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**Festival
guide**

Find a copy of the Buy Michigan Now Festival guide in today's Northville Record. The festival is a celebration of the state's annual Buy Michigan Week and will take place in downtown Northville Aug. 2-4.

**Friday
concert**

Gia Warner will bring her classic rock sound to the downtown Northville on Friday as part of the Northville DDA's Friday Night Concert Series. The concert, which is free and begins at 7 p.m., will take place in Town Square. Warner has been nominated as a top rock and pop vocalist six years in a row at the Detroit Music Awards.

‘Under the Radar’ to feature Northville

TV show to air on PBS
10 a.m., Saturday, Aug. 3

By Lonnie Huhman
Staff Writer

Northville is no longer under the radar – it's now on it and will be part of an upcoming show of *Under the Radar Michigan*, which airs on PBS stations all across the state.

Host Tom Daldin of Rochester was at Genitti's restaurant and Hole-in-the-Wall theater July 17 to film some of the scenes for the Northville episode. For him and the show, Northville is a perfect place to highlight.

"Northville is a wonderful place," Daldin said. "It's a slice of Americana."

As stated on the show's web-



site, "The goal of the show has been to create a dialogue that's not just about the 30 minutes of TV that we create each week. We've wanted to build a brand that connects people to Michigan. Our goal is constant engagement and it doesn't stop at the TV show."

Daldin said Genitti's was picked as a location to represent Northville because of its long-standing uniqueness. He said no one does it better than this dinner theater on Main Street in providing a comfortable, family atmosphere with great food and fun.

Detroit Public TV "Under the Radar Michigan" host Tom Daldin (left) and producer Jim Edelman visit Laura Genitti and Genitti's restaurant and Hole in the Wall Theatre on July 17 to get some footage for an upcoming show. The show on Northville, featuring Maybury Farm, Genitti's and some other locales, will air at 10:30 a.m. Aug. 3 and at 7:30 p.m. Aug. 7.

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Another community highlight was a visit to Preservation Dental to talk with dentist William S. Demray. Daldin said Demray plays an important part in the community through his charitable work and by making things

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Erica Suderman peels away the husks of some sweet corn before buying it at the July 18 Northville Farmers Market. The market takes place each Thursday through October. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

‘A very good market’

Weekly farmers market attracts shoppers from near and far

By Julie Brown
Staff Writer

Dave Zurek of Northville Township was out bright and early Thursday, July 11, for the Northville Farmers Market.

"Pretty good," the owner of Honey Bear Farms said of business at the market, presented each Thursday at the Northville Downs parking lot by the Northville Chamber of Commerce.

Zurek has had the home-based business about seven years with his wife Linda and has come to the Northville market about four years.

"For me, it's a very good

market," he said. "It's got such a history. It draws people from other communities."

One of those people was Barbara Danielsen of Farmington.

"The organic farm and the knife sharpener," she said with a nod to Carpenter's Organic Produce. "I couldn't find them anywhere else."

Danielsen used to sell beeswax candles at the Northville market years ago.

"People come here and chat," she said. "It's good for businesses in town. There are a lot of people here. They're not all from Northville."

She likes the Chefs at the

Market. "I think this location is the reason it's good," Danielsen said. "I love the market. I come here as often as I can. It's great."

Fresh produce

Busy but glad to chat early July 11 was Sher Watkins of Novi, market manager. The market runs from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. each Thursday through Halloween, Oct. 31.

"Fantastic," Watkins said of business. She's excited about the Gourmet Corner of some 24 vendors, which started that day with foodstuffs and specialty

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Foreign exchange

Rotary program allows students to travel abroad

By Kurt Kuban
Staff Writer

While many of their classmates are busy thinking about events like homecoming activities and senior prom, Northville High School seniors Mary Boyd and Grace Doolittle are packing their bags and booking flights that will take them far away from Northville and all of their friends.

Boyd and Doolittle will be spending their senior year overseas as part of the Rotary Youth Exchange program. Boyd, 17, will spend the next year studying in Germany, while Doolittle, also 17, is

**HOST FAMILIES
NEEDED**

The Northville Rotary Club will be seeking host families for an inbound student who will attend Northville High School during the 2014-15 school year. If you would like to obtain more information on the requirements and expectations of becoming a host family, please contact Northville Rotarian Sue Campbell at 248-344-1618.

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Traci Sincock (far left) and husband Paul recently finished hosting Brazilian exchange student Mariana Peres (far right) as part of a Rotary Youth Exchange. Peres just completed her senior year at Salem High School. Northville High students Grace Doolittle (center left) and Mary Boyd will soon head off on their exchange trips for a year to Brazil and Germany, respectively. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



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growers. Those include Asian vegetables, seasonings, sauces, gluten-free baked goods, cheesecake, salad dressings, chocolate-covered bacon and more.

"I think the variety of fresh produce and fresh flowers," Watkins said of what brings in shoppers. "It's a community kind of thing."

She finds more people are aware of where food comes from, which makes Northville's all-Michigan market attractive.

"It's all local," Watkins said. "It helps the economy here in Michigan. All of our craftspeople are local, too."

There's a SPROUT program for kids, who planted seeds in May in newspaper planting pots.

"Last month, we concentrated on butterflies," Watkins said, adding July is Market Monsters month with "Chia Pet"-type creations done by local kids.

"They're all based around learning something pertinent to the farmers market," she said.

Gourmet Corner

Nearby in the Gourmet Corner was Michael Bradford of Dearborn Heights with his Bradford & Benamer's Gourmet Cheesecake, based in Plymouth.

"We're opening a storefront in August" in the heart of downtown Plymouth, Bradford said. "Right now, we rent a kitchen in Plymouth."

His business is six months old and offers a variety of gourmet cheesecakes.

"Good," he said of business. "The fact we need to open a storefront is a good sign."

He likes the area markets. "They're great for advertising, exposing people to our product, making them want more," he said.

Honey Bear Farms' Zurek said he's been busy lately removing bees from homes and apartment complexes.

"I called the exterminators," he said of his initiative. "I gave them my number."

He'll put those bees, generally between walls or in attics, in a box and start a new colony. Zurek takes honey back to the people the next year. Last year, there were more



Visitors to the July 18 farmers market had lots of fresh flowers, plants, herbs, produce and other goods to choose from.

hive removals, due to weather, he said.

"This is my chance to talk to people," he said of the markets. "I'm the bee man. I enjoy that part of it. I think they're really happy that I'm here. We're glad to serve them."

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Some purple coneflowers for sale at the Northville Farmers Market.



Deanna Gates and daughter Maddie, 1, look over some flowers during a recent visit to the Northville Farmers Market. PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

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happen.

"He gives back," Daldin said of Demray's community contributions.

Another place that will appear on the show is Maybury Farm. The ability to interact with animals makes this an awesome place for kids and adults, Daldin said.

The *Under the Radar* crew is a small one with four people, but they've

covered a lot of the state since the program started in 2010. Daldin said the show has a loyal and engaged audience and a great state to feature, which helps make the show a statewide success.

The Northville epi-

sode will premiere on Detroit Public Television at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 3, and then will be repeated at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 7.

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Huge crowds come out to sample food truck fare

By Lonnie Huhman
Staff Writer

The Food Truck Rally held July 18 in downtown Northville was such a big hit, with lines of people filling the sidewalks on Main Street, that another one is being planned for August.

The event last Thursday evening kicked off the annual Northville Sidewalk Sale and was sponsored by the Northville Central Business Association. Jacque's Tacos was one of the trucks dishing out a lot of food to many who came out to support the first food truck event in the community.

"Despite the heat, we had roughly three to four times the turnout we expected for the evening," NCBA spokesperson Dan Ferrara said. "As a whole, the NCBA is thrilled with the turnout."

Ferrara said the goal of the weekend was first and foremost to attract new people into downtown Northville, both local residents and people from a 20- to 30-mile radius.

"Based on an initial look at our survey data from that evening, we accomplished this goal," Ferrara said. "More than 60 percent of the individuals surveyed stated that they had not been in downtown Northville within the last six months. And to break it down further, just under a third had never been to downtown Northville before that night."

With that in mind, the next food truck rally should be a hit as well.

The Northville City Council gave approval for another request for a food truck event, but this time from the Northville Chamber of Commerce, which wants to hold the inaugural Food Truck Rally on Saturday, Aug. 24. Traci Sincock, the chamber's associate director, brought the request before council July 15.

"We're partnering with the Northville Sports Den, Westside Distributors and Real Detroit on this endeavor," Sincock said.

The trucks will park in the street along the curb on Cady Street, between Wing Street and the Art House. There will also be a beer garden in the open space behind city hall. The event will include recorded music and a live band to play during event hours, with the stage being placed on the grass behind city hall. The street in that area will probably be closed off.

The event will be open from noon to 10:30 pm.

Sincock said the chamber is not holding the event to compete with local restaurants.

"This is to add an element of excitement," she said.

A preview story on this event with more details will be in the *Northville Record* prior to the event next month.

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The Jacques' Tacos truck takes orders from a long line of customers during the July 18 food truck rally in downtown Northville. PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



Josh Combs places another pizza into the wood-fired oven of the Rollin' Stone food truck during the rally in downtown Northville. About seven different food trucks offering tacos, hot dogs, pizza and various desserts rallied along Main Street.



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headed to Brazil.

The idea of a teen traveling alone and then staying in another country for their senior year in high school may seem daunting and a bit intimidating to some, but not for Boyd, who is so excited about the chance to experience another culture and spend time in Europe.

"I will miss my friends, no doubt, but I won't miss my senior year. It won't be that much different where I'm going. Sure, I won't get to go to prom with my friends, but that will only be for one year," Boyd said. "This just seems like a perfect opportunity for me."

Both girls applied for the exchange program through Northville Rotary. It is a program most Rotary clubs offer. In fact, Rotary has been sending students to other countries – and vice versa – for more than 75 years. More than 8,000 students from more than 80 different countries participate in the program each year. Students apply through their local Rotary club, though they don't get to pick where they are going. There is a selection program and students must go where there are open opportunities.

Doolittle admits Brazil wasn't her first choice and she didn't know too much about Brazil when she was notified that's where she would be headed. She has studied Spanish in school – but, of course, people speak Portuguese in Brazil. So she has been studying as much as possible on Brazilian culture before departing later this

month.

"I get waves of nervousness, but it's mostly excitement," Doolittle said.

Learning a new culture

Both girls are looking forward to the challenges of learning a foreign culture and meeting lots of new friends. Fortunately for them, they were able to meet Mariana Peres, a Brazilian who just spent her senior year at Salem High School. During her senior year, Peres stayed with Plymouth residents Traci and Paul Sincok. She offered both Boyd and especially Doolittle plenty of advice. She said it was a little difficult to adjust at first, especially attending Salem High School at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park.

"My school in Brazil was like 500 students. Here there was like 6,400 students. In Brazil, teachers move from classroom to classroom and the students stay in the same classroom. So I was a little lost the first couple days there," Peres said.

Ultimately, Peres said being an exchange student was a wonderful experience and something she would recommend to anyone. Staying with the Sincoks, she was able to see a lot of America and she met lots of great new friends.

"It was, like, the best experience I've had. I think everyone should do something like this," Peres said. "There is a waiting list in Brazil for people to come here."

Host families

The other part of the equation with the Rotary program is the need for local host families. Traci Sincok said Rotary is always look-

ing for qualified families to host a student for a year.

"Host families come in all shapes and sizes," Sincok said. "Just because you don't have kids doesn't mean you can't host students."

And Sincok would know. She and her husband have no children of their own, yet they have hosted five exchange students over the years. She said it has always been a great experience.

Shannon Boyd, Mary's mother, agreed. Over the years, she and her husband D.J., who is a Northville Rotary member, have hosted three exchange students. In fact, that was one of the motivating factors in Mary applying for the program.

"The kids come here to learn, but we also learn about their cultures, too. I think it's important for our kids to experience a different culture," Shannon Boyd said.

Having gone through the experience, she said she isn't worried about her daughter being so far away for so long.

"I know she will be fine," Shannon Boyd said.

"It's a pretty incredible experience," Traci Sincok said of hosting an exchange student. "You learn so much from them. The hardest part is saying goodbye."

"We still keep in touch with all of them. Facebook is a great thing. I hear from them all on Mother's Day."

For more information about the Rotary Youth Exchange, including how to become a host family, contact Northville Rotarian Sue Campbell at 248-344-1618.

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AFPD scholarship

Olivia Quinn, of Northville, was one of 34 students to earn \$1,500 scholarships from the Associated Food and Petroleum Dealers. The scholarships were awarded at the Joseph D. Sarafa Annual Scholarship Luncheon on July 23 at the Detroit Athletic Club.

The AFPD Foundation awards academic scholarships worth \$1,500 each to 31 extraordinary students in Michigan and three from Ohio every year. A total of \$56,000 in scholarships will be awarded this year, which includes an additional \$3,000 in scholarships to Western Michigan University and \$1,000 to both the ACC and CFA. The AFPD Foundation's funding, established with the help from Pepsi and DTE, has awarded over \$600,000 in scholarships.

To be eligible, a student must be employed by an AFPD member company for at least six months as of Jan. 1; be the son or daughter of a parent who has been a full- or part-time employee of an AFPD member company for at least one year as of Jan. 1; or an AFPD Michigan member customer and their children. Winners are chosen by a panel of educators.

Christopher Mantay, of Northville, graduated from Albion College on May 11. He graduated Magna Cum Laude with full Albion College Honors and was initiated into the Phi Beta Kappa Society. He has been interning for the Honorable

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Geoffrey L. Neithercut of 7th Judicial Circuit Court Civil/Criminal Division this summer. He will be leaving at the end of the month to do an internship in Congressman Erik Paulsen's office in Minnesota before he begins law school at University of Minnesota this fall.



Mantay

Cooley honors

Kirstyn Wildey made the Cooley Law School Dean's List and Honor Roll, and earned a Certificate of Merit in Property I, during the winter term. She is a graduate of Northville High School and Grand Valley State University. She is the daughter of Ray and Michelle Wildey of Northville.

GVSU grads

More than 3,000 students earned degrees from Grand Valley State University in April including the following Northville residents: Stephen R. Anderson, BS; Jacquelyn M. Elder, BS; Jacqueline P. Gress, BBA; Brian D. Hudson, BA; Noel J. Key, BA; Michael W. Marinos, BBA; Megan E. Narus, BS; Sabrina C. Norcia, BSN M; Jeffrey D. Owens, BBA; Griffin W. Pines, BS; Angela M. Ramsey, BSW; Garrett M. Sawyer, BA C; Shelby E. Tryon, BA; Geoffrey G. VanGorder, BS; Jessica N. Wasilesky, BS; and Emma R. Winton-Smith, BA.

U-of-D grads

A number of Northville students were among the University of Detroit Mercy's Class of 2013. They include:

» Andrea Firilit received a Master of Sci-

ence in nursing in MSN-Family Nurse Practitioner.

» Jennifer Salem received a Bachelor of Science in nursing in BSN-Nursing Second Degree.

» Brett Bullard received a Doctor of Dental Surgery in DDS.

» Robert Crawford received a Juris Doctor in Law.

» Polly Simms received a M.S. in computer and info systems in MSCIS-Software Management.

» Kiran Singh received a Master of Business Administration in MBA-Business Administration.

» Katherine Zatkoff received a Master of Arts in MA-Indus/Organizational Psy.

» Susan Shashlo received a Master of Science in Nursing in MSN-Health Systems Management.

Miama grads

Ursula I. Cauffiel and Alyssa Michelle Peterson, both of Northville, graduated from Miami (Ohio) University on Saturday, May 11 at Yager Stadium. Cauffiel received a Bachelor of Arts degree. Peterson received a B.S. in Business degree University Honors w/distinction; and was Summa Cum Laude.

Miami Dean's List

Miami University students who ranked in the top 20 percent of undergraduate students within each division for second semester 2012-2013 have been named to the dean's list recognizing academic performance. Northville students on the list include: Erica Elizabeth Guidobono, Spencer James Knickerbocker, Alyssa Michelle Peterson, and Haley Elizabeth Spindler.

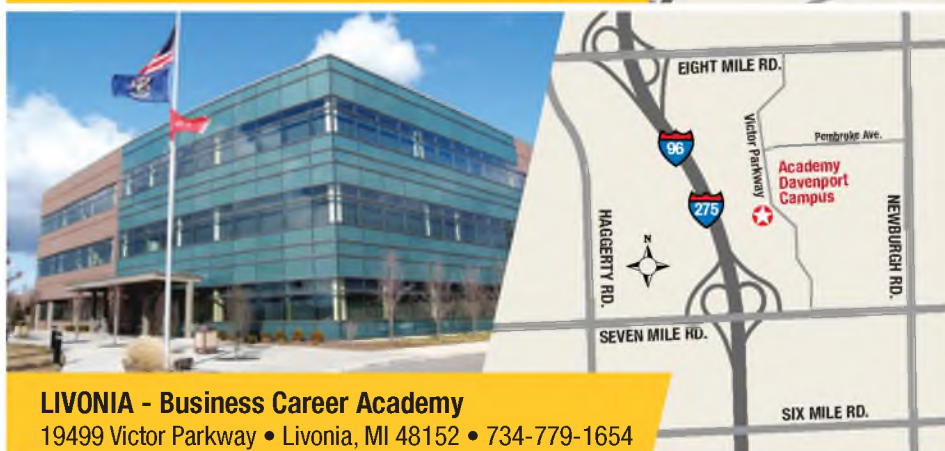


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Two deceased bodies were found in this home on Porter Street in Novi last week.

Northville Schools offer support after tragedy

By Julie Brown
Staff Writer

Robert Behnke, a Northville Public Schools administrator, was in the Northville High School media center Thursday morning, ready for any students who wanted to talk.

Lisa Anne Christensen, the mother of a current and a former Northville Schools student, was killed July 16, with her estranged husband, Gunar Donald Christensen, also found dead in an apparent murder-suicide in their Novi home. Behnke said school staffers wanted to help students having a hard time, “just an opportunity if need be to provide some support,” he said.

“Really, we’re not sure what the response is going to be from students,” said Behnke, assistant superintendent for instructional services. “We want to be proactive.”

There were six school professionals on hand the morning of July 18 in the high school media center, including those with social work and counseling backgrounds.

Beth Morrison is president and CEO of HAVEN, which works to prevent domestic violence in Oakland County and supports victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. She shared her expertise in a separate interview.

“We’ve definitely come a long ways,” she said of HAVEN and other agencies, noting HAVEN is 38 years old. At that time, there were few laws to protect victims from batterers.

“Go for a walk and cool off, sleep in another room,” was common police advice back then, Morrison said. Laws now protect victims more.

“We still have a long ways to go,” she said. “We still have a lot of work to do.”

The Novi case involved a mother getting a divorce. “The most lethal time is when the relationship ended,” Morrison said, noting the man didn’t consider the relationship ended.

“Individuals stay for many reasons,” she said. Some stay for economic reasons, especially if there are children.

“One is safety,” she said. “Some feel it’s safer to stay in the relationship.” Those victims may feel they can control violence and protect children. Child custody issues also worry victims.

Morrison noted one in three Michigan families will be impacted by domestic violence, also known as intimate partner violence.

“This is a horrific tragedy,” Morrison said of the Novi case. “Children have lost parents.”

She’s seen other tragedies, but also has cause for hope. She doesn’t see domestic violence worsen with a bad economy necessarily.

“That happens to a lot of people, and that one event doesn’t make them become abusive,” Morrison said. Survivors who seek services say: “It in-

creases the intensity or the frequency of their violence.”

HAVEN’s work includes school presentations, age-appropriate, for pre-school through high school. Those in dating years learn about healthy, respectful relationships based on equality.

“We often become what we’re exposed to,” she said, noting the prevention education helps young people learn about healthy relationships. “We work in trying to get into as many classrooms as we can.”

HAVEN serves over 12,000 directly a year through services like its shelter and counseling. An additional 15,000 school children and teens receive HAVEN programming a year. There’s also a court advocacy program for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault, including help with personal protection orders.

Morrison knows more affluent areas don’t have an absence of domestic violence. “That’s definitely a myth that many people believe,” she said. “It’s a crime that doesn’t discriminate,” and occurs across economic and educational lines.

She’s encouraged when victims find their own voice “and (will) be able to move forward with health and happiness.”

School support

Behnke said the Northville school district has a crisis plan for a quick response.

“We’ve had deaths of students in the past, or former students,” he said. “We’re able to respond pretty quickly.”

He and colleagues appreciate the help of Wayne RESA, their intermediate school district.

Students may not think of their school for support in summertime, Behnke said. Students have their own social networks.

“Social media can be used in a positive fashion in the grieving process,” he said.

He urges parents to watch their children in the wake of a tragedy.

“Parents know their kids best,” Behnke said. “Work with them in terms of proceeding and see how they can move forward.”

The school district had no calls as of July 18 at the high school, athletic office or central office seeking help, Behnke said.

“It’s at least an option available to people,” he said.

The district will offer additional support as needed. Behnke described the tragedy as sad and mournful.

“She’ll definitely be missed and made a strong positive impact,” he said, citing the victim’s involvement with local parks and recreation and community young people.

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Local parents found dead after murder/suicide

By Cal Stone
Staff Writer

Two bodies found inside a home on Porter Street in Novi last week have been identified as Lisa Anne Christensen, 55, and Gunar Donald Christensen, 59.

Both died of gunshot wounds. Her death is being ruled a homicide and his a suicide. Autopsies were performed July 17 by the Oakland County Medical Examiner’s Office.

“The preliminary evidence at the scene suggests an apparent murder/suicide,” said David Molloy, Novi’s director of public safety/chief of police.

At 11:23 a.m. on Tuesday, July 16, a welfare request was made by an attorney’s office when one of the residents did not show for a scheduled court hearing. Uniform officers responded to the residence, located on the



Lisa Christensen



Gunar Christensen

northwest corner of Taft and Nine Mile roads, to check on the family.

Officers entered the home with the assistance of a family member who was present at the home. Once inside, they discovered an apparent crime scene with two deceased bodies believed to be residents of the home.

Investigators from the Novi Police Department, assisted by forensic scientists from the Michigan State Police

Northville Crime Laboratory, were processing the scene under the authority of a search warrant issued that afternoon in the 52-1 District Court.

On July 16, Molloy said it wasn’t known for sure yet how long the two had been dead, but “evidence suggests the incident may have happened earlier this morning while the couple were getting ready for the day.”

The Novi Police Department received information from family members suggesting the couple who resided in the home were in the process of ending their marriage through divorce, and the preliminary investigation reveals the incident is domestic in nature.

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

Locals concerned about Detroit bankruptcy

By Karen Smith
Staff Writer

Detroit's filing for bankruptcy on July 18 may have financial implications for the cities and townships surrounding the Motor City, no matter how well they are managed. Local leaders are concerned about everything from bond ratings to water/sewer rates, and just the overall perception of government.

Plymouth City Manager Paul Sincock is concerned about the Detroit Water & Sewerage Department's ability to bond following the bankruptcy filing. That "certainly affects everybody in the metro region," he said.

State Rep. Kurt Heise, R-Plymouth Township, who has long called for a regional authority to run the department, agreed.

"The credit rating for DWSD has already been downgraded because of the city's financial troubles," he said. "I'm concerned it'll be downgraded further. This bankruptcy is going to take at least two years to play itself out. During that time, DWSD is going to have a greatly reduced credit rating which we, as customer communities, are going to have to pay for."

"I'm very concerned we'll be looking at higher rates as a result. The good thing is we now have a chance to create a separate authority. I've been calling for this for many years and now more than ever it's

time to aggressively look for a regional authority."

However, Northville City Manager Pat Sullivan said the bankruptcy could actually have a positive impact on the rate structure.

"If they (DWSD) are able to restructure their legacy costs that could have a positive impact on the rate structure, but that is a huge question mark as to how legacy costs are going to be handled. So until the bankruptcy court deals with that we won't really know how it is going to impact us," Sullivan said.

Sullivan said Detroit's biggest challenge is its legacy costs, something that all municipalities must deal with.

"Legacy costs are probably the greatest financial challenge for all cities, and certainly that is the greatest part of Detroit's debt that they are restructuring. We're all facing some of the same challenges, but Detroit is obviously in a worse situation because of population loss and other challenges," Sullivan said.

Time will tell

Canton Township Supervisor Phil LaJoy said the long-term implications of Detroit's filing for bankruptcy won't be known for some time. "Hopefully, it won't cause us any major problems. It's not going to be pretty (for Detroit), but for us, we'll have to wait and see."

Livonia Mayor Jack Kirksey is concerned Detroit's insol-

"With all the news about the mismanagement and corruption in the (Kwame) Kilpatrick regime, I can see why there are a lot of people out there who don't trust government. I've often said that we are all going to be tainted by this (Detroit bankruptcy)."

CHIP SNIDER
Northville Township manager

vency and estimated \$20 billion indebtedness will affect Livonia's AA bond rating. He said agencies like Standard & Poor's look at a suburb's "synergy" or "lack of synergy" with its core city when assigning municipal bond ratings.

He said those outside Michigan often paint the Detroit area "with the same brush." For example, some companies won't even meet with Livonia officials about locating in Livonia because of Detroit's tarnished reputation, he said. They assume, "If you're 20 minutes away, you must be like that too. They have no idea that Livonia is not like Detroit."

Westland Mayor Bill Wild said his city is going to be going out for \$16.5 million in municipal bonds for city hall, fire station and road improvement projects in early September, and that's got him worried. "Ours could be the first test balloon as to how the market is going to react to the bankruptcy," he said.

Northville Township Manager Chip Snider said the biggest fallout from the Detroit bankruptcy, at least for suburban leaders, is a general feeling of distrust on the part

of residents.

"I know this is a concern for a lot of people. This has eroded public confidence in all of our governments," Snider said. "With all the news about the mismanagement and corruption in the (Kwame) Kilpatrick regime, I can see why there are a lot of people out there who don't trust government. I've said all along that we are all going to be tainted by this (Detroit bankruptcy)."

Won't hurt

Other area leaders, like Farmington Hills City Manager Steve Brock, are more optimistic. He does not believe the bankruptcy will hurt Farmington Hills' finances whatsoever, particularly bond ratings. The Hills' rating was recently increased to AAA. "The guys on Wall Street know what is going on all around so the bankruptcy shouldn't affect our rating," he said.

Supervisor Tracey Schultz Kobylarz said Detroit's financial woes have already impacted Redford Township, forcing the cancellation of a tri-party agreement to build a combined sewage overflow for the Rouge River water basin

back in January.

The deal, which would have saved Redford up to \$15 million, was terminated when Detroit claimed financial hardship and applied to the state Department of Environmental Quality for a single permit without Redford and Dearborn Heights.

Farmington City Manager Vince Pastue said water and sewer service is expected to continue as usual, at least in the short term.

"In the long-run, I'm not sure what the implications are in terms of its operations, governance – that type of thing," he said. "It's now up to a bankruptcy judge."

Farmington Hills' Brock said he hopes the bankruptcy will help the city of Detroit get its financial house in order and set a healthy direction for the future.

Westland's Wild said these are unprecedented times as Detroit becomes the largest American city to ever file for bankruptcy. "The city of Westland and the entire region are going to have to come together and stand behind Detroit and make sure the residents don't get lost in the shuffle," he said.

State Sen. Pat Colbeck offers patient-centered solution in place of Medicaid expansion

By Brad Kadrich
Staff Writer

State Sen. Pat Colbeck, who represents most of Northville, believes he has a plan to improve health care without an expansion of Medicaid and he's introducing bills he believes will do just that.

Colbeck, R-Canton, introduced Thursday the first of two bills to enact a patient-centered health care plan to provide a free market alternative that expands access to quality care without expanding government.

SB 459 provides the regulatory infrastructure that would enable a low-cost, high-quality care, free-market environment within the confines of the Affordable Care Act. The second bill, which Colbeck said he'll introduce shortly, would convert current Medicaid enrollees to low-cost, high-quality Qualified Health Plans featuring Direct Primary Care Services and High Deductible Health Plans wrapped within a Health Savings Account.

The net impact of both of these bills, Colbeck believes, will be to lower health care costs for everyone in the state, while promoting better quality of care. Colbeck's patient-centered solution would be en-

acted in place of expanding government provided health care.

"We need to stop talking about expanding a government program that doesn't work and start talking about ways to expand affordable care to all of our citizens," Colbeck said. "The plan that I'm putting forth would allow us to capitalize on our free market system and provide better quality, less expensive health care to Michigan's residents while boosting our economy."

Colbeck called his plan "an opportunity to put in place a free market-based system that will not only accomplish the stated objectives of Obamacare, but will also establish Michigan as a destination state for employers seeking quality, affordable health care for their employees."

"If we can provide quality services at a greatly reduced cost, we can draw patients from other states and countries that are looking for better access to quality care while creating new health care jobs in Michigan," he added. "Wouldn't it be nice to be expanding our medical centers in Detroit due to out-of-town visitors at a faster rate than we are expanding our casinos?"

McCotter staffer receives probation, community service

By David Veselenak
Staff Writer

One of the last cases resulting from the former U.S. Rep. Thaddeus McCotter petition scandal last summer saw a sentence of probation and community service for one of his former staffers.

Mary Turnbull of Howell was sentenced to two years probation and 200 hours of community service Tuesday morning by Oakland County Circuit Judge Leo Bowman. Turnbull was originally charged with conspiracy to commit a legal act in an illegal manner, a felony, and one count of falsely signing a nominating petition as circulator, a misdemeanor. She pleaded no contest to both charges back in May.

The sentencing was originally scheduled for July 3, but was adjourned several times.

Turnbull was one of four individuals charged in the petition



Turnbull

Livonia Republican, and his staff, and ultimately disqualified him from the ballot and. The resignation prompted the governor's office to call for a special election last year to fill the seat, which led to Belleville Democrat David Curson to occupying the seat for less than two months.

His former seat in Congress is currently occupied by Kerry Bentivolio, a Republican from Milford, who won the redistricted seat in the November election.

McCotter was not charged in the case.

The sentencing leaves one pending court case pertaining to

fraud case, which ultimately led to McCotter's resignation from Congress. Secretary of State officials found several irregularities with the petitions filed by McCotter, a

the petition scandal. Livonia resident Paul Seewald and Farmington Hills resident Don Yowchuang each were charged of conspiracy to commit a legal act in an illegal manner, but Wayne County circuit court judge Margie Braxton dismissed those charges.

Michigan Attorney General Bill Schuette's office appealed the dismissal to the state Court of Appeals. No date for oral argument in that case has been set.

The two pleaded no contest to several charges back in November, including several counts of falsely signing a nominating petition as circulator.

Yowchuang was sentenced to three years probation and 200 hours of community service, while Seewald was sentenced to two years probation and 100 hours of community service.

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Snyder appoints Romney McDaniel

Northville resident part of board helping to oversee regulation of marriage therapists

Gov. Rick Snyder has appointed Ronna Romney McDaniel, of Northville, to the Michigan Board of Marriage and Family Therapy. He also reappointed Laura Mammen, of Grand Rapids, to the board.

The nine-member board assists the Michigan Department of Li-

censing and Regulatory Affairs in overseeing the practice of more than 800 marriage and family therapists.

"I thank Ronna and Laura for their willingness to serve on this important board," Snyder said.

Romney McDaniel is state committeewoman for the Michigan Republican Party. She previously served as a member of the executive committee of the 11th Congressional District, and as a member of the Green Ribbon Committee of Northville Township, as well as having served as a precinct delegate. Romney also worked as a staffing manager for Ajilon, as a business manager for Mills James Productions, and as a production manager for SRCP



Ronna Romney McDaniel

Media. Romney holds a bachelor's degree in English from Brigham Young University. She will represent the general public and replaces Sama Harp.

Members serve four-year terms expiring June 30, 2017, and their appointments are subject to the advice and consent of the state Senate.

CITY OF NORTHVILLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL CANDIDATES CANDIDATE FILING DEADLINE

In accordance with PA 44 of 2010, all city level candidate filing deadlines are now governed under State law. PA 44 of 2010 supersedes the City of Northville's Code of Ordinances and City Charter deadlines for filing for local office. As such, the Code of Ordinances and City Charter's language pertaining to the deadline to file nominating petitions for Mayor and City Council is no longer applicable.

Per Michigan election law amendments, the non-partisan candidate filing deadline for the November 5, 2013 election (no primary) is 4:00 p.m., August 13, 2013. Candidate packets are available at the Office of the City Clerk, City of Northville Municipal Building, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan, 48167, 248-349-1300, during regular business hours of 8:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m., Monday – Friday.

DIANNE MASSA, CITY CLERK

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SYNOPSIS JULY 18, 2013 – REGULAR MEETING CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

DATE: Thursday, July 18, 2013
TIME: 7:30 p.m.

PLACE: 44405 Six Mile Road

CALL TO ORDER: Supervisor Nix called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Robert R. Nix II, Supervisor, Sue A. Hillebrand, Clerk, Majorie F. Banner, Treasurer, Marv Gans, Trustee, Symantha Heath, Trustee, Mindy Herrmann, Trustee, Fred Shadko, Trustee

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

1. Agendas:

A. Approve the Regular and the Consent Agenda items – Approved

2. Appointments, Presentations, Resolutions & Announcements: None

3. Public Hearing: None

4. Brief Public Comments: (Anyone wishing to comment on an agenda item, or any other matter, may do so at this time. Citizen Comments are requested to be limited to two minutes.) Representative Heise updated the board on legislative matters and a representative from Senator Colbeck's office introduced herself to the Board.

5. New Business:

A. Demolition Proposal for Finance Building - Tabled

B. Historic District Commission list of historic structures – Approved

C. Rezoning – Seven Mile Road Property – Approved

6. Unfinished Business: None

7. Ordinances: None

8. Check Registry:

A. In the amount of \$1,521,307.40 - Approved

9. Board Communication & Reports from: Robert R. Nix, II, Clerk Hillebrand, Marjorie Banner, Treasurer, Trustee Gans, Trustee Heath, Trustee Herrmann, Trustee Shadko, Manager Chip Snider

10. Any other business or public comment for the Board of Trustees: None

11. ADJOURN: Meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Sue A. Hillebrand, M.M.C.

This is a synopsis of the meeting. A draft of the unapproved minutes will be available after July 30, 2013

Seniors,
friends
congregate
to stay
active

Fitness, day trips,
camaraderie all part
of the fun at
Community Center

By Julie Brown
Staff Writer

One room was filled with energy, women moving to the rapid beat of music in a Zumba class. Nearby was slower-paced yoga, as well as a cheer class for youngsters.

The Northville Community Center on Main Street is a happening place, perfect for hot summer days.

"It is (busy), especially with the fitness classes," said Suzie Johnson, senior coordinator for Northville Parks and Recreation. "That goes strong year-round."

Day trips for seniors are popular, with several for Detroit Tigers games at Comerica Park selling out. Seniors also visit Portofino's in Wyandotte for a luncheon boat tour, as well as theaters like the Purple Rose in Chelsea and Cherry Hill Village in Canton.

"They're affordable and they're fun, especially when the Tigers are winning," Johnson said of the day trips. "We had no trouble selling those (Tiger games) out." Participants like not having to worry about parking.

The definition of "senior" is 50-plus, pretty generous. The Community Center hosts card games in the afternoon, including poker, euchre, pinocle and bridge. Mah jongg is growing in popularity and is played with tiles.

"Pickleball is probably our biggest growing activity here," she said of the combination of tennis and badminton. It's competitive but can be played at many different levels.

"Some can do it just for recreation. Some are going out for the Senior Olympics which are in August," Johnson said.

Variety of programs

During the year, Johnson offers financial seminars, an attorney speaker, health seminars and authors. Johnson seeks sponsors to keep programs free as much as possible, other than food costs.

"We're going to have a 90-Plus Party," she said with a smile. It's a bit awkward to ask older seniors' ages, but signs around the building encourage them to report to the front desk. That party will likely be next spring.

The Community Center has four meeting rooms, a banquet room with stage, and a gymnasium.

Johnson and colleagues are pleased with local transportation services that get people to medical appointments, the grocery store and other nearby sites for a low fee. There's also Telecare in which phone volunteers check on homebound seniors three days a week.

The center also has free loans of wheelchairs, walkers and shower seats, another service Johnson points to with pride. Johnson grew up in Northville with her kids in NPS schools, and now calls the "Noville" part of Novi home. She's been on the job two and a half years.

Learn more about Community Center offerings by calling 248-349-4140 or visiting www.northvilleseniors.org.

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"They're affordable and they're fun, especially when the Tigers are winning."

SUZIE JOHNSON
senior coordinator for Northville
Parks and Recreation



A July 18 Zumba class winds down with some stretching and balancing exercises at the Northville Community Center. The center hosts plenty of exercise and sports classes throughout the summer in its air-conditioned building. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

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Getting into a groove



Trevor Lyndon, 7, tries out a hoop toy during a July 16 Rick Kelley performance at Tunes on Tuesday. Hosted by Northville Parks and Rec, the free concert series runs on Tuesdays from 10:30-11:30 a.m. through Aug. 27. Performances are held "rain or shine" at the Town Square. Paula Doak – The Merry Music Maker - performs on July 30.

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Life down on the farm

Austin Liedel, 10, (left) and Colton Buguszewski, 9, greet a miniature horse on July 18 at their week-long Camp Maybury Farm. A group of kids spent the whole week exploring the farm, its fields, animals and practices and learning a bit about what makes a farm run efficiently. The Maybury Farm Summer Day Camps continue to take place each Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Children have the opportunity to groom and feed the animals, take them for their daily walk, go on hikes, learn arts and crafts, even play with water balloons. They are served water and a snack in the morning and each camper brings their own bag lunch. There are still openings. To register your child, please call (248) 374-0200 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday. Maybury Farm is located at 50165 Eight Mile. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



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Haggerty resurfacing

The Road Commission for Oakland County (RCOC) expects its contractor to begin work the week of July 29 on the resurfacing of Haggerty Road from Nine Mile Road to just north of Village Wood Drive on the Farmington Hills/Novi border. The road will remain open during the project, but through traffic is encouraged to use an alternate route. The project is expected to be mostly completed by Nov. 15.

The project is expected to cost approximately \$1.1 million. Eighty percent of the cost will be covered through a Michigan Transportation Economic Development Fund (TEDF) grant. The Road Commission and Mahle Industries Inc. will share the remainder of the cost.

Blood drives

The American Red Cross will hold a number of upcoming local blood drives.

Northville Township Fire Department, 1-6:45 p.m., Tuesday, July 30
Northville Township Fire Department, 45745 Six Mile.

Novi Ice Arena, 2-7:45 p.m., Tuesday July 30
Novi Ice Arena, 42400 Arena Drive, Novi.

Gardner White/Best Buy, 1:30-7 p.m., Thurs Aug. 1
Gardner White/Best Buy, 43525 West Oaks Drive, Novi.

First Church of the Nazarene, 8 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 4, 21260 Haggerty Road, Northville.

Henry Ford Medical, 10-2:45 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 7, 39450 West 12 Mile.

Oak Pointe Church, 1-6:45 p.m., Friday, Aug. 16
Oak Pointe Church, 50200 West 10 Mile, Novi.

First United Methodist Church, 7 a.m.-12:45 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 18, 777 West Eight Mile Northville.

Donors can contact Diane at 313-549-7052 or Diane.Risko@red-cross.org to set up an appointment.

Remember, the need for blood increases during the summer when vacation travel and activities increase the chance of serious accidents that may require lifesaving or sustaining care. At the same time, blood supplies can shrink as donors become busy with summer fun and overlook giving blood. All blood types are needed, but type O negative and B negative are in high demand.

'Mom & Tot' day

Maybury Farm has added a second Mom &

Tot day. Put on by the Northville Community Foundation, the new Mom & Tot days will be on both Wednesdays and Thursdays throughout the summer at 11 a.m. The program includes story reading about animals. After story time the children can hit the playground for even more fun and games.

Maybury Farm is located at 50165 Eight Mile. Do not enter the state park but continue ½ mile west on Eight Mile to the Maybury Farm entrance. Farm hours are Tuesday through Sunday from 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Police golf outing

The Northville Township Police Officers Association Benevolent Fund will hold its 13th annual golf outing on Sept. 16 at Meadowbrook Country Club, 40941 W. Eight Mile Road. The event begins at 8 a.m. with breakfast and registration, followed by a 10 a.m. shotgun start.

Cost of the event is \$250 per golfer, and includes breakfast, greens fees, cart, dinner, three-hour open bar and golf shirt. Proceeds from the golf outing will benefit the Police Benevolent Fund.

Organizers are still looking for sponsors for the event. There are a number of sponsorship opportunities available. For more information, contact Mike Jackman, golf committee chairperson, at 248-449-5198.

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Tickets for all performances are \$9 each. Concessions will be available. Group rates and reserved seating for groups of 20 or more available. Special week-day school performance dates and rates also available. Birthday parties and Scout days available. No children under the age of three.

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A man in a blue short-sleeved shirt and jeans is standing and holding a large, patterned lizard (possibly a monitor lizard) in his left hand. He is pointing with his right hand towards a group of people seated in front of him. The group consists of several adults and children. The setting appears to be a classroom or a meeting room with light-colored wooden cabinets in the background.

Mark Rosenthal visits the Northville District Library on July 16 with an extremely poisonous giant Mexican beaded lizard. Rosenthal, who brought a number of critters for two afternoon shows, noted that there was no antidote for the venom of the lizard, so careful handling was a must. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



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NIMER, MARK

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RICHARDS, MAURNETIA

Age 73, died July 20, 2013. A memorial service will be held at a later date. phillipsfuneral.com

SHEERAN, KATHERINE

Dec. 15, 1936 - July 13, 2013
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SHAHER, PAUL FRANCIS

A resident of Milford, passed away peacefully on July 20th, 2013. He was 68 years old. He is survived by his daughter, Sarah; son, Andrew; life partner, Michelle Johnson; sister, Stephanie (Glen) Allen; brother, Glenn Peter (Janet); nieces, Sarah (Larry) Madsen, Andrea (Scott) Anderson; nephew, Matthew and extended family and friends. A Memorial Service was held at Lynch & Sons Funeral Home, Milford on Wednesday, July 24, 2013. Memorial contributions may be made in his name to Heartland Hospice, 3840 Packard Rd #260, Ann Arbor, MI 48108 For further info call 248.684.6645 or visit www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com

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VONSOOSTEN, JEAN ANN

Passed away June 28, 2013 with her family at her side, she was 87. She was born May 24, 1926 in Detroit to Charles and Blanche (Manion) Johnston. Jean is the beloved wife of Leo and dear mother of Judy Sherman and Joan (Mark) Erickson. She is the dear grandmother of Jason (Mandi) Sherman, Abbie (Jonathan) Kidder and Nicholas (Caroline) Erickson and dear great-grandmother of Lindsay Kidder, Paige Kidder, Finn Kidder, Oskar Erickson and Benjamin Erickson. Jean was preceded in death by her parents and her sister Marjorie. Jean was a resident of Northville for over 35 years and spent her winters in Florida. She retired in 1988 as a teacher in the Farmington Public Schools. Jean along with some girlfriends from grade school started their own club, they called it The Gay Club, they are friends to this day. She was a longtime piano teacher. Jean loved to play the piano. She would play for the residents at Whitehall Nursing home and for many school plays. She especially loved spending time with her beloved family. A memorial service will be held on Saturday, July 27, 2013 at 4pm at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, 280 S. Main St, Plymouth. The family will receive friends beginning at 3pm until time of service. Memorials in her name may be made to Lewy Body Dementia Association, 912 Killian Hill Rd. S.W., Lilburn, GA 30047 or lbdad.org. To leave a condolence http://www.schrader-howell.com



WISEMAN, DOUGLAS NEAL

51, of South Lyon, died Monday, July 15 after going into cardiac arrest Sunday morning. He was born December 7, 1961 to the late Frank Wiseman and Annabelle Wiseman, who currently lives in Florida. For nearly 30 years, Doug was an excellent salesman. He had a genuine love of people and was known to brighten the days of both customers and coworkers with his frequent jokes - "the stupider, the better." Doug had a huge heart and a deep appreciation for life's simple pleasures: a summer drive, making a complete stranger laugh, watching a favorite movie, or surrounding himself with good food and good company. He loved with the intensity of a country song. In word and deed, he showed that there is nothing more important than family. He is survived by his daughters: Ashley Lynn Wiseman, of Mary Berridge Frisinger; and Jillian Beverly Wiseman and stepdaughter Ashley Renee Fox, of his widow, Theresa Ferry Wiseman. He is also survived by his siblings, Beverly (Raymond) Tiernan, Glenn (Claudia) Wiseman, Ronald (Carol) Wiseman, Sheila (Ted) Farquhar, and Brad (Denise) Wiseman, as well as many nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held at 11 AM on Saturday, July 27 at the New Hudson Methodist Church.



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CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY

Location: 24505 Meadowbrook Road

Contact: 248-349-8847 or visit holyfamilynovi.org

Mass Schedule

Time/Day: 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.

Sunday; 9 a.m. Monday-Friday; 7 p.m. Monday-Tuesday; 4:30 p.m. Saturday; 6:30 p.m. Saturday (Spanish)

Holy days: 9 a.m., 5:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Reconciliation: beginning 9 a.m. Saturdays or by appointment

Priests: the Rev. Bob LaCroix, pastor, and the Rev. Michael Zuelch, associate pastor

CROSSPOINTE MEADOWS CHURCH

Location: 29000 Meadowbrook Road, south of 13 Mile

Contact: 248-669-9400, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday-Thursday or visit www.crosspointemeadows.org.

Sunday worship: 11:15 a.m.

Bible study classes: 10 a.m. for all ages

Details: Nursery and older children programs available. Worship blends traditional and contemporary elements resulting in a multi-sensory worship experience.

DESTINY WORSHIP CENTER

Location: Ridge Wood Elementary School, 49775 Six Mile, Northville

Contact: DestinyW3C@gmail.com or visit www.DW3C.org.

EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Location: 34567 Seven Mile, Livonia

Web: www.emmanuel-livonia.org

Contact: 248-442-8822

Youth Rummage Sale: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. July 18 and 8 a.m. to noon July 20

Sunday worship: 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.; Aug. 11 at 10 a.m. only followed by pot luck fellowship

Adult special needs worship: 9:30 a.m.

Youth group: Tuesdays at 7:45-9 p.m.

Children's Summer Sunday Church: 9:30 a.m. Sundays; for children entering kindergarten through third grade

Vacation Bible School: "Everywhere Fun Fair," 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Aug. 5-9; for children entering preschool through sixth grade.

Youth group: 7:45-9 p.m. Tuesdays

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Women's Coffee Break Bible Study: 10-11 a.m. Monday, Aug. 12 -- Does God believe in US?

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Location: 44400 W. 10 Mile

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Sunday Worship: 10 a.m.

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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE

Location: 217 N. Wing

Contact: 248-348-1020

Sunday Worship: 10:45 a.m. and 5:45 p.m.

Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.

Ladies Bible Study: 9:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Tuesdays

Men's Bible Study: 9 a.m. first Saturday of every month

MEADOWBROOK CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Location: 21355 Meadowbrook Road, between Eight Mile and Nine Mile

Contact: the Rev. Arthur P. Ritter, senior minister, 248-348-7757, visit mbccc.org or e-mail to office@mbccc.org.

Sunday Worship: 10 a.m.

Church School: 10-11 a.m.

Fellowship Hour: 11 a.m.

Merry Widows Luncheon: 11:30 a.m. fourth Thursday of each month

Pilgrim Fellowship: 6 p.m. Sundays

Vacation Bible School - "Kingdom Rocks":

5:30-8 p.m. July 21-25; dinner is served; suggested donation for VBS - \$10

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Location: 45301 W. 11 Mile

Contact: 248-349-3647 or firstbaptistchurchof-novi.org

Family Bible Hour: 9:45 a.m.

Family Worship: 11 a.m.

Bible Study: 6 p.m.

Family Movie Night: 5:30 p.m.; fourth Sunday of every month

FIRST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

Location: 21260 Haggerty, north of Eight Mile

Contact: 248-348-7600 or visit dfcnazarene.org

Sunday Schedule: 9:30 a.m. Classic worship service, Adult Bible Fellowship classes and Children's Sunday School; 11 a.m. Contemporary worship service with Kids Church, Teen Worship Service and Adult Bible Fellowship classes. Café is open from 9:15-11 a.m. Refreshments at 10:30 a.m.; 6 p.m. Evening Traditional Service

Wednesday schedule: 6:30 p.m. Bible Study

Thursday schedule: 6:00 a.m. Men of Purpose Prayer Group and Bible Study

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE

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Sunday Worship: 10 a.m.

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Location: 777 W. Eight Mile, Northville

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Summer Sunday Worship (Memorial Day-Labor Day): 8:30 and 10 a.m.

Summer Sunday School (Memorial Day-Labor Day): 8:30 a.m. - Nursery; 10 a.m. - Nursery - sixth grade

Sunday Worship (September-May): 8, 9:15 and 11 a.m.

Sunday School (September-May): 8 a.m. Nursery; 9:15 a.m. Nursery 12th grade; 11 a.m. Nursery sixth grade

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

Location: 41415 Nine Mile, corner of Meadowbrook Road, Novi

Contact: 248-349-0565

Sundays: 8:45 a.m. Sunday School and Bible Study; 10 a.m. Worship

HOLY CROSS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Location: 40700 W. 10 Mile

Contact: 248-427-1175 or holycrossnovi@gmail.com; visit holyCROSSnovi.org

Sunday Worship: 7:45 and 10 a.m.

Sunday School and Nursery Care: 10 a.m. Worship service

Alzheimer's Support Group: 10 a.m. second Saturday of month.

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Sunday Worship: 11 a.m.

Bible School: Sunday 10 a.m.; Wednesday 7 p.m.

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Location: 41355 Six Mile

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Sundays: 9-10 a.m. Sunday School for Adults / Youth / Children; 9 a.m. Contemporary service in multi-purpose gymnasium; 10:15 a.m. Contemporary service in worship center; children's super church on the second level (208/210)

Wednesday Family Night: 7 p.m.; Adult elective classes; junior and senior high ministries; children's programs, Nursery and Preschool Program on Sundays and Wednesdays Home of Northville Christian School (day care; preschool through eighth grade); call 248-348-9031.



DAVIS, EUNICE L.

Age 91, of Sebring, Florida, passed away Sunday, July 14, 2013, at her home. She was born December 16, 1921, to Joe and Mable (Lusk) Currie in Lawrence County, PA, and had been a resident of Sebring since 1993, coming from Pinckney, Michigan. She was a homemaker, a member of First Baptist Church of Sebring, enjoyed golf and ceramics, and especially shopping. In her younger days, she enjoyed water skiing. She is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, Harold E., Jr. and Connie Davis, of Michigan; daughter, Pamela A. Bailey, Michigan; brothers, Ralph Currie, PA and Lee Currie, MI; sisters, Gladys Grainger, OH; Leona Collins, Pinellas Park, FL; Dora Wigton, PA; Vera McGahan, Sebring and Mary Lou Welker, Apopka, FL and two grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Harold E. Davis; two grandchildren, Scotty and Caleb; brother, Karl Currie; five sisters, Ruth Ray; Marion Pherson; Roma Fowler; Julia Robinson and Hazel Allison. Funeral services were held Saturday, July 20th, 2013 at Crosspointe Meadows Church, Novi. Interment will be at Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holly, Michigan.

Local arrangements have been entrusted to the Heeneey-Sundquist Funeral Home, downtown Farmington (248-474-5200) heeneey-sundquist.com

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LAPP, MADELYN E.

Age 93, passed away July 20, 2013. She was born on January 26, 1920, in Detroit, to the late Samuel and Gladys (Jack) Nelson. Madelyn is survived by her loving husband William Lapp; children: Judith (Jack) Scrivens, David (Nancy) Lapp, Timothy (Laura) Lapp; 5 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her sisters: Dorothy Brown and Phyllis Nelson. Visitation was held on July 23 at Phillips Funeral Home. A funeral service was held on July 24 at Fellowship Evangelical Presbyterian Church, South Lyon.

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The 23rd annual Pewabic Pottery House and Garden Preview Party was a great kick-start to the summer's activities. The fundraiser, held on June 6, gave Pewabic supporters a sneak peek/first-dibs on artist-made pieces. The new Pewabic Detroit Tigers "D" tile was already sold out, but the museum shop has them back in stock for purchase for sports fans. Attending the event were (from left) the daddy-daughter combos of Kirsten and Tom Aliber of Waterford and Abby and Dick O'Neill of Northville. If you missed the show, the Pewabic Pottery Museum store is open seven days a week. In addition, there's still time to take advantage of Pewabic's Passport to Pottery Summer Camps, Monday through Friday through Aug. 2. For adults, sign up for Raku Firing Thursdays, 6-9 p.m., July 25, Aug. 1 or Aug. 8. Call 313-626-2010 or register or shop online at www.pewabicstore.org. JULIE YOLLES

POLICE BRIEFS

Mailbox baseball

Two Northville Township residents called police last week after they found their mailboxes destroyed by what appears to be a baseball bat.

On July 16, a 53-year-old man living on the 17600 block of Farmcrest Lane reported finding his mailbox destroyed. It had been struck off of its post.

The following day, a 51-year-old man living on the 16400 block of Old Bedford Road reported his mailbox damaged. According to the police report, the metal mailbox was caved in, but still attached to the post. It

appears it was struck by a baseball bat, according to the report.

There are no suspects in either case.

Marijuana possession

A 26-year-old South Lyon woman was arrested for driving on a suspended license and possession of marijuana.

On July 19 the woman was stopped by Northville City Police after an officer spotted her driving closely to another vehicle on Eight Mile Road. A check of her vehicle indicated the license plate had no record. She was stopped at Beck Road.

It turned out her li-

cense was suspended, which led to her being arrested. A further search of the vehicle had police also finding marijuana and paraphernalia, and she was charged with possession.

Warrant arrests

Two Detroit men were arrested in the early morning hours of July 4 after a Northville Township police officer noticed the vehicle they were driving in make a stop in the middle of the Seven Mile and Silver Springs intersection. The officer got a little surprise when one of the men was carrying with him nearly \$1,200 in cash.

According to police

reports, both of the men had outstanding warrants. The driver of the 2010 Ford Taurus, a 31 year old, was wanted on two warrants for failure to pay child support. When the officer searched him, he found the large amount of cash in a single roll in one of his front pockets, including \$450 in fifties, and \$720 in twenties.

A female passenger, who lives in Northville Township, told the officer the man was her boyfriend and the money was for her tuition. When the officer asked the man if the money was hers, he said no.

The other man, 26, had several ATM receipts

with him from a Chase Bank in Detroit. Each indicated an attempt to withdraw between \$300 and \$500 from the bank, with each one being rejected. After a background check, the officer found the man had warrants out of Wayne County, Detroit and Kalamazoo.

Both men were arrested for the outstanding warrants. The driver was held overnight, while the other man posted two bonds and was released. The driver was turned over to Wayne County the next morning. His money was returned to him.

In the report, the officer surmised the large amount of cash was ei-

ther drug related or perhaps some kind of bank fraud. There was no proof to support either charge, however. The woman was released at the scene and walked home.

Flying eggs

A 50-year-old Plymouth man called police last week to report somebody threw eggs at his car near the intersection of Six Mile and Beck. According to the police report, the man was driving westbound on Six Mile just after 7 p.m. on July 16, when multiple eggs came crashing down on his Toyota. The man said the eggs damaged the car's paint.

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OUR VIEWS

Consolidating schools

Education change needed, but countywide districts have a lot of questions

State Superintendent of Public Instruction Mike Flanagan thinks more money could be spent in the classroom if Michigan merged its public school districts into countywide school districts. He believes the move could save considerable money by eliminating duplicate jobs and providing more efficient services.

Michigan school districts can use all the savings they can get. With declining enrollment and stingy state aid, schools are struggling to make ends meet. For instance, while Northville Public Schools presented a balanced budget this year, it has in recent years had to tap into its fund balance to survive.

Forming countywide schools always seems attractive to some who believe there would be savings by reducing the number of superintendents and administrators. But the devil is in the details. Flanagan says the idea might save millions of dollars, but there has been no supporting data to back that up. He says he plans to release a document to advance discussion.

Potential savings need to be examined. There are about 1.5 million schoolchildren in Michigan. So even a savings of \$15 million, which sounds like a lot, amounts to only \$10 per student. Every penny counts, of course, but such a savings will have little impact on troubled districts.

Will bigger districts save money? Perhaps. But the state's biggest district, in Detroit, is seldom used as a shining example of fiscal efficiency. Others argue smaller school districts may be more beneficial. A 2007 study by the conservative Mackinac Center for Public Policy indicated school districts are most efficient with a student population of about 2,900.

How real are the savings of countywide districts? It's easy to say there are too many administrators, but combining responsibilities is not always a simple solution. That's especially true with the wide disparity of school districts in Michigan. There are 34 school districts in Wayne County, including some of the state's largest (Dearborn, Detroit, Livonia and Plymouth-Canton). That's a lot of kids and, geographically, a lot of ground to cover.

Combining them into a single countywide district would still require some level of administrative presence in each community. There must be some comparison between the hoped-for savings and the loss of local control. Which communities, for instance, will think it's all right if they don't have a lead administrator for their schools?

Some of the savings that Flanagan envisions by combining services have already been captured locally. Central-office administrators already wear more than one hat. Rather than forcing consolidation, it might be better to find which districts could save money by following similar best practices (Plymouth-Canton and Livonia, for instance, now share a food services contract).

Flanagan's objective makes sense. Some school districts have always been too small for efficient operations. When districts start losing students in large numbers — sometimes through no fault of their own — they suffer from trying to run a district built for a larger population. That was one of the problems in the Buena Vista School District, which shut down for two weeks in May.

But the idea of consolidating districts, however well it might work, is looking for small victories when major change is needed. In a digital age where job skills change overnight, are we still best served by a nine-month school year in which most students follow a rigid 13-year schedule that is largely one size fits all?

Consolidating districts will ruffle a lot of feathers. It won't be worth it if the savings are minimal and the effort takes attention away from reform that could directly improve education for students.



Local officials say consolidation of food services has already produced savings. FILE PHOTO

COMMUNITY VOICE

What's the best way to beat the heat?

This question was asked in downtown Northville and at the Novi Library.



We went to watch a movie in the AC, or another place is the Northville Swim Club.

Bryan Cranson
Northville



Go to the library, where it's cool.

Ron Baker
Northville



I like to go to the air-conditioned library.

Philip Frye
Novi



Stay inside where there is AC, or go for swim.

Robert Baber Jr.
Northville

LETTERS

Don't steal from others

Your editorial from July 11 regarding the new state law and the DDA ("New state law endangers DDA and downtown") is way off base. Voters clearly wanted all of the money to go to the DIA and Zoo when they approved these tax increases. Both of these organizations are extremely beneficial to all of us in this area, indeed, all of the State of Michigan and all of the funds should go their way.

A long history of skimming from other taxing situation is no excuse for continuing this policy. The new regulation is correct.

If communities need more funds, let their administrators propose their own tax increases and have their people vote on them. If they are not willing to do this (for their own political future) then live within their budget — don't steal from others.

Ernie McLaughlin
Northville

A less expensive way

I am encouraged that Senator Patrick Colbeck has found a less expensive way to work with Obamacare. He has authored two bills in this pursuit. SB 459 provides the regulatory infrastructure that would enable a low cost, high quality care, free market environment within the confines of the Affordable Care Act (ACA). The second bill, which will be introduced shortly, would convert current Medicaid enrollees to low cost, high quality qualified health plans featuring direct primary care services and high deductible health plans wrapped within a health savings account.

The net impact of both of these bills will be to lower healthcare costs for everyone in our state while promoting better quality of care. This will be a free market-based system that will accomplish the stated objectives of Obamacare. This simple yet cost effective plan could be accomplished with the implementation of two waivers.

The first is to Obamacare's "minimum essential benefit" mandate, the primary driver behind the obscene jumps in health care premiums our citizens will see in October as open enrollment begins on the government-run health exchange. Many people would simply like catastrophic insurance rather than all of the bells and whistles found in the minimum essential benefit laundry list.

The second of these waivers would be to allow government assistance eligibility information to be provided via one or more private exchanges rather than a single government-created exchange.

I support this reasonable and workable approach.

Bob Cushman
Northville Township

Show some concern

How refreshing to hear that State Senator Patrick Colbeck ("Free market approach best on health care," July 18) believes in market-based medical care, because that is exactly what the Affordable Care Act is.

Once "Obamacare" is fully implemented, the health insurance industry will have an estimated 30 to 40 million new customers. These many "market-based" companies will be selling health insurance policies to millions of more people than are buying them today from these same companies.

I don't understand the basis of Mr. Colbeck worrying about his doctor friends not being able to keep up with their country club dues because Medicaid needs to be part of the solution to having almost all Americans

finally having access to health care. The rates that will be allowed under Medicare are part of the deal doctors and hospitals will enjoy when millions of previously uninsured will come to their practice with insurance they, or their employer, will have purchased from Mr. Colbeck's soul mates in the free market. Before Obamacare, they were under the Republican health care plan — "don't get sick."

Mr. Colbeck must have missed the *New York Times* reporting last week that insurance premiums for those in New York City are expected to drop by 50 percent once the Affordable Care Act is fully implemented. What great news, and pretty much proof that Obamacare and the free market companies that are chomping at the bit for all these new customers, are really in sync. He also doesn't know, or chooses to ignore the fact, that Medicare is one of the most efficient forms of administering affordable care, with administrative costs below 3 percent.

Finally, I hope, but it really doesn't appear, that Mr. Colbeck's many misrepresentations in his guest column are merely from ignorance of the facts and issues, and not a result of a lack of concern for those he wants to deny adequate health care under the Affordable Care Act, and the usual right wing desire in governance to, before all else, make sure that you comfort the comfortable.

Please understand, Mr. Colbeck, if you don't like being called out for your consistent lack of concern for some of the people you were elected to represent, stop doing it.

Steve Lawrence
Northville Township

More male teachers needed

While reading through the list of the "12+ new teachers hired by the Northville Public Schools" (July 18), I observed that only one of those teachers was a man and 13 were women. I couldn't help but wonder if this was due to the fact that fewer men were going into education today because of the pay or if women were just better qualified. While we do always want to hire the best qualified teachers, it is a good idea to attempt to strike a balance. We need male role models, as well as female role models, as teachers in our schools at all grade levels.

Carol Maynard
Northville

Volunteers made sale possible

The four-day Friends of the Northville District Library Spring Used Book Sale under the overall coordination of Joe Oldenburg, brought in \$1,578 to be used to support library programs and projects. I would like to thank the volunteers who helped make this event possible.

The following volunteers staffed the sale or played some role, many filling more than one position: Gail Ahrendt, Linda Bolam, Anne Bourque, Madeline Bresson, Ron Breuhan, Marilyn Breuhan, Kristen Bros, Lora Cash, Amanda Colter, Grace Colter, Marcie Colling, Corrine Collins, Joyce Conklin, Joann Dalziel, Judy DeFrancesco, Mike DeFrancesco, Larry Duggan, Marv Fink, Roz Fink, Scott Frush, Janice Johns, Gretchen Kaminski, Claire Kreher, Aleta Lee, Joyce Liddle, Christine Litka, Cherie Lovett, Keith Mannisto, Jeannine Meade, Erin McDermott, Ben Miller, Doris Miller, Regina Mingela, Jerry Mittman, Terry Mittman, Robin Moultaon,

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The following Boy Scouts helped repackage the leftover books: Adam Bresson, Kevin Duffy, Jackson Frederick and Adam Helner.

Finally, I want to acknowledge the support of Hiller's Markets, whose contributions made the bag sales possible.

James Morche
volunteer coordinator
Friends of the Northville District
Library Used Book Sale

A successful Garden Walk

The Country Garden Club of Northville would like to thank everyone who made our 20th Annual Garden Walk a success. Northville's original Garden Walk attracted hundreds of visitors to our charming Victorian town. They enjoyed stunning gardens, lovely music, great shopping and dining at local restaurants. The Garden Walk benefits local, state and national organizations including a Northville high school scholarship, Friends of Maybury Park, Southeast Michigan Land Conservancy, Michigan 4-H Foundation and many more.

We appreciate the support of the Chamber of Commerce and local businesses for displaying our promotional materials.

Thank you to the *Northville Record* for the great photos and articles. It was so pleasant to deal with Editor Kurt Kuban and his staff. Thanks to the City of Northville and police department for their cooperation and assistance for the Garden Walk. Very special thanks go to Lou Mascolo and his staff at Gardenviews. They have generously sold tickets and donated beautiful raffle items for our event over the past 17 years. Thanks also to Begonia Brothers, who also sold tickets this year.

Finally our deepest gratitude goes to the garden owners. They generously opened their private and secluded retreats to the public. Visitors were awed and inspired. The Country Garden Club is proud to show off such passionate gardeners and their creations that make our community so unique. Plans are already in the making for next year's Garden Walk on July 9, 2014.

Kathryn Novak
Country Garden Club
Northville

Not a good idea

On paper, county school districts sound like a good idea. There is, however, a worst case example right here in Wayne County, the Detroit Public Schools. They service about 50 percent of Wayne County and are among the worst, if not the worst, school districts in the nation. Using Detroit as an example, the thought of a countywide school district sends shivers up my spine.

Yes, there can be consolidation of small districts into one larger one, but a single district in counties like Wayne, Oakland, and Macomb is absolutely not the way to go. The county could be divided into several manageable districts like the Wayne-Westland and Plymouth-Canton school districts and be successful.

Super sized systems like Detroit won't work, at least here in Southeastern Michigan. Detroit has proved it.

Thomas (Tom) Jenkins
Westland

Prestigious Concours to feature 275 ‘special’ vehicles

By Brad Kadrich
Staff Writer

It was hot Tuesday last week on the grounds of the Inn at St. John's, where organizers of the Concours d'Elegance were staging the press preview day for the 35th annual car show over the weekend.

The temperatures were appropriate for car enthusiasts, who believe the field of some 275 cars will make it one of the hottest shows of its kind in the world.

The show this year includes vintage NASCAR cars, what organizers called "a special array" of 1963 Corvettes and about 20 Porsche 911s (celebrating the car's 50th anniversary). The event is scheduled for Sunday, July 28.

"We also have our super cars, which are modern sports cars that you could actually buy if you had the money," Concours d'Elegance executive director James McCarter said, smiling. "It's going to be a wonderful show."

One of the most prestigious showings of classic, rare and magnificent automobiles in the world, Concours will be spread out over the historic St. John's grounds. In addition, there are numerous associated events Thursday, Friday and Saturday leading up to the grand presentation on Concours Sunday.

Plymouth Township Supervisor Richard Reaume said the township is happy to host the Concours d'Elegance and that all parties benefit from the partnership.

"Anytime you can attract an international event of this stature to your community, it provides positive vibes," Reaume said. "It's a huge positive in terms of exposure locally, nationally and even internationally."

Organizers said the event also features a range of



With 89,000 miles on the odometer, Mike Welch's 1966 Ferrari 330 GTS is no hangar queen, but a car he enjoys driving. Except for paint touchups, the vehicle is all original. PHOTOS BY BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

innovative, one-of-a-kind automobiles that includes everything from the first electric cars to the exotic cars that ran in the Great Race, jet-age convertibles, vintage NASCAR autos, Detroit iron including early Lincolns, Cadillacs, Chryslers and Packards and Indianapolis iron including breathtaking Duesenbergs, Stutzes and Marmons, as well as a rare 1934 aerodynamic Pierce Silver Arrow.

Jack Beatty owns one of the electric cars that was on display (he owns a second one and will have at least one in the show July 28). It's a 1916 Model 60 factory rebuilt in 1928. It will be part of what Beatty called "a special circle of electrics, past present and future."

"I've always been interested in all things electric," said Beatty, an Ann Arbor resident. "Most people aren't aware there were actually more electric cars than gas cars back in the 'teens. (But) when they invented the electric starter for the gas cars, it put a whole new dimension to the gas engine and the gas engine never looked back."

Mike Welch of Birmingham drove his 1967 Ferrari to the preview and he'll be

back for the show. Welch, who sold a 1967 Corvette to acquire the Ferrari, said he looks forward to bringing his car to the invitation-only show.

Another part of the show is the "Mode du Concours" fashion show that will feature models dressed in period garments that match vintage cars.

The models all come from Franklin-based Productions Plus, the Talent Shop, whose president, Margery Krevsky, is proud to say the models "are all gear-heads."

"They can talk cars, they can talk car engines and they can talk automotive history," said Krevsky, author of the book *Sirens of Chrome*. "Every fashion model (in the show) has stood beside a car at the auto show through time. The models roll out with the cars and we talk about how that fashion relates to automotive history."

Related events are featured in the days leading up to the show, including:

- » Hall of Fame Induction and Awards Celebration, Thursday, July 25. Automotive Hall of Fame induction and awards dinner. Call 313-240-4000 for more information.
- » RM Auctions-Preview,



Jack Beatty's 1916 Detroit Electric Brougham has a range similar to today's all-electric vehicles, although the top speed is lower.

St. John's Grande Ballroom Parking Lot, Friday, July 26, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

- » Motoring Tour, Friday, July 26, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- » Downtown Plymouth's Friday Night Music in the Air, Friday, July 26, 7-10 p.m. Cost: Free
- » City of Northville Concours Preview Party, Saturday, July 27, 3-9 p.m. Cost: Free

The show has added improved parking and shuttles will be available from downtown Plymouth and downtown Northville, a service McCarter, the executive director of the show, urges people to use.

McCarter also extolled the virtues of the three-year-old relationship between the Concours d'Elegance and the Inn at St. John's.

"St. John's is a partner, they take ownership of the show, so we're not just a tenant, so that's wonderful," McCarter said. "The municipalities, the chambers of commerce, the DDAs, the police ... everyone without exception has been helpful. It's been a wonderful, wonderful move and I suspect we'll be here for a long time."

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Preview rare Concours cars in downtown Northville

By Lonnie Huhman
Staff Writer

It was such hit last year the Concours d'Elegance will be coming back to downtown Northville for the 2nd Annual Preview Event and Rare Car Exhibit.

Vintage automobiles and fans of the annual Concours d'Elegance have the opportunity to enjoy a weekend full of rare and magnificent collector vehicles when the event comes to Northville for a preview and then to the Inn at St. John's in Plymouth for the 35th Annual Concours d'Elegance the weekend July 26-28.

The Northville part of the event is sponsored by Roush Industries, LaRiche Chevrolet, Varsity Lincoln, and the City of Northville in conjunction with the Downtown Development Authority, Brick's of Northville, LeGeorge, Northville Sports Den and Poole's Tavern.

This partnership with St. John's will bring a rare, vintage car exhibition to town featuring 30 pre-World War II vehicles, including a 1937 Cord, 1932 Ford V-8 Roadster, 1923 Kissel Brougham Sedan and 1932 Pierce Arrow Sport Phaeton.

The event will take place in downtown from 3-9 pm on Main Street between Hutton and Center streets. In Town Square, there will be live music from 6-9 pm. with the swing band, The Tom Allport Band, performing.

An additional part of the weekend will be the shuttle service running from downtown Northville to St. John's.

A shuttle will bring guests from St. John's to one of two drop off points. Drop off and pick up points will be located at Main and Hutton and on Cady Street behind Northville Square. A banner will be hung at the drop off/pick up location. Hours of operation for the shuttle service are: 3-9:30 pm on July 27 and 9:30 am to 5:30 pm on Sunday.

For more information on Northville's Concours d'Elegance Preview Event and Rare Car Exhibit, visit www.downtownnorthville.com or go to www.concoursusa.org/schedule-of-events.

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Local Boy Scouts ‘excited’ about national Jamboree

Huge event is a ‘celebration of brotherhood’

By **Lonnie Huhman**
Staff Writer

Over the course of a month or so, a number of Northville's Boy Scouts prepared for this year's National Scout Jamboree. Putting their packs together, looking over patches and reviewing their schedules, scouts from Troop 777 and Troop 755 set out for the national event, which runs July 11-26.

"I'm looking forward to this year," Scout Lucas St. John, 13, a Hillside Middle School student, said before departing. "I can't wait to go on the zip line and do some patch trading."

Patch trading is a tradition among scouts, especially when they go to Jamboree. It's a great way to meet others and talk about where they are from.

This summer's Jamboree is at the Summit Bechtel Reserve, which is situated in the wilds of West Virginia. The Summit is an adventure center for the millions of youth and adults involved in the Boy Scouts of America as well as anyone who loves the outdoors. It's the fourth BSA High Adventure Base, with the other three being the Philmont Scout Ranch, Northern Tier and Florida Sea Base.

"It's the beginning of the next century of scouting. With in-

credible facilities and intense outdoor programs, The Summit is a place that takes kids to the limits of what they think they can do, and then goes further," is the slogan of the Summit.

The Northville scouts are excited about seeing it and experiencing what it has to offer. There are nearly 30,000 scouts and others participating.

"This is a celebration of brotherhood and has scouts and leaders coming from all over the country, and some parts of the world," said Northville scout leader Robert Niemi. "They will learn about leadership, teamwork and get to experience probably the greatest thing and that is fellowship with other scouts."

At the Summit they will be doing things like mountain biking, aquatic activities, rock climbing at the river gorge and white water rafting. It is expected that President Obama will give a talk at the celebration.

The jamboree concludes on July 26 with additional stops in Washington, D.C. The scouts have been posting photographs and sharing stories as they go on their Facebook page: Troop D101 and Twitter account @Jambo-TroopD101.

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Northville Boy Scout Troop 777 leader David Tischler helps Lucas St. John, 13, check over his pack in preparation of this summer's Jamboree.

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Northville grad excels at rowing, academics

Michaela Keady earns Big Ten scholar honors with Wolverines crew team

By Sam Eggleston
Correspondent

The first thing that Michaela Keady mentioned when being asked about being named to the Big Ten scholar list this year wasn't her grades or how well she did with the University of Michigan's rowing team. Instead, she mentioned two other athletes – Ali Arastu and Kevin Bain – who graduated from Northville and were also on the list with her

this year.

"Just so you know, I was not the only Northville High School graduate to be a distinguished scholar," Keady said before mentioning her two fellow former Mustangs. "They are two really impressive people."

Being unselfish is often a key to being a quality member of a team and Keady is both the former and the latter. Her outlook on the sport of rowing, which she first took up at the Detroit Boat Club as a junior at Northville, focuses on being both an outstanding individual contributor, but also a key cog in the overall machine.

"Rowing is the ultimate

team sport," she said. "A boat can only go fast and win if everyone is perfectly together and trying as hard as they can. You have to hold yourself accountable and put the team above the individual, because whether you are going through a hard practice or fatiguing in a race, the thought of letting your teammates down by not trying your hardest is ridiculous."

Keady is no stranger to athletics. She came into the sport of rowing with a strong swimming background – something that is common with her entire family – and immedi-



Michaela Keady, a Northville graduate, is a key member of the Michigan women's rowing team.

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Former Mustang standout named to All-America lacrosse squad in college

Jurczyszyn gets top honors thanks to her play in goal at Grand Valley State University

By Sam Eggleston
Correspondent

When Rachel Jurczyszyn first heard that she was being selected to the All-America team in women's lacrosse, she simply laughed it off.

That, she thought at the time, wasn't likely. Out of all the goalies in the country, why would she get the nod?

"One of my teammates told me she was tipped off that I made it on the All-American roster before it was released and I was skeptical," Jurczyszyn said. "Even though I knew I had the best stats, the selection process isn't always impartial and I've seen a lot of players get rewarded for simply being on the first-place team."

Despite her Grand Valley State University squad taking second in its conference and making a deep run into the national tournament, the Lakers didn't get a shot at the title in the national championship game. Jurczyszyn figured there wasn't much of a chance she had been noticed by the selection committee.

But members did much more than notice her ability. They did, indeed, vote her to the All-America squad.

"It was really validating for me to finally see my name on the roster once it was officially released," she said.

Jurczyszyn – who is studying biomedical sciences with an emphasis on nutrition and a minor in statistics – said this year was full of great memories, with the All-America nod being the icing on the cake. This season, the Lak-

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Rachel Jurczyszyn stands in goal for the Grand Valley State University women's lacrosse team. She was recently named to the All-America team for her efforts this year. KATE MITTEER

ALL-AREA GIRLS TENNIS



Northville's Shannon Williams (pictured) and Libby Quinn were the Division 1 doubles state champions. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Northville doubles duo state champs

Pair share Player of the Year honors on All-Area tennis team

By Jeff Thelsen
Sports Writer

Northville senior Shannon Williams and junior Libby Quinn went into their first doubles match of the year as brand-new partners. Things obviously worked out well, as the two finished the year as the Division 1 state champions.

Williams and Quinn are the 2013 All-Area Tennis Players of the Year.

The duo swept the major tournaments at the end of the year, winning division, conference, association and regional titles before heading to states. Williams and Quinn ripped off five wins at the final tournament to claim the title and finish the year 21-1 overall and 14-0 in KLAA play.

"Neither of these girls had played tennis as a team before their first match versus Stevenson this year," coach Linda Jones said. "As a result, both girls had to play hard to win first place in all area categories and then to move forward as a No. 1 seed for the state competition. They won all five matches at states to earn the distinct honor of state champions."

"Both of these girls were also recognized for their academic excellence

ALL-AREA TENNIS

PLAYERS OF THE YEAR

Shannon Williams and Libby Quinn, Northville

FIRST TEAM

Reeshma Kumar, Northville
Emma Worley, Northville
Claudia Ma, Northville
Alex Jeannotte, Northville
Danielle Romano and Anika Mukherji, Northville
Elizabeth Sakorafis and Jordan Hermiz, Northville
Chloe Page and Paige Baal, Northville
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Novi: Youna Lee (Fr.), Dhivya Sridar (So.), Erin Day (So.)
Lakeland: Erika Arnold (Sr.), Elena Winger (Sr.)
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as KLAA scholar-athletes this year with a 3.38 and 3.84 GPA, respectively."

First team

Reeshma Kumar, Northville

The freshman moved right into the top singles spot and put together a very strong season at 13-8 overall and 11-1 in KLAA play. Kumar was first in the division, conference and regional.

"As a freshman, to play No. 1 singles is a huge undertaking," Jones said. "The MSHAA rules stipulate that

the best player on the team must play this flight in varsity tennis. This means Reeshma would be facing other girls that are USTA-ranked or possibly nationally-ranked. Reeshma's only conference loss this year was to Sabrina Dass, a senior out of Grand Blanc in the (KLAA) tournament."

Emma Worley, Northville

Another freshman held down the No. 2 singles spot and finished the year 18-4 overall and undefeated in

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At Quake on the Lake, Joe Less drives Centsless 14 in a class E five-liter race. ALL PHOTOS BY HAL GOULD | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Quake on the Lake enjoys strong finish

By Jeff Thelsen
Sports Writer

Quake on the Lake finished with a strong couple of days after Friday was wiped out thanks to a grumpy Mother Nature.

But the weather turned in favor of the boats Saturday and Sunday and yet another record fell during the races.

“Everytime they tried to put up a tent (Friday), it blew down. The water was so choppy the hydroplane races couldn’t get out and neither could the wake boarders. Friday was a lost day for us,” said Bob Dustman, head of public relations for Quake on the Lake. “Saturday was a little warm and humid and Sunday was a beautiful day.”

“The water was like glass. There was very little wind, especially on Sunday.”

Bert Henderson set a new world record in the Grand Prix class, a record he had previously set at the Quake. The record was since beaten, but Henderson regained the top mark

this year at 112 mph. The old record was just more than 108 mph.

“They continue to fall,” Dustman said. “Going into this year, we’ve had 17 records set in five different categories. This is a very fast one-mile course, which is why we get a lot of drivers here. They love coming to this race and trying to set some new records.”

Dustman said he received entries from New Jersey, New York, California, Florida and Quebec.

Despite basically losing Friday, Dustman said the final two days were a success, with large crowds coming out and enjoying all kinds of entertainment.

“The whole purpose for the Quake on the Lake is to raise funds for the Rainbow Connection, a charity that grants wishes to kids with life-threatening or terminal illness,” Dustman said.

“Over the past 13 years, we’ve raised over \$100,000 for Rainbow, as well as a few other selected charities.”

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Jay Gignac drives Gi Wizz in a class GNH grand national race at Quake on the Lake.

ROWING

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ately found herself among like-minded athletes. She has made herself comfortable with the Wolverines women’s rowing team, rowing port side for the squad and earning herself the bow seat on the team’s second varsity eight boat.

The Wolverines have both fall and spring rowing seasons, with the spring designated as the “championship” season.

In 2012, the team won the Big Ten champi-

onship and was national runner-up. This year, Keady and her fellow rowers took second in the Big Ten. Currently, they are fully focused on making a run at both the conference and national titles.

But it’s not just in the water where Keady is making a splash. She’s also quite the academician, currently maintaining a 3.5 grade-point average while double majoring in communications and political science.

She said it’s not always easy keeping her grades up, but the athletic community at U-M

has been a huge help when it comes to keeping everything steady.

“Balancing sports and school is really difficult a lot of the times, but I feel that sports have always made it easy for me to manage my time well,” Keady said. “Living with athletes who have similar schedules and goals and having so many great academic resources provided by Michigan is a huge help.”

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Birthday hole-in-one



Northville’s Constance Pemberton-Bowie had a hole-in-one at Northville Hills golf course June 14, which also happened to be her birthday. She used a 3-wood on the 119-yard eighth hole. According to her husband George Bowie, it was her first hole-in-one and only the second reported hole-in-one this year by a woman at Northville Hills.

ALL-AMERICA

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ers went deeper into the tourney than ever before and had several shutouts, picked up some huge wins and even defeated the University of Michigan ‘B’ team, 10-8.

“This was a really groundbreaking year for GV club lacrosse,” Jurczynsyn said. “If we weren’t a team to beat before, we are now.”

High school

Jurczynsyn is no stranger to being one of the best players around. When she played for the Northville Mustangs, she became the best goalie in high school girls lacrosse history by setting the state record for the most saves in a season (280), a mark she still holds three years later.

She also had the second-most saves in a single game (27).

Jurczynsyn said she has noticed a few differ-

ences between the game she played in high school and the one she plays at the collegiate level.

“Between high school lacrosse and club collegiate lacrosse, college lacrosse is faster-paced and more competitive,” she said. “I think this is because the players have to take on a lot more responsibility for our play; it isn’t up to the coach to initiate conditioning or extra practices, we do that on our own.”

“On the college field, our game is more organized than it was in high school. I can count on my team to call a play and maintain possession of the ball even if the play has failed and that’s a big confidence-booster.”

Then there’s the difference in velocity and in the resulting impact when Jurczynsyn steps in front of a shot.

“I’ve also discovered that college team attackers seem to shoot harder than high schoolers,” she said. “At the end of the

game, my bruises are bigger than they were in high school.”

Jurczynsyn has also had to learn to be a very vocal leader on the field, despite being anchored to the goal in most instances. She’s had to adapt to being responsible for directing the defense and communicate to her teammates what she sees the opposing offense doing.

Looking back at her collegiate career thus far, Jurczynsyn said she wouldn’t trade any of her time with the GVSU club team for anything – and she knows she wouldn’t be an All-American without them.

“Being part of the Grand Valley women’s club lacrosse team has been one of the best experiences I’ve ever had and it’s hard to imagine the last two years without the support of my ‘lax family,’” she said.

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TENNIS

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league play at 12-0. Worley was also a regional champ.

“Emma played very good tennis at No. 2 singles this year, without losing a single match in division, conference, association or regional play,” Jones said. “Emma was also recognized for her academic excellence (KLAA scholar-athlete) this year with a 3.93 GPA.”

Claudia Ma, Northville

The sophomore played No. 3 singles and finished 22-3 overall and 14-0 in KLAA play. She claimed division, conference, association and regional titles.

“Claudia, a sophomore, played on the varsity doubles team last year,” Jones said. “With minimal training, Claudia is a natural, hard-working athlete who enjoys learning new playing techniques and strategies to craft a winning game plan for all her matches. Claudia was also recognized for her academic excellence as a KLAA scholar-athlete this year with a 3.96 GPA.”

Alex Jeannotte, Northville

The junior was yet another undefeated singles player in the KLAA at 14-0 and 22-2 overall. Jeannotte won every KLAA title along with a regional title.

“Alex was nominated by her teammates to represent the tennis team in the Mustang Leadership Council class this year. This will help her lead the team next year as one of the 2014 team captains,” Jones

said.

Danielle Romano and Anika Mukherji, Northville

The junior and sophomore, respectively, avenged an earlier-season loss to Novi with a win for the association and regional titles at No. 1 doubles. The duo finished 20-5 overall and 13-1 in KLAA play.

“Both of these players have worked very hard this year to earn the distinction as the best No. 1 doubles team in the area,” Jones said. “They had lessons every week and played as many tournaments as they could to be ready for the challenges ahead of them during the school tennis season.”

Elizabeth Sakorafis and Jordan Hermiz, Northville

Sakorafis, a senior, and Hermiz, a sophomore, went a remarkable 23-1 at No. 2 doubles and a perfect 14-0 in KLAA play.

“Both of these players have also worked very hard to earn the distinction as the best No. 2 doubles team in the area,” Jones said.

Chloe Page and Paige Baal, Northville

The No. 3 doubles team of junior Page and sophomore Baal finished undefeated at 13-0 in KLAA play and 18-5 overall. The duo captured division, conference, association and regional titles.

“Both girls were also recognized for their academic excellence as a KLAA scholar-athlete this year with a 3.91 and 4.00 GPA, respectively,” Jones said.

Caitlin O’Brien and Amy Zhou, Novi

O’Brien, a senior, and Zhou, a junior, were the

lone team to beat the No. 1 doubles tandem from Northville in the KLAA. The duo finished 18-6 and was second in the KLAA and at the regional.

“They combined the strong serve and ground strokes of O’Brien with the steady play of Zhou to produce,” coach Jim Hanson said. “A duo that could compete with any No. 1 doubles team in the state.”

Second team
Danielle Matheiesen, Lakeland

The junior finished the year 15-5 and included a win against Novi at No. 1 singles.

Erin Day, Novi
The sophomore held down the top singles spot and was a key piece to the team earning a trip to the state finals.

Rachel Bailey and Dina Fawaz, Novi

The juniors finished 17-9 at No. 2 doubles and included runner-up finishes at the KLAA and regional tournaments.

Rebecca Chen and Asawari Kanitkar, Novi
The senior Chen and junior Kanitkar were second at the KLAA finals and at the regional. The duo finished 16-7 at No. 3 doubles.

Harika Bollineni and Melanie Murphy, Novi

The junior Bollineni and senior Murphy finished 14-5, with runner-up finishes at the KLAA and regional tourneys. The No. 4 doubles team also upset the No. 6 seed at the state finals.

Taylor Sims/Natalia Wohletz, Lakeland

The No. 1 doubles team finished 14-3.

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Northville pom does well at summer camp

Varsity, junior varsity and middle school teams all compete at Davenport University

By Sam Eggleston
Correspondent

So what have you been up to this summer? Most of you will likely answer “work” or something pretty typical along those lines.

There are a few lucky ones out there, however, who will say, “I’ve been away at camp.”

The members of the Northville Mustangs pom pon program are some of the lucky ones.

The Mustangs took the varsity, junior varsity and middle school pom teams to the Mid-American Pom Pon Camp at

Davenport University in Grand Rapids and came away with some impressive results.

The varsity team, which is coached by Malory Mossoian and assistant Katie Stajka, impressed the judges from the very start, earning top marks across the board.

When all was said and done, the 33 members of the varsity squad walked away with the title of grand champs, earning first for their original routine, first for speed learning and second for their senior kick line routine.

If that weren’t impressive enough, five members of the varsity team were also selected to the Mid-American All-Star team, which will join other pom pon athletes from around the state

and nation for select performances throughout the year, including the 2013 Holiday Bowl Game and Parade in San Diego.

Isabella Corsi, Anna Fillar, Maddy Holloway, Isabel Inchaustegui and Jocelyn Tucker were all selected as All-Stars thanks to their outstanding performances at the Mid-American camp.

The varsity team wasn’t the only squad to turn heads, either. The junior varsity team, coached by Kara Purtell, did well, too. The 12-member team picked up first place for its original routine and also picked up the showmanship award.

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The Northville varsity pom team includes: seniors Taylor Bastianelli, Chandler Brown, Susie Crawford, Emily Herring, Faith Horbatch, Isabel inchaustegui, Mikenna Jones, Marissa Lozser, Carley Olender, Nicole Rister and Torrey Tassic; juniors Isabella Corsi, Maria Demos, Anna Fillar, Maddy Holloway, Hannah Karam, Julia Rosinski, Quinn VanRiper, Amanda Valle and Vivian Zhong; and sophomores Anna Dazy, Bianca Dimitrievski, Nicole Dufault, Marla Halboth, Olivia Hoffman, Gabrielle Kwasny, Bridget Michaels, Tatiana Ray, Lauren Scott, Megan Schoenberger, Abbey Tassic, Jocelyn Tucker and Calista Zbiegien.

Northville plays host to teams from across country

Teams hail from New York, Texas, Ohio and even Canada

By Sam Eggleston
Correspondent

There are some new names on the list of teams which qualified for this year’s National Amateur Baseball Federation World Series, but there are a couple of regulars making return appearances as well.

The NABF championship tournament, which will run today through Sunday in Northville, features 12 teams that have been coming in this week from across the country.

Some of those teams are from pretty close to home, like the Lincoln Park Rails from right here in metro Detroit, while others, like the Allen Baseball Club of Houston, Texas, will be coming in from a bit farther away.

This year’s tournament welcomes back teams like the Allen Baseball Club and the Top Tier Nationals of Chicago, which have made coming to Northville old hat thanks to top-quality programs that continue to qualify for the national championship year after year after year. Other teams, like the Twin Town Devil Cats of North Greenbush, N.Y., may not have the perennial attendance that some teams do, but they’ve earned the right to be counted among the best U16 teams in the country nonetheless.

This year’s lineup includes the host team Northville Broncos, Lincoln Park Rails, Allen Baseball Club, Top Tier Nationals, Twin Town Devil Cats, Creekside Fitness (Youngstown, Ohio), Long Island Titans (Long Island, N.Y.), PAL Nationals (Hauppauge, N.Y.), Toronto Mets (Toronto, Ontario, Canada), Team Cincinnati (Hamilton, Ohio), Hurricanes Select (Cleveland, Ohio) and the SAYO Grays (Brooklyn, N.Y.).

The tournament will begin today when Creekside Fitness and SAYO Grays square off at 9 a.m. at the Hillside Middle School baseball diamond, while the Top Tier Nationals play the Northville Broncos at the same time across town at Northville High School. Games will continue at noon, when Cincinnati plays Allen at Hillside, followed by Hurricanes Select against the Titans at noon at NHS. Last are 3 p.m. games between the Mets and the PAL Nationals at Hillside and the Devil Cats against the Rails at NHS.

Friday’s play will find the Broncos playing the Grays at 9 a.m. at Hillside, while the Fitness play the Top Tier Nationals at NHS. At noon, Allen will play the Titans at Hillside, while Cincinnati takes on the Hurricanes Select at NHS, followed by 3 p.m. games between the PAL Nationals and Rails at Hillside and the Mets and Devil Cats at NHS. Friday evening will find the Fitness playing the Broncos at 6 p.m. at Hillside, while the Grays take on

the Top Tier Nationals at NHS.

Saturday morning, the tournament will continue with Cincinnati playing the Titans at 9 a.m. at Hillside, while Allen takes on the Hurricanes Select at NHS before the Mets and the Rails play at Hillside at noon while the PAL Nationals take on the Devil Cats at NHS.

Starting at 3 p.m. Saturday, the elimination tournament begins with the pairing of the top teams in the tournament. Group A teams consist of Creekside, the Grays, Top Tier and the Broncos, while Group B is Cincinnati, Allen, Hurricanes Select and the Titans. Group C is made up of the Mets, PAL Nationals, Devil Cats and Rails.

At 3 p.m. Saturday at Hillside, the top team in Group A will play the runner-up from Group B, while a game at NHS will pit the top Group C team against the No. 2 wild card from the various groups. At 6 p.m., the top Group B team will play the No. 1 wild card at Hillside, while the runner-up from Group A will take on the runner-up from Group C.

On Sunday, the winners will advance to games at 9 a.m. at Hillside and NHS and the championship game will be played at 12:30 p.m. at Hillside.

For complete results or to see the tournament bracket, please visit www.nabfnorthville.com.

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Maybury campout winners



Northville Parks and Recreation held a family campout on July 13 with 24 families at Maybury State Park. The Friends of Maybury held a horse-shoe contest and supplied prizes for the lucky winners. Shown (from left) are Lily Evans, Kaityln Rogala, Michael Rogala, Evan Nagy, and Nick Direzze.

Serve it up



Watched over by coach Preslee Nolte (left) tennis student Kaitlyn McGuirk, 13, tosses a ball in the air to practice her serve June 24. The pair were at Northville’s newly renovated tennis courts at Fish Hatchery Park on Seven Mile, and the lessons were organized through Northville Parks and Recreation. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

14U Broncos



The 14U Broncos won an incredible USSSA Baseball Tournament June 29-30 in Macomb. They went 3-0 in pool play by beating Grosse Pointe Avengers 5-1, Macomb Yankees 9-0 and Michigan Coyotes 5-3. The Northville team members are Kevin Morrissey, Luke Skillman, Justin Gibbons, Ryan Basford, Riley Brass, Grant Kiple, Zach Osar, Nate Wixon, Connor Breen, Ben McCauley and Karl Finkbeiner. Coaches are John Basford, Scott McCauley, Dave Brass and Jeff Wixon.

Blast champs



The U13 Northville Broncos took the EMU July Blast Tournament in style, going undefeated and knocking off the Macomb Storm, Royal Oak Stars and A Green before finishing off the Sylvania Mavericks in the championship game. Shown (front, from left) are Nick Fertg, Jason Hesse, John Jeannotte, Matt Granzotto and Scott Granzotto; (back, from left) Coach Stinebiser, Matt Stinebiser, Joe Wozniak, Cooper Smith, Head Coach Granzotto, Stephen Ernst, Coach Wozniak, Jack Sargent, John Lobbia and Coach Lobbia.

Broncos come into NABF tourney looking to make their mark

Coach Mark Zalewski focuses on team effort, not individuals

By Sam Eggleston
Correspondent

Any coach can spout his best pitcher’s ERA or the batting average of his stud slugger, but Mark Zalewski is the kind of coach that would rather talk about what has made his team so successful throughout the season – teamwork and the intangibles that go with it.

“For the past two years, we have played in some of the state’s most competitive tournaments and, for the most part, we have competed at the highest level and in some cases have been fortunate to have won several of these tournaments,” he said. “What’s most encouraging isn’t the number of hits or strikeouts, it’s the team camaraderie and genuine friendships that these kids have formed with each other that will last a lifetime. The special bond these kids have with each other is just great to see and something very special. I’ve never seen (another) team where each player pulls for each other, regardless if they are playing or not, and are just genuinely

excited to see the success of their fellow teammates.”

That attitude has led to its fair share of success for the Broncos. The squad this year is 23-6 and has three tournament championships under its belt.

So far, the Broncos have won the third annual Northville Mustangs Wood Bat Invitational, the Total Sports JV State Tournament and, most recently, the Gold Glove Classic that was held last weekend in Battle Creek.

There’s no doubt, however, the team’s biggest challenge lies ahead this weekend. The U16 Broncos will square off against the best National Amateur Baseball Federation teams from across the country and, in the case of one team, beyond.

Northville will open the tournament at 9 a.m. today with game at Northville High School against the Top Tier Nationals of Chicago – a squad that is no stranger to making the trek to Northville as it has qualified multiple times in the 32 years the tournament has been hosted here.

Throughout the years, multiple athletes who have eventually climbed through the ranks to earn a place in Major League Baseball have played in Northville’s tournament. While that doesn’t

mean there is a future big league player on one of this year’s rosters, it does speak quite well of the talent that Northville will be facing again this year.

Zalewski said his team and coaching staff will be approaching this tournament like they do any other.

“As coaches, we will continue to stress to give 110 percent and to walk off the field each day earning the respect of other coaches, players, parents, families and umpires,” he said. “If we do that, we’ve achieved everything we set out to do and, along the way, I’m sure we’ll walk away with some victories.”

Besides the opening 9 a.m. game today, the Broncos are scheduled to play 9 a.m. Friday against the SAYO Grays before playing at 6 p.m. against Creekside Fitness. Both games will be played at Hillside Field.

Saturday will be the beginning of the single-elimination tournament, for which the Broncos will have to qualify if they hope to compete for the national championship game, which will be played at 12:30 p.m. Sunday at Hillside Field.

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Need for speed: Indoor track opens to applause

JDRacing's 'business has been phenomenal'

By Julie Brown
Staff Writer

Mark Dick and son Jordan, 25, are thrilled their new business, JDRacing Indoor Karting, has literally taken off.

"It's just been overwhelming with the positive response," Mark Dick said. "Business has been phenomenal."

They've been open seven months in Twelve Mile Crossing.

"Karts are very high speed, high performance," he explained of their business which features a 1,100-foot track. Karts travel at up to 40 mph.

The business can be reached at 248-773-8777, and is at 44225 W. 12 Mile in Novi, in the Fountain Walk complex by Chuck E Cheese.

They host some "Arrive and Drive" walk-ins, as well as business/community groups. They've done over 200 corporate events already.

"It's just a huge, positive response," Dick said. They haven't done much marketing, instead relying on word of mouth.

"I think it's the experience we're giving them," Dick said.

He praised the excellent customer service and high-end amenities, as well as the "pleasant, exciting experience."

They recently fielded a call from Domino's in Ann Arbor on a corporate outing, based on good word of mouth. Dick's proud of staff interaction, as well as the competitiveness of the track.

Jordan had raced internationally, and they saw about 10 years ago on the East Coast such a facility. More recently, when racing sponsorships were harder to come by the father and son said, "This is something we always wanted to do. We're both passionate about motorsports."

They both worked with the



J.D. Racing employee Benny Marsalese gives a quick salute as he races around the indoor go-kart facility at Novi's 12 Mile Crossing at Fountain Walk. The racing center features a large, looping indoor track, safety helmets for all riders, a snack bar, and cars that run on regular car batteries.

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contractor and tradespeople on construction, as a track isn't the most common building built.

"It's just continuing to grow," said Mark Dick, who lives with his family in "Noville," paying Novi taxes with a Northville address. "Not everybody wants to be outside 100 percent of the time."

JDRacing Indoor Karting has walls of glass as well as some that open up like a garage door.

They use European karts, single seaters with roll bars and shoulder harnesses. There's an observation area for spectators who don't need a wall, as the electric karts aren't noisy and don't have fumes.

There are few such high-end facilities, Dick said. "It's a significant investment to do it this way."

He's hired some 20 people and will hire 10-12 more. Work areas are trackside support, the front desk, and retail/concessions.

"There's a tremendous

amount of people that come through Fountain Walk," he said. They're glad not to be in an industrial park.

"It pays for itself in not really having to advertise," he said. "Everything about it makes sense to be here."

Novi was "an absolute charm to deal with," he said, adding he and Jordan were able to educate officials on their business plan.

You can learn more at the business website, www.jdkarting.com.

Hours are 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Friday, 1-11 p.m. Saturday, and 1-8 p.m. Sunday. Reservations are strongly recommended, especially for weekends.

Riders must be at least 8 years old and 54 inches tall. Closed toe shoes are required, but are available on site for loan if you forget.

The business can cater food and beverages beyond its concessions, Dick said.

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Chelsea Clark, 17, helps out at the front desk at Novi's J.D. Racing on July 15. Racers at the indoor go-kart facility get to create their own stats and logins on computers and the race track keeps track of their stats and place as they race.

'James and the Giant Peach' coming to Tipping Point Theatre

Northville's Tipping Point Theatre is producing Roald Dahl's classic "James and the Giant Peach" to be performed during the theater's Summer Show Stoppers Camp on Friday, July 26 for two shows.

The camp is designed for students (ages 8-11) who have theater experience, as well as students who has never stepped onstage before.

Students work with professional members of the community to launch a full-scale production,



with set, lights, and sound designed especially for the students. Follow James as he rescues The Peach from certain danger, has a dance party along with his new insect friends, and travels all

the way to New York on board a gigantic Peach.

The shows will take place at noon and again at 6 p.m. on Friday, July 26. Tickets are \$8 each, and can be purchased by calling the Box Office at (248) 347-0003, emailing tix@tippingpoint-theatre.com, visiting www.tippingpointtheatre.com, or stopping by the Tipping Point box office Tuesday-Friday between 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tipping Point Theatre is located at 361 E. Cady Street in Northville.

Is this how youth view job hopping?

Find the hustle and bustle of Twelve Oaks Mall offers a refreshing anonymity that has its rewards.

The public lounge area allows a connect/disconnect opportunity to embrace the noise and movement of the crowd as well as the focused diversion of silent concentration. Armed with both my laptop and a Grande Carmel Mocha, minus the whip cream, I made use of the lounge area to restart my delegated assignment of providing the background thinking for a collaborative academic article.

The first 10 minutes consisted of three yawns, four changes to the first sentence, and concern for a sparrow flying around the ceiling when my space was invaded by a young man.

He was strategically positioned behind me, having an animated, and loud, conversation on his cell phone in which he was, as I understood, lamenting a friend for making the mistake of working for the same organization for three years!



"Don't you get it?" he yelled. "If you spend one more year at that company, your career is over! You will be seen as someone who is not good (I am not making this up) and become a career loser!"

As much as it pained me to take time and attention away from my focus on the academic article that I should have been writing, I knew that the Fabled Winds of Fortunate Intervention had blown this young man toward my space and I was obligated to at least have a conversation.

I turned around, tapped him on the shoulder and said, "Excuse me, I could not help but overhear your seemingly private conversation with your friend. Without giving the appearance of being nosey, I am curious as to why you think your friend is on a career loser path just because he's been with a company for three years?"

After he gave me that

look that young people give to older people when they believe that, five minutes earlier, we had fallen out of a black hole in space, he said, "Are you serious?"

"No," I replied, "I'm Baptist, but let's not bring that into the question. Why do you think he is a career loser?"

"Most of these companies could care less about their employees, so you have to get in, get what you can and then move on to something else. They are not going to look out for you, so you have to look out for yourself."

"And you know this to be true because...?"

"My old man spent 32 years being stable at one company. And when the time came, they did not hesitate to let him go. I saw what it did to him. In fact, a lot of us saw what it did to our parents. I am not going to let that happen to me or any of my friends."

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Include fire safety in college planning

By Julie Brown
Staff Writer

Firefighter Tom Kiurski's daughter is used to hearing about fire safety from her dad. She's a senior at Central Michigan University in Mount Pleasant, and her dad recently retired from a 26½-year career with the Livonia Fire Department, most recently as training coordinator.

"Just when she's awake," Tom Kiurski joked. His daughter's gone with him to school demonstrations and open houses. "She knows dad's going to do all his thing."

Kiurski and colleagues in the fire service urge young adults heading off to college and their parents to heed fire safety warnings. Kiurski's daughter began her CMU stint in a dorm, and is now in a sorority house.

"They're so caught up in the social life, classes and things," he said. He urges families to ask, "Have you walked through this building? Do you know your way out?" That's true both for campus housing and for classroom buildings.

His family set their daughter up with a smoke detector on her dresser, although Kiurski was pleased to see CMU had smoke detectors as well. "They're getting better," he said of colleges and universities and fire safety. "Dorms and classrooms are getting retrofitted" with sprinkler systems and fire alarms.

Her sorority house also has a carbon monoxide detector, which Kiurski recommends for other students.

"Cooking is still No. 1," he said of what causes fires. "Kids get hungry and they're studying, going to classes. They're cooking on the fly."

Some of the devices used for cooking may not be the safest, he said.

Careless smoking also contributes to college housing fires, he said. Some students have piles of unwashed clothing which can quickly ignite. "You see a lot of candles, too."

He sees some smaller fires and resulting tragedies in colleges and universities. "Here and there, they still happen," he said.

Also, off-campus housing is hard to inspect, Kiurski said. "That's where most

of the problems are in the off campus."

"Students will take whatever they can get and not worry too much about it."

He recalled one student group that was housed in an attic with pull-down stairs. "Now we're looking at a pretty challenging climb for kids to make" with no walls to guide them, he said.

Madonna University in Livonia has an advantage in fire safety in that its dorms aren't high rise, and stairs are well marked. "I normally go every fall and teach the RAs (resident advisers) fire safety," Kiurski said.

Madonna is known for its sign language instruction and has hearing-impaired students, Kiurski added, which makes dorm fire safety even more important.

He concluded by reminding parents, "This'll take less than five minutes," looking for exits from college housing. "Just make sure you've got a clear path out." The door may lock you out when you're safely out, he added, but should never lock you indoors.

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Beaucoup bucks: Paris is pricey

Q: We are thinking about buying an apartment near the Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris. What can you tell us about it?

A: Be prepared to spend. The closer to the cathedral and the River Seine, the more the cost, as much as \$17,000 per square meter or approximately \$1,600 per square foot. In other words, even a modest 700-square-foot apartment would cost over \$1 million. Also be aware of added agency and closing costs.

Q: I recently sold my home, and at the closing, the real estate company on the other side wanted \$245 as an additional fee over and above the commission, I did not have an attorney and ended up having to pay the fee in order to close. What could I have done?

A: The charge was probably hidden in your listing agreement. Many experts consider such charges above and beyond the commission to be gouging. You should have gotten a lawyer to review the listing agreement as well as the purchase agreement before you signed anything and you should complain to your real estate agent and his or her broker about this "hidden" charge. You may also want to complain to the local chapter of the Michigan Association of Realtors. This type of charge is one reason why online real estate companies are thriving. For the most part, they have lower commissions and less hidden costs.

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REAL ESTATE BRIEFS

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If you owe more than what your house is worth, you may be interested in a free informational seminar on short sale procedures. 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.

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It will be 6-7 p.m. Thursdays at 129 N. Lafayette, downtown South Lyon.

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These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of March 18-22, 2013, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

BIRMINGHAM

1961 Graefield Rd \$94,000
942 Humphrey Ave \$433,000
637 N Old Woodward Ave \$262,000
1113 N Old Woodward Ave Unit \$165,000
1225 Northlawn Blvd \$265,000
651 Ruffner Ave \$336,000
1105 Smith Ave \$465,000
1743 Washington Blvd \$195,000

BLOOMFIELD HILLS

7118 Cathedral Dr \$205,000

4354 Ramsgate Ln \$420,000

BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP

2794 Courville Dr \$215,000

101 Eileen Dr \$174,000
820 Willoway Estates Dr \$568,000

COMMERCE TOWNSHIP

3164 Belle Terre \$185,000
6147 Birchcrest Ln \$414,000
2231 Palmetto \$40,000
5215 Paula Crest Dr \$243,000
5065 Winewood Ln \$237,000

FARMINGTON HILLS

31220 Country Way \$89,000
23496 Derby Ln \$160,000
23125 Elmgrove St \$160,000
29069 Forest Hill Dr \$200,000
28182 Golf Pointe Blvd \$252,000
36933 Howard Rd \$810,000
25964 Kilreigh Dr \$207,000
21147 Kimberly Ln \$30,000
29449 N Meadowridge \$149,000
33544 Oak Point Cir \$231,000
28645 Ryan Dr \$165,000
22039 Springbrook Ave \$119,000
22840 Vacri Ln \$181,000
25506 Westmoreland Dr \$136,000

28086 Wildwood Trl \$100,000
30650 Inkster Rd \$310,000

MILFORD

318 Milford Meadows Dr \$310,000
962 Panorama Dr \$92,000
1309 Yellowstone Valley Dr \$276,000

NORTHVILLE

21174 Bridle Run \$150,000

NOVI

44450 Bristol Cir \$380,000
25535 Clark St \$140,000
21992 Clover Ln \$255,000
44593 Ellery Ln \$180,000
44595 Ellery Ln \$175,000
44597 Ellery Ln \$180,000
50695 Glades Ct E \$50,000
28042 Hopkins Dr \$160,000
45811 Irvine Dr \$425,000
27149 Maxwell Ct \$222,000
24304 Saybrook Ct \$619,000
46300 W 11 Mile Rd \$158,000
26850 Wixom Rd \$220,000

SOUTH LYON

52202 Copperwood Dr S \$388,000
61002 Evergreen Ct \$155,000
60725 Marjorie Ann St \$135,000
59308 Peters Barn Dr \$87,000
24730 Purlin Ct \$81,000
52744 Trailwood Dr \$110,000

SOUTHFIELD

29540 Chelmsford Rd \$45,000
24321 Evergreen Rd \$30,000
26934 Fairfield Rd \$104,000
27700 Lahser Rd \$38,000
15801 Providence Dr # 01a \$25,000

STAGLETON

20978 Stahelin Rd \$98,000
18278 Westland Ave \$65,000
20695 Winchester St \$140,000

WHITE LAKE

11273 Lakehaven Dr \$182,000
909 Suchava Dr \$46,000
8108 Wildwood Ln \$199,000

HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-WAYNE COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of April 8-12, 2013, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

CANTON

2604 Barkhill Rd \$77,000
3886 Brookstone Dr \$204,000
6613 Chadwick Dr \$228,000
42202 Chase Ct \$242,000
296 Cherry Hill Pointe Dr \$150,000
455 Constitution St \$252,000
44321 Dartmouth St \$205,000
4185 Elizabeth Ave \$113,000
50905 Federal Blvd \$77,000
39938 Hillary Dr \$125,000
45189 Horseshoe Cir \$124,000
6129 Maben Woods Ln \$75,000
8086 Newbury Ct S \$540,000
4047 Palace Ave \$222,000
47886 Pavillon Rd \$373,000
49121 Rockefeller Dr \$323,000
47641 Scenic Circle Dr S \$255,000
3721 Shepherd Ln \$175,000
41154 Southwind Dr \$59,000
42173 Starlite Ct \$150,000

43299 Stonington Ct \$182,000
113 Village Way \$128,000
1762 Whittier Dr \$146,000

GARDEN CITY

6914 Arcola St \$35,000
28608 Cambridge St \$63,000
556 E Rose Ave \$59,000
28655 Marquette St \$27,000
29515 Sheridan St \$55,000
32509 Sheridan St \$44,000

LIVONIA

14245 Arcola St \$134,000
15068 Blue Skies St \$140,000
34214 Bretton Dr \$239,000
12011 Cavell St \$80,000
18945 Deering St \$85,000
17110 Dolores St \$135,000
15631 Doris St \$84,000
15395 Fairlane Dr \$180,000
18027 Floral St \$115,000
20084 Gary Ln \$317,000
28473 Gita St \$118,000
18362 Glastonbury Dr \$329,000
15770 Golfview St \$156,000
29781 Hathaway St \$94,000
18547 Hillcrest St \$100,000
11304 Ingram St \$110,000
37756 Jamison St \$143,000

29083 Lori St \$125,000
14432 Lyons St \$115,000
17311 Mayfield St \$115,000
11021 Milburn St \$180,000
29115 Minton St \$97,000
28142 N Clements Cir \$69,000
15023 Norman St \$150,000
29537 Oakley St \$131,000
14638 Westmore St \$225,000
34637 Wood St \$163,000

NORTHVILLE

17001 Birchwood Dr \$405,000
20180 E Whipple Dr \$210,000
39440 Edgewater Dr \$209,000
16951 Franklin Rd \$265,000
16890 Glenmoor Dr \$405,000
18350 Laraugh Dr \$387,000
15867 Merion Ct \$600,000
39629 Muirfield Ln \$277,000
16365 Mulberry Way \$329,000
18283 Parkshore Dr \$558,000
404 W Main St \$540,000
42266 Waterfall Rd \$329,000
19764 Windridge Dr \$420,000

PLYMOUTH

678 Adams St \$169,000
13033 Graefield Cir \$263,000
698 Herald St \$190,000

9080 Marlowe Ave \$67,000
11962 Medford Ct \$445,000
50986 Northview \$303,000
14369 Northville Rd \$220,000
11848 Russell Ave \$110,000
1386 S Harvey St \$110,000
9067 Stone Hollow Ct \$382,000

REDFORD

26624 Five Mile Rd \$33,000
20070 Delaware Ave \$30,000
18234 Garfield \$15,000
9225 Kinloch \$60,000
9661 Kinloch \$56,000
16637 Lexington \$37,000
9522 Mercedes \$46,000
12045 Nathaline \$52,000
10017 Royal Grand \$58,000
26648 Student \$82,000

WESTLAND

2087 Alberta St \$26,000
8204 Creekside Dr \$181,000
35704 Fairchild St \$49,000
241 N Hanlon St \$110,000
355 N Hawthorne St \$90,000
2407 S Christine \$39,000
7899 Terri Dr \$58,000