.

The Michigan Association of Realtors and National Association of Realtors will assist with a national search. "That's kind of how they got me when I came," said Smith, who want-

ed to return to the Midwest. That'll be a seven- to nine-month process.

"You always look at the things you did most recently," he said. The merger brought more resources and better communication through tough times in the housing industry, he said.

"The number of days on the market is better," he said of metro Detroit real estate now. Financing remains an issue, he said.

"There is such a lack of housing now. The inventory is very low at this point."

The CEO position usually takes a business degree with a finance background, Smith said. He's one of some five executives in Michigan with associations who have real estate backgrounds.

"That really helped," he said.

He saw the position as being more about member services and helping the public. Smith has certifications, and taught industry certification courses to other executives.

"Every association is unique," he said. He was just



Dale E. Smith

giving GMAR volunteers direction, "kind of like writing your own obituary."

Smith has adapted to new technology. "The business has changed so much and you need to keep your eyes open," he said. "Education is just primary. The business is changing so quickly."

He relies on a network of dozens.

Smith said an executive without real estate experience needs trusted advisors. He's proud of GMAR educational programming.

"You had to be a step ahead of what the market is." The skill set is changing quickly, he said.

"It is still a person-to-person business."

In the 1980s, Smith wrote a manual sold to NAR that he's now rewriting as one of his pre-retirement projects.

"I really haven't given a lot of thought to that," he said of other retirement plans.

He agreed some good real estate professionals couldn't make it in the tough industry of the past five years. It "has driven a lot of people out of the business that had to support their families."

The Michigan field is almost 40 percent of those licensed today as were three years ago: "That's unfortunate for the public," Smith added.

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# ADA, pool use issue complex issue

By Robert Meisner  
Guest Columnist

**Q: How do we know when the use of our pool constitutes a public accommodation under the ADA when we have guests at the pool?**

A: That is sometimes a very difficult issue to resolve, particularly, because it is fact intensive. However, it is fair to say that cases

have held that and occasional use of an exempt commercial or private facility by the general public is not sufficient to convert

that facility into a public accommodation under the ADA. Under this rationale, where a clubhouse may be rented to an owner and guests from outside the community an argument can be made that it is not the general public, but only invited guests that are permitted to attend on an occasional basis, and therefore, such use does not convert the clubhouse into a place of public accommodation. As always, you should get an opinion from your legal counsel.

**Q: Our association has an issue with the placement of safety devices like carbon monoxide alarms, fire extinguishers, etc. Please let me know who I should contact since we have initially contacted our lawyer.**

A: I don't think your lawyer should be telling the association where to place its safety devices, but rather he or she should be referring you to literature and suggest a safety expert. Nor do we think the association should get into any unit common element distinction. If a fire or CO can kill your neighbor, it is a board safety problem. Obviously, treating the problem at the association level assures competent installation and economies of scale. As counsel, I emphasize that the association should disregard the distinction between common elements and units noting that smoke, fire, smell, mold, water, insects, etc. do not respect borders and a remedy using borders is complicated, if not futile. A single building should have a single solution for everyone's benefit.

**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*, \$24.95 plus \$5 shipping/handling. Call (248) 644-4433 or visit [rmeisner@meisner-law.com](mailto:rmeisner@meisner-law.com). This column shouldn't be construed as legal advice.

## HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-WAYNE COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Oct. 15-19, 2012, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

CANTON	
45458 Augusta Dr	\$321,000
47013 Bing Dr	\$313,000
40561 Bluesprings Ct	\$243,000
1218 Centennial Dr	\$349,000
4041 Cornerstone Dr	\$75,000
44710 Crestmont Dr	\$195,000
6856 Devonshire Dr	\$150,000
1174 Dundee Dr	\$200,000
2067 Fairway Cir	\$129,000
7162 Fox Woods Dr	\$250,000
1584 Glengarry Blvd	\$260,000
46016 Hanford Rd	\$229,000
1125 Heatherlea Ct	\$335,000
4237 Hunters Cir E	\$69,000
43464 Lipka Ct	\$145,000
2770 N Woods Blvd	\$226,000
44444 Newburyport Dr	\$46,000

2011 Pinecroft Dr	\$80,000
45659 Radnor Rd	\$270,000
44439 Savory Dr	\$29,000
48671 Stonebriar Dr	\$202,000
480 Sylvan Dr	\$425,000
41366 Westfield Cir	\$160,000
GARDEN CITY	
31024 Birchlawn St	\$107,000
28628 Bridge St	\$42,000
1560 Gilman St	\$125,000
LIVONIA	
34909 Six Mile Rd	\$147,000
18870 Aspen Dr	\$420,000
34581 Bretton Dr	\$268,000
18682 Canterbury Dr	\$180,000
17115 Cross Winds Rd	\$260,000
17170 Deering St	\$118,000
31015 Dorais St	\$70,000
15100 Gary Ln	\$120,000
9333 Gillman St	\$95,000
18984 Gillman St	\$30,000
15178 Golfview Dr	\$195,000
30157 Grandon St	\$85,000
31311 Grandon St	\$80,000
20201 Merwin St	\$48,000
9919 Merriman Rd	\$51,000
31720 Middleboro St	\$112,000

29680 Minton St	\$105,000
34916 Perth St	\$128,000
31117 Robert Dr	\$146,000
33945 Roycroft St	\$125,000
18789 Southampton St	\$175,000
32470 Wisconsin St	\$113,000
NORTHVILLE	
19081 Angell Blvd	\$584,000
19340 Clement Rd	\$100,000
17248 Crestbrook Dr	\$624,000
19533 Dartmouth Pl	\$80,000
43619 Prestwick Cir S	\$475,000
46798 Red Oak Dr	\$520,000
39702 Rockcrest Ln	\$137,000
39436 Springwater Dr	\$144,000
17644 Stonebrook Dr	\$510,000
45790 Tournament Dr	\$785,000
PLYMOUTH	
500 Ford St	\$49,000
742 Kellogg St	\$65,000
9230 Marlowe Ave	\$100,000
932 Penniman Ave	\$700,000
48940 Pinehill Dr	\$367,000
49409 Plymouth Way	\$130,000
1101 S Harvey St	\$251,000
REDFORD	
13949 Beech Daly Rd	\$31,000

17657 Beech Daly Rd	\$40,000
15108 Delaware Ave	\$163,000
18450 Denby	\$35,000
25275 E Deborah	\$61,000
19245 Garfield	\$24,000
19317 Garfield	\$20,000
17711 Glenmore	\$35,000
9971 Grayfield	\$30,000
26320 Kenneth	\$66,000
18644 Kinloch	\$24,000
13570 Marion	\$55,000
14282 Marshall Dr	\$132,000
12943 Sarasota	\$43,000
12731 Tecumseh	\$71,000
WESTLAND	
1631 Ackley Ave	\$61,000
1649 Berkshire St	\$75,000
8281 Bristol St	\$15,000
33835 Cowan Rd	\$108,000
8619 Donna St	\$73,000
8325 Flamingo St	\$65,000
38367 Greenwood St	\$24,000
32549 Hazelwood St	\$64,000
31024 Merritt Dr	\$95,000
39216 Nottingham St	\$90,000
38530 Warren Rd	\$189,000

## HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-OAKLAND COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Oct. 1-5, 2012, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

BEVERLY HILLS	
17135 Buckingham Ave	\$168,000
18540 Hillcrest St	\$217,000
18580 Hillcrest St	\$418,000
16309 Kirkshire Ave	\$105,000
16925 Madoline St	\$245,000
19933 Old Pond Ct	\$420,000
31255 W Chelton Dr	\$350,000
BIRMINGHAM	
2280 Attard	\$240,000
647 Bennaville Ave	\$143,000
1700 Cole St	\$154,000
847 Davis Ave	\$486,000
1655 Hazel St	\$170,000
1563 Lakeside Dr	\$275,000
449 N Eton St # 504	\$55,000
220 Ravine Rd	\$350,000
539 S Bates St	\$400,000
179 Suffield Ave	\$425,000
600 W Brown St # 210	\$199,000
2299 W Lincoln St	\$270,000
1679 Washington Blvd	\$235,000
2031 Windemere Rd	\$293,000
BLOOMFIELD HILLS	
2140 Lancaster Rd	\$150,000
1293 Ashover Dr	\$195,000

1293 Ashover Dr	\$175,000
2003 Eagle Pointe	\$170,000
433 Fox Hills Dr S # 7	\$49,000
565 Kendry	\$700,000
1319 Knollcrest Cir	\$225,000
2640 Knoxie Rd	\$206,000
6947 Sandalwood Dr	\$180,000
6947 Sandalwood Dr	\$120,000
1834 W Bend Dr	\$313,000
6880 White Pine Dr	\$209,000
180 Woodwind Dr	\$510,000
BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP	
1294 Ashover Dr	\$161,000
54 Hillsdale Rd	\$120,000
5621 Meadow Wood Ln	\$250,000
5615 Pebbleshire Rd	\$336,000
6124 Thorncrest Dr	\$275,000
26000 W 14 Mile Rd	\$163,000
7091 Woodbank Dr	\$228,000
COMMERCE TOWNSHIP	
1946 Applebrook Dr	\$308,000
8925 Cynthia Ct	\$195,000
85 E Beechdale St	\$171,000
1655 Huron River Dr	\$156,000
6030 Strawberry Cir	\$290,000
1270 Vanstone Dr	\$133,000
8960 Wise Rd	\$135,000
FARMINGTON	
23010 Hawthorne St Unit C101	\$30,000
23133 Lilac St	\$104,000
22686 Maple Ave	\$115,000
32380 Marblehead Rd	\$116,000
FARMINGTON HILLS	
36494 Bingham Ct	\$130,000

25434 Bridlepath Ln	\$245,000
31010 Club House Ln	\$125,000
36170 Congress Rd	\$225,000
38244 French Pond	\$315,000
23062 Glenmoor Hts	\$100,000
29697 Harrow Dr	\$320,000
35150 Hillside Dr	\$126,000
35160 Hillside Dr	\$133,000
33983 Kirby St	\$166,000
37656 Lancaster Dr	\$180,000
28839 Lincolnview Dr	\$135,000
25345 Lyncastle St	\$170,000
29455 Sylvan Ln	\$145,000
27329 W Skye Dr	\$260,000
28457 Westerleigh Rd	\$175,000
22154 Wingate Ct	\$245,000
FRANKLIN	
30180 Helmandale Dr	\$303,000
Lathrup Village	
28711 Eldorado Pl	\$57,000
MILFORD	
814 Abbey Ln	\$156,000
1738 Milford Hts	\$135,000
NOVI	
43050 12 Oaks Crescent Dr #	\$140,000
24926 Acorn Trl	\$485,000
50593 Billenca Dr	\$503,000
30161 Brightwood Dr	\$265,000
39546 Burton Dr	\$115,000
41429 Chattman St	\$140,000
50833 Chesapeake Dr	\$572,000
50931 Chesapeake Dr	\$611,000
24686 Christina Ln	\$189,000
39429 Country Ln	\$85,000

50254 Drakes Bay Dr	\$1,225,000
21785 Greendale Dr	\$323,000
27909 Hopkins Dr	\$133,000
25810 Island Lake Dr	\$475,000
25842 Island Lake Dr	\$458,000
24792 Kings Pointe	\$179,000
31144 Lagoon Dr	\$345,000
217 Linhart St	\$149,000
26978 Maxwell Ct	\$45,000
27002 Maxwell Ct	\$45,000
47674 Mocking Bird Ct	\$333,000
22066 Picadilly Cir	\$398,000
24329 Saybrook Ct	\$576,000
1957 West Lake Dr	\$219,000
SOUTH LYON	
24080 Griswold Rd	\$204,000
23948 Lyon Ridge Dr	\$61,000
956 Oak Creek Dr	\$205,000
61724 Rambling Way	\$115,000
53764 Springwood Dr	\$25,000
53922 Springwood Dr	\$25,000
SOUTHFIELD	
18640 Autumn Ln	\$128,000
22454 Chatsford Circuit St	\$195,000
19570 Eldridge Ln	\$74,000
26049 Franklin Pointe Dr	\$40,000
21340 Independence Dr	\$111,000
30160 Northgate Ln	\$104,000
23253 Russell St	\$100,000
28458 Tavistock Trl	\$105,000
WHITE LAKE	
41 Alison Ln	\$258,000
9015 Glasgow Dr	\$145,000
8771 Trenton Dr	\$238,000

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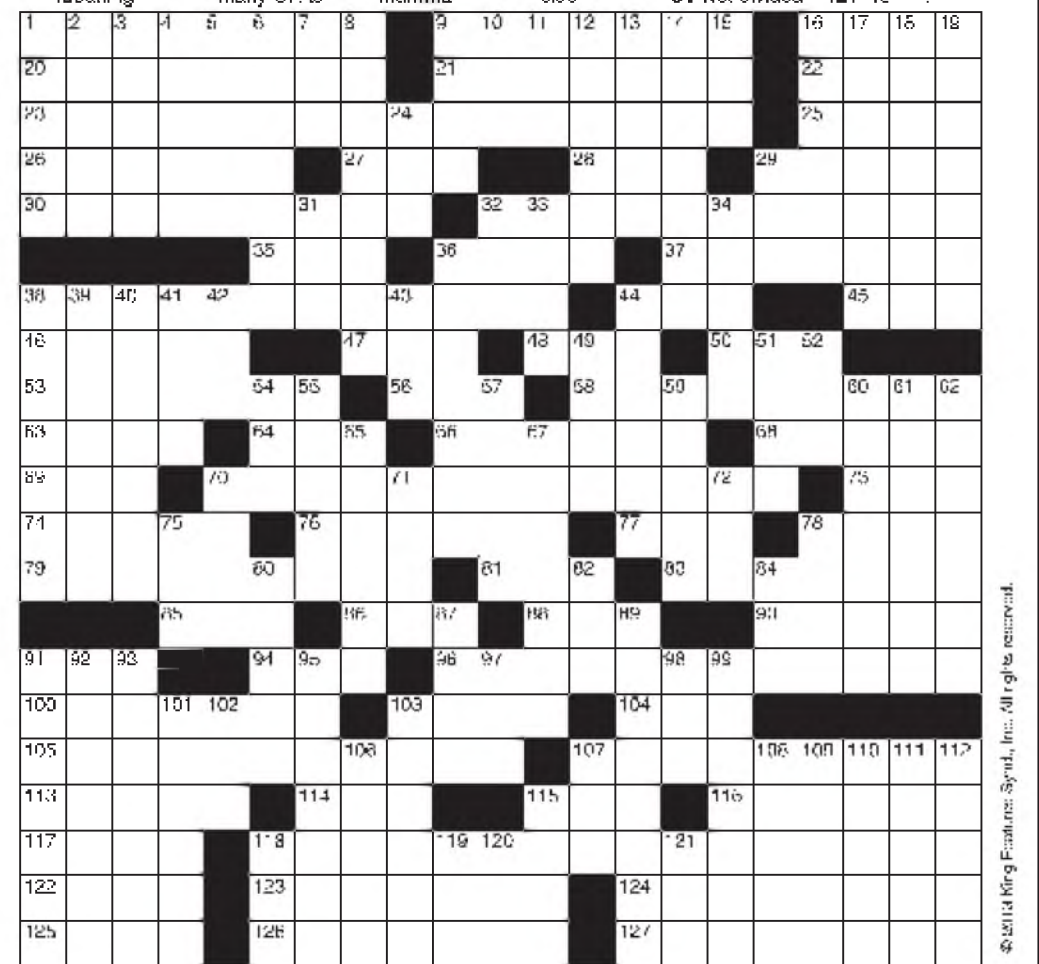
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**ACROSS**  
1 Lets go by, as a chance  
9 Like some eyeglass lenses  
16 Short race  
20 Emerga again  
21 Medium tempo  
22 Not tricked by  
23 ... Nuc car Physics  
25 Needle-nosed fishes  
27 "Grand" instruments  
29 Cuban sa singer Cruz  
30 People who may share amnesia  
32 ... the Symphony  
35 McKeallen's "Scaudal"  
36 Like the paper: Abbr.  
37 Become audibly  
38 ... Organized Crime  
44 Wld. with the same meaning

**DOWN**  
1 Readies, briefly  
2 Falcon's nest  
3 Largest city in Yemen  
4 Exhausted  
5 Derby city  
6 Leave port  
7 Old Egypt  
8 Syrian alliance  
9 Wisdom  
10 Suffr with brilliant  
11 32nd prez  
12 Dumb and clumsy  
13 Bill won't 100 clams  
14 Waste away  
15 Was ahead  
16 Folded-over page comes from worker  
17 Long scenes  
18 Biblical cry in praise  
24 Scale notes  
29 Single dance move?  
31 Fraternity "T"  
32 First mo. again, in a chat room  
34 Darling  
36 Supper

**ACROSS**  
38 Queen of rap  
39 Of the womb  
40 Maker  
41 SWAK part  
42 Slangy approval  
43 Apliva raker  
44 Dry streak  
49 Now no more  
51 Vehicles for large families  
52 -Z (totally)  
54 Kobe's son  
55 Soccer  
57 Toast starter  
59 Essentials  
60 Httie books  
61 Very nature  
62 Hardly the saintly type  
65 Secret ave  
67 Ware hockey, as a joke  
70 "Star Wars" knight  
71 "Wh's there?" reply  
72 Quick trot  
75 Cry out loud  
78 Activis: Brockovich  
80 Wal or Sasha  
82 The "O" of NATO: Abbr.  
84 Not divided

**DOWN**  
87 "Son of—" clever, spurious reasoners  
91 Crab cakes  
92 Prize yeller  
93 Divis on  
95 Modern Greek  
97 Mr. Cold whadunit (zmo)  
98 Caviar base  
99 Loggins & "Your Mama Don't Dance" duo)  
101 Ascon sport  
102 Bullring holler  
103 — Doria (ill-fated I ner)  
106 R kin Island, e.g.  
107 Lit syllable  
108 Italian for "hundred"  
109 Neuritic worrying  
110 Unleash upon  
111 School, n Paris  
112 More rational  
115 Fei behind financially  
116 Zeus or Thor  
119 Bor-  
120 Eden exile  
121 "Te- —"



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SHADERS  
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Susan Ricker,  
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### 1. Airline and commercial pilot\*

What they do: Airline and commercial pilots fly and navigate airplanes or helicopters. Pilots spend a considerable amount of time away from home, because flights often involve overnight layovers. Typical education level that most workers need to enter this occupation: Many pilots learn to fly in the military, but a growing number have an associate or bachelor's degree from a civilian flight school. All pilots who are paid to transport passengers or cargo must have a commercial pilot's license. 2010 median pay: \$92,060

### 2. Anthropologist and archaeologist

What they do: Anthropologists and archeologists study the origin, development and behavior of human beings, past and present. They examine the cultures, languages, archaeological remains and physical characteristics of

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### 3. Geographer

What they do: Geographers study the Earth and its land, features and inhabitants. They research the physical or human geographic characteristics of a region, ranging in scale from local to global. Most geographers work for the federal government. Some travel to foreign countries or remote locations for fieldwork. Typical education level: Bachelor's degree 2010 median pay: \$72,800

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What they do: Heavy and tractor-trailer truck drivers transport goods to and from locations. They deliver goods over intercity routes, sometimes spanning several states. Long-haul truck drivers can be away from home for days or weeks at a time and spend much of their time alone. Typical education level: High-school diploma or equivalent 2010 median pay: \$37,770

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\*All median annual pay figures, job descriptions and education levels are from the Bureau of Labor Statistics' Occupational Outlook Handbook.

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