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# **First Friday**

Downtown Northville's First Friday Experience will take place tomorrow from 6-9 p.m. at participating galleries, shops

and restaurants. The popular event takes place the first Friday of every month, and provides guests a unique evening filled with art, shopping and dining. As guests stroll along the streets of downtown Northville's art district, they will enjoy a night filled with art exhibits, art demonstrations and related events. Hosted by the locally owned galleries and shops, many of the establishments along the walk will be offering complimentary hors d'oeuvres and beverages for their guests as they browse or shop.

For more information, including which businesses are participating and walking maps, visit www. downtownnorthville. com/1/163/first\_friday\_ art\_walk.asp.

# Communities joining together to make Eight Mile pathway a reality

By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer

Northville Township has approved contributing \$125,000 toward the Eight Mile Road repaying project that will include completing a pathway that will help make the nonmotorized connection to Maybury State Park more of a real-

The Northville Township Board of Trustees unanimously approved allocating \$125,000 of the costs for the project as part

of an agreement with the Road Commission for Oakland County and the city of Northville.

Most of the money — \$100,000 of it — will come from what was set aside for pathways in 2013 and the difference will be made up by Metro Act funds, which come from a state-led program that helps maintain public right-

"A lot of residents have indicated they like walking and connectivity and pathways. It's a shame really that Maybury Park hasn't had good access, pedestrian access, bike access to it," township Trustee Mindy Herrmann said.

So in conjunction with the Oakland County road project to repave Eight Mile from Taft to Napier roads this summer, she said Northville Township along with the cities of Northville and Novi, as well as Wayne County — has been working toward getting this extra detail (pathway) added in.

Herrmann said this is the township's contribution to "give that connectivity to our residents as well as those other municipalities along the Eight Mile corridor." She said the pathway will start just west of the North Beacon Woods neighborhood and go to Beck Road. A pedestrian crossing will be at that intersection. Herrmann said the hope and eventual goal is to get an agreement from park officials to have a cut through into the park on the west side of Beck. She doesn't expect this cut through to happen this summer, but rath-

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# Shining a light on leadership



Silver Springs Elementary School teacher Kathy Moser is all smiles as she hugs a student after being presented with her father's WWII Congressional Medal of Honor during an April 24 ceremony at the school. Moser's late father, Tad Kamidoi, was part of the all-Japanese American 442nd Combat Regimental squad that was honored for its determined efforts in Europe towards the end of the war.

# Silver Springs students pay tribute to WVII Japanese-American soldier

By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer

Fifth-graders at Silver Springs Elementary paid tribute to a man who served as a Japanese-American soldier during World War II, while also bringing to life the important leadership lessons they've been learning through the school's Leader in Me program.

During a recent school assembly, David Wayne's class presented Kathy Moser, a third-grade teacher at the school, with the Congressional Gold Medal her father, Tad Kamidoi, earned for his military service with the 442nd Regimental Combat Team. He passed away nearly two years ago and this medal, along with some others, had been lost over time.

The class, with Wayne's assistance, received the medal prior to the ceremony.

The Congressional Gold Medal was bestowed



Kathy Moser's father's Congressional Medal of Honor.

upon American World War II veterans of Japanese ancestry (Nisei) who served with the 100th/442nd Regimental Combat Team and Military Intelligence Service.

Wayne said in preparation for the assembly. the class conducted a lot of research on the 442nd Combat Regimental Team, so students could connect it to their Leader

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# Some parents furious with 'pornographic' version of Anne Frank's diary

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By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer

Some descriptive excerpts from a newer version of Anne Frank's Diary has some Northville parents up in arms, which has led the school district to put the reading of the book on hold.

One parent, Gail Horalek, said she endorsed the reading of the book, Anne Frank-The Diary of a Young Girl: The Definitive Edition, thinking it was like the one she and her husband had read. However, after her daughter told her she felt uncomfortable reading it, she took a closer look at it and thought it sounded almost "pornographic."

In the newer edition, details relating to Frank's body are included.

Horalek said she and other parents she has spoken with feel deceived, either accidently or

deliberately, by the school district. She is furious there wasn't more review of the potential concerns this would cause.

"Let me be clear, Anne Frank's Diary is a classic that is insightful and moving," said Horalek. whose daughter is a seventhgrader at Meads Mill. "However, we had no idea of this newer version and its content. A better review of it would have been good."

Northville Public Schools officials sent out an e-mail letter to the parents on April 26 updating the community. In it, Assistant Superintendent for Instructional Services Robert Behnke said the district is currently in the process of reviewing a concern brought forward regarding the book being read within the seventh-grade English Language

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er in the near future. "It's a wonderful oppor-

tunity that we get to share this, spend some money to achieve the result that maybe we would have had to wait some time to do," Northville Township Supervisor Robert Nix said.

Nix said the timing and opportunity of the overall project is what has made this particular pathway a possibility and priority.

This section of roadway is unique in that it has all three municipalities (both Northvilles and Novi) bordering it, along with Oakland and Wayne counties

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According to Northville Township officials, the county road commission, as part of the project, has offered to include filling a gap in the sidewalk/ pathway system from the west side of Woodbend Drive to Beck. This will be similar to the pathway along the west side of Haggerty Road that was completed by Wayne County last year. The cost of this connectivity improvement would have to be borne by the township.

The township's Pathway Committee recommended the Eight Mile pathway project move forward as part of the overall repaving plan.

According to the cost participation agreement, Eight Mile will be resurfaced and as part of that a non-motorized pathway will be constructed. The total project cost is \$1,655,000, which is just for the area within Northville Township under the jurisdiction of Oakland County.

The local match needed is \$597,000.

A little more than \$208,000 of that will come from Tri-Party funding along with the city of Northville, which is contributing \$85,477, and the township's \$125,000 for the construction of a non-motorized pathway. The road commission will contribute \$178.500 toward the local match as well as any costs that go above the aforementioned con-

tributions.

For the road project, the Oakland road commission has budgeted \$4.6 million for the Taft to Napier repaying. Novi is contributing more than \$520,000 to the repaying project through Tri-Party funding as well.

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# **DIARY**

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Arts course

"The concern noted regarding the Anne Frank edition relates to two specific entries in Anne's diary where she describes her anatomy and reflects on the changes she is undergoing and the feelings she is experiencing," said Behnke.

The book was introduced to the seventhgrade classes as part of a larger unit on "Courage in Life and Literature", and is one of two books that students can choose for this unit. The title of the other option is Children of Willesden Lane.

"Northville Public Schools uses an established process to review concerns brought forth related to any instructional materials used within our schools. A committee consisting of parents, teachers, media specialists, and administrators will assemble to review the concerns expressed using the Citizen's Request for Reconsideration of Materials Procedure," according to Behnke.

The issue was brought to the district's attention

# WHAT DO YOU THINK?

Northville Public Schools officials are currently reviewing their use of "Anne Frank-The Diary of a Young Girl: The Definitive Edition" in the middle schools after some parents voiced their displeasure with some of the book's content, specifically the author's description of her changing anatomy and the corresponding feelings she is experiencing. Do you feel the book is appropriate for seventh-grade readers in the district? E-mail your opinions to Editor Kurt Kuban at kkuban@ hometownlife.com.

while some students at Meads Mill were reading it, and after some Hillside Middle School had completed it. Horalek's daughter chose to read the other book after speaking with her parents.

A written response of the outcome of the review process will be communicated to parents, Behnke said.

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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.

Upcoming events include:

• GAMES UNPLUGGED 1-3:30 p.m. Saturday, May 4 Details: Challenge friends and family to board and card games during Screen Free Week. All ages are welcome. Play a variety of old standards,

#### or bring your favorites. • TWEEN EVENT: YARN FRIEND-

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#### DROP-IN EVENING FAMILY **STORYTIME**

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# Township adding new precinct to cut down on voting times

By Kurt Kuban Staff Writer

Anyone who voted at Northville High School during last fall's presidential election can attest to the fact that there were some pretty long lines to cast ballots, especially at peak voting times.

Northville Township election officials hope to cut down on future lines at the high school with the creation of a new voting precinct. Carved out of the old Precincts 3 and 4, the new Precinct 16 will move voters to township hall at Sheldon and Six Mile. The change is effective immediately, after being approved by the township board.

According to Northville Township Clerk Sue Hillebrand, the move was necessary, due to the fact that the township's population has grown so much in recent years. State law says voting precincts can't have more than 2,999 voters. Hillebrand said both 3 and 4 were quickly

approaching that limit. "I really noticed it during the presidential election. The lines were very long at the high school. And those precincts had

a lot of absentee votes, so I knew we had to do something," Hillebrand

The new precinct will incorporate a number of subdivisions, including Verona Park, Ravines, Laird Haven, Brookland Ridge, East Northville Hills and Northville Hollow, as well as the residences in the area that aren't in subdivisions. Hillebrand's office sent out letters and new voting cards last week to voters who will be impacted by the change.

With the new alignment, Precinct 16 will have 1,048 registered voters, while Precinct 3 will be reduced to 1,900 voters and Precinct 4 to 2.100 voters.

"We think this will be very convenient for the voters," Hillebrand said. "I'm hoping it's going to cut down a lot on the waiting times."

According to the most recent U.S. Census, Northville Township's population had risen to 28,862, and Hillebrand says that number continues to increase every day. There are a total of 22,3888 registered voters in the township, she said. That number also continues to increase, almost daily.

# **Northville Township Voting Districts**



However, with the new precinct, Hillebrand feels confident that future elections should run smoothly.

"We're in pretty good shape for the future," she said.

As of now, there are no elections scheduled in the township for 2013, though that could change if there are any ballot initiatives in Wayne County or the state of Michigan.

If you live in one of the impacted voting precincts and have questions about the changes, contact Katie Anderson, the township's voter registration official, at (248) 662-0541 or kanderson@ twp.northville.mi.us.

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# NORTHVILLE SCHOOL BRIEFS

# Military Moms fundraiser

Join members of the Northville High School baseball program from 6-10 p.m., Monday, May 6 at Brick's or the Northville Sports Den for an Armed Forces Day Fundraising Challenge. Both restaurants have agreed to donate 20 percent of your total bill, including food and beverage, excluding tax and tip, to the Michigan Military Moms to help with shipping all of the goods we collect on Armed Forces Day overseas to our Michiganbased troops. The 4th Annual Armed Forces Day will be held on Saturday, May 18 at NHS and is hosted by the NHS baseball program.

This is a competition between the three teams — Freshman, JV and Varsity. If you would like to support the Freshman team, please bring a flyer to Brick's. If you would like to support the Varsity team, please bring a flyer to the Sports Den and if you would like to support the JV team, please bring a flyer to either venue. To obtain, a flyer, contact Carrie Slominski at cslomo2022@yahoo.com.

The team who brings in the most proceeds will win a team pizza party.

#### Concert

Strings 'n' Things, Northville High School's string chamber ensemble, is having its annual performance at Barnes & Noble (17111 Haggerty Road) on Friday, May 3, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. The performance will feature Northville High School's Drumline. Bring the entire family for a great night of classical and pop chamber music.

The concert is free and will be open for everyone to enjoy.

#### 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.

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. 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

# Northville High School music program earns top honors

Michigan's largest high school music program continues to be one of Michigan's best high school music programs. Northville High School continues to expect and deliver excellence and artistry in both its vocal and instrumental music programs.

On March 20-21, NHS again hosted the Michigan School Vocal Music Association (MSV-MA) District 12 Choral Festival. In keeping with the MSVMA goal to "inspire an understanding of the value of vocal music and its impact on the human spirit", 52 southeast Michigan choirs (over 2,500 high school students) graced the school with their complex variety of vocal styles and skills.

NHS choirs added to their strong showing in March at the statewide Solo and Ensemble Festival on April 13. They earned six superior and four excellent rat-

"For the 12th year, we are Michigan's largest high school choral music program," said Mark

Krempski, NHS vocal music instructor. "We feel we rank among the state's finest choral music programs."

Later this month, vocal and instrumental music students will be honored by the Michigan Youth Arts Festival (MYAF), which is "an alliance of statewide organizations that develop, recognize and advocate excellence in arts education for all."

NHS vocal music seniors Michael Dause, Ashley Hart, Lauren Wickett and junior Annelie Herrmann were named to the MSVMA/MYAF All-State Honors Choir, comprised of the top 100-120 high school vocalists in the state. BackBeat, the school's nine-man a cappella group, was selected as an MYAF ensemble finalist this year, as it was in 2008 and 2012. This noteworthy "finalist" distinction mean BackBeat is again recognized as one of the top 12 ensembles in Michigan.

Instrumental music seniors Lily Chen (violin), Paul Mizzi

(flute), Nina Shekhar (flute and piccolo) and sophomore Erin Kim (cello) continue to advance in MYAF competition. Instrumental music instructor Johanne Ray-Hepp said "it is an honor and pleasure to be a part of such an excellent program. Northville students inspire me daily."

Band students were similarly honored at the March 23 Michigan Solo and Ensemble Festival, when 37 of the school's 39 solo participants received Division I ratings. Led by instrumental music instructor Mike Rumbell, Symphonic Band 10, Symphonic Band 11/12 and Jazz Ensemble also earned District Division I ratings. Ray-Hepp's Symphonic Band 9 posted a District Division

"It's been a great year," said Rumbell. "What a thrill to conduct these championship bands."

Year-end concerts will be held in the NHS auditorium at 7 p.m. on May 15-16 (vocal music) and 7 p.m. on May 21 (instrumental



# JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

# Talent on display

Northville High School students Jenny Styles (left) and Zoe Que perform "I Won't Give Up" at the school's April 25 talent show. More than 20 different acts displayed their musical and dance talents. Student Perry Jiang even showed off his talent: solving four Rubik's Cubes in just mo-



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in Me lessons. The impact this had them was evident during their presentation, which had the entire class participating.

"I learned if you're a hero, let it shine, but be a leader in what you do," fifth-grader Samantha Ollis said of the project.

For others, the historical perspective and stories it gave them were also a great lesson.

"I learned a ton about the 442nd, such as when it took the 442nd only three days to break through the Gothic Line in Italy while other units had been trying for three months," classmate Daniel Liang said.

For Moser, the presentation was a bit of a surprise. Wayne had helped her apply for her father's medals that were lost in the past, so some work was known to her, but when she saw the students ...

"Mr. Wayne told me his class had prepared something, but I didn't think it was going to be that big of a deal," she said. "This was very special."

The students watched and discussed oral histories from members of the 442nd as well as Japanese Americans that were interned in a camp back at home. Wayne said the students used this information and applied it to the 7 Habits of Highly Effective People that was developed by Steven

Questions were posed, including: If you were in an internment camp, which habit would be the most important to follow? Which habit would help

you survive in combat? Which habit did the U.S. government fail to follow by detaining American citizens during World War II?

"The presentation on Wednesday was more than I ever imagined it to be," Moser said. "His students were amazing presenters. I loved how they applied the seven habits to their research of the 442nd."

This project became really important to the students, so the ceremony was a big culminating moment.

"When I handed Mrs. Moser the Congressional Gold Medal, I realized what this was all about and that I would never do this again," fifth-grader Jalen Brown said. "I shed a tear or two."

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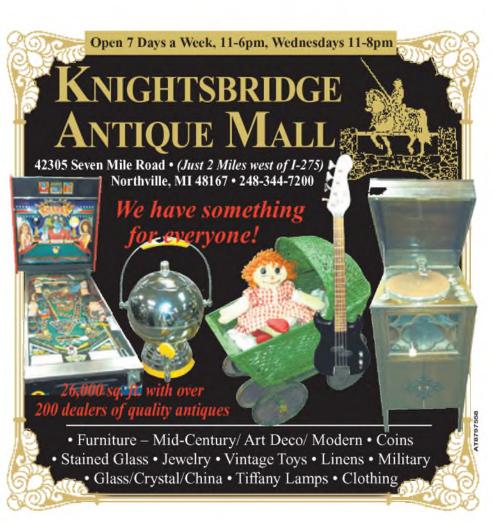


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# Kids against hunger

# Students join up with Kiwanis, Bridgepointe to pack 10,000 meals



Ryan Gallagher (left) and Vinny Lionas put on their mandatory hair nets before packing the meals.

By Lonnie Huhman

The new Northville Kiwanis Club along with Kids Against Hunger and Bridgepointe hosted a food packing event that brought together students from different schools in the mission to help others.

On April 23 at the First Presbyterian Church in downtown Northville, the groups came together to pack 10,000 meals that will be given to a local organization, Northville Civic Concern, as well as to needy families overseas and be packed away for a potential disaster somewhere in Amer-

For some of the students, this was the second time they've done this. Each time it's been important.

"I like doing this because it's helping someone," said Hillside Middle School sixth-grader Jacob Reith as he packed. "I did this last year and liked it. Helping someone in need receive some food is impor-

Through the help of Bridgepointe, middle school students from Hillside and Meads Mill and others from Detroit's Academy of the Americas worked together to pack dry items like soy, vegetables and rice into bags and then put them into boxes for shipment.

Kids Against Hunger founder Donald Burwell said 3,500 of the bags will be donated to Civic Concern, while the others will go to places like Haiti and in a storage facility in Oak Park. With help from the Kiwanis Club of Colonial Plymouth, the Northville Kiwanis was able to participate in this type of event for the first time, according to



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Meads Mill student Jean Xiong (front left) teams up with Detroit's Academy of the America's Pancho Singleton as they prepped bags of food during the April 23 Kids Against Hunger event at Northville's First United Presbyterian Church.

Club president Doug Herriman, Jr.

The event brought a number of volunteers together, from parents to individuals from each organization. It truly was a group effort.

"It's great to see this many people wanting to volunteer

and help," said Northville Kiwanis Club vice president Dan Ferrara. "We're grateful that the church gave us this opportunity to have it here. It really is a community effort."

Groups of students packed throughout the day. And while not packing, they visited The

Next Chapter Bookstore and Bistro, the Northville Art House and also took a historical tour of downtown led by Michele Fecht, of the Northville City Council and Northville Historical Society.

It was a full day of fun, learning and serving.

"They got to make a difference today for children around the corner and around the world," said Diane Powers, of Bridgepointe. "That's a

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# **COMMUNITY BRIEFS**

# Student art show

The 14th annual Student Art Show sponsored by the Northville Art House will open May 3 with an opening recep-

tion 6-9 p.m. The exhibit, which will highlight the work of middle and high school students from the Northville community, is a collaborative effort between the Art House and Northville's public school art educators to promote art appreciation among the community's youth.

The exhibit, which is free and open to the public, will continue through May 18 during regular gallery hours of 1-5 p.m.

Wednesday through Saturday. For more information, call (248) 344-0497 or visit www.northvillearts.or. The Art House is located at 215 W. Cady Street and is a facility of the city of Northville.

# Cinco de Mayo Zombie Run

The Cinco de Mayo Zombie Run 5k through Maybury State Park will take place from 6:30-8:30 p.m., Sunday, May 5 at Maybury State Park. Enter the park at the Eight Mile entrance. Cost to participate in the event is \$25.

The race will have participants avoiding obstacles, as well as zombies. All participants under the age of 16 are

required to be accompanied by a regis-

tered adult throughout the run. Would you like to be one of the zombies chasing down and "infecting" runners? Northville Parks and Recreation is looking for volunteers to be zombies to stumble, walk, run, and crawl around Maybury State Park for the day. So come on out in your best zombie makeup and ripped clothes and join the ranks of the living dead.

Please call 248-349-0203 ext. 1404 to sign up as a zombie or get more infor-

For more information, visit http:// northvilleparksandrec.com/SpecialEvents/CincoDeMayoZombieRun130505. htm. Each vehicle entering the park must have a recreation passport.

# Garden club meeting

The Northville Garden Club will hold its next meeting at noon, Monday, May 13, at the Cady Inn. There will be a light lunch. This will be the members' annual Plant Auction, where plants from members' gardens will be auctioned off. In addition, other items like garden tools, garden books, birdhouses, and wind chimes can be auctioned as well. Guests are always welcome. For more information, call Mimi Kibbey at (248) 348-2299.

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Michigan judges.



Attorneys Bieske and Alfonsi can often make a winning difference at the application stage. And, if an appeal is necessary they have won several hundred cases before a court date is

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

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

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

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

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

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# E. Main St. Cady St. Beal St. Northville More than a half dozen car break-ins took place in this section of Northville on April 23. If you have any information, call police at (248) 349-1234. 7 Mile Rd.

# Police have suspect in custody after a series of car break-ins

By Lonnle Huhman Staff Writer

A string of larcenies from parked vehicles in a Northville neighborhood that were reported to police led investigators to a stolen car and the arrest of one suspect last week.

Northville city police took a 29-year-old Westland man into custo-

dy. On April 25, he was arraigned on two counts: larceny-less than \$200 and breaking and entering a vehicle to steal property. He pleaded guilty to both misdemeanors, which carry up to a 93-day sentence. Sentencing is expected at a later date.

Police say the LFA (larcenies from automobiles) cases are still under

investigation, and may or may not be connected to the stolen car.

During the early morning hours of April 23, police were dispatched to the Beal and Yerkes streets neighborhood on the report of two suspicious men checking vehicle doors to see if any were unlocked. Police arrived to the area and found the 29-year-old Westland man near some vehicles at the medical clinic near South Main and Beal. He reportedly took off a pair of gloves as police approached him.

A search of the man turned up that he had one pocket full of coins/spare change while in the other was a car key. Police say the man could not give a convincing or detailed reason as to why he was in the area.

Meanwhile, police discovered the stolen vehicle, a Nissan Altima out of Wayne, parked on Yerkes. When they found it, the car hood was still warm to the touch, and was verified through a LEIN check as stolen. The key in the man's pocket, which he said he did not know what it was for or how it exactly got there, did start the stolen car's engine.

After that, the 29-yearold was taken into custody. He then told police that a friend had picked him up in the car, and he was just walking around with that friend as that other suspect was "pulling car doors." He said his friend is a 21-yearold white male with brown hair.

During the investigation, a number of items, reportedly from vehicles parked in driveways in the neighborhood, had been found strewn about the area. There were at least seven LFAs reported. Much of what was taken included spare change in the vehicles. It was also reported that all the vehicles entered by the suspects were unlocked.

"The investigation of the LFA cases continue," said Capt. Michael Carlson.

Police said if any residents have any information that might assist them in this investigation or if they're missing property from their vehicles, they should contact the department at (248) 349-1234.

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#### BAGGERLY, FRAN

82, of New Hudson, April 23, 2013. A devoted wife, mother and grandmother, member of Nardin Park United Methodist Church and avid NASCAR fan. Fran is survived by Lawrence. her beloved husband of 57 years; her loving children, Russell (Ramona) Baggerly, Stuart Baggerly, Susan (Bruce) Morrison and Alan (Maria) Baggerly; cherished grandchildren, Russell, Jr., Rebecca, Collin, Brendan, Elizabeth, Orion, Nova and Benjamin; her sister and brother, Glenda (the late Donald) Eldredge and Glen Edward (Carolyn) Keen. Sadly, Fran was preceded in death by her sister and brother-in-law, Doris Jean (Charles) Thompson. Funeral Service Friday, April 26th, 11:00am (instate 10:00am) at Nardin Park United Methodist Church, 29887 W Eleven Mile Rd., Farmington Hills. Visitation Thursday, 5-8 pm at the Heeney-Sundquist Funeral Home, 23720 Farmington Rd., (btw. 9-10 Mile Rds., just N of Grand River), downtown Farmington (248-474-5200). Interment Edgar Cemetery, Paris, IL. Memorial gifts suggested to the Myelodysplastic Syndromes Foundation, mds-foundation.org

www.heeney-sundquist.com HEENEY-SUNDOUIST FUNERAL HOME

YVONNÉ

Of Scotts passed away on Mon-

day, April 29, 2013 at the age of

83. Yvonne was born on Septem-

ber 25, 1929 in Detroit, MI. She

was the daughter of John and

Magdalen (Shannon) Engel. On

August 25th, 1951 she married

Dennis Boyle in Ann Arbor at St. Thomas Catholic Church.

Yvonne worked as a Registered

Nurse at Bronson Methodist

Hospital. Yvonne is survived by

her husband of 61 years, Dennis;

twelve children: Katherine (Jay)

Crouch, of Niles; Colleen Boyle,

of Vicksburg; Audrey Boyle, of MN; Patricia (Scott) Cline, of

Schoolcraft; Dennis (Georgia)

Boyle, of Portage; Trina (Gary)

Boyle-Holmes, of Vicksburg;

Tobias (Robyn) Boyle, of Port-

age; Timothy (Pierina) Boyle, of

MO; Kevin Boyle, of Vicksburg;

Kelly (Didik) Soekarmoen, of Vicksburg; Mary (Jack) Paulsen, of Battle Creek; Maureen (Rob)

Brown, of Portage; 31 grandchil-

dren and 17 Great Grandchil-

dren. She is also survived by her

sister, Audrey McKeon, of Troy

and several nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends

on Thursday from 4 to 7pm, with a Rosary at 7pm, at the Life Story Funeral Home, 409 S.

Main, Vicksburg 269-649-1697.

A Mass of Christian Burial will

be held on Friday at 11 AM at

St. Martin of Tours Catholic

Church. Burial will be at the

Vicksburg Cemetery. Please visit

Yvonne's webpage at www.lifest

orynet.com where you can read

her life story, share a memory

and sign her guestbook. Those

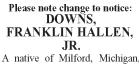
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and a former resident of Port St Joe. Florida, died on November 5, 2012, at the age of 61. He is survived by his son, Frank (Kelly) Downs III of Roseville; his mother, Ina Morbitzer of Port St. Joe, FL; grandchildren, Sean, Deven & Dylen Nail; brother, Tom Downs of Howell; sister, Brenda Johnson of Port St. Joe, FL, and many aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and dear friends. He was preceded in death by a son, Keven Nail, his father, Franklin Hallen Downs, Sr., and a sister, Susan Brooks, A Memorial Service will be held at Lynch & Sons Funeral Home, 404 E. Liberty St., Milford, on Saturday, May 18th, at 1PM, with interment to follow in Milford Memorial Cemetery. Memorials may be made in his name to the Polycystic Kidney Disease (PKD) Foundation.

For further information please phone 248-684-6645 or visit

LynchFuneralDirectors.com Lynch & Sons Funeral Directors

# **DUNDR, LOUISE**

Age 77, passed away April 23. A private service will be held at a later date. Online guestbook www.phillipsfuneral.com



Age 73, passed away April 16, 2013. She was born on April 10, 1940, to the late Hugh and Lucille Foreman. She was a lifelong member of the community, and a member of the Red Hat Society and the First United Methodist Church of South Lyon. She retired from Providence Medical Center in South Lyon. Sandra is survived by her brother Michael (Debbie) Foreman and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, and her brother Douglas Foreman. A memorial service will be held on May 18, Saturday, at 11:00 a.m., the family will begin receiving friends at 10:00 a.m. at the First United Methodist Church of South Lyon, 640 S. Lafayette, South Lyon. A luncheon will follow the service at the church.

Online guestbook: www.phillipsfuneral.com





# O'NEIL, CATHERINE MARY (HELLNER)

Whitmore Lake, MI. Age 91, passed away surrounded by her children on April 27, 2013 at her home, "The Farm", where she lived for 67 years. Catherine was a lifelong Northfield Township resident. Born on February 2, 1922, she was the first of nine children born to John and Willhelmenia (Maier) Hellner in Ann Arbor, MI. Catherine attended St. Thomas School in Ann Arbor, graduating in the class of 1940; she attended Normal Michigan (EMU) graduating with a Education Degree and her first assignment was to a one room schoolhouse with 20 students in a time where she was also responsible for keeping the wood stove going and preparing lunch. On September 14, 1946 Catherine married William Patrick O'Neil and raised 6 children on their Centennial dairy farm. Catherine and Bill celebrated 54 years of marriage prior to his death in April 19, 1999. In 1968 she attended Eastern Michigan University and shortly after receiving her Bachelor of Science she accepted an early elementary teaching position at South Lyon Com Schools, continuing her educa-tion achieving her Masters of Arts in 1973. As an educator for 18 years Catherine enriched the lives of many children through her love of books, nature and life. After her retirement in 1986 her activities included her interests in bluebirds, monarch butterflies and gardening, along with her church activities and family. Catherine was a lifetime member of Old St.Patrick's Catholic Church belonging to the Council of Catholic Women, Parish Council, Labor Day Chairperson, and Women of the Year in 1999, 4-H Leader, also lifetime member of Northfield Township Historical Society. She is survived by her children: Karen, Rose, Bill (Linda) of Howell, Kathleen (Richard) Lancaster of Ann Arbor, Mary (Jim) Hamilton of Manchester, Susan (Chris) Romine of Whitmore Lake, 6 grandchildren, 6 step grandchildren, 4 great grandchildren, two brothers George and David Hellner, two sisters Caroline Miller, Rosemary (Richard) Donner. She is preceded in death by two brothers Bill and Leo Hellner and two sisters Elvera Kennard and Anne Chamberlain. Along with 37 nieces and nephews, extended family, and the love of the Neumaier family Jim, Jo, Dolora, Scott, Maryann, and Kathleen. The family will gather for a visitation at Nie Family Funeral Home, 3767 West Liberty Road, Ann Arbor, MI 48103 on Tuesday, April 30, 2013 from 4-8 pm and Wednesday, May 1,

a fund established in her honor to promote bird and butterfly habitat. Please visit Catherine's personal webpage at www.niefuneralhomes.com

2013 from 2-8 pm with a rosary

service at 7 pm. A Mass of

Christian Burial will be held on

Thursday, May 2, 2013 at 11 am

with an hour of visitation prior at Old St. Patrick's Catholic

Church, 5671 Whitmore Lake Road, Ann Arbor, MI 48105

with Rev. Fr. Gerald Gawronski

as Celebrant. Burial will be in

Old St. Patrick's Cemetery im-

mediately following. Memorial

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# Lake City (formerly of Highland); brothers Timothy (Ruth)

TURNER, JEFFREY A.

Of Lake City, MI, age 57 dies

April 24, 2013. Survived by

daughter Amanda (James) Frazer

and grandson Cody Allen of

Plumas Lake, California; parents

Thomas and Frances Turner of

and Brian (Patty) Turner of Highland; and many neices and nephews. Memorial service -Saturday May 4, 2013 at 1:00 pm at the VFW #9914 in Highland. In leiu of flowers, contributions to the family.

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# ALLIE, JAMES J.

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# NORTHVILLE POLICE BRIEFS

#### Discharge of weapon

A Northville City police officer fired his weapon to put down a sick/injured raccoon.

On April 27, the raccoon was found in a yard on Pennell Avenue not moving, but still breathing. It was determined to be seriously sick, so it was shot and later taken to the DPW yard for disposal.

#### **Fountain** damaged

A large fountain used as a planter in downtown Northville was found broken into two pieces.

Located at Old Church Square on N. Center Street, the fountain appeared to have been pushed over. There are no suspects.

# Cash stolen

According to the teen victim, \$120 in cash was stolen from a wallet during a dance at Our Lady of

On April 26, a 14-yearold boy at the dance told police that he put his wallet inside a sweatshirt that was also inside a plastic bag and then placed in a hallway at OLV during the dance. He later found the wallet on the ground without the cash. There are no cameras at OLV, so there are no suspects at this time.

# Multiple charges

A 20-year-old Detroit woman is facing a number of charges after being pulled over at 1:33 a.m. on April 26 near Eight Mile and Haggerty roads.

According to Northville Township police reports, the woman was pulled over by a patrol officer after crossing over the stop line and well into the crosswalk. When asked for her identification, the woman dug through her purse, and the officer

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# **COPS**

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noticed an ID for an Ohio woman, which the driver said belonged to her sister. She later said she didn't know the woman.

After more questioning, it was determined the woman had multiple IDs on her. When the officer finally figured out who she was, it was learned she had no driver's license and also was wanted for a warrant out of Dearborn. During the questioning, the officer detected the odor of alcohol on the woman, and made her do several field sobriety tests. She was given a Breathalyzer, and had a .088 blood alcohol level, which is more than the legal limit in Michigan.

She was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol. The officer then figured out the Ford Escort she was driving was unregistered, and had a stolen license plate on it. The woman didn't have a driver's license, or proof of insurance for the car. The officer also figured out that the license plate belonged to the same Ohio woman on the ID she had. He confiscated the ID and license plate.

In the end, the woman was charged for drunk driving, driving without a license, driving an unregistered vehicle, no proof of insurance, and unlawful display of a license plate. She is scheduled to appear in 35th District Court on May 8.

# iPad stolen

A 80-year-old Detroit man reported to Northville Township Police that his iPad was taken from his parked car while he dined inside Tim Horton's on Haggerty Road. The man, who was with his granddaughter, thought he had locked the car while he was in the restaurant, but he wasn't sure. He said the iPad was valued at \$300.

Police investigators checked Craig's List hoping to find the stolen item for sale, but were unsuccessful.

#### Items stolen from vehicles

LOCAL NEWS

A couple living on the 19700 block of Marilyn Road reported to Northville Township Police that somebody entered their two unlocked vehicles during the night of April 27 and stole several items. A number of music CDs were taken from the glove compartment out of one of the vehicles, while \$22 cash was taken from a wallet in their other vehicle.

The couple said a neighbor also had his truck broken into. However, when questioned, the neighbor said nothing had been taken, so he didn't file a report.

# 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. to 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-

### **WEEKLY EVENTS**

(\*Grounds closed to public)

• Thursday: 9 a.m. Archives open; 9 a.m. School Tour; 10 a.m. Bag Lady Crafters

- Friday: 9 a.m. Archives open
- Saturday: 10 a.m. docent orientation and sign-up meeting; 4:15-

6:16 p.m. Wedding\*

- Sunday: 6 p.m. Girl Scouts #473 in Church; 6:30 Venture Crew #8 in Cady
- Monday: 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Hands-All-Around Quilters in Church
- Tuesday: 9 a.m. Stone Gang; 11 a.m. Country Garden Club; 6 p.m. Girl Scouts #737; 7 p.m. "A Purse of Her Own" lecture, free, in Church
- Wednesday: 1-4 p.m. AAUW Bridge Group; 6:45 p.m. Mindfulness Meditation Group

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# **Bailey & Shamoun hosts Voigt**

Landscape impression artist Kelly Voigt of Brighton will be featured at Bailey & Shamoun Interiors for First Friday on May 3. From 6-9 p.m. several of Voigt's unique pieces will be on display and available for purchase.

Voigt's work focuses on taking live samples of native and tropical foliage and impressing them into concrete. The result is a lasting impression of nature that is suitable for indoor and outdoor use. The pieces can be displayed as wall or table art, or used for practical purposes such as counter bowls or outdoor feeders.

Bailey & Shamoun Interiors is located at 191 CadyCentre. For more information, call (248)380-7898. In additional to the featured artist, Bailey & Shamoun will also have several special sales happening Friday night. Refreshments will be served.

# **Fashion show**

Van Dam's Boutique, located at 111 E. Main Street in downtown Northville, will present a fall fashion sneak preview from 1-9 p.m., Friday, May 3 and 10 a.m.-6 p.m. on Saturday, May 4.

Shoppers will learn about the hottest fall trends and be able to get a jump on their fall wardrobe at a special fashion preview at the trunk show. This will be a fun girls weekend event. The trendiest styles from the latest collections from Pure Handknit and Neon Buddha will be showcased and available for pre-order. Check out the latest collections at www. PureHandknit.com and www.NeonBuddha.net

Wine and refreshments will be served. For more information, call (248) 449-

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Commercial Progression, an opensource web design company, has recently opened an office in downtown Northville and is celebrating its five-year anniversary. They will be hosting an open house at their new Northville location (115 N Center Street, Suite 203) from 4-7 p.m. on Tuesday, May 7. Light refreshments will be served. A ribbon cutting will take place at 5 p.m.

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Artist Kelly Voigt will be featured at Bailey & Shamoun Interiors for First Friday on May 3.

43333 7 Mile Northville, is now accepting registration for its summer program. The program is offered to schoolage children, Monday through Friday, from 7 a.m.-6 p.m., and is led by a certified elementary teacher, who keeps the focus educational, yet fun during our summer months. Days are filled with field trips, theme days, art, journal writing, experiments, outdoor activities, sports, water play, and good friends. For more information, contact Jamie Miller at (248) 349-2223, or visit www.ixlkids.

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IT'S YOUR BUSINESS Q&A



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Mike Ladwig (left), owner of downtown Northville's UPS Store, recently celebrated his 20th year in business. Staff with him are Tom Charara, Tammy Bingham and Barbara Davies (right).

# Northville UPS Store marks 20 years in business

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

Mike Ladwig: We are a franchisee of Mail Boxes Etc. Mail Boxes Etc is owned by UPS, but we are an independently owned and operated store. We offer a wide range of business services starting with our package shipping service. We also provide excellent packing service featuring our industry exclusive Pack and Ship Guar-

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

Mike Ladwig: For many years it was my dream to own and operate my own business. In 1991 I started seriously looking at different types of businesses. In the fall of 1991 I saw the Main Centre building for the first time

# **NORTHVILLE UPS STORE**

**Address/city:** 143 Cadycentre, Northville, MI 48167 **Your name/titie:** Mike Ladwig, owner

Business opened when: Feb. 1, 1993
Number of employees: 5

Your business specialty: Packing and shipping using United Parcel Service

Hours of operation: 8:30 a.m. to 6:45 p.m. Monday-Fr

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during the Victorian Festival, and the first seeds of a location were planted. I chose the Mail Boxes Etc franchise because I felt comfortable that the wide range of business, postal and communication services would be a much needed service as many businesses were becoming home based, and offices were closing sending the workers to also be home bases. I opened the store in February 1993.

# Record: What's the best reason to do business in the Northville area?

Mike Ladwig: The best three reasons to business in Northville are the people, the people, and the people. In my past life I worked with the public in numerous locations in metro Detroit and I can say that the people in Northville are the nicest, kindest, most community-minded people I have been associated with. It has been my pleasure and honor to be allowed to work with such a great bunch of people.

# Record: How are things

going lately?
Mike Ladwig: Last year was our best year ever as far as sales go. It appears the economic crash of the last few years is on its last legs. We feel we have a good mix of products and services at customer friendly prices provided by a staff that is committed to providing outstanding customer service. We

are optimistic about the future.

#### Record: Do you have a funny tidbit or story to share with our readers about your experience so far as a small business owner?

Mike Ladwig: While we often have up to 200 customers visit our store in a day now, it was not always like that. On the fourth day in business, after four hours of not having a customer or receiving a phone call all day, finally the phone rang. It was a customer asking what type of mail boxes we sold. I politely told her we rent mailboxes, not sell them. She said renting a mail box, that is the craziest thing she ever heard. Another two hours passed with neither a customer sighting nor phone call when the phone rang, and the caller asked me to check to see if any mail was in his mailbox. When he told me his box number, and I knew I had not rented any one to that box number in my store, and told him that, he said "well isn't this the Novi store"? I answered "no, you called the Northville store." So after six hours of being in the store, and the business nibbles were two wrong number business calls, I started questioning if I made the right choice. Over the past 20 years word got out what we did and enough people like us and the business

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academic achievements

University of Michigan Athletic Director David Brandon shot down rumors that he is thinking about a run for the U.S. Senate seat currently held by Carl Levin.

> By Kurt Kuban Staff Writer

ave Brandon and Mark Hollis know a thing or two about the word rivalry. They've been locked in a pretty intense one with each other ever since Brandon took over as athletic director at the University of Michigan in 2010. Hollis, who has been athletic director at Michigan State University since 2008, knows how important it is that his Spartans do well against Brandon's Wolverines — and

vice versa. Despite that rivalry, Brandon and Hollis have developed a friendship, born of mutual respect and the common experience of running big-time athletic departments in the highly competitive Big Ten Conference. That friendship was on full display Friday afternoon at the Laurel Manor in Livonia when the two headlined a luncheon put together by the chambers of commerce from Livonia, Northville, Plymouth and Westland.

With more than 400 people in attendance, the two athletic directors traded barbs, discussed their philosophies about running bigtime athletic departments and developing student athletes, and also the pressures they feel from alumni to produce winning teams.

After both men made brief remarks, there was an entertaining question and answer period, as they fielded questions from those in attendance.

In one of the more humorous moments, Brandon shot down a rumor that he was considering a run for Carl Levin's U.S. Senate seat. He said he was more worried about beating Michigan State.

"You'd have a better chance of running for U.S. Senate," Hollis shot back in iest.

Brandon, who is Michigan's 11th athletic director, talked about all the recent success of the various programs, most notably the basketball team's recent Final Four run that ended in a loss in the NCAA championship game. But he also mentioned the women's vollevball final four run, and national championships by the men's swimming/diving, men's gymnastics and



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# Blue vs. Green

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# U-M, MSU ADs bring friendly rivalry to chamber event



Listening to the ADs' friendly rivalry.

dent athletes, and teaching them how to be leaders. That is very important to us," Hollis said.

While they agreed on much, Hollis and Brandon seemed to have opposite views when asked their opinions on the new playoff format for Division 1 football. Hollis said he was in favor of a playoff system, saying the four-team format was "a move in the right direction." Brandon said he was supporting the new format, but wasn't necessarily in favor of it. He called himself a "reluctant partic-

"I don't know where this

process ends," he said. "I worry about these young guys having to play 15 games. I know the last couple years at the end of our bowl games, the plane ride home looked like a Medivac."

Despite their rivalry, both men said they had mutual respect for one another and understand the pressures they both endure.

"We both want to beat the crap out of each other on certain days, but we are also both in a stewardship role trying to make our schools better, our conference better and our state better," Hollis said.



MSU Athletic Director Mark Hollis.

There were many U-M and MSU alums in attendance, and they were encouraged by Livonia Mayor Jack Kirksey and Wes Graff, president of the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce, to voice their loyalties by shouting "Go Blue" or "Go Green.'

Traci Sincock of the Northville Chamber of Commerce was definitely on the "Go Green" side. Still, she said Brandon made a favorable impression.

"I liked Brandon more than I thought I would. He was pretty funny," said the MSU grad.

Not everyone in the audience was a MSU or U-M fan. Some, like Plymouth's Fred Hill, were a bit indifferent to the whole Spartan-Wolverine rivalry thing. Hill's loyalties are with his alma mater, Ohio State University, a noted foe of both schools. Despite that Hill said he really enjoyed the event, especially the goodnatured banter between Brandon and Hollis.

"They were very funny, especially the way they were picking on each other. That's what everyone wanted to hear," he said.

Livonia Chamber President Dan West said the event was a big success, and attributed it not only to the fact that the two athletic directors are a big draw, but also because the various chambers were able to partner together. He can definitely see similar partnerships in the future.

"We're really happy with the turnout. It's good to be able put multiple chambers together, because you are then able to attract big speakers like this," West said. "It's also good for the various chamber members because of the new networking opportunities. It offers the chance to bring in some new faces, and meet some new people."

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# Reel Michigan to highlight state's film talent

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films,"

By Julie Brown Staff Writer

Lisa Meinzinger-Abraham of Northville, codirector for Reel Michigan, is excited about the event moving to downtown Northville's Marquis Theatre on Main Street this summer.

Reel Michigan is the film portion of the Arts & Acts fest, and will take place Saturday, June 29, at the Marquis Theatre. Meinzinger-Abraham is joined by Michael Zervos, a local filmmaker, in directing this year's

"I asked him to join forces with me because we're both from Northville," she said.

Zervos is currently working on a film.

June 5 is the deadline for Reel Michigan entries, and they're eager to get the word out.

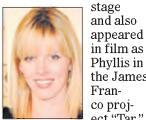
"I wanted to give some extra time to the filmmakers," she said.

Reel Michigan was founded in 2011. More information can be found at www.reelmichiganfilmfest.com. They're also on Facebook.





Michael Zervos been on



Lisa Meinzing-

Phyllis in the James Franco project "Tar." Moore has worked in

er-Abraham

casting and production. "There's usually a wide range" of films, said Meinzinger-Abraham, with about 20 submitted last year. There were a couple done by kids, as

well as horror and experi-

mental works.

"They love Reel Michigan because we try to showcase a wide range of talent," she said. "This year, it's going to be a lot bigger. We're excited. It's really a big deal they're (the Marquis) letting us use that."

The theater will improve on the previous event at the Northville Art House, she said.

Meinzinger-Abraham had a couple small parts in independent films, and more recently helped in writing. "I've always loved film," she said. "I have tons of friends in that community."

An after-party will be held the evening of June 29 at the Bak Bar of Poole's Tavern in downtown Northville. There will be awards for filmmakers.

She hopes to have a red carpet with paparazzi for the event.

"It can only get bigger now," Meinzinger-Abraham said. "It's really important to have that venue."

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# Wish you were here

The Davis family took along their Northville Record on a recent visit to Australia. Pictured here are the Davis children, Meghan (11), Katie (11) and Drew (16). Behind them is the Sydney Harbour Bridge in Sydney, Australia. The family visited the land down under during the recent spring break. The next time you go on vacation, take along the Record, snap a photo, and e-mail it to Editor Kurt Kuban at kkuban@ hometownlife.com.





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# City partners with county to improve emergency response

By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer

The City of Northville has improved its emergency response capacities with Oakland County by agreeing to participate in an emergency preparedness plan with other Oakland County communities and updating its communications with the

other emergency units. On April 15, the Northville City Council, both by a 5-0 vote, approved to participate in the Hazardous Mitigation Plan (HMP), which covers the 62 communities in Oakland County, and a radio communications agreement with the county that will give the city much improved capabilities in times of emergency.

According to Northville City Police Chief Gary Goss, the City of Northville was asked by Oakland County in 2010 to assist in the updating of the mitigation plan, which the city agreed to do.

In 2012, the Oakland County Homeland Security Division, with the help of the Oakland County Advisory Committee, Oakland County LEPC, local communities, schools, colleges and universities, as well as ASTI Environmental, updated the county's HMP, Goss told council.

And then in late 2012, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) approved the updated HMP.

"FEMA approval, however, is contingent upon adoption by each municipality. The plan was adopted by the Oakland County Board of Commissioners on January 23, 2013, and now must be adopted by each individual community," said Goss.

Communities must adopt the plan to maintain eligibility for FEMA hazard mitigation grant funding.

"To provide for the safety of our community and recovery from any or possible disasters, it's important for us to be part of that mitigation plan," added Goss.

The plan calls for City of Northville emergency personnel to participate in ongoing training, and coordination in fire and hazardous material response. In addition, Northville will continue to monitor the potential for flooding problems within the city, specifically in the 8 Mile and Novi roads area

At this point there is no budget impact, according

The radio update was deemed necessary after the Northville City Fire Department reviewed its radio communications interoperability with bordering public safety agencies and found a deficiency.

"Our department currently lacks the ability to easily communicate with the City of Novi Fire Department, and other Oakland County Public Safety agencies via 800 MHz radio," said firefighter Jason Jordan at the council meeting. "Radio communications with other agencies is essential in the event mutual aid is provided for, or received by our Fire Department."

The Fire Department currently utilizes the Michigan Public Safety **Communications System** (MPSCS) for 800 MHz

radio communications. The City of Novi and other Oakland County jurisdictions utilize an 800 MHz radio system owned and operated by Oakland County. The Oakland County radio system is known as OakWIN.

The State of Michigan and Oakland County radio systems share the same 800 MHz frequency bands, but they are completely separate, Jordan

OakWIN's establishment and continued operation is financed by an ongoing Oakland County 9-1-1 charge, so emergency calls in Northville will finance its share. No user fees are assessed for continued use of the Oakland County radio system, and communications equipment is provided without cost, according to the department report.

Equipment provided without cost includes portable handheld radios, batteries, antennas, belt clips, and battery chargers. Oakland County also covers IT support, assignment of exclusive radio frequencies, and equipment maintenance associated with normal wear and tear, Jordan said. The department would be responsible for the repair/replacement of damaged or lost radios.

"Participation in the County-wide OakWIN 800 MHz radio system will enable our Fire Department to maintain seamless radio communications with other Oakland County Public Safety agencies," said Chief Jim Allen in his recommendation report to city council.

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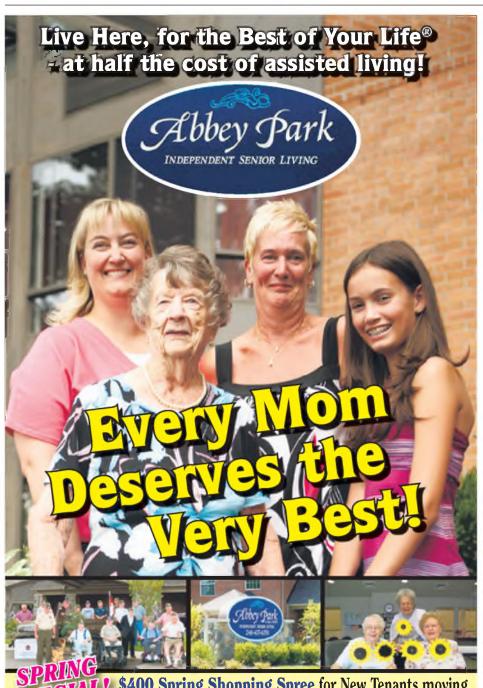
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Silver Springs first graders Shelby Swyt (center) and Nicole Zhong give a hand to Jean Gertley as they lift a pail of mulch during the school's April 26 grounds improvement work day. The school took money that they kids and PTO raised along with some private donations to improve the playground's drainage, plant shade trees, and construct benches.



Silver Springs student Wyatt Biondo-Savin helps to spread some mulch around the school's playground.



# 'America did not reject conservatism,' S.C. governor tells local GOP

By Matt Jachman
Staff Writer

Promising the Affordable Care Act will "fall under its own weight" and urging Republicans to propose policy alternatives instead of just attacking President Barack Obama's record, South Carolina's governor led a pep rally for the local party faithful Thursday.

Gov. Nikki Haley, in a speech during the Wayne 11th Congressional District Republican Committee's Lincoln-Reagan dinner, contrasted her administration to what she said is a lack of progress in Washington, D.C. Haley spoke to about 200 people at Laurel Manor in Livonia

"We're making tough decisions. We're doing things in spite of what's happening in D.C.," said Haley, a former businesswoman and South Carolina legislator who won the governorship in 2010 with strong Tea Party support. "We're telling people that we're open for business."

#### **Standing ovation**

Haley listed accomplishments in her time as governor: job creation, raising the retirement age for state employees to save \$300 million a year, moving 16,000 people from welfare to work since last fall, and instituting greater transparency in state government.

"They can't even so much as balance their budget," she said of federal lawmakers.

She got a standing ovation when she said South Carolina would resist the health-insurance exchanges and expansion of Medicare offered under the

"Obamacare will fall under its own weight," she said. "They don't have a plan. They don't have the money."

In any health-insurance plan, Haley said, there should be



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South Carolina Gov. Nikki Haley and Wayne 11th Congressional District Republican Committee member Carl Berry, the retired Plymouth Township police chief, meet at the committee's Lincoln-Reagan dinner Thursday evening.

consequences for behavior, like smoking, that can hurt one's health. "Personal responsibility matters," she said.

Haley said Republicans need to do some soul-searching after losing the presidential race last fall, and that, in her analysis, "America did not reject conservatism," but that Republicans, including herself, thought attacking Obama's record would be enough to defeat him.

"We were wrong, because we never said what we were for," she said.

'Right-to-work club'

Haley opened her speech by congratulating Republicans



on the so-called right to work law that was passed during a lame-duck session in December. The law, which took effect last month, allows employees in unionized workplaces to not pay Chamber of Commerce member Tom Stroup at Thursday's Wayne 11th Congressional District Republican Committee gathering at Laurel Manor in Livonia.

Doug Tietz, from

Troy, and Northville

resident and Livonia

required to represent them.
"Welcome to the right to work club," said Haley. "You made history in this country. You made this country proud."

union dues, though the union is

Also speaking Thursday was state GOP chairman Bobby Schostak, who said Republican policies — Gov. Rick Snyder is a Republican, and the party controls the Michigan Legislature — have led the state to an economic turnaround.

"Democrats led our state from one crisis to another, refusing to make decisions and kicking the can down the road," Schostak

Schostak said the statewide party is developing "a new political game plan" that will defend the state's Republican majorities in the 2014 elections.

"We are on the right side of the issues, and we need to communicate those better and manage those better," he said.

#### GOP who's who

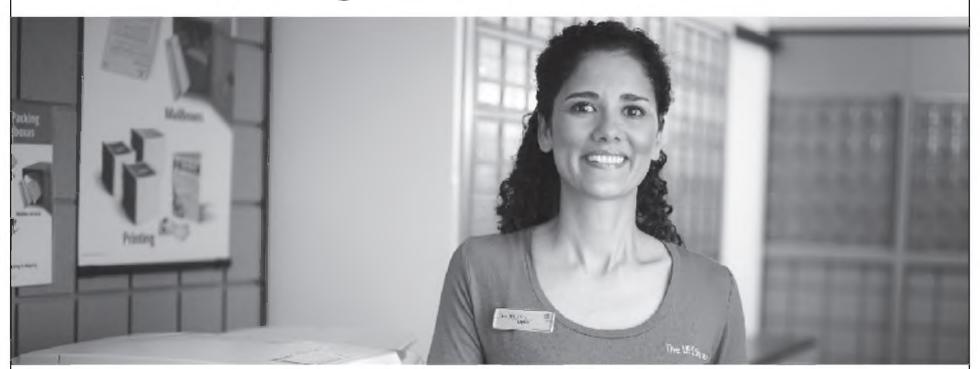
Dinner attendees Thursday included a VIP list of western Wayne County Republicans, including state Sen. Patrick Colbeck of Canton Township, Livonia Mayor Jack Kirksey, Livonia City Council members Laura Toy and John Pastor, Plymouth Township Board of Trustees members Chuck Curmi and Bob Doroshewitz, Wavne County Commissioner Laura Cox and her husband, Mike Cox, a former state attorney general, and freshman county Commissioner Shannon Price.

Rep. John Walsh of Livonia, the speaker pro tem in the Michigan House of Representatives, kicked off the evening's speeches by celebrating state Republicans' victories — Walsh mentioned welfare reform, tax reform, regulatory reform and right to work — and saying the party will continue to work hard.

"Our encore moving forward ... is just keeping our noses to the grindstone, making Michigan a great place to work, live and play in," Walsh said.

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# Dermatologist ventures north to top of the world

By Louis Chiara Guest Columnist

hat do you do when you reach the age of 65 and realize that your body is slowly falling apart?

This "senior" jumped at the chance to go as a physician with a group to the North Pole. I realize that this may seem extreme, especially considering that it was far from what you might call a luxury vacation, and it involved some risk.

I have an inexplicable craving to experience adventure while still capable. Just a decade ago I was about to join a group hiking to the 17,000 foot base camp of Mount Everest when I received a phone call advising me not to go because of violence in Nepal at the hands of local Communists. That trip is now just a dream because my knee hurts just climbing stairs in my home.

I wanted to stand on the North Pole and possibly begin to understand why so many explorers over the past two centuries have risked (and lost) their lives to stand on a chunk of floating ice in the middle of nowhere.

Part of the adventure was the preparation and just getting there. I had to procure equipment and clothes suitable for a possible minus 40 degrees, evacuation insurance that would send a plane to pick me up on the Arctic ice in case of an accident, and more insurance that would fly me from a hospital in Norway back to Detroit.

I stood on the geographic North Pole on April 10. My journey from Detroit had taken me to Amsterdam to Oslo to Longyearben, a tiny Arctic island mining town from where the Russians flew us 700 miles to a temporary floating ice camp called Barneo, about 26 miles from the North Pole. The weather was almost perfect by Arctic standards with a clear sunny sky and temps that were estimated near a minus 20 degrees and a 12 mile per hour wind. The thermometer at the Russian ice camp, however, indicated minus 50, although certainly erroneously.



Dermatologist Louis Chiara recently returned from a trip to the North Pole.



Longyearben, associated with Norway on Spitsbergen island in the Svalbard Archipelago. The small town is about 700 miles from the North Pole. A Russian plane picked up the travelers there and dropped them off closer to the top of the world.

An Italian guide told me that one year they encountered winds so intense they all had to hold on to a tent at the Russian ice camp to keep it from blowing away.

My group flew back from the Russian ice camp April 12 after a two-night stay. Ours was the last flight out (or in) for the next 30 hours due to bad weather.

I felt dwarfed by the many talented and physically strong individuals I met. One lady was

about to complete what she called the Grand Slam, undertaking a 12day cross country ski trip to the North Pole, pulling a 70-pound sled of gear over ice hillocks as tall as 10 feet, and around open water leads. She had already climbed the highest mountains on seven continents and skied to the South Pole. One of her companions told me that he had to turn back just 700 feet below the summit of Mount Everest because he had pneumonia and he had run out of supplemental oxygen. One of his climbing mates, also out of oxygen, continued to the summit and paid the price with frostbitten toes that had to be amputated.

I learned that just before I arrived at Barneo, they had held a marathon, one contestant requiring more than 12 hours to finish. For safety's sake the course was only a little more than a mile long, encircling the perimeter of camp Bar-

I was fascinated by my conversations with scientists and oceanographers, who were recording data and setting up deep water probes that would continuously relay data back to

the US via satellite. The Arctic Council, an intergovernmental forum represented by the eight nations who border the Arctic, including the U.S., had met at Barneo just days before I arrived. Its purpose is to monitor Arctic activities and their effect on the environment and native peoples.

In my group was a family of three, including a 5-year-old boy. With two guides and a family friend, they skied the last three kilometers to the pole and slept there overnight. One of the guides dressed as Santa brought the boy a toy.

Two in my group were creating an art exhibit for display in Venice, Italy. They harvested chunks of ice at the Pole which will be carved, and they made

a film. Up close I watched a Buddhist ceremony in front of the mess tent. There was a group of about 15 from China where they live in a monastery, all dressed in yellow. They sang while rotating in a circle around a clock that I was told runs counterclockwise, and a box that contained "Chi."

And just for the fun of it, my guide brought along a golf club with which we hit biodegradable golf balls.

I was told about sky divers who wear special suits heated by battery

The Russian floating ice camp is truly amazing. It exists for just three or four weeks each April. The Russians fly over and select an ice floe that must meet certain criteria, including size and thickness of the ice. Paratroopers parachute in along with a tractor or two. They build two runways in case one cracks. More people arrive to set up the camp, which is quite impressive. The tents are heated and there is even electricity in the mess tent for a computer. (No need for lighting since daylight is continuous, or so it seemed — I was asleep by 11:30 p.m. with ample sunlight.)

Sometimes a runway cracks and they must use the alternate runway. One year both cracked. Another time a tractor fell through the ice, the operator jumping off in time. Their helicopters come from far away in Russia and have to hop scotch, using various Arctic islands for refueling en route.

The polar ice cap is in constant motion, sometimes moving more than one mile per hour. Therefore, within minutes after I stood on the spot designated as the geographic North Pole, I was no longer standing on the geographic North Pole..

I was reminded of what a small world we live in when on two separate occasions there I met people who knew acquaintances of mine in Alaska, where I was a school teacher before going to medical school.

And how wonderful it was to have dinner with a family friend of many decades, Joanne Aggens, the mother of Annie Aggens, a respected Polar guide who has led groups on skis to both Poles and who is a book author. Both of Annie's parents were river raft guides through the Grand Canyon back in the early days before the dam, when the Colorado River ran warm with a muddy red color and flash flooding was unpredictable. Annie brought her small children with her to Longyearben, and guess who had the pleasure of baby sitting while Annie worked her magic - fine tuning our trips?

Longyearben is located on Spitsbergen Island, part of the Svalbard archipelago of islands associated with Norway, about 700 miles from the Pole. This was our main base. My B&B there had a small restaurant that featured minke whale and seal steaks. Of course, I had to try both, and the whale meat was excellent. Longyearben has an ordinance that requires anyone leaving the town limits to carry a rifle because of the polar bears. I was told that a year or two ago a group of 20 college students were camping in tents, surrounded by a trip wire connected to an alarm. The alarm failed to go off and one person was killed before they were able to shoot the bear. They now suggest that you also bring a dog as an early warning alarm when camping. I noted that Barneo had one large good natured husky tied outside near the tents.

Louis Chiara is a dermatologist with offices in Milford and Novi and past president of the Northville Chamber of Commerce

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#### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING **REZONING**

The Charter Township of Northville Planning Commission has scheduled a public hearing to discuss rezoning the Township owned portion of the former State Hospital property (approximately 322 acres) from 7 Mile Road Planned Unit Development (PUD) to Public Recreation, Facilities and Open Space (PROS). The rezoning will be consistent with other properties owned by Northville Township, the purpose for which the Township purchased the property and the adopted Master Plan for recreation uses.

The meeting will begin at 7:30 P.M. on May 21, 2013 at Northville Township Municipal Offices, 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, Michigan. The public is invited to attend this hearing to receive information, express comments or ask questions. Written comments regarding the proposed rezoning will be received by the Northville Township Planning Commission, 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48168.

Tim Zawodny, Chair Planning Commission

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LOCAL NEWS

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Shown at a family wedding are (from left) David Cameron, Ryan Cameron Kelly, John Kelly, Michele Kelly, Jack Kelly, Courtney Kelly, Michael Kelly, Melissa Kelly, Carter Kelly, Megan Kelly and Jake Atkinson.

# Three weddings in a year a whirlwind for Northville family

By Julie Brown

Michele and John Kelly, lawyers with a Northville practice, have had a busy year.

They Kellys practice at Kelly & Kelly in Northville, and have four grown kids who have all lived in Northville their entire lives. In the last year, three of those children have gotten married.

"It's been a very busy social calendar," Michele Kelly said. "We're really blessed that we got to be involved."

The Kelly kids and their spouses are all continuing to put down roots here, starting careers and families in Northville. Mom is thrilled with her new inlaw families, noting she now has "seven children."

Ryan Mae, Jack and Mike were all born within three years of each other so having three under 3 was a handful, their moth-

er recalled. She had those three while at law school and taking the bar exam, still a record no one at the University of Detroit has matched.

Their last child, Megan, arrived when her siblings were 5, 6 and 7. Megan was in all three weddings.

All attended Amerman Elementary, and the family had a child in attendance from 1989 when Ryan started first grade until 2002 when Megan left. Michele Kelly thinks the Crawford family may have a few years on them, adding as a child she also attended Amerman

She had "three under 3" while studying for the bar, and went into labor at exam time in law school with the couple's older

daughter. John would ask Michele in those early days how her day had gone. "We're all still here," was the reply she would give. "It was a successful day."

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The family often had to be at three to four soccer games at the same time, three Scouting events and three proms at the same time. The toughest day was when all three graduated from college or law school on the same day.

On May 3, 2008, Michael at 22 was the graduation speaker for his class at Michigan State University at 10 a.m., Ryan Mae at 24 was graduating from law school at U-DM in Detroit at noon, and Jack at 23 had two graduations, one at MSU and another from Schoolcraft College. Luckily, his MSU graduation was a different date.

"It was so crazy," Michele Kelly recalled. "How could you possibly be in all these places?"

They managed that day and are proud parents. Michele Kelly recalled Mike's speech, at the end of commencement, and other details of the day.

The last 11 months have

also been crazy, being the mother of the groom at Mike and Melissa's wedding April 9, 2012, in Clearwater, Fla., and mother of the bride at Ryan and Dave's. Most recently, she was mother of the groom as Jack and Courtney married on March 9, 2013, in Northville. The last wedding was at the Mill Race Village, a special place where Mike proposed to his wife and where John and Michele had their wedding reception 30

This also included six wedding showers, bachelor and bachelorette parties and rehearsal dinners.

years ago.

The three couples are friends and are often found out to dinner at Bricks. The three kids live a half mile from each other in Northville.

Three Northville couples have participated in all of the celebrations: Patti Mullen and Gary Banish, Mike and Cynthia Miller as

well as Tom and Michelle Kerns

All three Kelly kids work at the Kelly & Kelly office in Northville. Ryan is a senior associate and Mike is clerking and awaiting bar results. Jack is the owner of Imagine, Outdoor Design and Build Company, and has an office in the building at 422 E Main. Jack landscaped the Northville Chamber of Commerce Building. All are members of the Northville Young Professional's Organization.

On May 3 and for nine days they will be 27, 28 and 29, Ryan turns 30 on May 12.

Currently Mike and his wife have a baby son and Ryan and her husband are expecting a baby.

Little sister Megan is a senior at Oakland University studying communications, and has a boyfriend from Northville who is one of three boys and plans to live in the community upon graduation.

The family joked with Megan and her boyfriend: "No announcements. Don't even think about announcing anything. We're going to take a breather for at least a year," mom said.

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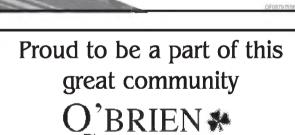
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# Reducing peak usage

# New watering restrictions should lead to lower rates

It may seem a little strange that the City of Northville is concerned about its residents' watering habits considering all the rain we've had lately. We're not exactly enduring drought conditions — to say the

Yet, city officials are pretty adamant about implementing a new ordinance that would force residents and business owners to only water lawns during certain hours of the day. And there is a pretty good reason. The city is trying to reverse the water rate increases it is taking on from the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department. The DWSD is raising rates on the city again this year, and the main reason is due to the fact the city exceeded the amount of water it used during peak times last year.

According to Public Works Director Jim Gallogly, the city signed a 30-year contract with the DWSD in 2008 for its water supply. The con-

The city is implementing several measures to make sure it doesn't exceed the limit during peak times in 2013. First, it is making some infrastructure improvements, including replacing a supply valve, which should cut down on the amount of water used. More importantly, city officials hope to limit the amount of outdoor watering to the non-peak hours ments, including of midnight to 5

tract set limits for how much water the city could use during peak watering times. Unfortunately, in 2012, the city exceeded the amount set by the contract on several occasions, which has led to the rate increases. The residential water rate is proposed to go from \$5.23 to \$5.60 per unit, which is a 7.1 percent increase.

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With these measures in place, the city hopes to demonstrate to Detroit that its peak usage has been reduced and can be maintained at a level at or less than 1.75 million gallons per day that is spelled out in the contract with the DWSD. Due to the over usage last year, Detroit is charging the city at a rate of 2.15 mgd, which is more costly. And it could have been worse. According to Gallogly, city staff had to negotiate with Detroit not to charge the city at a level of 2.3 million gallons per

Gallogly said if the city can prove to Detroit that it is complying with the contract, rates could drop next year. Obviously that would be good for everyone involved, especially the residents who

like to maintain lush lawns. But the onus is on residents to comply with the new ordinance, which should go into effect later this month. The city council, which voted unanimously for the new ordinance at its April 15 meeting, will have a second reading of the proposed ordinance at its meeting next week.

Under the proposed ordinance, the use of municipal water for outdoor water use will be relegated to the hours of 12-5 a.m. The ordinance would be enforced and residents would be penalized for outdoor water use that does not comply with the water restriction. This includes sprinkler systems. Gallogly said residents would be given warnings at first, but it would need to be enforced, and this could ultimately lead to residents getting ticketed.

City officials, including Mayor Chris Johnson, realize this is a big change for residents. Considering all the rain we've had recently, the issue isn't likely to come up for a while. Come July and August, however, there is sure to be some grumbling from residents. However, faced with higher water bills, officials are hoping everyone will get on board and help the city ultimately get a better deal from Detroit. That's in everyone's best interest.



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### **COMMUNITY VOICE**

# The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) now allows additional items on board airplanes, including pocket knives as well as the use of cell phones. Do you support this?

We asked this question at the Northville and Novi libraries.



"No, there definitely shouldn't be knives on board."

**Bill Downs** Northville



"No. Cell phones may be OK, but not any knives or weapons."

**Sneha Patel** 



"I don't fly, but allowing pocket knives may be a little crazy. Cell phones probably should have been allowed all along."

**Bruce Johnson** Northville



"I'm against it. Why did they take them away in the first place? It's stupidity to the 10th degree."

**Gerry Breedlove** Northville

#### **LETTERS**

# Jeff-Jack dinner

At the annual fundraising of Michigan Democrats at the Jeff-Jack dinner at Cobo Hall, Detroit, on April 20, there were more than 1,500 delegates from all over Michigan. U.S. Senators Carl Levin and Debbie Stabenow and many other congressional delegates were present.

Vice President Joe Biden was the keynote speaker who spoke for 50 minutes about the Boston Marathon bombings and the fertilizer plant explosion in Texas. What it showed was the incredible resiliency, heroism, commitment and love of the people who responded to these tragedies. It is remarkable. In his speech, he emphasized that "rebuilding the middle class is the defining issue of our time." He urged the Democrats to work hard for the 2014 elections and help regain control of the House of Representatives so President Obama can advance his agenda.

At the end, Pandit Girish Kho sla, a Hindu priest, was introduced by Lon Johnson, chairman of Michigan Democratic Party. Pandit Khosla chanted the vedic mantras and shanti path. His eloquent benediction was well

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received by the delegates.

Ramesh Verma

# **Support local animal** shelters, too If you ask any person with

a heart and soul, they'll tell you that they get somewhat emotional when the ASPCA commercials that show abused animals come on TV. I feel extremely sorry for the innocent animals, and I want to do something to help.

The ASPCA knows that their commercials pull at people's heartstrings and cause a large increase in their donations. It is completely fine if you're one of those people who donate after seeing a commercial, but people should be donating to protect animals without needing the motivation of an emotional advertisement.

While the ASPCA is a very worthy organization to give to, there are thousands of other shelters who are also in need of money and volunteers but can't afford to advertise on TV. People should consider reaching out to these needy local shelters because their animals have great need and do not have the advantage of national advertising for help.

So, the next time you see an ASPCA commercial, become motivated to donate and help your local shelters on a daily basis rather than only donating to ASPCA once a month during their ad campaign.

Your animal friends will be forever grateful.

Michelle Kearney Novi High School student

# **GUEST COLUMN**

# Time for regional cooperation on water

By Kurt Heise Guest Columnist

he decision last month by Federal Judge Sean Cox to dismiss a 35-year lawsuit against the Detroit Water & Sewer Department is a mixed blessing for millions of southeast Michigan residents who are the water and sewer customers of the system (124 communities and nearly a third of Michigan's population depend on

Kurt Heise

this critical water and sewer utility). As an attorney and former city and county official who has been actively involved in this issue for nearly 20 years, Judge Cox's dismissal of the case

was an event I frankly never thought would hap-

But this good news comes with a challenge for our region - do we stay on the current path for DWSD, with its history of corruption, unreasonable rates, secret meetings, no-bid contracts and bloated bureaucracy, or do we the residents in both the suburbs

and Detroit deserve to operate it? Current DWSD leadership would like to preserve the status quo. They asked Judge Cox to order a regional authority as requested by the DWSD's "root cause committee." But this secretive committee, itself created by court order, operates outside of

any law or ordinance, and is dominated by current and former Detroit and Wayne County politicians, employees, and appointees looking to maintain their hold on the system.

# **Customer in charge**

Fortunately Judge Cox rejected their request, saying in part that their financial assumptions were 'purely speculative.' Cox recommended that the region resolve the issue of a regional authority through the legislative and political process.

As state representative for Plymouth, Northville and eastern Canton, I've introduced House Bill 4009, which would create the Southeast Michigan Water Quality Alliance. The legislation would put the customer in charge while retaining each community's ownership in the system. It would put all decisions out in the open.

It also allows for 40-year bonding for current and future water and sewer projects. By taking advantage of refinancing and today's favorable interest rates, the region would see millions of dollars in savings.

My bill would create permanent regional oversight by customer communities - represented at the table by your publiclyaccountable mayor or supervisor. A new executive board made up of Detroit, Wayne, Oakland, Macomb, Genesee, and local government representatives would jointly manage water and sewer operations, hiring an executive director, overseeing the budget,

water rates, procurement, contracting, and the bidding process.

# **Working together**

This legislation would create a new way of working together - smarter, more efficient, and with the highest level of transparency and accountability. Similar regional governance models are already in place in Southeast Michigan and around the country, and should be demanded by the public from any modern pub-

I'm also calling on Governor Snyder and Detroit's Emergency Manager Kevin Orr to conduct a full outside audit of DWSD. It's time to shine some light into the sewers and find out where our money is being spent. Detroiters, and our region, deserve nothing

You can help make DWSD more accountable and responsible for the customers it serves. Call or write your legislator today and demand an audit of DWSD, and passage of House Bill 4009. We own it, we paid for it, and our hard-working taxpayers deserve to manage it. The time is right for all of us to join together and make our clean water assets the best they can be, at a price we can afford.

State Rep. Kurt Heise, R-Plymouth Township, is a second-term lawmaker representing the 20th House District. He can be reached toll-free at (855) 737-5878, via e-mail at KurtHeise@ house.mi.gov.

# Michigan International Women's Show returns this weekend

The Michigan International Women's Show returns to the Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi Thursday, May 2 through Sunday, May 5.

Novi Fire Department's charity fashion show will heat up the runway Friday and Saturday with firefighters modeling their dress blues and bunker gear.

"The Michigan International Women's Show celebrates 18 years of food, fashion and fun and everyone is invited to the party," said Beth Anderson, executive show manager of Southern Shows. "Grab your mom, sister or girlfriend and spend the day doing everything you love. Shopping, cooking, fashion shows, makeovers and more."

Jessica Robertson from A&E's reality television series "Duck Dynasty," will answer questions about being married to the youngest Robertson son, Jep and her four children, Lily, Merritt, Priscilla, and River.

Season 8 Food Network Star finalist, cake artist and chef Linkie Marais will relate during her cooking demonstrations her passion for food, reality show involvement and provide show goers tastes of her creations.

Warren Caterson, author of "Table for Two-The Cookbook for Couples" will reveal timesaving kitchen tips and helpful cooking hints as he uses fresh and readily available ingredients for dinner in under an hour with a minimum of left-

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On Friday, Sean Lowe from ABC's romance reality series "The Bachelor" will tell how he found his soul mate and about his upcoming wedding and share his experiences from ABC's dance competition series "Dancing With The Stars."

Stage educational workshops with features on health, fashion, beauty, travel business and all aspects of a woman's life and meet Kristy Villa, host of "The Balancing Act" on Lifetime Television.

Chef instructors, organizations and southern cooking radio host Chef Lisa Lofton Shively will prepare recipes and provide cooking tips in the Stonebridge Kitchen & Bath Cooking Theater.

Spring makeup trends and helpful cosmetic tips will be part of the makeovers offered by Macy's beauty experts along with an array of new spring scents.

Show attendees will receive a gift card courtesy of Chevrolet after a vehicle test drive and see Chevrolet's latest cars for the best one designed for their specific lifestyle.

SavingsAngel.com coupon clinics will teach how to cut a grocery bill in

# **DETAILS**

Event: 18th annual Michigan International Women's Show Location: Suburban Collection Showplace, 46100 **Grand River Avenue** (between Novi and Beck roads), Novi

Hours: 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday; 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday; 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday; and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. Admission: \$10; \$5 for ages 6-12; children 5 and under are admitted free with a paying adult. Parking: \$5

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Author, relationship therapist and professor Terri Orbuch, The Love Doctor, will share her insight and provide advice, as featured in "The Wall Street Journal" and Cosmopolitan and on ABC's "Katie" and Fox TV-Detroit.

Other features include Scavenger Hunt with gifts hidden throughout the show each day; special gifts to the first 100 show attendees each day; Friday's Girls Night Out with free gifts and discounts for attendees entering after 5 p.m.; Sunday's Mother & Daughters Day with gifts and prizes; and more than 400 exhibitors displaying cosmetics, fragrances, lingerie, purses, shoes, gifts, décor items, food, arts and crafts, fashion and accessories.



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Seven Novi High class of 2013 swimmers who will be taking their talents to the next level. From left: Kara Berg, Dana Morgan, Andrea VanderMey, Janice Burnett, Maranda Buha, Rachel Aepelbacher, and Jillian Odom.

# Magnificent Seven!

# Novi swimmers graduating to collegiate waters

By Terry Jacoby Correspondent

Every once in awhile a special class of athletes shows up at a coach's doorstep. The Novi swimming and diving program experienced such a knock in 2009 that echoed throughout the state for the past four years.

"This group of freshmen walked on the pool deck in 2009 and immediately impacted the team," said Novi coach Annette VanderMey. "They immediately earned lanes in the varsity heats to score that freshmen year. And many competed at the state level all four years."

They also collectively as a class scored a record number of points for the Wildcats.

"Over the course of their four years they changed the face of the Novi varsity record board in nine of the 13 events," she said. "Together they saw two top-10 finishes in the state but

never falling below 11th place. " Along the way, they defeated elite swimmers from across the county. conference and state in individual and relay events.

Closing the door on this group isn't going to be easy for VanderMey.

"Their absence is going to be huge to Novi's program, but they are leaving quite a legacy and have taught those following behind them well," she said. "I have no doubt current

swimmers will step up to make them proud. It really is no wonder that they are furthering their swimming and diving careers. They are an extremely talented group of young woman and I can not wait to follow their collegiate careers. "

The Novi senior class will be sending seven athletes into the waters of collegiate swimming. Let's meet them.

# Kara Berg

Kara Berg, 17, is the daughter of Lynn and Larry Berg. She will attend Ball State University.

"I picked this school because they have a great journalism program and I seemed to fit in well with the team," said Berg, who also considered the University of Missouri and University of Alabama.

Berg was All-State in the 200 free relay and All-State in the 200 med-

She said she will leave Novi will plenty of fond memories.

"Winning the 200 free at conferences my junior year was one of my highlights," she said. "I'll miss knowing everything that is going on and being really close to everyone. I'll really miss the girls and the great friends I've made over the years."

# Dana Morgan

Dana Morgan, 18, the daughter of

Lisa and Jeff Morgan, will attend Colorado Mesa University.

Why is she heading out west? "It was the vibe of the campus and the people, a school that I could swim at and that wanted me to swim for them," she said. "Also, the weather, and childhood memories of spending summer vacation up here at my grandparents' place."

Morgan, who will study Kinesiology/Exercise Science, also considered the University of Indianapolis, Grand Valley State and Rider University.

Morgan was a senior captain, earned a leadership award and lettered all four years. She went to states during her junior and senior seasons and was All-State and All-America Academic her senior vear.

What will she remember most? "Making new friends that have become my sisters and the 10 minute drive between school and my house,"

# Maranda Buha

Maranda Buha, 17, is the daughter of Barry and Lynn Buha and will attend IUPUI (Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis). It

was actually an easy choice for Buha. "I have gone down to IUPUI almost every year to compete in the Circle

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# **Catholic** Central golf team playing at high level

By Sam Eggleston Correspondent

Heading into the season, the Detroit Catholic Central golf team was definitely in the discussion about which teams could potentially have the sheer talent to make a run at the state title.

After three tournaments, the Shamrocks have made it clear that not only do

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they have the talent, but also the consistency to make such a run a possibility.

The squad, coached by Mike Anderson, picked up wins in the Traverse City Central Invitational, the Suntel Golf Tournament and at the Edgewood Country Club.

"We have played very well over the past few days," said Anderson.

And that's an understatement, to be sure. Senior Charlie Green shot three over par in the Traverse City invite to end with a 145 and medalist honors as his team beat out 36 other teams for the top spot. The Shamrocks finished with a 609, an impressive 11 shots over Muskegon Mona Shores.

Junior Dan Ault also had an outstanding tournament, shooting 12 over for a 154 to tie for fourth place overall out of a field of 222 golfers.

In the Suntel tournament, the Shamrocks won by five strokes over second place Lakeview as they were led, unsurprisingly, by Green. The senior standout carded a two-under-par 70 to take second place overall while senior Corey Szmadzinski and sophomore Glen Piot tied for fourth with even-par 72s.

At Edgewood, the Shamrocks won a fifth-man tiebreaker to earn the victory in the tournament. Senior Preston Dooley shot three over for a 75 while senior Phil Ritchie shot a 76.

**Sam Eggleston** is a freelance writer and former staff sports writer for the Northville Record and Novi News.

# Boys track team tops South Lyon East

# Team also has several top spots in Saline Invite

By Sam Eggleston Correspondent

It takes an entire team to get a win in track and field and the Northville Mustangs boys track team is showing the unity needed to gather up victories.

The squad, coached by Brandon Langston, earned a win over South Lyon East in a Central Division match-up last week, 83-54. Additionally, the team ran in the Saline Invitational and had several strong performances.

Against the Cougars, the Mustangs had strong performances throughout the lineup.

"Our expectations are really high for some of our athletes and they exceeded them versus South Lyon East," said Langston. "We'll keep setting the bar higher and higher each week and see how far they can go."

Langston said what impressed him most at the dual meet was the standout performances from some new faces. Felix Lee and Eric Bochert tied for second in the long jump at 17 feet, 11 inch-

"Lee is an up-and-coming freshman while Bochert is a German exchange student competing for the first time in the long jump," said Langston.

First-time performances were Northville's specialty last week as Nick Milewski ran the 200 dash for the first time, taking fourth place. Nathan Tajer, traditionally a long-distance runner for Northville, ran the 400 dash



BRANDON LANGSTON

Northville's Charlie May clears a hurdle in last week's meet against South Lyon East.

for the first time and finished third.

"I may try converting more long-distance runners to sprinters if we keeping having such

positive results," joked Langston. Other top performances came from Andrew Hopkins in the

high jump, Jomi Ogunfiditimi in the 100 dash, Jason Ferrante, Sean McCullough and Conor Naughton in the mile and Dan Sims in the two-mile.

In the Saline Invitational, the Mustangs took first place finishes in the 4-by-800 relay

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The Northville Mustangs boys track team will be back in action when they visit Farmington Saturday at 3 p.m. before hosting Livonia Stevenson at 3:45 p.m. Tuesday.

(Sims, Ferrante, Naughton and Nick Noles), the spring medley (Anthony Sourges John Stroud, Bailey Edwards and Tajer) and the 4-by-400 relay (Ryan Flanagan, Tajer, Sourges and Alec Przybocki).

In the mile, Sims took first with a 4:49 while Noles, McCullough and Naughton took third, fourth and fifth, respectively. Ferrante won the 800-meter race, running a sub-2:00 time, while Flanagan took second in the 400 dash and Charlie May took second in the 300 hurdles.

**Sam Eggleston** is a freelance writer and former staff sports writer for the Northville Record and Novi News.

# Novi baseball wins, softball falls to Churchill

By Terry Jacoby

Correspondent

The Novi baseball team bounced back from a tough day against Brighton last week with a 6-2 win over Livonia Churchill on Monday.

"We didn't play the greatest baseball, but we played pretty well," Novi coach Rick Green said. "We had chances to win both games against Brighton and didn't. But, on the other hand, we didn't give up and showed some fight."

Mario Ferrini picked up the win in the victory over Churchill as the Wildcats improved to 4-5 overall and 2-1 in the KLAA.

The senior went five innings and allowed two earned runs on

six hits and one walk with six strikeouts.

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"His other pitches weren't working very well so he was getting them out mostly with fastballs," Green said.

Blair Myers came in to get the save. The junior went two innings with one hit, one walk and two strikeouts.

The Wildcats offense was on target for most of the game. Bryan Klosterma was 3 for 3 at the plate with an RBI and a steal. Kyle Matel had two hits including two runs scored, an RBI and a walk. Blake Boron also had two hits along with two RBI, a run scored and a stolen base. Jared Casaccia had a hit and two walks and Andrew Turek had a hit and a walk.

On Friday, the Wildcats dropped a doubleheader to Brighton.

"We led the first game 4-1 going into the fifth game and they scored five runs on two outs after we failed to catch a pop-up," Green said. "We had our chances."

Ryan Davis gave up seven runs, but only one was earned. He allowed seven hits and three walks. Myers pitched in relief and gave up two runs.

Ferrini had a big day at the plate with two hits including a double and two RBI. Boron, Grant Wheeler (two runs scored) and Kyle Matel all had hits for Novi.

The Wildcats lost the night-cap 4-2.

Tyler Whitehead allowed a run in five innings but did give up three walks and hit two batters. He had four strikeouts. Myers came in the game in relief and gave up a hit, three walks, a hit batter and three runs.

Ryan Caputo and Nick Shelar each had two hits for the Wildcats. Turek, Casaccia and Ferrini all had one hit.

The Novi baseball team plays two games at Utica Stevenson on Friday and will play the annual alumni game at Novi HS at 11 a.m. on Saturday.

# Livonia tops Novi girls

The Novi softball team wasn't able to get on the field all last week but they did get in a game

on Monda

"It wasn't pretty," coach Bob Lulek said. "We didn't play very well."

The Wildcats lost 10-5 to Churchill in five innings.

Mallory Daschke allowed four earned runs in two innings. Natalie Tarrant and Casey Lawler also pitched for Novi.

Sam Troher, Jenna Lowney and Laura Oakley all had hits for the Wildcats.

The Novi softball team hosts Royal Oak at 4:30 p.m. on Thursday and Westland John Glenn at 4 p.m. on Monday.

Wildcats bounce back with victory

**Terry Jacoby** is a freelance writer covering sports for the Novi News.

# **NOVI SPORTS ROUNDUP**

By Terry Jacoby

Correspondent

'Cats lacrosse boys play best game of

The Novi boys' lacrosse team went 2-1 on the week after a thrilling win Saturday over rival South Lyon.

"This was our biggest game of the season thus far," said Novi coach Eric Hoffman. "The winner of the game would be the front runner to win the division in the KLAA."

The Wildcats are now the front runners after a 6-5 victory. This was the best game we have played this year.

"It was a full team effort, we played well the entire game," Hoffman said. "Our defense was outstanding. Holding South Lyon to only five goals is a great accomplishment. They have some great offensive players."

Novi goalie Mitch Adams had 15 saves and did a great job clearing the ball for the Wildcats.

"South Lyon ran a 10 man ride that made Mitch have to run the ball a few times to clear the ball," Hoffman said. "He did a really nice job. Travis Sparling shut down South Lyon's best player Pat McKay, Travis made him a nonfactor."

Sparling finished with four takeaways and three GB's. Scott Schramm, Tommy McMaster and Jason Sheeran also had strong games for Novi. Schramm and McMaster each had two takeaways and three GB's and Sheeran had two GB's.

"All of our middies played great defense as well," Hoffman said. "Derek Stockman and Austin Nicholsen were outstanding. This was our best defensive effort of the season.

"Offensively, we had a good game as well."

Alex Caprara had three goals, and Keith Pravato, Lucas Buck and Austin Nicholsen each scored once. "This was the first game all year we had a total team effort," Hoffman said. "I could not be more proud."

Last Thursday, the Wildcats lost to

Notre Dame Prep 9-7.

In a hard-fought game, the Wildcats came out and took an early lead 2-0 before Notre Dame scored six unan-



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Wildcat Scott Schramm hooks a pass into his netting on April 25 as Novi prepared to take on Notre Dame Prep at their Ten Mile Road stadium.

swered goals to lead 6-2 at halftime.

"We came out in the second half and played great," Hoffman said. "Unfortunately, it just wasn't enough to get the win. I was really proud of the team on how they never gave up. We fought all the way to the end."

Buck had three goals to lead the offense. Justin Danks, Pravato, Nicholsen, and McMaster each scored once.

Adams had nine saves. Schramm had three takeaways and three ground balls, Sparling had two takeaways and five ground balls and McMaster had one of each.

"This was a good learning experience for the team, we just had a two quarter let down," Hoffman said. "We learned you have to play all four quarters to win."

Last Wednesday, Novi defeated Plymouth 14-5. Buck and Danks each scored

four goals. Mark Ghannam and Chris Kennedy had two goals. Caprara and Pravato each scored once.

Adams had eight saves on 10 shots and Jake Bielenda had four saves on seven shots.

The Novi boys' lacrosse team played at Walled Lake Western on Wednesday. The Wildcats play today at Troy Athens and host Salem at 7 p.m. on Friday.

Novi golfers getting into swing of it It appears the weather and the Novi golf team are starting to warm up. The Wildcats knocked off South Lyon 159-172 last Thursday at Walnut Creek.

Jason Carless (37) and Garret Buckley (38) led the way with solid rounds. Billy Ulle shot a 41 and Brad Kozinski and Bryan Fegert each shot a 43.

Novi coach Bradley Huss is pleased with the way his team is swinging the clubs and expects even more improvement this week.

"The weather is supposed to be nice this week which will help everyone," he said. "We are 2-0 in KLAA matches and I believe the boys will play well this week. We have not played one day where the weather hasn't been windy, cold and/or snowing so 70 degrees and sunny will be a welcome change."

Last Tuesday, Novi defeated Northville 155-158 at Tanglewood's South

Kozinski and Fegert both shot a 38. Buckley fired a 39 and Mike Wenzl shot a 40.

The Novi JV team competed Saturday at an invitational at Hudson Mills. The Wildcats took fourth out of 22 teams with a 355 team score.

Connor Howell finished fourth overall with an 83.

Other top scores were carded by Blake Carrick (87), Brendan Campbell (85), Matt Kelley (96) and Mike Groechel (96).

The Novi golf team hosted a varsity tournament at Birmingham Country Club on Monday. The Wildcats played at Salem (Fox Hills) on Tuesday and play South Lyon today at WCCC.

**Terry Jacoby** is a freelance writer covering sports for the Novi News.

# Novi Athletic Boosters seek nominations

Parents and guardians interested in becoming involved in supporting Novi student athletic programs have an opportunity to take that step by seeking a position on the Novi Athletic Boosters board or as committee chair for the 2013-14 school year. Nominations are being accepted for all seven board positions for the election, which will take place during the regular Boosters meeting at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 8, in Novi High School Room 160. As with all Boosters club business, all of those in attendance have a vote on this and other action items.

Membership is open to the parents and supporters of these students and student athletes. The club's board consists of four elected officers – president, vice president, secretary and treasurer – and three elected trustees. Board members serve one-year terms with term-limits varying by office, so all positions are determined by election each year.

Novi Athletic Boosters is a non-profit organization with a simple mission: Encourage our students to strive for excellence on and off the field, sponsor and manage fund-raising projects in support of the Novi Athletic Department, and assist in building and enhancing our interscholastic athletics program. The boosters have gifted over \$100K every year for many years and this year they are on track to gift nearly \$200K in support of Novi student athletes.

In addition to the board positions, the Boosters club needs to fill several fundraising chair positions critical to the future success of the organization. These include Concessions scheduling and purchasing, Spirit Wear, Sports Passes, Millionaire Party's, and Taste Fest.



# Wildcats warming up with the weather

By Terry Jacoby

Correspondent

The Novi tennis team netted an impressive week as the Wildcats continue to play well and improve at the same time. It's been a successful recipe for coach Jim Hanson and the Cats, who improved to 6-1 overall and 4-1 in the KLAA.

"We have some young singles players and they are learning by experience," Hanson said. "Our doubles teams are playing very well. We keep improving and that's key. But we still have things to work on."

The Wildcats competed on Saturday at the Bloomfield Hills Lahser Invitational and like the weather, the Wildcats were hot. Novi took second place, just one point behind champion



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Novi's #1-ranked player Erin Day stretches to make a shot on April 23.

St. Clair.

"Tournaments are good for conditioning and competition," Hanson said. "We did a lot of nice things on Saturday."

The doubles teams especially stood tall with three winning all three

matches.

The No. 1 doubles team of Caitlin O'Brien and Amy Zhou defeated St. Clair 6-2, 7-5, Lahser 6-1, 6-0 and Holly 6-2, 6-0. The No. 2 doubles team of Rachel Bailey and Dina Fawaz defeated St. Clair 6-2, 6-2, Lahser 6-3, 6-2 and Holly 6-1, 6-2; and the No. 4 doubles team of Harika Bollineni and Melanie Murphy defeated St. Clair 6-2, 6-1, Lahser 6-0, 6-0 and Holly 6-2, 6-2.

The No. 3 doubles team of Rebecca Chen and Asawari and Kanitkar defeated St. Clair 6-0, 6-3 and Lahser 7-5, 6-3. The No. 5 doubles team of Abigail Swain and Carolyn Zhang beat Lahser 6-1, 6-0 and Holly 6-3, 6-1.

On the singles side, No. 2 singles player Youna Lee won against Lahser (6-0, 6-3) and Holly (6-1, 6-1). Erin Day won 6-2, 6-0 over Holly at No. 1 singles and Dhivya Sridar defeated Holly 6-0, 6-0 at No. 3 singles. Allison Lollo won 6-3, 2-6 (11-9) at No. 4 singles.

Last Friday, the Wildcats won eight of nine

matches. The only loss came at No. 1 singles.

"We keep running up against some very talented No. 1 singles players," Hanson said. "Erin (Day) played No. 2 for us last year so she is learning against some of the best players in the state. Stevenson's Aimee Moccia is a very strong player. But Erin hits a lot of balls and battles to the last point."

Day, only a sophomore, lost 6-0, 6-1 to Moccia.
Lee, Sridar and Lollo all

cruised to singles wins in straight sets.
Novi's doubles teams

all won in straight sets as well in the 8-1 win.
Last Thursday, the

Wildcats defeated Saline 6-3. The Hornets have a strong program so it was a good test for the Wildcats.

Saline also has one of the top singles players in

**ON TAP** 

The Novi tennis team (6-1 overall) played Wednesday at West Bloomfield. The Wildcats will host Grand Blanc on Thursday.

the state in Mary Hanna, who defeated Day 6-0, 6-0. Hanna, a senior, has a shot to be the state champion this year.

Lee won her No. 2 singles match 6-2, 6-2 and Sridar won at No. 3 singles 6-2, 6-0.

Novi took four of the five doubles matches. The No. 4 team of Bollineni and Murphy pulled out a tough 6-2, 5-7, 6-1 win.

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Novi Junior Don Nakashima (#11, shown against Ann Arbor Skyline), 16, made a verbal commitment on April 11 to play collegiate soccer at University of Detroit and is also looking forward to his senior year Wildcat soccer season. His soccer career started three years ago, and he decided that he wants to competitively play more in college. In his freshmen year on the Novi High School JV team, the forward tallied 19 goals and 7 assists, and then played in the MSYSA/ODP (Olympic Development Program). In summer 2011, he attended the Region II ODP Camp, helping his team become the national finalist in March 2012. Last year, he joined the Novi Jaguars 96 Green team (2012 national champion) and earned Hometown Newspapers All-Area Player of the Year honors on the high school squad. He was also named First Team Division I All-State, All- County First Team, All-Region, All-District and All-Conference. Nakashima, who currently holds a 3.94 GPA and earned a 30 on the ACT, is the first commitment for Detroit for the Class of 2014.

# Nakashima commits to U of D



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# **Qualified for nationals**



Novi gymnast Evelyn Patient has qualified for the USA Gymnastics Level 9 Eastern Nationals Competition. She qualified after competing at the five-state regional competition in Lansing in early April, where she place second overall in her age group. Her favorite event is the uneven parallel bars, in which she has held the Region-5 Bar Champion title three years in a row. She has been involved in gymnastics since the age of 4, and is currently training with Michigan Elite Gymnastics Academy (MEGA). She is a freshman at Novi High School and her goal is to compete at the collegiate level.

# Wildcats keep kicking games into win column

By Terry Jacoby

Correspondent

The Novi soccer team blanked Plymouth Salem 3-0 on Thursday to improve to 5-1-1 overall and 3-0-1 in the KLAA.

"It was a quality win for us against a very good Salem team, especially since it was the game after a highly emotional/physical contest against Northville," said Novi coach Brian O'Leary.

When the game started it was quite windy and Salem won the coin toss and went with the wind. The first half was even with Salem getting three shots on goal to two for Novi in a scoreless first half.

"In the second half, now with the wind in our favor, we carried play," said O'Leary

said O'Leary.
The Wildcats would
score three goals in 9
minutes to put the game

The first goal was scored when Erin Dircks headed a cross to the far post. Salem's goalie made a diving save, but Kelly Cauchi was there to knock in the rebound to give Novi a 1-0 lead with 17 minutes left in the game.

Five minutes later, Novi would score again as Kendall Kramer fired a shot from 25 yards out that was blocked by a Salem defender. That rebound came to Natalie Krygier who beat a defender on the dribble and rocketed a shot into the upper corner of the goal.

Just 4 minutes after that goal, Dircks would head in a Taylor Pavlika corner kick for the 3-0 win

kick for the 3-0 win.
Novi goalie Jade
Antolec made four saves
and five grabs off her
line. Karissa Koomen
played a great game on

# ON TAP

The Novi soccer team, which played at Livonia Stevenson on Monday, will play their first home game of the year on Thursday against South Lyon. On Friday, the Wildcats travel to Okemos to play last year's state champion.

defense for the Wildcats.

# Fit to be tied

A scoreless tie, that is. The Novi and North-ville girls' soccer teams played hard all night long last Tuesday but when the scoreboard reached zero, neither team had anything to show for their efforts - including any goals.

The two rivals finished in a scoreless tie on rainy night in Northville.

"It was a very well played game between two quality teams," said O'Leary said. "Northville carried play for the first 20 minutes, but our defenders, Kaylin Hoomaian and Karissa Koomen, were up to the task and were there to stop many charges into our end."

O'Leary saw an improved Novi team in the second half.

"Once we were given a chance to regroup at halftime, we played better and had some chances, but their defense and goalie were up to the task as well," he said.

The Wildcats had eight corner kicks to three for the Mustangs.

Antolec made eight saves to earn the shutout in goal for Novi.

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The 4-by-800 relay team of Rachel Coleman, Nicole Mosteller, Alison Robinson and Erin Zimmer set the Saline invitational record last week with a time of 9:42.94. They broke the record set the year before by a Northville team of 9:51.3.

# Mustangs top South Lyon East in girls track

By Sam Eggleston Correspondent

It was a good week for the Northville girls track and field team, and it was highlighted by some great weather and a big divisional victory.

The team, coached by Tim Dalton, picked up a 74-49 victory over the Cougars while on the road at South Lyon East. The Mustangs then topped it off with a standout performance at the Saline Invitational.

Against South Lyon East, the Mustangs picked up a Central Division victory and brought their dual meet record to 2-1 on the season.

One of the highlights of the meet was the 800-meter run, which junior Chloe Smither won in 2:41--her first-ever varsity vic-

"As a coach, those are the moments that are important to me," said Dalton. "She is a kid who comes to practice and works hard every day. She deserved it."

Northville also took first place in the high jump with a leap of 4-feet-6-inches from Julia Hopkins, while Lauren Rodriguez took first in the 100 hurdles in 15.52 seconds and first in the 300 hurdles in 51.06 seconds. Alexa Abbott won the 100 dash in 13.43 seconds and the 200 dash in 26.71. Alison Robinson (5:37.85),

### ON TAP

The Northville Mustangs girls track and field team will be back in action when they visit Saline tomorrow at noon before visiting Livonia Stevenson Saturday at 10 a.m. The team will then compete Tuesday at home against Stevenson at 3:45 p.m.

Erin Dunne (5:52.44) and Hailey Harris (6:03.76) swept the mile run while Lindsay Walters won the 400 dash in 1:02.68.

They also won the 3,200-meter, the 800meter and the 400 meter relays.

In the Saline Invitational, the Mustangs had some outstanding performances and all of it in warm spring weather.

"We could not have asked for a better day, weather-wise, and the results showed," said Dalton. "It was a great day for us as a team as we had kids setting personal-best times all day, breaking meet records and breaking school record or knocking on the door of bringing school records down."

For the second straight week, the Mustangs set a 4-by-800 relay record with the team of Rachel Coleman, Nicole Mosteller, Alison Robinson and Erin Zimmer running a 9:42.94 to set the new mark.

# Mustangs tennis team tops Novi

By Sam Eggleston Correspondent

There is no doubt in the mind of anyone who follows tennis in the Central Division that the team taking a win in the matchup between Novi and Northville is likely the front runner for the divi-

This year, it looks like Northville has stepped into the lead role, picking up a convincing 7-2 victory over their cross-town

"The rain held off for the match, but the wind was blowing full force, sometimes gusting to 50 miles per hour," said Northville coach Linda Jones. And through all of that, the Mustangs were able to gain sole possession of first place in the KLAA Central Division, sweeping all of the singles flights in the process.

At No. 1 singles, Reeshma Kumar was able to secure a 6-2, 6-2 victory over Novi's Erin Day to take the win while Emma Worley beat Novi's Youna Lee, 6-2, 6-2, at No. 2. singles.

At third singles, Claudia Ma picked up a 6-1, 6-1 victory for Northville over Dhivya Sridar, and Alex Jeannotte beat Allison Lollo, 6-0, 6-1, for a No. 4 singles victory for the Mustangs. Northville also won a No. 5 singles flight with Ali Kozerski topping Abigail Swain, 6-3, 5-7. 1-0.

"Northville is a very talented team with a solid lineup," said Novi coach Jim Hanson. "We played them tough. We need to get to that level."

In the doubles flights, the first doubles Novi



Mustang #1 doubles team of Danielle Romano, left, and Anika Mulkeeji get ready for another set during an April 23 meet.

# ON TAP

The Northville Mustangs girls tennis team will be back on the court when they take on Brighton today in the KLAA West Cross-over game before competing in Midland in a quad tournament Saturday.

team of Caitlin O'Brien and Amy Zhou topped Northville's Anika Mulkerji and Danielle Romano, 6-4, 6-4 and the Novi duo of Rebecca Chen and Asawari Kanitkar topped Northville's Paige Baal and Chloe Page, 4-6, 6-5, 6-3 at No. 3 doubles.

Northville won the other flights as the No. 2 doubles team of Elizabeth Sakorafis and Jordan Hermiz topped Novi's Rachel Bailey and Dina Fawaz, 6-2, 2-6, 6-1, while the No. 4 doubles team of Shannon Williams and Libby Quinn defeated Harika Bollineni and Melanie Murphy, 6-4, 7-5. At the fifth flight, the

Northville team of Amelia Albanelli and Molly Bis topped Shakila Kahn and Carolyn Zhang, 6-1, 6-2, while the team of Rachel Crittenden and Malika Sachdev topped Melisa Bunio and Prasanti Ravipati in a sixth doubles flight, 6-1, 6-0.

#### Ann Arbor **Pioneer Quad**

In the first full day of tennis since the "spring" sports season began, the Northville Mustangs took home a second-place finish behind Grosse Pointe South.

Second-place medals were awarded to all four singles players--Kumar, Worley, Ma and Jeannotte. The No. 2 doubles team of Sakorafis and Hermiz and the No. 4 doubles team of Quinn and Williams both took second place as well.

Sam Eggleston is a freelance writer and former staff sports writer for the Northville Record and Novi News.



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# Mustangs pick up two wins and a loss

By Sam Eggleston

The Northville Mustangs outscored their opponents, 20-3, over the past three games and walked away with two wins and a loss.

The squad, coached by John Kortzewa, climbed to 5-1 overall and 4-1 in the KLAA with a dominating 13-1 victory over Livonia Franklin last week. Previously, the team split a doubleheader with Salem, winning the first game, 6-1, and losing the second, 1-0.

Against Franklin, the Mustangs scored nine runs in the first three innings and used a stout defense to secure the win.

"We had quality at-bats from the start of the game," said Kostrzewa. "We also got a few two-out, two-strike hits early in the game, which was nice to see. Overall, it was a much better offensive approach than we have had in recent games."

The offense was fueled by the hot bats of Taylor Turner, Brandon Patrone Jack Gessert and Evan Wieland while the defense was led by pitcher Jake Hansen, who allowed just two hits while giving up one walk and striking out five batters.

Against Salem, the Mustangs earned a 6-1 victory in the opening game of a twin-

# **ON TAP**

The Northville Mustangs baseball team will be back on the diamond when they visit Southgate Anderson Saturday at 10 a.m. before hosting Livonia Churchill at 4 p.m. Monday. They will then play Wednesday at South Lyon at 4 p.m.

bill, following a complete game pitching performance by Taylor as he gave up two hits and an unearned run. He struck out four and walked one.

"It was a very well-pitched game by Taylor," said Kostrzewa. "Our defense played well behind him, but he really was efficient and attacked the strike

Offensively, the Mustangs followed Zach Wilds and Brad Vanhulle, who had two hits each, while Vanhulle and Wieland each had two RBIs in the game.

In the second game, the Mustangs fell 1-0 despite a quality pitching performance by Evan Flohr, who struck out seven and walked one while giving up one unearned run.

"We struggled offensively from the start, getting only two hits and never made any offensive adjustments," said Kostrzewa.



# Northville escapes grueling week unscathed

By Sam Eggleston

It must have felt strange for the Northville Mustangs girls soccer team when the sun poked out from behind the clouds and spring began proving that it was indeed something that happens in Michigan.

As the temperatures began climbing around 70 and the sun was shining, the Mustangs went tear during a grueling week of soccer, picking up four huge wins and two ties against some tough oppo-

nents. The team, coached by Eric Brucker, picked up wins against South Lyon East, Brighton, Saginaw Nouvel and South Lyon while taking ties against Novi and Midland (for coverage of the Novi game, see story in this week's

sports section). In their most recent contest, the Mustangs managed a tough 1-0 victory on their home field over the up-and-coming South Lyon East Cougars under sunny skies and 70-degree weather.

"We did not play to our potential tonight, which allowed East to stay in the game," said Brucker. "Our defense allowed us to hold the lead after the early goal. As we go through our division rivals again, we cannot let our foot off the gas."

The Mustangs scored what would be the gamewinning goal at the sixth minute in the first half as junior Ashley Peper served a corner kick and placed it perfectly for senior Emily Bush to head into goal for the 1-0 con-

Northville would have several more chances in the first half but could not find the back of the net despite offensive pres-



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STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Wildcat Katrina Koomen braces for the ball but doesn't nail it on the head as she's beaten to the play by Mustang Emily Bush during the teams' April 23 meeting.

sure being generated by Bush, junior Rachel Yaggi, senior Gabbie Guibord and freshman Kacey Cerretani.

Earning the win in goal was sophomore Emily Maresh, who stood behind the stout Northville defense, led by Alexis Mencotti on the backline, and didn't have much work to do as she recorded just two saves on the night.

Northville is now 9-1-2 on the season while South Lyon East drops to 2-5-1.

#### Saginaw Invitational **Tournament**

The Northville Mustangs took on three opponents in the Saginaw Invitational last weekend and came away with two wins and a tie.

"I thought we improved on the offensive end of the field and some of our set plays generated goals which is encouraging," said Brucker. "In all the games I thought we were

# ON TAP

The Northville Mustangs girls soccer team will be back in action when they play today at 7 p.m. when they host Livonia Stevenson before hosting Salem Monday at 7 p.m. The team will then play a week from today when they visit Novi at

able to dictate pace and play our style.

"I'm looking forward to the second half of the regular season."

The squad picked up a big win against previously-undefeated Brighton, which came into the game with a 6-0 record. Northville used a high cross from sophomore Kelly McHugh that led to the only goal of the game as Cerretani poked it past the goalie to take a 1-0 lead in the first half. The defense kept the Bulldogs out of the net and led their team to the victory. Senior Kiki Hilmer earned the win in goal.

Northville also picked up a 3-0 victory over Saginaw Nouvel, the No. 4 ranked team in Division IV currently. They scored two goals in the first half with the first coming from freshman Maddy Westernberg and the second from Mencotti before Bush headed in the third goal of the contest early in the second half. Peper picked up two assists in the game while Hilmer and Maresh split time in the goal for the win.

Northville did end the day with a 1-1 tie against Midland, which came into the game with a 3-1 record.

"I think we tired a little bit in the third game after being in the sun all day," Brucker said. "This was the first time that we played in any kind of heat this spring."

The Mustangs scored off a header by Bush in the first half and the Chemics tied it early in the second. Neither team was able to capitalize on scoring opportunities to break the knot late in the second

#### Northville 4, South Lyon 1

Last Thursday, the Mustangs collected a convincing 4-1 victory over the South Lyon Lions, which had earned a 6-1 record leading up to the Central Division contest.

"I'm pleased with picking up another win on the road but this was not one our better performances," said Brucker. "We did not move the ball well as team. We need to continue to play to our strengths as we move forward in this season."

Northville got on the board early when Peper fired a driving ball toward the near post. Westernberg would get the first touch on the ball, firing a hard shot on goal that deflected off the keeper and to Mencotti, who didn't hesitate as she rocketed in the opening goal for a 1-0 lead.

The scoring would remain stagnant until the second half despite several shots on goal by the Lions that forced Maresh to stay mobile and come off the line to diffuse South Lyon scoring opportunities.

In the second half, the Mustangs would score less than five minutes in after being awarded a direct kick just 25 yards from the gaping mouth of the Lions' goal. Peper would make the most of it, firing home the eventual game-winning goal right over the wall of South Lyon defenders and the goalie to give her team a 2-0 lead.

# **NORTHVILLE SPORTS** ROUNDUP

By Sam Eggleston Correspondent

#### Northville girls lacrosse team splits week

The Northville Mustangs girls lacrosse team escaped with an 11-10 victory over a tough Canton Chiefs squad last week--a game they were looking forward to as 15 of this year's Northville players suffered three losses to the Chiefs, including a season-ending overtime game in the playoffs.

The Mustangs and Chiefs played back-andforth all night, including a last-second goal by the Chiefs that tied the game, 6-6, heading into the locker room for halftime.

The Chiefs tallied three goals to open the first half but a quick exchange between the two teams and a burst of three back-to-backto-back goals by senior Erica MacDonald put the Mustangs back in control of their own destiny. MacDonald tallied six goals and an assist on the night.

Northville won the final possession of the match thanks to great face-off play by Alivia DuQuet--who also scored a goal in the game--and pushed down field when Erin Vogel, who had four goals on the night, was awarded a shooting-space foul, resulting in a one-on-one shot against Canton's goalie, which she buried for the lead and the win.

The loss was Canton's first of the season as they came into the game with a 5-0 record. Northville's defense

was led by the play of

Meredith Brady, Christina Hui, Maria Siddiqui, Lauren Syverson, Liz Hansell, Logan Van Riper, Becky Chase and Claire Beaudoin.

Earning the win with 15 saves in goal was Kali Maisano.

The Mustangs also suffered a tough 9-4 loss to Salem, a team they beat earlier this year. Salem controlled the game through strong face-off play and maintaining possessions.

Northville's game against Plymouth was postponed due to inclement weather.

#### Mustang bow to Forest Hills

The Northville Mustangs boys lacrosse team took their sixth loss of the season as they fell, 12-5, to a very powerful Forest Hills squad last week.

"We struggled on both offense and defense in the first half of the game, but I felt we made some good adjustments at halftime," said coach Greg Durham. "The boys responded well, and the second half was much closer than the first."

The team picked up three goals and an assist from John Cooke, one goal and three assists from Alec Melucci and a goal from Alex Fuller in the losing effort. Durham noted Jake Fuller played well in the midfield and Tyler Gozdor went 10-for-12 on face-offs before being knocked out of the game. Gozdor has gone 108-for-166 for over 65percent face-offs wins so far this year over nine games.

Jimmy McGlynn had 14 saves.



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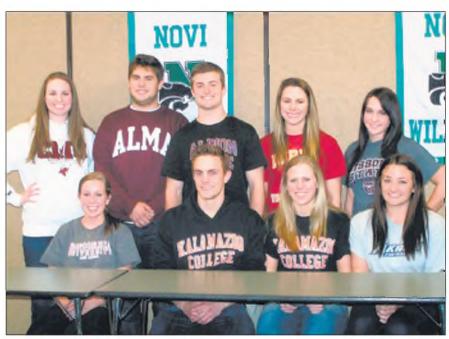
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# Letters of intent



Congratulations to the following Novi High School athletes who signed letters of intent on April 19 to continue playing sports at the next level: Lucas Buck, Alma College, lacrosse; Scott Schram, Albion College, lacrosse; Maranda Buha, IUPUI, swim and dive; Jillian Odom, Missouri State, swim and dive; Kasey Lowney, Concordia University, basketball; Mario Ferrini, Kalamazoo College, baseball; Janice Burnett, Kalamazoo College, swim and dive; Rachel Aepelbacher, Akron University, swim and dive; and Dana Morgan, Colorado Mesa University, swim and dive.

# 13U Broncos sweep Grove City tourney



The 13U Northville Broncos headed to Ohio last weekend for the 2013 Grove City Early Bird Baseball tournament in Columbus. The Broncos swept pool play knocking off the Southwest Stallions and the Arlington Bears. In the quarterfinal game they handled the Mid Ohio Diamond Dawgs, then defeated the Central Ohio Jaguars in the semis to make the championship game. The Broncos jumped on the Grove City Titans, scoring four runs in the first inning. The Titans fought back tying the game in the bottom of the 6th, but the Bronco scored four more in the top of the 7th on their way to an 8-5 victory.

# **SWIMMERS**

Continued from page B1

City Classic and they have an amazing facility which actually held the Olympic Trials years ago," she said. "Through that annual USS meet I fell in love with downtown Indianapolis. I was fortunate to be recruited by them for swimming.

"While I had a lot of other schools on my radar, none compared to the schooling and coaching I would receive from IUPUI. They make anything you want to do possible. Being a student athlete, that was very important to me."

She will study nursing while staying on the pre-med track because "I am still debating med school."

Buha says winning the 50 freestyle at Oakland Counties meet was one of her career highlights.

What will she miss most?

"I'm going to miss going to school with my sisters and all the school functions my friends and I participated in,"

#### Andrea VanderMey

Andrea VanderMey, 18, is the daughter of Mark and Annette VanderMey. She will attend Western Kentucky University.

She simply liked everything about the school, program and area.

"The head coach's philosophy of how he trains his athletes is better than any other coach I have ever talked to," said VanderMey, who will study Psychology. "He really truly cares about each and every one of us and makes individual plans to best fit what each swimmer needs specifically.

"Also the campus is breathtaking and the perfect size, great psychology and photojournalism programs and it's only one hour away from Nashville."

VanderMey, who also considered West Virginia University and University of Wyoming, was a four-time All-American, 10 time All-State, team captain, sportsmanship standout and three time scholar athlete. She also was All-State Academic, All-America Academic and a junior national qualifier.

Among her many highlights, she lists winning the D-1 state title in the 100 backstroke as a freshman at the top of

What will she miss?

"Spirit weeks; dressing up, pep rally, football game and homecoming dance," she said.

# Janice Burnett

Janice Burnett, 18, the daughter of Nancy and Ray, will attend Kalamazoo College.

"The academic offerings were a perfect match with the field I want to study," she said. "Additionally, the size and location was exactly what I was looking for. Being able to further my swimming career was an added bonus."

Burnett, who will study Biology, has a pool full of accomplishments, including a 2012 state cut in the 50 freestyle and a top eight finish in the 50 freestyle at the 2012 conference meet. One of her favorite memories is winning the KlAA Conference meet her freshman year.

"I am going to miss all the influential people I have met throughout my four years of high school," she said.

#### **Jillian Odom**

Jillian Odom, 17, the daughter of Julie and Brian Odom, will make her next splash at Missouri State Univer-

"I chose this school because I loved the overall atmosphere, the programs they offer, and their interest in me,' said Odom, who will study athletic training and also considered Michigan, Michigan State, Central Michigan, Bowling Green and Akron.

Her biggest accomplishment was making states during her senior year.

"My highlight of Novi swim and dive were the teammates that I will keep close with the rest of my life," she said. "What I will miss most about high school is being a Wildcat and all my friends and teachers that made my high school years what they were."

#### Rachel Aepelbacher

Rachel Aepelbacher, 18, is the daughter of Tom and Lauri, and will attend the University of Akron to study either interior design or graphic arts.

"I picked this school because I feel that it offers everything that I need to make my future the best as it possibly can be," said Aepelbacher, who also considered Ohio University, East Carolina University, and Florida Atlantic University.

While at Novi, Aepelbacher broke both the 11 and 6 dive records, was the KLAA Divisions 2012 Champion and took eighth at the state meet, earning All-State honors.

But her highlight reel features plenty of memories outside of the pool.

"Getting to be with my best friends everyday, making my parents proud, and getting All State at the state championships my senior year," she said. when asked to list what she is most proud of as a Wildcat.

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# Rush wins tourney in rain and mud



The U10 Michigan Rush Northville 03 Swoosh Girls won the U10 Girls Blue Division of the Michigan Club Challenge Soccer Tournament held on April 26-28 at Northville Community Park. The team advanced to the finals by winning games against Plymouth Reign 03 White, LCSC 03 Meteors Blue, and Michigan Rush Hamburg 03 Nike. The girls won the championship game in the rain and mud against Michigan Rush Downriver 03 Nike team by a score of 2-1. Pictured (back from left) are coaches Nick Tacconelli and Loren Tacconelli; (front from left) Samantha Riordan, Emma Gaft, Sydney Reed, Anja Olsen, Lauren Stewart, Kaiya Lawing, Sydney Shanahan and Abbey Pheiffer.



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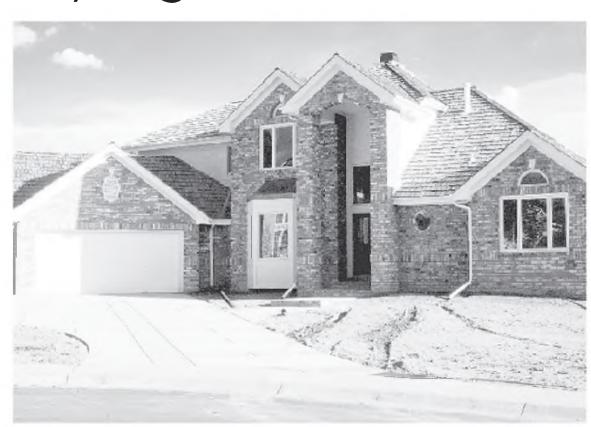
# Realtor chief praises FHA advances, urges more action

While the Federal Housing Administration still faces challenges ahead, the agency has already taken a number of significant steps to mitigate risk and increase the solvency and strength of the mortgage-insurance fund. That's according to National Association of Realtors President Gary Thomas, who testified recently before the U.S. House Financial Services Subcommittee on Insurance, Housing and Community Opportunity about the future of the FHA.

"Realtors believe that recent increases to premiums, increased down payments for some borrowers and greater risk management controls will help to substantially improve the FHA's financial condition," said Thomas, broker-owner of Evergreen Realty, in Villa Park, Calif. "These changes combined with an improving national economy and rising home prices will surely help stabilize the fund so that FHA can continue to serve the needs of hardworking American families who wish to purchase a home."

Thomas testified that FHA has also implemented a number of other measures to help improve the health of the fund, including hiring the agency's first credit risk officer to help better manage risk, implementing credit score floors, and instituting significant lender enforcement and oversight measures to increase the return to the fund.

FHA sustained housing markets nationwide during the economic and housing downturn, and like other holders of mortgage risk, it incurred financial losses as a result of



The National Association of Realtors reports the Federal Housing Administration is making advances in making home ownership possible, but has room to improve.

employment and market conditions that led to increased foreclosures. However, had FHA not stepped in to fill the market void, many families would have been unable to purchase homes, housing values could have dropped an additional 25 percent, and the country would be much further from a recovery, said

FHA continues to be one of the primary sources of mortgage financing available to families today as private capital slowly makes its way back into housing finance markets. As housing markets continue to stabilize and improve and

new mortgage regulations are finalized, NAR anticipates that the private mortgage market will return and FHA's market share will return to tradition-

Increased private capital in the mortgage market doesn't obviate the need for additional reforms to FHA to further enhance and protect the availability of mortgage credit so that the fund can maintain its vital role to homebuyers, said Thomas. NAR strongly supports legislation that would give FHA greater flexibility to quickly change program requirements and help protect the fund from losses. NAR also supports legislation that would allow FHA to improve its enforcement and oversight of lenders.

"Realtors urge Congress to quickly consider these bills to ensure FHA has the tools it needs to be able to continue to serve its mission of providing home buyers with safe, affordable financing in all markets," said Thomas.

The National Association of Realtors, "The Voice for Real Estate," is America's largest trade association, representing one million members involved in all aspects of the residential and commercial real estate industries.

# plan raises legal issues

Phone

**By Robert Meisner Guest Columnist** 

Q: Our association was contacted by a major phone provider to jointly market its services at the condominium. In exchange for a per unit fee, the association is to provide the company with the names and addresses of the residents and allow the company to market to those residents on the premises. The association, in accordance



Robert Meisner

but all other companies would have

access to the property to install similar services. What do you think?

A: It raises a number of issues for the association, including privacy issues, the authority of the Association to bind itself to such an agreement, the propriety of same and a number of other concerns which your association attorney should review before passing on the reasonableness of such an agreement.

Q: Our condominium association lawyer has not provided us with a written fee agreement. He was recommended by the management company, and we think he should have done something in terms of checking out our claims against the builder. Where do we stand in pursuing him for that?

A: Every attorney based upon the recommendations of the Michigan State Bar, should have a written fee agreement with his or her client. Not having a written fee agreement leaves it ambiguous as to what the scope of representation by the attorney is. In this case, the attorney may well be claiming that he represents your association, but when it comes to handling something that he should have done as counsel for your association, he seems to be skirting the issue. Get a new attorney who is willing to give you a fee agreement that outlines the scope of his or her representation of the association and chastise the management company for making that type of recommendation.

Robert M. Meisner is a lawver 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 bmeisner@ 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 Jan. 7-11, 2013, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

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# HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-OAKLAND COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Dec. 18-21, 2012, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

BEVERLY HILLS	
19091 Bedford St	\$360,000
20111 Cobblestone Ct	\$298,000
16176 Marguerite St	\$449,000
16239 Marguerite St	\$175,000
16208 W 13 Mile Rd	\$76,000
BIRMINGHAM	
280 Arlington St	<b>\$97</b> 5,000
2414 Dorchester Rd	\$175,000
1728 E Melton Rd	\$181,000
704 Graefield Ct	\$95,000
540 Landon St	\$400,000
2125 Pembroke Rd	\$181,000
1150 Puritan Ave	\$599,000
BLOOMFIELD HILLS	
4741 Hedgewood Dr	\$390,000

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2285 Palmetto 4885 Whitlow Blvd **FARMINGTON HILLS** 29480 Ashford Pkwy

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# **Career seminar**

Classes start May 20, and are two times a week Mondays and Wednesdays from 6-10 p.m. for five weeks. Learn about a real estate career at Remerica Hometown, 41025 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth. Contact Chris or Nicole at (734) 459-6222, Classes are \$99 if pre-registered and \$124 if paid at the door.

# **Condo operation**

The Meisner Law Group, P.C., announced attorney Robert M. Meisner will be conducting a four-week course Tuesday evenings in May from 7-9 p.m. covering "Advanced Condominium Operation, The Essentials for Success."

This seminar is designed for board members and officers, managers, developers, and association members living in or working with a condominium, subdivision, cooperative, or community association. Explore the many legal issues involved in the successful operation of an association. Cost is \$95 (\$85 per person when two or more enroll from the same organization). For registration information, contact The

Meisner Law Group, P.C. at (248) 644-4433 or (800) 470-4433, via e-mail at: bmeisner@meisner-law.com, or visit the seminar page on the website: Meisner-law.com.

# Short sales

If you owe more than what your house is worth, you may be interested in a free informational seminar on short sale procedures and what it takes to get started. Many sellers are misinformed or not sure about how the procedures work. Organizers will also discuss the internal workings of short sales and the different steps involved. Bonnie David, broker/owner of Quantum Real Estate is the presenter. It will be 6-7 p.m. Thursdays at 129 N. Lafayette, downtown South Lyon. Additional parking across the street in back. Please call the office at (248) 782-7130 or e-mail june.quantum@gmail.com for your reservation or additional information.

# Free foreclosure tours

Free foreclosure tours are 1 p.m. every

other Sunday. Meeting place is Panera Bread on the southeast corner of Middlebelt and I-96. E-mail Georgia@addedvaluerealty.com or visit FreeForeclosure-Tour.com.

# Seminar on Tuesdays

A free Reverse Mortgage Seminar is 6:30 p.m. each Tuesday at Colonial Mortgage Corp., 33919 Plymouth Road, Livonia.

Learn about reverse mortgages. RSVP with Larry Brady at (800) 260-5484, Ext.

# Investors

The Real Estate Investors Association of Wayne will have an open forum. Participants will discuss what they have learned. Investors will answer questions and offer a market update.

Meetings are at 7:30 p.m. each first Tuesday of the month at the Red Lobster on Eureka in Southgate. Members are free, guests \$20, which will be applied to their membership.

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FLAT ROCK HISTORICAL SOCIETY Antiques/Flea Market un., May 5th, 7am-4pm Free parking & admission No pets allowed. Flat Rock Speedway, 1 mile S. of Flat Rock

HUGE 2ND HAND SALE First Church of the arene, Fri., May 3rd, 9-4 Sat., May 4th, 9-2. 21260 Haggerty Rd. Northville, MI 48167

LIVONIA CHURCH RUMMAGE SALE Pre-Sale Thurs. May 2nd, 5-8pm (Adults \$2). Free Admission: Fri. May 3rd, 9am-1pm & Sat. May 4th, 9am-noon (½ off sale). Newburgh 36500 Ann Arbor Trail in Livonia.

RUMMAGE SALE town Northville, behind Hiller's Thurs, May 9th, 9am-4pm. Fri. May 10th, 9am-1pm.

Estates Sales

FARMINGTON HILLS: Estate Sale. 25448 Livingston Circle May 4-5, Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-5. Household items, furniture & lawn equipment.

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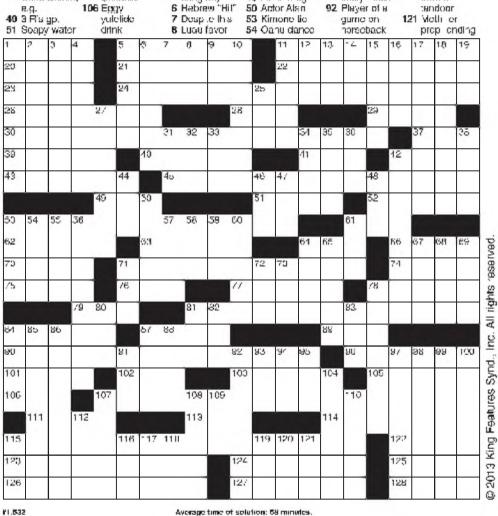
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Some schools offer degree programs that address the skills required to enter fast-growing fields, such as cyber security, cloud computing, health care and accounting — U.S. News & World Report included accounting in its ranking of 25 Best Jobs in 2012. This strong connection to a promising career path can be attractive to prospective students.

"Knowledge of projected industry growth is extremely helpful as students choose their major or area of study," says Dr. Chad Kennedy, chair and professor of biomedical technolengineering ogy in the College of Engineering and Information Sciences at DeVry University. "Unlike some career fields where opportunities are shrinking, many technology and engineering fields are expanding at double-digit rates. In fact, many employers can't find enough qualified applicants to meet their needs."



Careers in technology are growing up to three times faster than other fields. For students interested in pursuing employment in this thriving industry, ComputerWorld recently outlined the "10 hot IT skills for 2013." Cloud computing was among the most coveted skills. Though relatively unfamiliar to the average consumer, this data management knowledge drives the services that support many of today's online based businesses.

Similarly, cyber security professionals will play an integral role in keeping information safe as the majority of companies' asing to Today's Engineer, the monthly Web publication of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics

Engineers, the cyber security field is growing "in leaps and bounds."

Employment in health care fields is also on the rise. An aging population of baby boomers and expanded access to health care has placed growing pressure on the health care industry to add workers in fields ranging from health information systems and biomedical engineering technology to nursing and ambulatory emergency care.

"Given the sensitive nature of medical data, my role — ensuring data integrity, availability, and security for every current and former patient - is essential and growing in demand," explains Adam Franzen, a systems administrator at Presence

Health Care who holds a bachelor's degree in Computer Information Systems from DeVry University. "As health care evolves, so do the technology and management skills that are central to career success in the medical field."

The workforce is rapidly evolving; some of the most desired professional roles of yesterday are shrinking today and will become obsolete tomorrow. The class of 2013 will enter emerging career fields, managing the technologies that drive advanced hospital settings, leading development of the next cloud-based application and protecting companies and consumers from cyber and financial

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