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#### **Food** donations

Local food pantry Northville Civic Concern is looking for help in filling its empty shelves. There is not enough food available for the Oct. 11 distribution date.

Civc Concern currently services more than 170 Northville households. All food is in need, but especially canned fruit and vegetables, cereal, soup, peanut butter and jelly, instant potatoes, pasta side dishes, canned tuna and canned chicken.

Bring non-expired canned or boxed food to Northville Civic Concern's office in The Highland Lakes Shopping Center at 43261 West Seven Mile Road between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. on any Monday, Wednesday or Friday. On other days or times, food can be dropped off at Cassel's Restaurant or Worldwide Alterations. Donations are also accepted at Genitti's, Great Harvest Bread Company and the UPS Store in downtown Northville. Northville City Hall will accept do-

nations as well. Call 248-344-1033 on Monday, Wednesday, or Friday.

# City to repair failing Mill Pond dam

By Lonnie Huhman

Despite the fact that the Mill Pond dam has been slowly deteriorating for years, it's not going to come down anytime soon because the City of Northville is planning on repairing it to prevent any more issues and/or its complete replacement.

On Oct. 7, the Northville City Council approved by a 5-0 vote to pay the Rowe Professional Services Company \$33,104 for engineering services on the Mill Pond dam (formerly the Yerkes Pond Dam).

According to Public Works Director Jim Gallogly, North-

ville is required to inspect its dams every five years and in 2010 this was done by Rowe, which is based in Flint. He said Rowe recommended the repair of a deteriorated portion of the downstream apron and the abutment walls, which are heavily pitted.

What happens is, the water spills over the dam and goes under the apron of the dam, and that soon, if we don't address it, will collapse and will bring the rest of the dam down," Gallogly

The question of how "soon" does not mean in the next year,

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Northville's Mill Pond. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

# NORTHVILLE PRIDE



The Northville High School varsity pom pon squad performs during halftime of the Oct. 4 Homecoming game against South Lyon East. The game was just one part of the Homecoming ceremonies, however. See our story and more photos on page A3. For our coverage of the Mustang victory over South Lyon East, see page B1. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

#### Where you can still light up

New Northville Cigar Lounge opens downtown

By Lonnie Huhman

A unique humidor with a huge selection of cigars, as well as a bar and eating area makes the Northville Cigar Lounge an Opinion ..... A16 ideal destination for area cigar aficionados.

"We're excited to be open finally. It's been a lot of work and preparation, but it's all been worth it to see the results," said Cigar Lounge owner Gary Klein.

The Cigar Lounge is a one stop shop experience. It offers a wide variety of premium, handmade cigars at on-line prices, a fully stocked bar, light menu and state-of-the-art ventilation system to help enhance the cigar smoking experience.

Klein and his wife Diana have owned the building since 2005. It has remained empty until now. There has been renovation work done to it over the last year and many were wondering when it would open.

The new interior of the lounge has a custom, 400 squarefoot walk-in humidor, which was



Cigar Bar employee Shawn **Taffinder sorts some Rocky Patel** cigars in the shop's humidor. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

handcrafted using the highest quality Spanish cedar.

Lounge General Manager Shawn Taffinder said the humidor really makes it standout.

'It's really unique with the hand-crafted wood style," said Taffinder. "The outside of this building doesn't do the inside justice. I think once patrons see

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#### City police to remain part of county task force

**Bv Lonnie Huhman** Staff Writer

Considering its lack of resources, the City of Northville Police Department will continue to participate in the Western Wayne County Interlocal Agreement, even though it only has half a vote on its board and is a lesser priority community.

Upon the recommendation of Northville City Police Chief Gary Goss, the City Council, in spite of being classified as a lesser priority community, approved the WWC interlocal agreement by a 4-0 vote.

Mayor Chris Johnson recused himself from the vote because as an attorney he was part of the team that worked on this agreement.

"WWČI (Western Wayne Criminal Investigative Unit) has resources and investigative tools that our police department cannot provide,' Goss told the council. "Although priority will be given to those members who provide a full-time officer to the team, it

is in the best interest of the City of Northville to remain

part of this unit.' According to Goss, in September of 1986, eight jurisdictions in western Wayne County formed a cooperative task force to combine their investigative services and personnel for the purpose of enforcing controlled substance laws and deterring related criminal activities. The City of Northville along with its neighbors within Western Wayne County was part of this effort.

The task force expanded to include a Community Response Team and an Auto Theft Unit and in 2002 the Northville City department joined with the other member jurisdictions in adopting an interlocal agreement.

Other partners include: Northville Township, Plymouth Township, Canton Township, Livonia, Wayne County, Inkster, the Drug Enforcement Agency and Detroit.

"Although the City of North-

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#### **CIGAR**

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what we have to offer as well as the setting inside here they will see this as a great place for parties, private events or just a quick stop in for a great cigar and drink."

The lounge also offers personal humidors to patrons who desire to store their cigar collection on-site, in an optimal environment. Each is custom-made with Spanish cedar and is temperature and humidity controlled to ensure the cigars are kept at the ideal temperature and humidity level. These humidors are secured by a combination lock, so there is no need to worry about keeping track of a

According to Klein, each can hold up to 10 cigar boxes comfortably



Northville Cigar Lounge patron Andy Blitz enjoys a smoke.

JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

and can be adorned with a personalized plaque with the name of your choice for a one-time \$25

The bar is fully stocked with premium liquor, beer and wine, which includes a variety of Michigan-made drinks. There is a light food menu with a selection of appetizers. And if a patron is interested in watching a big game while having a cigar

there are seven flatscreen televisions situated in different spots to give each person a good view

The lounge will be having private events and this month there is one on Oct. 23. It's an intimate evening of spirit and cigar tasting featuring Patron Tequila. There are complimentary hors d'oeuvres and great cigars will be provided for \$25. There are only 40

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tickets available for this private event.

"We're looking forward to people coming in seeing what we have to offer. This is a place that has a different vibe than other locations in downtown that will appeal to a broad range of people," said Klein.

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#### DAM

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he added, but its repairs will need to begin in 2014.

He said the issues have grown over the 18 years he has been in Northville, but he noted it is a strong dam that has stood the test of time. Ford Motor Co. built the dam years ago when it ran its old plant there, which is now known as the Water Wheel building, and houses Planet Fitness and Digital Roots.

"Repairs are necessary now, because if the deterioration to the apron and abutments is allowed to continue, complete replacement will be required and repair will no longer be an option," Gallogly said.

Rowe has been tasked to do some further analysis and then design the repairs, and eventually manage the new construction work. Rowe was recommended for this job because of its past with Northville, and specifically this dam.

"Rowe Professional Services Company seems to have best demonstrated that they understand the scope of the project and have provided sufficient hours to undertake the needed engineering for this project," Gallogly said. "Rowe has the experience needed for this type of work and they are very familiar with Northville's dam."

City Council has approved \$90,000 in the FY 2014 Budget for the Yerkes Pond Dam Improvement project. Gallogly, however, said all three engineering firms that bid on the project suggested in their proposals that this may not be enough to accomplish this project as planned.

Gallogly added Rowe is open to working with the city in providing construction options and in phasing the improvements over two or more years, if additional funding is required. The estimated repairs may eventually exceed \$100,000, but less than \$200,000.

Rowe's work should soon begin with this approval.

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ville has not participated by providing personnel since signing the interlocal agreement, we have contributed with funding," Goss said. "This team is supervised by a Command Officer of the Michigan State Police and the team conforms to MSP operating procedures. The Unit commander reports to the governing Board of Directors."

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The new agreement was required after some changes were made by the group's board.

These include the elimination of the auto theft unit from WWCI, and only members that have personnel assigned to the unit may be officers of the Board of Directors. In addition, the cities of Northville and Plymouth will each have one-half a vote on the Board of Directors (unless both choose to assign an officer to the team) and any request for assistance will be made to the unit commander for consideration and prioritization. Lastly, annual

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contributions for each member will be determined by the Board of Directors.

"Priority will be given to those departments who participate by supplying a full-time officer to the WWCI unit," Goss said.

Because of police staffing cuts, Northville has had to manage its own matters before it could look to other western Wayne communities. However, it has contributed \$4,000 annually to the team. By way of comparison, the City of Plymouth contributes \$6,000. This is determined by population size.

According to Goss, it was recently decided by the WWCI board that any increase to this contribution will be no more than the rate of cost increase of the unit as a whole. He does see the priority issue as being not too much of a concern because if a major case was afoot in Northville the WWCI team would come through.

"In the event of a major criminal investigation or substantial drug activity within the city, the WWCI unit will be an invaluable asset," he said.

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The Northville High football teams races onto the field at the start of Friday's Homecoming game. PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

# MUSTANGS GET INTO THE HOMECOMING SPIRIT

**By Kurt Kuban** Staff Writer

After much anticipation, Northville High School crowned its 2013 Homecoming king and queen. Well, make that two queens.

The student body chose Rory Gallagher and Julia Colasanti as its co-queens, and Joseph Hewlett, a member of the football team, as this year's king. The trio was announced during half-time of Friday's game against South Lyon East.

They were among the Homecoming Court announced last week, which included five boys and five girls. Sandya Janardhan, Kelsey Knickerbocker and Torrey Tassic also made court, as did boys Ryan Duda, Drake Eaton, Eric Fox, and Jack Miller

Friday's game at Tom Holzer Field followed the annual Homecoming Parade through downtown Northville.

The annual dance took place Saturday evening,



The Northville High School homecoming float "A Nite in Emerald City" cruises up Center Street during the parade.



Northville High School varsity sideline cheerleaders encourage their fans to get into the game.

which capped a week's worth of Homecoming activities known as Spirit Week. Each day of the week had its own theme, including Pajama Day, Color Day and Black and Orange Day on Friday.

There was also a pep rally Friday afternoon, which got the students fired up for the football game. It obviously worked, as the Mustangs beat South Lyon East by a score of 48-30.



The 2013 Northville High Homecoming co-Queens Rory Gallagher (left) and Julia Colasanti surround King Joseph Hewlett during halftime of the Oct. 4 game.





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Ridge Wood Elementary School Principal Alicia Parsons (second from left) and Assistant Principal Heather Bauer receive a check for more than \$9,000 from Ridge Wood Dad's Club's Frank Eupizi and Todd Gattoni (far right). The group are joined by staff of Ridge Wood and other members of the Dad's Club on Oct. 3. The funds are to be used by the school for its programs and supplies. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

# PROVIDING A HELPING HAND

Ridge Wood's Dad's Club 'steps up' to help school

**By Lonnie Huhman** Staff Writer

You can certainly say the members of the Dad's Club of Ridge Wood Elementary School care about their children's education.

They've donated \$9,000 to help with the implementation of the school's Leader in Me process and make improvements to the grounds.

"We are merely a conduit to

support this school and the great work the staff is doing for the kids of Northville," said Dad's Club President Todd Gattoni. "We want to help in any way that we can."

A group of Dads presented a check for \$9,185 to Principal Alicia Parsons, Assistant Principal Heather Bauer and staff at the school on Sept. 3. The group has raised more than \$12,000 for the school since its inception last spring through

events like a recent golf out-

Parsons and the school couldn't be happier with the club's efforts.

"The dads have really stepped up," Parsons said. "This will help go toward addressing a gap in the funding that we need to fully implement the Leader in Me proc-

Ridge Wood is the latest of the Northville Elementary schools to adopt this educational process. It empowers stu-

dents and is based on "The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People." The process aims to produce transformational results such as higher academic achievement, fewer discipline problems and increased engagement among teachers and parents.

Parsons said they are in year two of the process and are currently training teachers in it. This takes money, up to \$25,000. She said the school's PTA has played a big part and now the Dad's Club is doing its

Gattoni said the club started as a way to encourage dads to

spend time with their children in the school environment and provide positive male role models at school. Other efforts they have helped with and will help are after-school programs like rocket-building and hosting a father-daughter and

mother-son dance. There are over 50 dads in the club and it expects to grow. It's working toward becoming a 501(c) (3) non-profit organization. To learn more about the club or to join, contact Gattoni at tgattoni@dykema.com.

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# NHS graduate takes over at Cooke School

By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer

A Northville High School graduate will be the new supervisor at Cooke School for the remainder of this school year replacing Mary Meldrum, who has left for a new role in Macomb.

Jennifer Bugar, who was serving as assistant supervisor at Cooke School, has accepted the position of acting program supervisor for the 2013-14 school year, pending approval by the Northville Board of Education at its Oct. 8 meet-

"I am thrilled to be able to accept the position, to continue the work which has been done at Cooke. I look forward to

work with the community, and to help our program to grow," said Bugar prior to the school

board approval, which had hired her in 2012. "I am proud to represent the staff which works tire-



lessly to meet the varied needs of our students and to enrich their learning." According to North-

ville Superintendent Mary Kay Gallagher, this decision was reached following a thoughtful process of review and listening to input and feedback from staff as well as Cooke parents and families. The position opened as a result of outgoing Cooke Program Supervisor Mary Meldrum's move to a position with the Macomb Inter-

mediate School district. 'The selection of Ms. Bugar as acting supervisor for the 2013-14 school year will provide continuity for the students, staff and families of Cooke School, while enabling the district to post the position in the winter of 2014 for the following school year, at a time when the candidate pool is strongest," Gallagher

In addition to serving as assistant supervisor at Cooke since August of 2012, Bugar has 13 years of experience in special education, primarily in teacher consultant and resource room positions,

and as a teacher in a center program.

"Our program has made positive contributions to students, honoring long time traditions, and building our capacity to meet student needs through applications of Common Core State Standards and Essential Elements," Bugar said. "I hope to support our staff and students as we work to increase the learning opportunities for all of our students here at Cooke."

Gallagher said in each of these experiences and in her role as assistant program supervisor, Bugar has taken on numerous leadership responsibilities, including training and supervising staff for a program for moderately cognitively

impaired and emotionally impaired students; providing building-level professional development; evaluating students for special education eligibility and child study team assessment; and serving as a mentor and trainer for new special education staff.

Bugar graduated from NHS in 1989. She has a bachelor of science degree in special education emotionally impaired and a master of special education — learning disabilities from Eastern Michigan University (EMU), and recently completed her Specialist in Arts, Special Education Administration and Supervision degree from

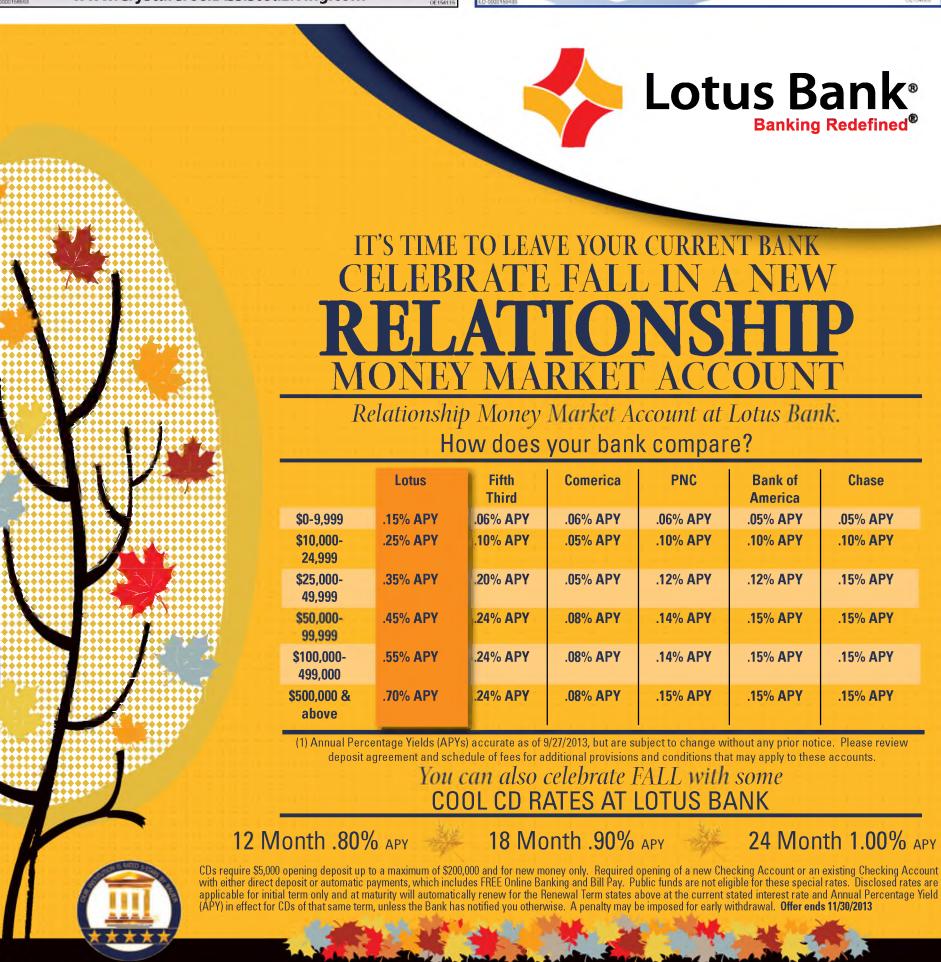
"Cooke is a tremendous school, with a dedicated staff, a supportive parent community, and great students," Gallagher said. "Ms. Bugar looks forward to this opportunity to broaden the impact of her leadership, and to continue serving the students, staff and families of Cooke. Collectively, we look forward to building on the excellence that exemplifies Cooke School and Northville Public Schools.'

Following Bugar's appointment, the school district will hire an interim administrator-dean through June, 2014, to complete the administrative team at Cooke for the 2013-14 school year.

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# It's not too late to get your fall produce

Farmers Market continues through Oct. 31

> By Julie Brown Staff Writer

Susan Evans of Novi visited the Northville Farmers Market Thursday, Oct. 3.

"Primarily I came for flowers," said Evans as she bought soap from Cellar Door at the market. "I managed to spend the last penny I have.

"I love this market, I think it's great," she added. Evans visits about twice a month, often after dropping her son off at school.

The market is sponsored by the Northville Chamber of Commerce in the parking lot across from Northville Downs. It runs 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Thursdays, through Oct.

Cellar Door owner Brandon Mitchell of Plymouth Township is proud of his redesigned brand, including a new logo and labels.

'Today is the first time we're showing this stuff in this market," said Mitchell, who's newly married. He likes the Northville market as well as Plymouth's.

"They're both great markets," he said.

Cellar Door also does well at the Canton and Dearborn markets.

"It's great. It's a lot of work," said Mitchell of his business, noting he's "always on" and works 70-75 hours a week. He tips his hat to Team Detroit in Dearborn, which did his redesign. "I think they did a fantastic job." he said. "They do amazing work."

Team Detroit does Ford Motor's global marketing

**During Northville** market hours 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 10, author Matt Schellenberg of Farmington Hills will sign copies of his new book, The Moon Beneath the Mountains.

'The genre is fantasy, but not the typical medieval European fantasy," said Schellenberg, who sells screened T-shirts at the market. His book has a native American Michigan setting, although he notes that's not his ancestry.

The book is somewhat autobiographical. "It's really about relationships between the main character and his brother," he said, adding it touches on cultural and racial clashes. This is his first book.

"Nobody knows who I



Susan Tish shops for pumpkins at the Oct. 3 Northville Farmers Market. The market will be open every Thursday through the end of October. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

kins said of Schellen-

berg's book. "It's kind of

fun and interesting. He

did a lot of research on

"I have read it," Wat-

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am," Schellenberg said.

"It's kind of a small town

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ing forward to the book

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somewhere."

signing.

The Northville High School robotics team, the Robostangs, will be hosting their annual Open House on Saturday, Oct. 12 from 11a.m.- 2 p.m. at the high school.

That Thursday, the market was full of

pumpkins, cornstalks. mums, "a lot of cool weather crops. It's been a late season this year," Watkins said, noting tomatoes were still abun-

The popular Chefs at the Market is continuing. 'The donations for

(Northville) Civic Concern this year were just amazing," Watkins said. "Everyone was just so generous."

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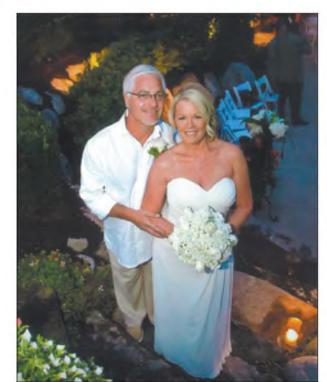
#### Five generations



The Elvy families of Northville, once again, have the honor of announcing another fifth generation family member. Master Bane Ramsey Battaglia was born April 28, 2013 to proud parents Cody and Jessica. He was 22 - 1/2 inches long and weighed 7 pounds, 8 ounces. Pictured are Bane, mother Jessica Battaglia of New Baltimore, 88-year-old great-great grandmother Jeanette Cosper of Novi (far right), Jessica's mother Sandra Elvy also of Novi (behind Jessica), and great-grandmother Judy Elvy of Northville. "Don't worry, there are plenty of men in the family, too, but babies and grandmothers are a match made in heaven," said Judy Elvy. CRAIG DAVID BUTLER STUDIOS, NORTHVILLE

#### **SCOTT-TACCONELLI**

Northville residents Carolyn Killeen Scott and John Albert Tacconelli were married July 27, 2013 at the residence of Jeff and Kathryn Bailey of Northville. The couple have several children from previous marriages. They include Madeline Scott, 15, who is a student at Northville High School; Nicholas Tacconelli, 22, a student at Eastern Michigan University; Erin Scott, 15, a student at Northville High School; Lauren Scott, 15, a student at Northville High School; Nolan Scott, 13, a student at Hillside Middle School; Loren Tacconelli, 26, who is a teacher; and Samuel Tacconelli, 18, a student at Central Michigan University. The couple were engaged in December of 2012.





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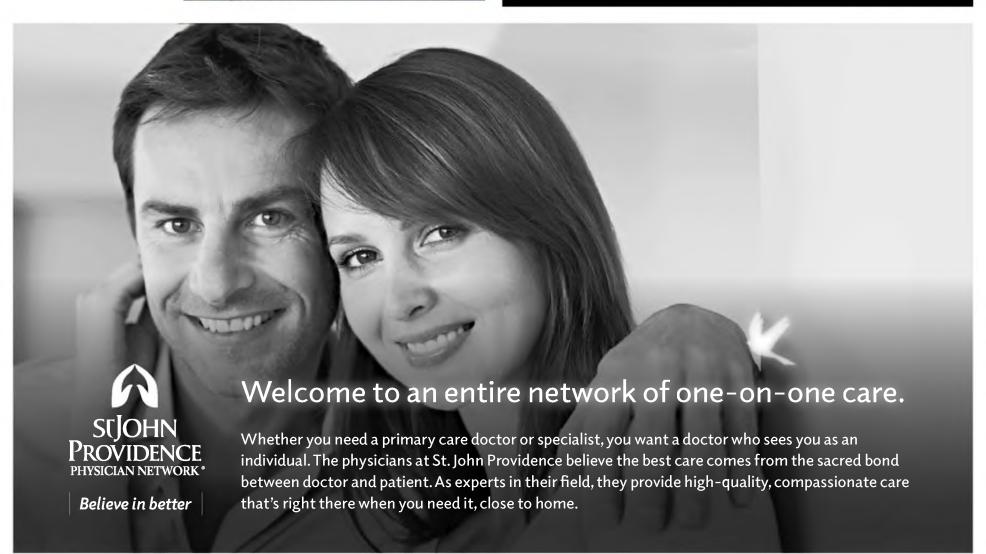
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#### Baseball great Johnny Bench visits Providence Park Hospital

**By Lonnie Huhman** Staff Writer

Years of wear and tear took a toll on Baseball Hall of Famer Johnny Bench's body, but he found relief with a new pair of hips and this was the message he brought last week to Novi's Providence Park Hospital.

"I'm thankful to have this new opportunity," he told attendees at the joint pain seminar held Oct. 4. "Living with pain is not

A former baseball player for the Cincinnati Reds from 1967-83, Bench is widely regarded as one of the greatest catchers in Major League Baseball history. However, the constant up-anddown motion and long grueling seasons damaged his lower body.

He came to Novi to help educate people on the benefits of joint replacement, by sharing his hip replacement experience with attendees at a joint pain seminar at Providence Park.

When he began experiencing pain in his left hip, Bench knew not to wait until he was sidelined by the pain before seeking help.

"When your time



**Baseball Hall of Famer Johnny Bench visited Providence** Park Hospital last week and signed a baseball for orthopedic patient Linda Noble.

comes, you will know it," he said of the aches that dogged him and his decision to address it. "The pain will get so bad."

He underwent total hip replacement of his right hip in April 2004 after suffering for years from chronic joint pain. And then he elected to undergo total hip replacement of his left hip in 2010.

#### Stryker implant

In '04, he discussed his options with his surgeon and received a Stryker hip implant. After undergoing the procedure,

Bench realized his lifestyle recovery goals and got back to his active life without hip pain. Again, he opted to receive the latest technology available from Stryker.

He told the seminar attendees a story being chased by an elephant during a safari in Africa after the surgery. It was then he knew he made the right decision because he was able to get away safely.

Since then, he has shared his joint replacement experience with attendees at Stryker educational seminars.

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## City to install energy efficient streetlights

**By Lonnie Huhman** 

The streets of Northville will soon be upgraded with new, energy efficient lights.

In conjunction with DTE Energy, the City of Northville will be upgrading 174 street lights throughout its neighborhoods in an effort to replace old, less efficient fixtures with new ones that will eventually see Northville saving money in energy costs.

"This past year DTE Energy has adopted a new LED fixture to serve as its standard fixture for new or replacement street lights. They are offering attractive incentives to communities for switching to LED from old Mercury Vapor I and high wattage High Pressure Sodium light fixtures," according to Northville Public Works Director Jim Gallogly.

Most of the lights in question in Northville are mercury vapor.

"If city council agrees to this change, and the program is implemented, the city is expected to save \$11,800 per year in street lighting energy cost," Gallogly told the council prior to their decision.

The city council agreed and by 5-0 voted to approve a purchase agreement with DTE Energy for the replacement of 174 street lights in the City for a not to exceed cost of \$35,428.

The actual cost would have been approximately \$46,000, Gallogly said. However, DTE is currently offering a \$10,600 **Energy Optimization** Rebate, making the proposed cost for this project less.

"With \$11,800 in annual energy savings, Northville will see a three year payback on this improvement cost, and then the city will see an annual \$11,800 in savings to the general fund," Gallogly said.

#### **Modern lights**

This a big move forward for Northville as it works toward replacing all of its older lights with LED fixtures.

Gallogly said in recent years the lighting industry has shifted towards LED (Light Emitting Diode) lighting, which is a considerably more efficient and

longer lasting fixture (at 20 years of life). DTE Energy has been exploring LED technology, and only recently adopted one fixture as its new standard, and it's this fixture that they are proposing for this replacement program.

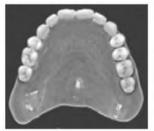
This was a positive development for council, which had previously requested the exploration of these upgrades last spring in an effort to modernize this part of its infrastructure. Downtown has seen some lighting upgrades.

'We had asked in the last budget session to start going into the neighborhoods to see what kind of savings we could generate that way," said Mayor Chris Johnson. "I was really pleased to see what you did with these.'

This project will replace approximately one half of all the street lighting in the City of Northville outside the downtown area. It should begin soon with an agreement in place.

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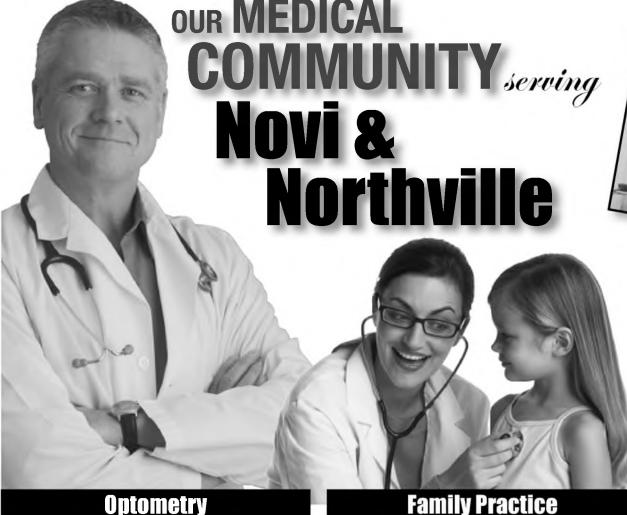
In addition to practicing only Social Security disability law attorney Bieske has written a book for attorneys about the

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

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# 160 people clowning around

Midwest Roundup brings clowns to area

> By Beth Jachman Staff Writer

There's an event where no one is going to tell you to quit clowning around.

It is the annual Midwest Roundup of the Midwest Clown Association. Where else can you take classes called "Throwing up with Jewls," "Stupid Stuff for Funny People," and "Intermediate Balloon Twisting"? This year's event, the 40th annual, was held last week at the Holiday Inn in Livonia.

Hosted by Clowns Around Redford, the annual Midwest Clown Roundup brought about 160 people to Livonia for the week to enjoy everything clowns. It was the first time Clowns Around Redford had hosted the event, which is hosted somewhere in the Midwest each year.

"For a lot of people it's old home week," said Jim Caffrey, Midwest Clown president or "chief joey" as he's called in clown lingo. Caffrey, who is "Jay J" the clown, traveled from Colona, Ill., to



Nancy Opatich of Livonia, professionally known as Bubbles, glues on her nose while presenting at a makeup workshop.

be at the roundup.

Caffrey said many feel their fellow clowns are like an extension of their family. "Look at what a clown is – a person really willing to give of themselves freely," he said.

Clowns also attend the convention to enter competitions in makeup, group and single skits, and parade-ability to earn points toward membership in the Midwest Clown Hall of Fame.

For Janice and Dan Priest, aka Lovely and Derby, clowning is a way of life and how they make their living. Owners of 2clowns.com based Downriver, they helped set up educators and dealers for the roundup.

#### Clowns compete

Competitions help clowns push themselves to be better, Dan Priest said. The Priests entered the makeup competitions, which include cheek, full face and creative.

He used John Herrmann, 9, of Livonia as a model. Herrmann, who is home schooled, had his entire face painted to look like a wolf. Priest pointed out the contouring and shading done

with makeup as well as speckles to make the boy's face look more furry.

Her face painted as a witch – green with a wicked mouth – Amy Ansara of Northville also attended the event as a model. "I actually know Dan (Priest). He asked me if he could borrow my face," she said as she waited to go in for the makeup judging.

She runs a business called AmyZingfaces..com which includes face painting and party planning and found herself inspired at the roundup. "Everybody is very friendly and creative," she said.

"I love painting faces – it's so therapeutic," she said.

Mary Ann Lund of Milwaukee, a retired radiation therapist who is also a member of Clowns of Waukesha, said she has been a clown since 2000. "A friend of mine dragged me. 'I know you'd be a great clown,' Lund said her friend told her.

Miss Sparkles, aka Corinne Smith of Dryden, entered the creative portion of the makeup competition meaning anything can be used such as head pieces, balloons, sparkles and sequins. The roundup offers the chance to bounce ideas off of other

people, she said.

Bubbles the clown, aka Nancy Opatich of Livonia, who is president of Clowns Around Redford, taught one of the makeup classes during the roundup. An organizer of the event, Opatich has been a clown for 25 years and is in the Midwest Clown Hall of Fame. She was inspired by her dad who was a Shriner clown.

She loves helping people forget their stresses through her work as a clown, she said.

#### **Clown culture**

David "Silly Billy"
Kaye, John "Rusty Bathwater" Winslow, and J.T.
"Bubba" Sykes are well-known and attract people to come to the convention, Opatich said.

Young people are also involved in the roundup. Known as Junior Joeys, they learn the art of clowning from many angles, Dan Priest said.

Other classes included "Parade-ability," "Faerie Faces," "Fearsome Faces" and "Towel-ga---: "

Not everyone who attends is a clown; some just offer their expertise. John Pullum of Redford taught Towel-gami, the art of twisting towels into animals or shapes without the use of pins or needles. "There are places clowns can't do balloons such as hospitals," he said. "But they have towels."

One "clown" Shih Tzu named Tiana, dressed in a colorful ruffled costume, showed the tricks she is practicing to become a therapy dog. She rolls over and jumps on queue in preparation for visiting nursing homes.

Many of the clowns volunteer at hospitals and nursing homes, according to Dan Priest. Belonging to a clown association such as Clowns Around Redford is kind of like the Kiwanis for clowns, he said.

In fact Caffrey, who is being inducted into the Clown Hall of Fame this year, said volunteer work was his inspiration. A clown since 1990, Caffrey said his clowning days began with a desire to give back to the community. "Hospital visits are very important to me," he said.

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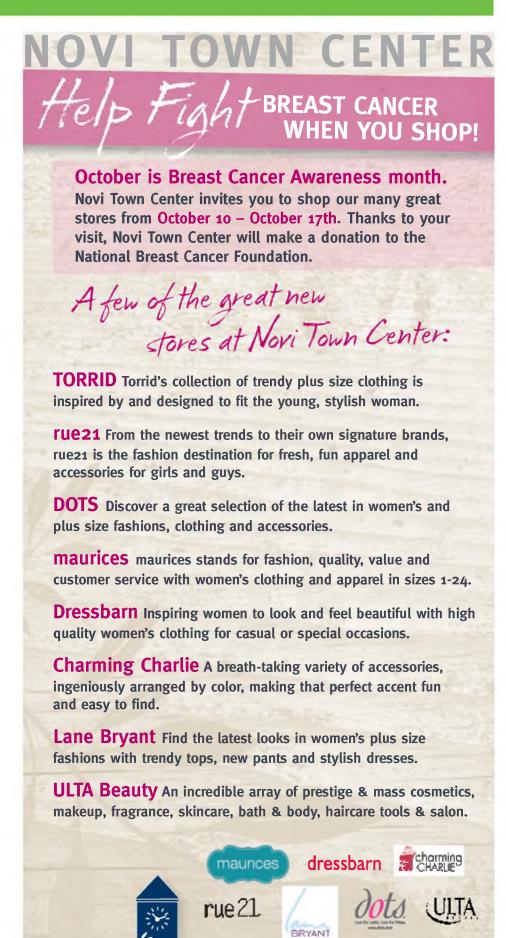
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"We are happy to help educate our residents in how to react to a fire, but also how to better prevent one from occurring. We can answer questions about smoke and carbon monoxide alarms, good storage practices, escape plans, conducting home safety surveys and much more," Hughes said.

The firefighters will test during a vehicle

Life. Visitors will also have an opportunity to see the department's highly specialized Urban Search and Rescue Team in action as they conduct a rope rescue in front of the station.

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#### School property destruction

Some signs and a gate at Northville's football field were reportedly damaged by an irate parent.

On Oct. 4. Northville City Police were dispatched to the field off of Eight Mile Road on the report of someone damaging school property. It turned out a Northville teenager lost her phone at the field and couldn't find it. After some searching, the school employees at the field told the girl and her father they could come

was light out.

It was while leaving the father became angry and allegedly used a piece of wood to cause the damage. He told police he believed he was being locked in by the school employees. The school staff told police that wasn't the case and other gates were unlocked, but this particular one was locked at the time.

However, they further said they were going to unlock it when asked by the daughter, but before they could get to the other side of the field that's when the 46-yearold Northville man became angry.

The case is still open pending whether or not

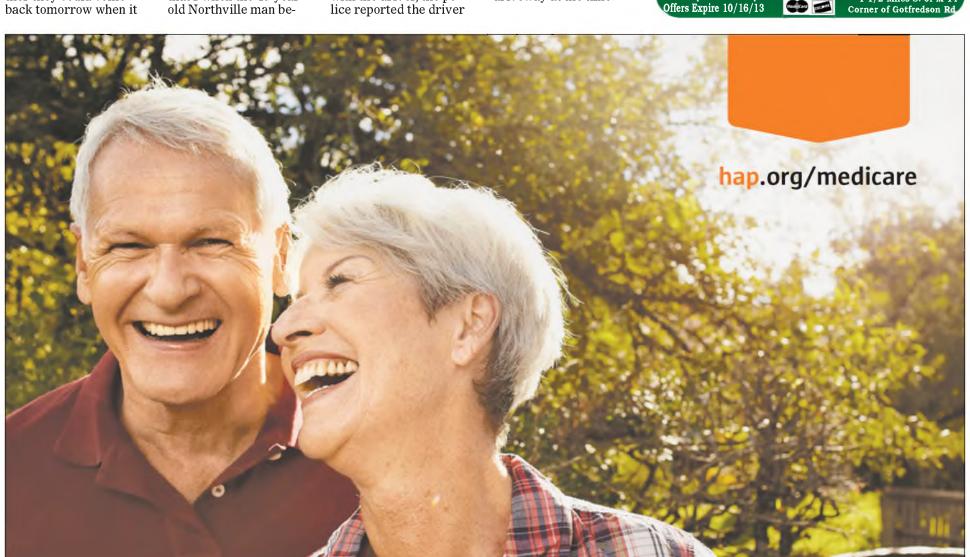
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Carol Schrauben (from left), David and Karen Farhat, and Cindy Mittleman took along their *Northville Record* on their recent vacation to Florence, Italy. Here they are pictured at Piazza Signoria near the Uffizi Gallery in Florence.



Judy Morante (left) and Linda Leedy took along their Northville Record on a recent trip to the West Coast (from Vancouver to Los Angeles) aboard the Norwegian Jewel cruise ship. Here they are in front of the Lewis and Clark statue, "End of the Trail", in Seaside, Oregon. "Lewis and Clark were in Oregon for three months and it rained all but six days. This is said to hasten the conclusion of their trip west," said Leedy. The next time you go on vacation, take along the Record, snap a photo and email it to Editor Kurt Kuban at kkuban@hometownlife.com.





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Stone is senior curator for the Detroit Historical Society, which oversees the Detroit Historical Museum, the Dossin Great Lakes Museum, and a quarter million artifacts in the City of Detroit's collection.

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In addition, individual help on genealogy is offered in the Local History Room at the Northville District Library on Monday afternoons 1-3 p.m. and also by appointment. For more information contact Mary Hazlett at 734-459-5493.

#### **Art House exhibit**

The Northville Art House's newest exhibit, "Under the (Inspired) Influence", will be on display though Saturday, Oct. 26.

This group exhibition offers a glimpse of what inspires eight individual artists and moves them to create. It features the work of Anita Andersons, Renee M. Dooley, Mary Fortuna, Diane Hawkey, Leann Meixner, Juana Moore, Kate Paul, and Mike Sivak.

The exhibit is open during regular Art House Gallery hours

#### Woman's Club kicks off 121st year



More than 100 women were in attendance when the Northville Woman's Club kicked off their 121st year on Oct. 4 at Meadowbrook Country Club. Lorraine Andary, the group's president, honored nine past presidents as well as four members who have achieved life membership for 25 years in the club, including (from left) Jean Hansen, Donna Borgert, and Linda Maxfield (Joan Sellen is not pictured). The luncheon was followed by a fashion show presented by Dress Barn of Novi Town Center. Founded in 1892, the club's purpose is to provide cultural and educational programs and foster friendship among women with common interests. For more information about Northville Woman's Club, contact Lorraine Andary at 248-349-9463.

(Wednesday-Saturday, 1-5 p.m.).

For more information. call 248-344-0497 or visit www.northvillearts.org. The Art House is located at 215 W. Cady Street and is a facility of the Northville Arts Commission.

#### Tea party

The Northville Historical Society will present "19th Century Marriage and Intimacy' during its next Tea Party from 1-3:30 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 26 at the Cady Inn in Mill Race Village.

Feast on a delicious assortment of tea sandwiches, scones and desserts along with the group's signature Cady House Tea served on their finest china. Tea will be catered by Victoria's Tea Salon, and followed by the presenta-

Susan Nenadic, teacher, historian, and speaker on 19th century women's health, education, employment, and marriage/

intimacy, will discuss facts about the love lives of Victorian women. Were they prepared for the marriage bed? What did they know about birth control, abortion, and female homosexuality? What stigma was attached to women who chose to remain single? All this and more will be

presented. Tickets are \$30 (\$25 for NHS members). Proceeds benefit Mill Race Historical Village.

Call 248-348-1845 for tickets. The deadline is Oct. 21. For more information contact the Northville Historical Society at 248 348-1845 Monday through Friday from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. or visit their website at www.millracenorthville.org.

#### Costume party

The 15th Annual Costume Party Benefit will take place from 7-11:30 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 26 at Three Cedars Farm,

7897 Six Mile Road, in Salem Township.

Cost is \$12. The event, which benefits the Night Vision prayer ministry, will feature dancing, limbo, costume contests

and prizes. For more information, contact wildhorses725-@gmail.com or visit www.sunset-graphics.net/party.html.

#### **Democrats to meet**

The Democrats of West Oakland County will meet at 6 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 15 at Novi United Methodist Church, 41671 W. Ten Mile, Novi (south side of Ten Mile, at the intersection of Meadowbrook). Barbara Speitzer-Berent, AARP representative, will discuss the Affordable Care

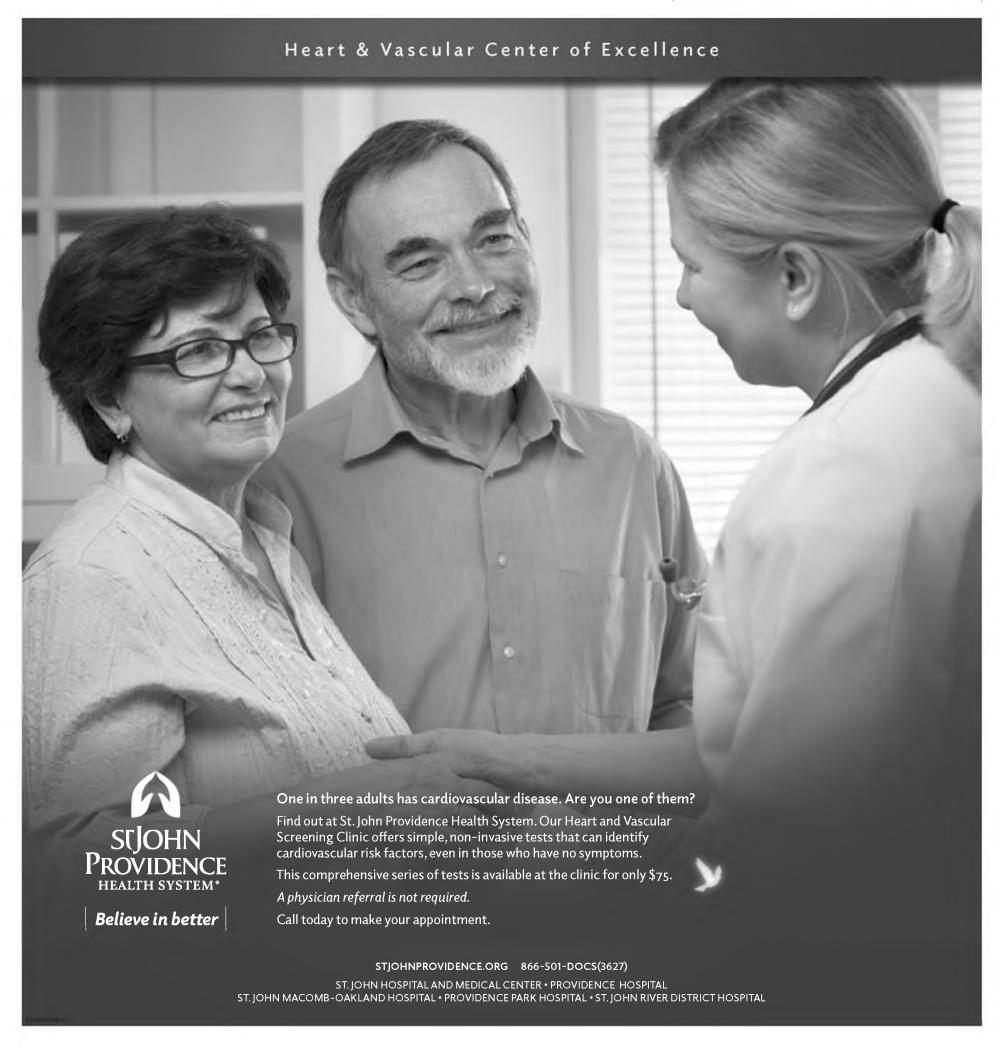
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#### CARTER, KATHLEEN

Of Highland, passed away peacefully, of natural causes, on Saturday, October 5, 2013 in her home, with her beloved dogs by her side. On November 7, she would have been 70 years old. She is survived by her older brother William Carter, and her three sons William Scott, Daniel Scott and Dominic Carter. An avid dog lover, she had been a member of the Basset Hound Club of America for over 40 years. She was also an active member of the Church of the Holy Spirit for the last 25 years. Visitation will be held at 9 am on Friday, October 11, 2013, at the Church of the Holy Spirit, with funeral services to follow at 10am. A lunch reception will follow the funeral services.

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#### DEYO. SAMUEL MORSE

Korean War Veteran and architect, age 82, died Oct. 6, 2013. LynchFuneralDirectors.com

#### Evangelista, Gerald

Age 87, passed Oct. 1, 2013. Visitation Oct. 6, 3-9pm Phillips Funeral Home. Funeral Oct. 11am St. Joseph Catholic Church

#### GLAVIN, RICHARD

July 13, 1929 - October 1, 2013 obriensullivanfuneralhome.com

#### GOERS,

KATHRINE M. Age 62, passed away October 5. 2013. She was born on July 4, 1951, in Ann Arbor, to the late Oscar and Hulda (Finkbeiner) Hirth. She was full of love and life. She was a very generous giving person with a great sense of humor and loved to laugh. Kathy adored her grandchildren. She was an excellent loving wife and mother. She had a strong abiding faith and lived it every She will be dearly missed by all who knew her. Kathy is survived by her husband of 42 years, Edward; her children: Benjamin (Jennifer), Christopher (Nicole), Steven (Sarah) Goers; two grandchildren: Ava, Madeline; her brothers: William (Ettie Ann) Hirth, Gerald Hirth; her sister Barbara (Frank) Gardner and many nieces and nephews. Visitation was held on October 8, Tuesday, from 4:00 - 9:00 p.m. at Phillips Funeral Home, 122 West Lake Street, South Lyon. A funeral mass was celebrated on October 9, Wednesday, at 10:30 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 830 S. Lafayette, South Lyon. Memorial contributions may be Multiple Sclerosis Foundation, National Headquarters Donations, 6520 North Andrews Ave, Fort Lauderdale, FL,

33309-2130. Online guestbook www.phillipsfuneral.com



GRUBB, RYAN J. Age 29, passed away October 2, 2013. Visitation Oct. 7, 3-9 p.m. at Phillips Funeral Home. Online guestbook phillipsfuneral.com.

LYONS, LEONARD Age 81, passed away October 2, 2013. Visitation Oct. 5, 12-4pm. Funeral 4pm at Phillips Funeral Home. www.phillipsfuneral.com

#### McCORMICK,

EVELYN J. 90 of Gaylord and formerly of Novi, passed away Sunday, September 22 at Tendercare Gaylord. She was born on May 3. 1923, to Norris and Lucia Hill in St. Louis, Michigan. She worked in the Ford Valve Plant in Northville, MI, during World War II, and on July 14, 1945, she married Royal "Mac" Royal McCormick who precedes her in death. They moved from Novi and lived in St. Ignace for several years before returning to Farmington and finally settling in Walled Lake, Michigan. While living in Novi, she played the piano and sang in the choir at Novi Baptist Church. Family was most important to Evelyn and she cherished most the times she spent with her grandchildren, or her "Love Bugs," attending their sporting events, school functions and family celebrations. She was very kind and generous and frequently sent greetings to many family members and friends, most notably her "Roses are Red, Violets are homemade greeting cards. In addition to spending time with her family, she enjoyed watching television westerns; listening to the Tigers and singing "Take Me Out to the Ball Game; singing hymns and listening to books on tape. Her love of sunflowers was evident to anyone she welcomed into her home. Evelyn is survived by her Patrick (Pamela) McCormick of South Lyon; grandchildren, Kip (Angel) Sircely, Kraig (Suzanne) Sircely, Kip (Angel) Kyle (Sara) Sircely of Gaylord, Tara McCormick of Rockford, IL, and Katelyn McCormick of

Destiny, Donovin, Samuel, Rebecca, Jenna, Nicholas, Hanna; Brother, James Hill. She was preceded in death by her husband, Royal ("Mac"); daughter, Barbara Sircely; son, son-in-law, Frank Sircely; brothers, Wayne, Dean and Harold Hill and her sister, Joyce Charlebois. Memorial service will be held Saturday, October 19, 2013 at 11:00 a.m. at the New Hudson United Methodist Church, 56730 Grand River Ave., New Hudson, MI. Burial will take place at Oakland Hills

South Lyon; great grandchildren,

of Evelyn be made to American Diabetes Association through Nelson Funeral Home P O Box 1548 Gaylord, MI 49734 www.nelsonsfuneralhome.com

Cemetery. Family suggests me-

morial contributions in memory

#### MONSON. GILBERT D.

Dec. 31, 1925 - Sept. 27, 2013 obriensullivanfuneralhome.com

#### OLSZEWSKI, JOHN J.

Dec. 12, 1923 - October 3, 2013 obrien sullivan funeral home.com

#### PETERSON, GLORIA M. (PARZUCHOWSKI)

Age 82, passed away October 6, 2013 surrounded by her loving family. She was born on May 6, 1931, in Hamtramck, daughter of the late Michael & Anna Garnick. She is survived by her loving sons: Kim (Joanne), Chris (Sue), Paul (Kathleen), Scott (Mary), John (Linda), and Steven (Michele) Parzuchowski, and her loving daughters: Gail (Dale) French, and Lynn (Ken) Gentner. She is also survived by 22 grandchildren, one great-grandchild, her sister Dorothy Weir and her brothers: Michael (Karen) and Dale (Wendy) Garnick. She was preceded in death by her first husband, Leo in 1977 and her second husband Arnold Peterson in 2005. Visitation will be held on Wednesday, October 9, from 2:00 p.m.- 9:00 p.m. with a Rosary at 7:00 p.m. at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, 122 W. Lake St., South Lyon. A funeral Mass will be celebrated on Thursday, October 10, at 10:00 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 830 S. Lafayette, South Lyon. Online guestbook: www.phillipsfuneral.com

#### **PROHASKA** CYNTHIA K.

Age 54, passed away October 2, 2013. She was born on January 1959, in Detroit, to the late Stephen and Shirley (Priebe) Wolenty. Cindy had a creative soul and was a talented artist. She enjoyed traveling, camping and was an excellent cook. Cindy worked for Perry Nursery School in Ann Arbor for 17 years. She was a devoted loving wife and mother. She was going to school for her Bachelor's degree in Fine Arts. She was a Girl Scout Troop Leader for many years. Cindy is survived by her husband of 35 years, Bob Prohaska; children: Kim (Joseph Bennett) Prohaska, Bobby (Natalie) Prohaska; sister-in-law Pamela Saxton; and her dogs Spencer and Ginger. Visitation will be held on Sunday, October 6, from 3:00-9:00 p.m. at Phillips Funeral Home, 122 West Lake Street, South Lyon. A funeral service will be held on Monday, October 7, at 11:00 a.m. at the First United Methodist Church of South Lyon, 640 S. Lafayette, South Lyon. Memorial contributions may be made to

Perry Nursery School, 3770 Packard Road Ann Arbor, Michigan 48108 Online guestbook www.phillipsfuneral.com





#### SKRLEC, SUSIE

Was welcomed into the arms of her Lord Jesus on Sept. 26, 2013 at the age of 92. She was preceded in death by her son Johnnie, husband John, and grandson Carl. She was born in Detroit and was active in High School athletics. She worked for Chrysler as a secretary and during the war she volunteered to sell War bonds in the Women's Army Corps and worked at the USO. In 1948, she married a good Slovak from her church, John A. Skrlec and they were married for 53 years. Susie is survived by four daughters: Suzette (Greg) Hilton, Sharon (Dan) Vosovic, Lydia (Bill) Erickson, and Mary (Greg) Stamm; her sister Katherine Cervenak; 8 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Susie enjoyed fishing, playing tennis, cooking, and watching her beloved Detroit Tigers, Lions and Red Wings. In 1965, the family moved from Roseville, MI to the South Lyon area on Silver Lake and built and ran Johnnie's Little Store. Susie served as President of the Women's Auxiliary VFW Post #1224, the Women's Extension, and worked 25 years on county elections. Susie Skrlec was a good Slovak woman strong, smart and loving. She will be greatly missed! A memorial service will be held Saturday, Oct. 19, at St. George Lutheran Church; 803 W. Main St., Brighton, MI 48116. Visitation is at 11:00 am and the service will start at 12:00 p.m. with a luncheon to follow at the Brighton Community Center. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to St. George Lutheran Church in memory of Susie Skrlec.

#### TINDALL,

JAMES T. Age 69, passed away September 20, 2013. He was born on October 31, 1943, in Morrilton, Arkansas. He retired from I.B.E.W Local #252 of Ann Arbor after many years as a Master Electrician. He is survived by his wife, Peggy; his children: Donna Lipkowski, Kimberly (David) Donna Curry, and his step-daughter, Jen (Mitchell) Ling. He is also survived by his grandchildren: Justin, Scott, Grace and one brother, Bill Tindall and one sister, Emily Beach. He was preceded in death by his parents. A memorial service will be held on October 15, Tuesday, at 1:00 p.m. at

Grace Chapel, 228 Fourth Street, Brighton, MI 48116. Online guestbook at: www.phillipsfuneral.com



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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

#### Faith Community **Presbyterian Church**

Location: 44400 W. 10 Mile Contact: 248-349-2345 or visit www.faithcommunity-novi.org Sunday Worship: 10 a.m. Women's Bible Study: 9:15-10:30 a.m. Saturdays

#### Church of the Holy Family

Location: 24505 Meadowbrook

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.crosspointemeadow-

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 Sunday worship: 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.

Adult special needs worship:

Youth group: Tuesdays at

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

Tuesdays Women's Coffee Break Bible

Study: 10-11: 30 a.m. Mondays; study book - "Seeing Grey in a World of Black and White" by A. Hamilton.

#### First Baptist Church of Novi - Family Integrated Church Location: 45301 W. 11 Mile

Contact: 248-349-3647 or firstbaptistchurchofnovi.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. Cafe is open from 9:15-11 a.m. Refreshments at 10:30 a.m.; 6 p.m. Evening Traditional Service

Tuesday: 9:25 a.m. Women's Bible Study (Women of the Word) studying Luke

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

Friday: 9:30 a.m.; Sweet Fridays on the second and fourth Fridays -- A Ministry for Moms of All Ages

#### **First Presbyterian Church of Northville**

Location: 200 E. Main Contact: 248-349-0911 or visit www.fpcnorthville.org Sunday Worship: 10 a.m.

#### **First Presbyterian** Church

Location: 205 E, Lake Street (corner of Wells and 10 Mile), South Lyon

Contact: 248-437-2875 **Rummage Sale** 

**First United** 

Times/Dates: 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 11 and 8 a.m. to noon Saturday, Oct. 12

#### **Methodist Church of Northville**

Location: 777 W. Eight Mile, Northville

www.fumcnorthville.org **Summer Sunday Worship** (Memorial Day-Labor Day):

Contact: 248-349-1144 or

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**

Contact: 248-349-0565

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

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 **Sunday School and Nursery** 

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

#### **Hope Lutheran** Church

Location: 39200 W. 12 Mile (east of Haggerty), Farmington

#### **Lakes Baptist** Church

Location: 309 Decker Road,

#### Livonia Church of

Location: 15431 Merriman, Livonia

Contact: 734-427-8743 or visit www.livoniachurch.net Sunday Worship: 11 a.m. Bible School: Sunday 10 a.m.;

#### Meadowbrook Congregational

Wednesday 7 p.m.

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

#### Northville Christian Assembly

Location: 41355 Six Mile Contact: 248-348-9030; ncalife-.orq

Sundays: 9-10 a.m. Sunday School for Adults / Youth / Children; 9 a.m. Contemporary service in multipurpose gymnasium; 1015 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.

#### **Novi-Northville Center for Jewish** Life

Details: Events, programs and activities for all ages throughout the year - children's programs, Sunday school, adult Jewish classes, youth clubs, holiday services and programs, community social events.

Contact: Rabbi Avrohhom & Leah Susskind at 248-790-6075 or rabbi@novijewishcenter.com; www.novijewishcenter.com

#### **Novi United Methodist Church**

Location: 41671 W. 10 Mile Contact: 248-349-2652 or visit

umcnovi.com Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/pages/Novi-United-

Methodist-Church/59782031433 Sunday Worship: 9:45 a.m. **Healing Service and Holy** Communion: 9:45 a.m. first

Sunday of every month Peace Vigil: noon, first Sunday of every month in front of the church.

#### Oak Pointe Church

Location: 50200 W. 10 Mile,

Contact: 248-912-0043 or visit

oakpointe.org Worship Services: 5:15 p.m. Saturday; 9:15 and 11:15 a.m.

Sunday **ReNew Life Group Ministries:** 7:15-9 p.m. every Monday

Details: Overseen by TrueNorth Christian Counseling, offering a variety of support and relational groups: Divorce Care; Grief Share; Life Disrupted (Doing Well At Being Sick); Restarting; Setting Boundaries with Teen & Adult Children; Single and Single Again; Men's Integrity; Cross Current; Her Story-Partner Care; Growing Seasons (for children); and two new groups are Caretakers and Knitted Together (Adoption/Foster Care)

Contact: 248-912-0043; www.oakpointe.org/lifegroups/ renew/index.html.

Workshops.

Women's Life Groups Ministries: 7 p.m. every Tuesday 9:30 a.m. every Wednesday

Men's Life Groups Ministries: 6 a.m. every Friday morning at various locations For both Women's and Men's Life Groups Ministries, please contact the church office.

#### **Community Church** Location: 850 Ladd Road,

**Orchard Grove** 

Building C, Walled Lake Web: www.orchardgrove.org Contact: Amanda Rehm at

da.rehm@orchardgrove.org.

248-926-6584 or aman-

#### **Our Saviour Apostolic Lutheran** Church

Location: 54899 Eight Mile, Northville

**Community Church** Location: 850 Ladd Road, Walled Lake

Contact: 248-926-6584;

www.orchardgrove.org

**Orchard Grove** 

#### **Orchard Hills Baptist**

Church Location: 23455 Novi Road Contact: pastor Jon Hix, 248-

349-5665 Preschool/Kids Choir: 7-8:15 p.m. every Wednesday Details: For ages 3-6; ongoing

event; no need to preregister; all

#### are welcome. **Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic**

Church Location: 47650 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth Township

#### **Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church**

Contact: 734-453-0326, Ext. 221

Location: 770 Thayer, Northville Contact: 248-349-2621 or olvnorthville.org

Saturday Worship: 5 p.m.

#### Sunday Worship: 7:30, 9:30, **Our Shepherd**

**Presbyterian Church** Location: 1200 S. Sheldon Road, Plymouth

Contact: pastor Bill Burke at 734-927-0891 Wednesday Bible Study: 7

Sunday Bible Study: 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m. with fellowship and food after

service

#### **Our Savior Apostolic Lutheran Church**

Location: 54899 Eight Mile,

#### **Pentecostals of Novi**

Location: Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. 10 Mile Contact: 248-697-8158 or visit www.thepentecostalsofnovi.org

#### Plymouth St. John's **Episcopal Church**

Location: 574 S. Sheldon in Plymouth Contact: 734-453-0190, Ext. 16, or visit www.stjohnsplymouth-

#### **Praise Baptist** Church Location: 45000 N. Territorial

Road, Plymouth Contact: 734-748-3898

#### A ghoulish affair



Piazza Dance Co. members Abby Anderson (left) and Anna Koppin, both 11, sport some ghoulish makeup and garb before they and others performed at the annual arrival of the skeletons in downtown Northville on Oct. 4. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

#### The Northville District Library is located at 212 W Cady Street. For more information call 248

349-3020 or visit http://northvillelibrary.org.

Upcoming events include: » MOOCS: an eLearning Tidal

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 10

**Details:** Massive Open Online Classes (MOOCs) are the hottest thing in education. Millions of people now have access to free, structured, reputable online college courses from top universities. This session will introduce and explore MOOCs for everyone from students to business professionals to lifelong learners.

» Drop-In Morning Storytime Time/Date: 10:30-11:15 a.m. Friday, Oct. 11

Details: Babies to 2-year-olds,

#### LIBRARY LINES

along with caregiver, enjoy music, simple stories and playtime. Just drop in.

» Howell Nature Center Presents "Michigan Mammals'

Time/Date: 4:15-5:15 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 23

Details: Learn about wildlife that lives in your own backyard. Discover the fascinating world of Michigan's mammals in this presentation at the Northville Community Center, sponsored by The Friends of Maybury State Park and the Northville Library Youth Department. All ages welcome. Registration begins Oct. 1 and space is limited. Call or register in the library.

» Between the Lines Book Discussion

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Monday, Oct.

**Details:** All are encouraged to join this lively discussion of Mark Binelli's book: "Detroit City Is the Place to Be: the Afterlife of an American Metropolis". » Drop In Morning Storytime

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Services held at: Saint Andrews Episcopal Church 16360 Hubbard Road - Livonia South of Six Mile Road Adult Sunday School 9:30 - 10:15 a.m.; Worship 10:30 a.m. 8 Childrens Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Dr. James N. McGuire • Nursery Provide

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#### Milford

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1200 Atlantic St., Milford, MI 48381 Sunday Worship: 8:30 am and 10:30 am, 6 pn Children's Church: 10:30 am 248-684-2798

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Memorial Day - Labor Day 8:30 and 10:00 a.m. Rev. Marsha M. Wooley, Lead Pastor www.fumcnorthville.org

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777 West 8 Mile Road (8 Mile and Taft Road) Northville, Michigan Shepherd's Way Lutheran Church, ELCA orship Times: September - May 8:00, 9:15 & 11:00 a.m.

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## CHURCH

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# **OPINION**

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**OUR VIEWS** 

# In need of a leader

#### School board vacancy creates opportunity for someone to serve community

Joe Hige surprised his colleagues when he recently announced he has decided to step down from the Northville Public Schools Board of Education before his term ends at the end of 2014. Actually, Hige just wants to fulfill the four-year term that voters elected him to serve back in 2009, but his term was extended one year due to changes in state election laws. He has decided not to serve that extra year, and will be stepping down in December.

His departure will create a vacancy on the school board and opens the door for someone in the community to step up at a critical time for Northville Public Schools.

District bylaws require the remaining school board members to appoint a legally qualified individual to fill the vacancy, and the district has already

begun the process of accepting applications from interested individuals. They have set an Oct. 24 deadline for applicants to formally throw their names into the hat.

Northyille school district residents interested in

Northville school district residents interested in filling the vacancy are asked to complete the Board of Education Appointment Application, which can be found on the district's website at www.northvilleschools.org. Whoever is ultimately appointed will serve a one-year term that will expire at the end of 2014, and will have an incumbent's advantage if choosing to run for a four-year term in November of next year.

The school board will interview candidates at one or more public meetings to be scheduled between Tuesday, Oct. 29, and Tuesday, Nov. 12, with final approval anticipated at the Board of Education regular meeting on either Nov. 12 or Nov. 19.

It is important that a quality candidate step forward because there are a number of big issues that the board will be dealing with in the near future.

Northville Public Schools, like district across the state, are still trying to figure out how to make do with less money since Gov. Rick Snyder cut public education funding and forced districts to take on more retirement costs. Fortunately for Northville, enrollment has continued to increase making it easier to absorb the reductions in per pupil funding, but the board and administration have had to be creative to make ends meet. That probably won't change in the foreseeable future.

The board will also be making critical decisions as it pertains to implementing new technologies into dis-



Sean Smith (left) leads a Modern Teacher discussion at Northville High on Oct. 1 as students, staff and community members began to map how the future classroom would function. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

trict schools and classrooms after voters approved a \$20 million bond in 2012 to replace aging technology. It is imperative that the board and administration choose the right technologies that will best prepare students for the changing world in front of them. The bond isn't just a blank check. Voters expect the board to make wise decisions and get the best bang for the buck.

The district has also begun a process to determine what its future classrooms will look like, which began on Oct. 1 with a public meeting conducted by Modern Teacher, an educational media company designed to support educators and maximize teaching effectiveness in the digital world through a wide range of innovative and customized professional development services. That process will continue as educators map out a strategic path that focuses on modern learning environments, including methods, policies

and practices, and support for teachers, principals and administrators.

And these are just a few of the issues the school board will have on its plate in the coming year. Fortunately, there seems to be no shortage of good, qualified people in the community that could serve on the board with current members Ken Roth, James Mazurek, Cyndi Jankowski, Matt Wilk, Scott Craig and Adam Phelps. Roland Hwang and Michael Barrett, who lost in last year's election, certainly come to mind

Serving on the school board is often a thankless job, but one that brings great satisfaction which comes from serving the community, especially our youth. There is no greater job than helping shape young minds and molding tomorrow's leaders. Just ask Joe Hige. Now the community just needs somebody to step up to replace him.

**COMMUNITY VOICE** 

# How do you feel about the federal government shutdown?

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



"It hasn't affected me at all."

Travis Nixon Northville



"It's very stupid and totally unnecessary. It's silly to hold Obamacare hostage with an unrelated subject.

Tony Marroni Novi



They don't cooperate with each other and the Obamacare law was passed but now we're talking about it with funding."

Greg Jonesku Novi



"It's too bad to see the parks closed and I do have some friends who work for the government, so it's been tough on them. The government needs to get their act together."

Mohini Savanur

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#### LETTERS

#### Bait and switch

It was with dismay that I read the Summer 2013 edition of the Connections newsletter from Northville Public Schools. It states that \$835,000 of the total \$1.1 million in Phase II stadium improvements at Tom Holzer Ford Field was paid from the sinking fund capital improvement millage approved by voters in May 2011. This is in addition to \$515,000 of the total \$1.5 million in Phase I stadium improvement projects in 2012.

The millage to improve the school district's athletic facilities was soundly defeated in 2006. While I cannot speak for everyone, I am quite certain that when a majority of voters approved the 1-mill capital improvement millage, it was not with the understanding that \$1.35 million would go to the football field. Instead, we were sold on the notion that this money was for much-needed repairs and technology upgrades at the schools.

This allocation of funds has the appearance of a classic "bait-and-switch." I hope Northville voters remember this when the next millage request inevitably comes along.

Mike Nolta
Northville Township

#### Only time will tell

I found the story in last week's *Northville Record* ("How Michigan's health care insurance exchange works") to be a very informative article.

The very last sentence answered my biggest question, which has always been, "Who is going to pay for the people that can't afford to pay or have no employer to pay?" The sentence reads: "The calculator might help Michiganders better understand how much federal financial help they'll receive to buy policies."

So, it looks as though the federal government will be paying. I do believe that we need

health care for all, but I am just concerned that my taxes will be going up or that my current health care plan will increase in price. Only time will tell.

Carol Maynard Northville

#### It's the law

Republican Sen. Ted Cruz of Texas, put on his ego-driven arrogance and self-centered political promotion for 20-plus hours on the Senate floor. Why? Because he is opposed to the

#### WHAT DO YOU THINK?

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Congress-passed and Supreme Court-upheld Affordable Care

He threatens to shut down federal government in order to de-fund the ACA.

In this exercise of anarchy, he reminds us of a little frightened boy throwing a temper tantrum because he cannot get his way.

This is a skit worthy of Saturday Night Live, except it is costing lives of Americans citizens while Cruz and his Tea Bag followers have a hissy fit over existing law.

The issue for Republicans is allowing Ted Cruz to quote his affection for White Castle hamburgers and "Green Eggs and Ham," while some 50 million American citizens do not have health care.

To my fellow Republicans, get a grip.

The ACA is the law of the land.

**Gerald Maxey** Farmington Hills

#### Back it up

For some time I have slogged through letters printed in the *Northville Record* from Jim Nowka.

The first time I read one I thought it might be some wry attempt at humor, but then I realize that he is actually serious; and must believe that no matter how ridiculous or factless many of his comments are, that people that are in touch with reality or have any sense of current events or history will actually believe or agree with him.

You certainly have a right to your opinion, Mr. Nowka, but like many on the right, repeating Fox News talking points over and over again doesn't even come close to making them true.

come close to making them true. You state in your letter last week ("Liberals nourish violence," Oct. 3), "Liberals dwell persistently upon violence while liberal policies readily nourish

it." What policies are you talking about, Mr. Nowka? Just once, when you make another one of your outlandish and silly comments like this, would you please provide some sort of verifiable evidence that what you are saying is true?

Do you think that "liberal" programs that feed hungry children, or take care of veterans, or protect the environment, or programs like Social Security and Medicare so seniors don't have to work until they drop and live longer and healthier lives are policies that nourish violence? And if you do believe that, don't just rant about it, give the rest of the world some verifiable reasons to believe you.

I heard it on Fox News or Rush Limbaugh radio doesn't

count in the real world.

Can you name a program that exists today that is intended to benefit the poor or the middle class, Mr. Nowka, that was writ-

ten and championed by
Us liberals don't want to live
in a country where it is every
man for himself. America can do
better than that, and those on the
left will continue to fight to protect and provide for "the least
among us." Not in what we say,
but what we do.

**Steve Lawrence** Northville Township

#### **Greed and lies**

I read an interesting, and very biased, article on the editorial page of one of our daily papers.

The editor wrote that the Affordable Care Act will hurt Michigan businesses. He cites two corporate tycoons – the first said he would fire workers and the second will not hire full-time employees.

Now, remember, these are two of the CEOs who were given a fortune in your tax dollars by Rick Snyder and the tea party – \$4 billion and counting. Snyder assured us that due to this giveaway, we would be in the land of milk and honey.

Surprise!

This did not happen because they pocketed the money, honey. To add insult to injury, they are now planning to put the screws to the very people whose taxes were raised to pay for Snyder's folly.

Greed, lies and right-wing extremism – these words should be in the tea party anthem and sung at the next Republican convention.

James Huddleston Canton

#### Northville girl is Paws for Applause winner

Joyful is the word that describe Northville's 11-year-old Rebekah Ayers, who was our Paws for Applause winner. Rebekah was nominated by her proud mother, Cindy Ayers.

"She helps out at her church teaching Sunday school to 1st and 2nd graders. She also fills in playing the piano when it's someone's birthday,' Aver shares in her letter to the O&E Media.

Adopted from Guatemala at the age of 13 months, Rebekah has been a blessing to the Avers family and spreads her joy in song for everyone to hear.

"It is always a joy to have such a happy child," Ayers continues.

Whether making lunch at a homeless shelter, baking cookies with her grandmother, crafting duck tape purses for friends, or praying for those that she has



Northville's Rebekah Ayers, 11, got to meet Paws and go out on the Comerica Park field during a game on Sept. 15.

learned are ill, Rebekah's care and compassion is felt by everyone she meets.

As a Paws for Applause winner, Rebekah was congratulated by Detroit Tigers mascot PAWS during the Sept. 15 baseball game. She won four Tigers baseball tickets, a Little Caesars pizza value certificate, and an autographed photograph of a Detroit Tiger member.

#### 'Fore' the benefit of Yatooma's Kids

Northville residents Rebecca and James Snider were glamorous in silver and white at a gala to celebrate the 10th anniversary of Yatooma's Foundation for the Kids, which was held Sept. 16 at the Townsend Hotel in Birmingham. Along with a golf outing at the Orchard Lake Country Club, the events raised more than \$100,000 for the foundation, which helps fund expenses and everyday necessities for children who are recovering from the loss of one or both parents. To find out more about Yatooma's Foundation for the Kids, visit www.forthekids donation.org or call 1-888-987-KIDS. JULIE YOLLES









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#### Area family looking to raise funds to support foundation they started

By David Veselenak Staff Writer

Having a loved one addicted to drugs is tough for any family. But Phil and Dawn Bahr of Livonia took the opportunity to turn the experience into a positive for others.

The couple formed the Ashes to Glory Foundation, a locally based charity offering financial aid for people who require long-term substance abuse treatment.

The idea started several years after the couple's son, Brandon Bahr, was admitted into a program for substance abuse treatment. During the process, Phil Bahr thought about possibly forming a charity to help other families in need. He received an email shortly after from someone who convinced him it was the right thing to do.

"It wasn't until two vears later that this idea struck him," Dawn Bahr said. "Within 24 or 48 hours, he got an email from someone saying, 'I know your heart. I don't know if you've ever thought of this, but there's really a need for something like this.'

"He felt like God was asking him to do something related to our experience down the line. It was real confirmation that it was something he needed to do.'

Now, the family operates the nonprofit foundation and has helped nearly 20 families with financial aid for rehabilitation programs that are long-term and Christianbased.

"I'm amazed what has happened with limited effort," Phil Bahr said. "The need for funding is significantly bigger. We have plenty of people needing the help.

Ashes to Glory has been able to help fund



Phil and Dawn Bahr talk about the Ashes to Glory Foundation, which they started to help people with funding for a long-term drug rehabilitation program. PHOTOS BY BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

extended stays for more than 15 people and has received support from people locally, nationally and internationally.

The family has grown closer since Brandon Bahr's time battling his drug addiction. He's now working in Bloomington,

Even though he's six hours away, he said he's never felt closer to his family and is happy to see them wanting to make a difference.

"I would say that my thought throughout the past three years is (I'm) incredibly proud of my family," he said. "I'm humbled God's blessed me with the family He has.'

#### **Benefit concert**

One way the Bahrs hope to raise money for the foundation is through a concert scheduled for next weekend. It is codirected by Scott Bahr, Brandon's brother. Scott Bahr is a member of the **Covenant Chamber** Choir, a Midwest group consisting of members of the Apostolic Christian Church of America.

The concert is scheduled to take place at 7 p.m. Saturday at the **Apostolic Christian** Church, located at 29575 Wentworth in Livonia. The concert is free and will feature a wide

range of music, from traditional hymns to spirituals to anthems. A freewill offering will be accepted, with all funds going to benefit Ashes to Glory Foundation. "It actually came out

of a woman in our church," Scott Bahr said, "who came out of the blue and said, 'I want to raise money for Ashes to Glory and I want the Covenant Chamber Choir to come help do it.' So that's what really instigated the whole thing.'

Anyone looking to donate to the foundation is encouraged to visit its website at ashestogloryfoundation.org.

Scott Bahr said the ability to bring a choir he's heavily involved with back to support a foundation started by his family is "incredibly meaningful.'

"It's taking at least three points of passion that drive me and putting them into one thing," he said.

While the concert isn't scheduled as an annual event, Phil Bahr said if it goes well, it could trigger an annual event in Livonia.





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# **SPORTS**

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Even in the grasp of a South Lyon East player, Northville's Evan Wieland races for – and makes – the end zone during the two teams'

# A tale of two halves

Northville rolls in first half, but hangs on in second for victory

By Sam Eggleston

Correspondent

As a coach, it's sometimes hard to break down a game to the point that you can be proud of your team for one portion of a contest, but frustrated with it for another portion.

Northville head football coach Matt Ladach had to find a way to balance his outlook on last week's 48-30 victory over winless South Lyon East. On one hand, he was completely satisfied with his team's first-half performance, in which it outscored its Central Division opponent, 42-17. On the other, he was disappointed in the entirety of his squad's second-half play.

"I was proud of the way we played in the first half," Ladach said. "Our players were gritty and, other than a couple of correctable errors, we executed pretty well.

"I was disappointed in our secondhalf performance. We didn't play the second half with the same effort and enthusiasm that we played with in the first two quarters."

first two quarters."

It's possible that the Mustangs (5-1) were victims of the dreaded extended halftime that homecoming games tend to bring, with players being part of the festivities and not completely focused on the task at hand. Thankfully for the Mustangs, they were able to secure

#### **BATTLE FOR THE BASELINE JUG**

The Northville football team will take on Novi in the annual Battle for the Baseline Jug game at 7 p.m. Friday at Novi at 7 p.m.

"Coach (Jeff) Burnside has done a great job with this year's Novi team and he will have his players well prepared," Northville coach Matt Ladach said. "They have some very talented players on their team and those kids will be very motivated to win the Jug. This is going to be a very,

very good football game."
Northville is currently 5-1 on the season and has outscored its opponents 204-126, averaging 34 points per game while giving up 21 points.

Novi is 4-2 on the season and has outscored its opponents 106-83, averaging 17.7 points per game on offense while allowing just 13.8 points. Novi also has two shutouts this season, with a 17-0 win against Lakeland (which is 3-3 on the year and beat Northville 14-10 in the first game of the season) and 20-0 against South Lyon East (0-6).

such a solid lead in the first half that their sputtering performance over the final two quarters wasn't easily capitalized on by the Cougars (0-6).

Ladach did say that he was glad his team was able to secure a win for the alumni, parents and fans who attended the contest

"Northville is a tremendous community and I am proud to be a part of it," he said. "I am glad that we were able to provide our homecoming crowd with a Mustangs victory."

Northville kept the crowd on its toes for the first quarter as the Mustangs struck first on a 57-yard run by Joey Hewlett – who was also homecoming king – to go up 7-0. But the Cougars came back, hitting an 18-yard field goal to make it a 7-3 contest before scoring on a 2-yard run to take their first and only lead of the game, 10-7.

The Mustangs answered before the first quarter came to a close as Hewlett

found Nick Stegmeyer on a 50-yard play for a touchdown. Zach Wilds, who hit all of his extra points, tacked on the point-after for a 14-10 advantage for Northville.

In the second quarter, Northville added a score from Evan Wieland on a 4-yard run and added another touchdown after a hit by Jake Cheslik forced a fumble on the ensuing kickoff that Nate Priebe scooped and ran into the end zone to give his team a 28-10 lead. The Mustangs poured a little gravy on with a 50-yard scoring play as Hewlett connected with Wieland for the score and followed it up with a two-point conversion pass to Stegmeyer for a 36-10 lead.

The Cougars just wouldn't go away quietly in the first half, however, scoring on a 27-yard run to make it a 36-17 contest, but the Mustangs had the final

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# Mustangs pick up two division victories

Volleyball team tops Plymouth Salem and South Lyon

By Sam Eggleston

Correspondent

Two more Central Division opponents and two more wins for Northville volleyball team. If you didn't know better, you would think the Mustangs had something personal against other squads from the division, especially with Northville picking up some fairly dominant victories

The squad, coached by Amanda Yaklin, did have to go four sets Oct. 3 before topping Salem (25-18, 13-25, 25-15, 25-15), but required only three to down South Lyon just two days earlier, 25-18, 25-19, 25-14.

The Mustangs benefited from

The Mustangs benefited from some strong play right out of the gates in the fourth set against Salem to shut down the Rocks. Freshman Kiera Borthwick started the set with two aces to help her team gain the upper hand.

"She set the tone in the fourth to keep momentum for the team," Yaklin said.

Yaklin said Salem came to play

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#### **ON TAP**

The Northville volleyball team will head back to the court when it visits Novi at 6:30 p.m. today before visiting Marian for a tournament Saturday. The team will then host Livonia Stevenson at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday.



Cassidy Minghine (center), Symone Abbott (right) and Julia Colasanti (bottom) celebrate a Northville point. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

## Northville girls capture Oakland County championship

Mustangs cross country team also tops rival Novi

By Sam Eggleston
Correspondent

It was a record-setting week for the Northville girls cross country team as a new Cass Benton course mark was set against Novi and the program took home the top spot in both the varsity and junior varsity races of the Wayne County Championships.

In the Wayne County meet, the Mustangs simply dominated the competition as they placed seven runners in the top 20 and placed four on the all-county team.

Northville finished with 27 points, while Grosse Pointe South was second with 59 and Salem was third with 77.

Leading the Mustangs was



The Northville girls cross country team begins a race. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

the ever-improving Rachel Coleman, who ran to second place behind Grosse Pointe South's Ursula Farrow with a time of 18:27. Right on her heels was third-place finisher Lexa Barrott, in 18:32.

"The entire team ran better times on their regional course than they previously ran two weeks ago," head coach Nancy Smith said. "The entire team continues to improve as the season is winding down. Over the next 10 days, we will be working on preparing for the finals meets."

Northville's next runner in

#### ON TAP

The Northville girls cross country team will compete again when it runs in the conference meet next

was Erin Zimmer, who ran 19:01 for sixth, while Cayla Eckenroth ran 19:05 for seventh and Nicole Mosteller ran 19:22 for ninth. Taking 12th was Emma Herrmann, while Alison Robinson finished 19th.

In the junior varsity race, the Mustangs also took first place as a team as Hailey Harris took first in 20:23 and Emma Smith came in second in

20:38.
"Harris moved up after the first mile and never looked back," Smith said.

In total, the Mustangs placed eight runners in the top 20 for the JV competition as Taylor Gattoni finished sixth, Chloe Smither was seventh and

Megan Kerr was eighth.
As a team, the Mustangs had 25 points, followed by Salem's 64 and Stevenson's 82.

#### Northville 15, Novi 50

It was a perfect day for Northville as it took on and defeated Central Division and

crosstown rival Novi.

The Mustangs not only secured the best score possible, but also set the school record for the fastest time on their home course of Cass Benton.

Rachel Coleman topped the old mark of 18:58 by shedding 20 seconds off that time with 18:38 to lead all runners and take first place.

Close behind her was Taleen Shahrigian – the former record holder – as she ran 18:45 to take second, while Barrott took third in 18:48. Currently, Cole-

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# Strong performance in the pool for Mustangs

Tankers top Novi, swim in first-ever Wayne County Championships

**By Sam Eggleston** Correspondent

It's always a good week when Northville tops its crosstown and Central Division rival Novi. Don't believe it? Just ask the girls swimming and diving team, which picked up a win over the Wildcats in a strong showing of depth and talent last week.

The girls squad, coached by Brian McNeff, picked up a 116-70 victory over Novi.

"I was able to put some people in some different events and they swam well," McNeff said. "It is good to know that we have some versatile swimmers that can swim multiple events and swim them well.'

McNeff said he hasn't eased up on his rigorous training schedule so far

**ON TAP** 

The Northville girls swimming and diving team will be back in the pool when it hosts Walled Lake Western at 6:30 p.m. today and visits Salem at 6:30 p.m. Oct. 17.

this season, which has been absolutely exhausting. What's interesting, he said, is that despite being tired, the team keeps dropping times.

It could be attributed to the determination the Mustangs bring to the pool every time they compete.

"I have been really impressed with the team's effort and enthusiasm in the dual meets," he said. "It is good to see that they are excited to compete.'

Taking first-place finishes for the Mustangs were: 200 medley relay team of Nicki Pumper, Sarah Lohman, Laura Westphal and Alissa Moore (1:54.76), Westphal (200 free, 1:58.35;), Lohman (200 IM, 2:21.02; 100 breaststroke, 1:11.32), Pumper (50 free, 26.35) Kelsey Maccadino (100 butterfly, 1:01.39), Moore (500 freestyle, 5:20.12)

and the 400 freestyle relay team of Pumper, Darby Mroz, Maccadino and Westphal (3:46.68).

Taking second-place finishes were: 200 medley relay team of Shannon Hayes, Nora Orlandea, Maria Gutowski and Arlexis Branson (2:07.71), Moore (200 free, 2:00.14), Mroz (200 IM, 2:21.69), Brittany Nayh (100 fly, 1:07.86), Natalie Filipowicz (100 free, 57.57), Jessica Yan (500 free, 5:30.67), the 200 free relay team of Maccadino, Mroz, Filipowicz and Lauren Jarzembowski (1:41.11) and the 400 free relay team of Gillian Zayan, Sabrina Lee, Yan and Madeline Wilczewski (4:01.66).

Third-place finishes went to: Gutowski (100 fly, 1:08.40; 100 backstroke, 1:07.47), Claire Ostrowski (diving, 117.23), Zayan (100 free, 58.73), Lee (5:39.78), the

200 free relay team of Zayan, Wilczewski, Hannah Craig and Sarah Ptashnik (1:49.88) and Jarzembowski (100 breaststroke, 1:14.09).

#### **Wayne County** Championships

Northville also swam in the first-ever Wayne County Championships last week and came away with a fourth-place finish behind Grosse Pointe South, Salem and Steven-

"This was the firstever Wayne County Championship and it was a fast meet," McNeff said. "We didn't have a great day, but we didn't do too bad, either. The teams ahead of us came ready to swim and we didn't. We were missing some key people, so that put us back a little, but we still could have finished higher if we stepped up when we had the chance. This is good practice for us, especially since we will be seeing these teams again in both dual meets and at the conference meet.'

Scoring for Northville in each event: 200 medley relay: Team of Pumper, Lohman, Westphal and Moore (second place, 1:54.14); 200 freestyle: Moore (third, 1:59.3) and Yan (16th, 2:05.79); 200 individual medley: Westphal (fourth, 2:14.22) Lohman (13th, 2:20.91) and Mroz (14th, 2:22.64); 50 free: Pumper (fourth, 25.69) and Maccadino (sixth, 25.70); Diving: Ostrowski (fifth, 258.15);



Northville diver Claire Ostrowski took fifth place at the Wayne County Championships. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

100 butterfly: Maccadino (second, 1:00.94), Julia Scavnicky (eighth, 1:04.18) and Nayh (14th, 1:07.06); 100 free: Moore (fourth, 56.39), Jarzembowski (seventh, 57.86), Filipowicz (11th, 58.10) and Zayan (13th, 58.84); 500 free: Westphal (third, 5:12.94) and Yan (11th, 5:30.79); 200 free relay: Team of Maccadino, Mroz, Filipowicz and Jarzembowski (second,

1:44.41); 100 back: Pum-

per (fifth, 1:01.08), Lee (11th, 1:06.53), Mroz (12th, 1:06.94) and Gutowski (15th, 1:07.58); 100 breaststroke: Lohman (fifth, 1:10.54) and Jarzembowski (eighth, 1:12.92); and the 400 free relay: Team of Pumper, Mroz, Maccadino and Westphal (third, 3:43.5).

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Northville's Alisssa Moore was part of the 200 medley relay team, which also consisted of Nicki Pumper, Sarah Lohman, and Laura Westphal, that took first place against crosstown rival Novi. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

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## Page continues to excel on the links

Senior golfer leads team with even-par performance

> **By Sam Eggleston**  ${\sf Correspondent}$

Chloe Page is making the best of her senior year and it's obvious each and every time she swings the golf club.

Two weeks ago, when the Mustangs took on Central Division foe Livonia Churchill, that swing of Page's was as good as it has been all season as she recorded an impressive even-par 36 to lead Northville to a dominant 174-224 victory over the Chargers.

"Our team has really been playing well as of

**ON TAP** 

The Northville girls golf team is slated to begin postseason play in the MHSAA regional this week.

late," Northville coach Jeff Balagna said. "We seem to be peaking at the right time.

"I am so proud of the effort our girls are putting in each week. During practice, they are very focused and that focus is starting to show during our matches.'

Page's performance arned her the medalist position in the match and was her season-best.

"Chloe is the perfect team leader," Balagna said of the four-year varsity player and the team's only senior. "She is hard working and a



Northville's Katie Childers, a junior, recorded a 40 in the recent victory over Livonia Churchill.

role model for the underclassmen on the team. She is exactly what

coaches look for when trying to decide on captains for their team. I couldn't have asked for a better leader to take charge of this team during my first year as the head coach.'

Balagna said Page's dedication during the off-season has really helped spark her phenomenal senior year and noted that her commitment to the sport and to her team was an excellent example for underclassmen to follow.

"I know the freshmen and sophomores really look up to her," Balagna said. "Chloe carries herself with so much class on and off the golf course. She's a great representative for North-

ville golf.' Katie Childers, a junior, also had an outstanding performance and recorded a 40, while junior Nicole Saez and sophomore Alyse Clevenger each carded a 49. Junior Elizabeth McGowan recorded a 50 and junior Gerianna Dauber rounded out the scoring with a 56.

The victory pushed Northville's record to 5-1 overall and 4-1 in the Central Division.

The Mustangs also played Sept. 28 in the Novi Invitational tournament and came away with a fifth-place finish in a field of 20 teams. They recorded a team score of 376, led by Page's 87 that was solid enough for an eighthplace individual finish.

"We struggled a little bit out there today, but I am still pleased with the way we finished," Balagna said. 'Even though we didn't play our best, we stayed positive and battled through some rough spots during the tournament."

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# Boys harriers race to Wayne County crown

Squad also tops Novi in Central Division race

> **By Sam Eggleston** Correspondent

It was the kind of week that makes coaches and fans alike realize just how ready the Northville boys cross country team is for the postseason.

The squad, coached by Chris Cronin, put up two impressive wins last week, topping Central Division rival Novi, 22-35, before simply dominating the Wayne County championships a few days

In the Wayne County meet, the Mustangs finished with 21 points, well ahead of secondplace Plymouth, which had 85 points. Finishing in third was Livonia Churchill, with 106

Taking the lead for the Mustangs right from the start and crossing the finish line just seconds apart were Nick Noles and Jason Ferrante.

Noles took first in 16:01, while Ferrante finished second in 16:09.

As the Mustangs came into the final 1,000 meters, the race was a bit bunched up, but Noles used an extended kick to pull ahead of the pack and earn the top spot.

"Nick was going for the win today," Cronin said. "We had looked at the field and felt that our top guys would be control-



Northville begins the race against Novi. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

ling the pace after the mile."

Ferrante's time was not only impressive, it was his best ever as he shaved an outstanding 31 seconds off his previous

"Jason has become a more consistent runner this season and we've worked on getting him in a position to use his speed from the track," Cronin said. "Today he put it all together and the results followed.'

Next in for Northville was Conor Naughton, who placed fourth with a time of 16:18, while Sean McCullough finished a half step behind him for fifth in 16:19.

Rounding out Northville's top five was Dan Sims, the all-state senior harrier who has been sidelined with an injury

for more than a month. He finished ninth overall in 16:37. He was held back with a prescribed pace for the first half of the race before he was allowed to open up fully and challenge the field.

"A lot of great things happened today, but seeing Dan back in the orange and black has to be tops," Cronin said of Sims, who was Northville's first ever boys champion at the Wayne County race last sea-

#### Northville 22, Novi 35

Three days before winning the Wayne County meet, the Mustangs kept their dual meet season unblemished with a win over Novi.

The victory was Northville's fourth straight dual meet win

over its crosstown rival.

Unsurprisingly, it was Noles who crossed the line ahead of the rest of the field, finishing first in 16:25. Not too far behind him was Novi's top runner, Brian Barnes, who ran 16:30 for second place and broke up the Mustangs' pack and forced McCullough, Ferrante and Naughton across in the third, fourth and fifth positions, respectively.

'We knew that Novi would come ready to run, that's just who they are and how they are coached," Cronin said.

'At one point, I thought we had the first four places, but Novi's top runner, Brian Barnes, clawed his way back into second over the last 1,000 meters. We pride ourselves on how we finish races; therefore,

The Northville boys cross country team will be back on the course when it runs in the KLAA meet next

I take my hat off to Barnes, his effort was impressive.'

And while Barnes did showcase quite a bit of grit in his second-place performance, it was Noles who set the pace for the rest of the runners to either follow or be left behind.

"Nick has the ability to get out quick and find a rhythm that makes other runners uncomfortable," Cronin said. "American running legend Steve Prefontaine always talked about the idea of creating a pure guts race and that's Nick's approach to racing. If it's a suffer-fest, you can expect to see Nick at the front of the race.'

The following three runners across the finish line were all clad in green and white, with Joost Plaetinck, Sahisnu Malapati and Cameron Misko taking sixth, seventh and eighth, respectively.

Northville rounded out the top 10 with Ben Cracraft in ninth and Jacob Kamm in 10th, while Peter Martin finished 11th for Northville.

Northville is currently ranked second in the state.

Sam Eggleston is a freelance writer covering sports for the Northville Record and Novi News

## Catholic Central downs U-D Jesuit in 69th Boys Bowl

Victory marks fifth straight time Shamrocks have won annual contest

> **By Sam Eggleston** Correspondent

A walk down the halls of Detroit Catholic Central High School last week would have told you all you need to know about the importance of the Boys Bowl to the football program.

**Baseball tryouts** 

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Baseball Association.

Northville G-League House League, as well as

#### **ON TAP**

Detroit Catholic Central will be back on the field when it hosts Orchard Lake St. Mary's at 7 p.m. Saturday.

Lining the halls were hand-made posters cheering the Shamrocks to a win over Catholic High School League foe University of Detroit-Jesuit. There was even an assembly that reverberated with the pride the student body

holds for its gridders. The football team took all of the praise and the desire for victory to heart and came away with the program's fifth straight Boys Bowl triumph with a convincing 42-3 decision over U-D.

The victory puts the Shamrocks at 5-1 and 1-1 in the CHSL Central Division. They need just one more victory to guarantee a place in the MHSAA playoffs.

The playoffs were the last thing on the minds of the Shamrocks when they kicked off to the Cubs to start the game

last Sunday. First and foremost on the agenda was shutting down U-D, which fell to 4-2 overall and 0-2 in the CHSL with the loss. Catholic Central's focus paid off as it forced a three-and-out and then took the ball right down the field and scored on a run from 1 yard by Dylan Roney to go up, 7-0, with five minutes left in the first quar-

The Shamrocks took their next possession across the goal line as well, this time on a 66yard run by Zach Bock that put his squad in the lead, 14-0.

The Cubs did manage to cut into that advantage, hitting a field goal to make it a 14-3 contest, but the Shamrocks didn't even seem to notice as they scored on a carry by fullback Nick Giese to go up 21-3 before the half.

Giese added another touchdown to open the second half and then added another in the third quarter following a 40-yard scamper by Connor Holton that found its

way into the end zone. When the smoke

cleared, the Shamrocks led 42-3 with almost a minute left in the third quarter In the fourth, the

Shamrocks' scoring cooled off, but the team was able to get valuable experience in one of the season's biggest games for many of its younger gridders.

Sam Eggleston is a freelance writer covering sports for the Northville Record and Novi News

#### **SPORTS BRIEFS**

The Champions Prebe held from 10 a.m. to the Northville High player Brandon Cassise will conduct the clinic.

Areas of focus will include shooting, dribing and team concepts.

The cost is \$35 at the door (cash or check only), with \$5 from each participant being donated in memory of Lisa Christensen. The clinic fees include instruction, basketball to take home and a shooting contest. Please preregister at championsyouthbasket-

ball@gmail.com. Include players name, grade, email address and telephone number.

#### Canoe race

Teams are still needed for the first Logjam Classic Canoe Race on the Rouge River, which will take place Saturday, Oct. 12. The three-mile race takes place in Wayne County's Lower Rouge Parkway in city of Wayne as part of the Rouge-A-

Teams consist of two paddlers and will be timed. Only 30 boats will

be entered in the race. To register or for more information, contact Kurt Kuban at 734-716-0783 or visit the Rouge-A-Palooza page on Facebook.

#### **Basketball clinic**

season Youth Basketball Clinic for grades K-6 will noon Saturday, Oct. 12, at School gymnasium. Former Oakland University

bling, rebounding, pass-

#### Palooza festival.

#### **FOOTBALL**

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say before heading into the locker room as they scored on a 59-yard jaunt by Wieland to hold a 42-17 advantage at the

The third quarter belonged to the Cougars, as they scored on a 34yard pass-and-catch play and added another touchdown with a 7-yard run to cut into the Northville lead, 42-30.

Northville scored the final points of the game in the fourth quarter on a 5-yard run with a failed two-point conversion to cap the scoring, 48-30.

Northville picked up 428 yards of offense in the game, with the majority coming from the ground game, with 231 yards on 38 carries. Hewlett led the team with 182 yards on 6-for-12 passing with two touchdowns, one two-point conversion and an interception. He also had 150 yards on 15 carries and scored twice. Wieland picked up 73 yards on four carries and had two touchdowns.

Stegmeyer was once again Northville's top receiver, as he snagged

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING The Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, October 29, 2013 at the

Northville Township Municipal Offices, 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, Michigan 48168. The

Planning Commission will consider a Special Land Use and Rezoning of property located at

41660 Six Mile Road (northeast corner of Six Mile and Winchester). The proposal is to rezone the property from Public Recreation and Open Space (PROS) to Office Service District (OS).

The site is the location of the former Charter Township of Northville Finance Department and the proposed rezoning and special land use will convert the use of the building back to a financial institution with drive through capability. The meeting will begin at 7:30 PM.

The public is invited to attend this public hearing and express their comments or ask questions.

Plans will be available for viewing at the Township office between 8:00 A.M. and 4:30 P.M.,

Monday through Friday and on the Township's website at www.twp.northville.mi.us. Written

comments will be received by the Northville Township Planning Commission at 44405 Six

three receptions for 107 yards. He was the only receiver to catch more than one pass.

Defensively, the Mustangs were led by Cheslik, who not only led his team with 11 tackles, but snagged two interceptions in the process.

Priebe picked up 10 tackles and Kevin Back added eight tackles, including six solo, while Jack Ernst had seven and Chris Komorous had six.

The Cougars put up some impressive numbers, picking up 429 yards of total offense, with 279 coming from the air on 21 completions.

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#### NORTHVILLE STALLIONS ROUNDUP

#### **Varsity Stallions** fall to Rockets

The varsity Stallions (2-4) had a tough go at it Sunday, losing to the Farmington Rockets, 26-14. Five minutes into the first quarter, the Stallions were looking tough with a pass by Jonathan Michalak and a run by Shane Rankin for their first touch-

Protecting the line were Jordan Grewe, Alex Ajlouny, Spencer Ishaq, Joey Bahu and Keaton Strunk. The Rockets caught up, making it a 6-6 game. Strunk recovered a fumble, giving the ball back to Stallions. The Rockets' defense kept the Stallions from finishing off the touchdown. Key blocks were made by Enzo Rodriquez, Michael Williams. Jack Pevovar, Kevin Townsend and Michalak on defense.

The Rockets had another touchdown

before the half, making the score 12-6.

After halftime, Alec Stathakis made a great catch, getting the Stallions closer to the goal. Again, the Rockets' defense stopped the Stallions short of the end zone.

The Stallions recovered another fumble, knocked out by Michael Williams and caught by Ajlouny. Pevovar and Tyler Troyer drove it down for two first downs, although stopped again short of a touchdown.

In the fourth quarter, 4:25 left in the game, Stathakis ran through many Rockets getting the Stallions close to a score. Michalak threw a short pass to Parker Dietrich and a then a long pass to Troyer, who ran it in for a touchdown. Grant Hood made his two-point kick for a final score of 26-

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#### NORTHVILLE COLTS ROUNDUP

down Orioles The Northville Colts varsity squad defeated the Livonia Orioles 26-8

over the weekend. Opening on defense Saturday afternoon, Elisha Gash kicked off into Orioles territory. With good defensive tactics by

**Varsity Colts shoot** 

Evan Carson, Anthony Abbott, Jersivine Mann and Jacob Weisfopf, Anthony Abbott put the Colts on the scoreboard,

After several attempts by the Orioles, they were no match for Colts. Abbott recovered a fumble going into halftime and Emile Rizk, who broke

his collarbone before the season started, nearly recorded a sack for a safety before the half.

The third quarter began with a long rushing touchdown by Abbott to push the score to 12-0. The Orioles' Drew Brooks put their mark on the board and an extra two-point kick, making it

Jack Vitale recovered a fumble early in the third and Joey Borthwick scored a Northville touchdown, making it 19-8. Abe Khoury completed a quarterback sneak for a final score of

– By Jillian Rizk

#### Catholic Central continues to get mixed results

Squad has ups and downs in Catholic League and beyond

> By Sam Eggleston Correspondent

The old sports adage goes: You win some, you lose some. Right now, few teams know that quite as well as Detroit Catholic Central's soccer

The squad, coached by Gene Pulice, have had its

#### **ON TAP**

The Detroit Catholic Central soccer team will be back on the pitch when it visits Farmington Hills Harrison at 7 p.m. today before playing in the state districts.

fair share of ups and downs this season, a trend that has continued the past couple of weeks.

Most recently, the team took on DeLaSalle and found itself in a pretty one-sided affair, despite the final score coming out at 1-0.

The Shamrocks came out and immediately

controlled the tempo, scoring the opening goal off a strong kick by Paul Wiedmaier just 19 seconds into the game to hold a 1-0 advantage. And while the team wasn't able to score any more goals, it did have several near-misses and dominated the game on the defensive side.

Earning the shutout for the Shamrocks was goalie Alex Pastor.

The Shamrocks also took a tough loss Sept. 26 to a well-coached North Farmington team, 2-1, and fell the day before that against DeLaSalle, 4-2, after trailing 3-0 at the half. The squad also played Sept. 24 to a 1-1 draw with Brother Rice.

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#### **VOLLEYBALL**

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and was looking to knock Northville down a peg.

"Salem was a highenergy, never-quit team," she said. "I was impressed with how much they have improved since earlier this season specifically their defense and pursuit.'



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#### Against Salem, the Mustangs picked up some impressive team totals that included 14 aces, 26 perfect serve receive passes, two solo

ing from seven different players - and 68 digs. The team recorded its fewest missed serves and highest serve receive

percentage of any game

and three assist blocks,

43 assists, 44 kills – com-

this season. Individually, Symone Abbot led Northville with 14 kills, while Olivia Landis had seven and Makenna Strunk and Chloe Kiple each had six. Picking up 27 digs was Cassidy Minghine, while Julia Colasanti and Abbott had

10 digs each. Northville also benefited from the 18 assists from Rachel Zawodny and the 16 from Kat Boss, while Boss added four aces and Borthwick, Zawodny and Abbott had two aces each.

Northville also had two blocks each from Landis, Kiple and Olivia Boiseneau.

Northville is currently 27-10-6 and 6-1 in Central Division play.

In the win over South Lyon, the Mustangs picked up 10 aces, 19 perfect serve receive passes, six blocks, 28 assists, 28 kills and 49

"All 15 players on the roster contributed to this three-set victory to-night," Yaklin said. "It was exciting to see two freshmen (Emily Martin and Borthwick) and two

sophomores (Lindsey Rathsburg, and Anna Mae Crowley) close out the final set."

Crowley, Yaklin pointed out, had the gamewinning kill.

Leading the team with three aces was Abbott, while Minghine, Colasanti and Boss all had two each. Picking up six perfect serve receive passes was Colasanti, while Minghine had five.

Leading the team with blocks was Kiple, who had one solo and two assists, while Emily Martin and Boiseneau had two assisted blocks each.

Abbot added 12 kills to her season total, while Boss collected 19 assists and Zawodny had 15 and Minghine added 16 digs to lead her team.

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man sits atop the all-time record board with her performance against Novi, while Shahrigian has the second-fastest and Barrott the thirdfastest time in school history.

"I am thrilled to see how the girls attacked the race today on a day where they could have run easy," Smith said. "This shows how determined they are to reach both individual and team

"With Shahrigian back in the lineup, we have a solid one-two-three. Coleman and Barrott have had the best season of their careers and continue to excel day in and day out."

Northville finished it perfect day as it went on to claim the next four places, with Zimmer taking fourth in 19:17 followed by Eckenroth in fifth (19:21) and Herrmann in sixth (19:26).

Mosteller rounded out the amazing race with a time of 19:53 for seventh.

In total, Northville had 15 girls in the top 20 finishers.

"To have two packs together in the front running perfectly and helping each other along the way shows how they benefit from training and racing together," Smith

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Surrounded by loyal employees and customers, owner Cathy Sclabassi (center) does the honor of cutting the ribbon for the grand opening of Redford Jewelry & Coin. To her right is her mom Anna Hazen.



# Redford Jewelry & Coin cuts ribbon at new Northville store

Redford Jewelry & Coin recently held a grand-opening celebration and ribbon-cutting ceremony at its new store located at 15386 N. Haggerty Road in Northville Township.

The business moved from Redford Township, where it had been a fixture on Six Mile Road for nearly 30 years.

Located on the northeast corner of Haggerty and Five Mile in the Haggerty-Five Gateway Center, the new store is larger with more than 3,600 square feet of retail space.

"We had many wonderful years in Redford Township and we are now looking forward to this next chapter

serving a new community with our quality jewelry and coins along with our expertise," owner/operator Cathy Sclabassi said

"Our mission is simple," she said. "Provide excellent customer service and quality products at competitive prices. We are dedicated to providing an unparalleled experience for each and every one of our clients."

Northville Township Trustee Fred Shadko welcomed Redford Jewelry & Coin to the area on behalf of the Northville Township Board of Trustees and Supervisor Rob-

"This area is prosperous and energetic and Redford

Jewelry & Coin's show of confidence in Northville Township is genuinely appreciated. Let the business be-

gin," he said.

Redford Jewelry & Coin
specializes in diamonds, fine jewelry, watches, jewelry repair and rare coins, with one of the largest rare coin inventories in the Detroit

Its staff includes a master jeweler with more than 30 years experience in design and repair and numismatists specializing in coins, precious metals and paper money.

For more information, visit www.redfordjewelryandcoin.com or call 866-341-8617 or locally 734-667-1204.

## CFCU among 'best' companies to work for

For the eighth year in a row, Community Financial Credit Union has been included in Metro Detroit's 101 Best and Brightest Companies To Work For. This award recognizes companies for excellence in human resources practices that create exceptional work environments.

The 101 Best and Brightest Companies to Work For is an awards competition providing the business community with the opportunity to gain recognition, showcase their best practices and demonstrate why they are an ideal place for employees to work.

Awards are based on detailed questionnaires completed by nominated companies and their employees.

Companies provide information about work place communication, work-life balance, employee education, diversity, employee recognition, retention, and other elements of the work environ-

The 2013 award competition included 1,000 nominations and more than 400 applications. All companies that participate receive reports that compare their human

resources practices with an aggregate of other companies'

Community Financial Credit Union, which is head-quartered in Plymouth and has more than 50,000 members, has several local branches including in downtown Northville at 400 E. Main St. CFCU membership is open to anyone who lives, works, worships, or attends school in 23 Michigan coun-

"This award depends in large part on data collected from Community Financial team members and we appreciate their recognition of Community Financial as a great place to work. We participate in this program as a way to help attract and retain the best team members to fulfill Community Financial's purpose of enhancing the financial well-being of every member," said Kathleen Hinchcliff, CFCU's manager of education and develop-

For more information about Community Financial Credit Union, visit www.cfcu-.org or call 877-937-2328.

#### **BUSINESS BRIEFS**

#### Candy buy back

Rangel Orthodontics, located at 125 Cadycentre, will buy back candy from trick or treaters who turn in their candy at the downtown Northville office on Nov. 1 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. (office closed for lunch from 12:15-2 p.m.). Trick or Treaters will receive \$1 for every pound of candy brought to the office, Dr. Rangel will then match for a cash donation, which will go to a local

For more information, contact Rangel Orthodontics at 248-348-8400.

#### Mental health screenings

Cruz Clinic will be offering free mental health screenings from 10 a.m-.to 7 p.m. on Oct. 17 at Laurel Park Mall, 37700 Six Mile Road in Livonia.

National Depression Screening Day, held on Oct. 17, serves as a supportive community initiative to connect the public with mental health screenings. Through this program Cruz Clinic is offering no cost mental health screenings inside the mall by the entrance to Carson's. No appointment is necessary to participate in the mental health screenings.

Mental health screenings are a free and easy way for people to monitor their mental health and learn about local treatment options. This year, more than 1,000 organizations including community centers, hospitals and colleges across the country are hosting National Depression Screening Day events.

Recent statistics from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention show that about half of American adults will develop a mental illness at some point in their lifetime," says Ida Goutman, administrator of Cruz Clinic. "It's important to learn the signs and

#### **GET IT LISTED**

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symptoms of depression, such as changes in appetite, loss of energy or loss of interest in your usual activities, as well as the necessary steps you can take to improve your health."

outpatient mental health center which has provided comprehensive counseling services in the metro-Detroit area for more than 35 years. For more information, visit www.MyCruzClin-

#### **Detroit Diesel Retiree Club**

The Detroit Diesel Retiree Club will hold its annual luncheon and business meeting on Thursday, Oct. 17 at the Laurel Manor Banquet & Conference Center, 39000 Schoolcraft, Livonia. It's primarily a social club that provides information to its members about items which may impact all retirees of Detroit Diesel Corporation from GM,

Cost to attend the luncheon is \$23.

For information on the luncheon and pre-registration, contact Robert Pavol, membership director, at 734-455-2668, email jrpavol64@prodigy.net or John Leidlein, president, 313-863-8850, email

Cruz Clinic, located in Livonia, is an

through the current ownership

Retirees who cannot attend the luncheon or wish to register for future mailings can purchase the roster for \$3.

dieseljml@aol.com.

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#### **CHAMBER CHAT**

#### **Annual meeting**

The Northville Chamber of Commerce will host its annual meeting from 5:30-7:30 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 16 at Fleming's Prime Steakhouse and Wine Bar, 17400 Haggerty Road in Livo-

Join Chamber members and community leaders for this networking and annual business meeting. Signature hot /cold hors d'oeuvres will be served, and there will be a cash bar. The cost is \$25 per person.

Please RSVP by Oct. 11 to tracisin-

cock@northville.org. The program includes the chamber's annual operational review, recognition of the Citizen of the Year, and naming the election of board members.

For more information, visit www.northville.org or call the chamber at 248-349-7640.

#### Parade applications

The Chamber of Commerce is now accepting applications for the annual Northville Holiday Lighted Parade, which is scheduled for Friday, Nov. 22,

This year's theme is "Miracle on Main Street." Awards will be given for Best Parade Theme, Best Holiday Spirit, and Mayor's Choice.

Applications are due by Nov. 15. Stop by the chamber officer for an applica-

tion. For more information, visit www.northville.org or call the chamber at 248-349-7640.

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# REAL ESTATE

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# Industry pro tapped for national Leadership Academy

By Julie Brown

Staff Writer

Realtor Sara Lipnitz of Birmingham was thrilled to be chosen for the 2014 Leadership Academy of the National Association of Realtors.

"It's a very coveted position. Hundreds of people apply," said Lipnitz, who's with SKBK Sotheby's International in Birmingham. Peers in the industry weigh in on selection.

Lipnitz will be involved in a program to educate professionals "on a higher level, Realtors in the industry.

A statement notes "The Leadership Academy identifies, inspires and mentors emerging leaders from the local and state level for the National Association of Realtors." She is looking forward to learning opportunities.

"You get additional education," she said. "It's a little more in depth."

She'll learn about home ownership advocacy in the yearlong process. There are some half dozen meetings ranging from Chicago, New Orleans and Washington, D.C.

Lipnitz is married to Doug and mom to the couple's 4-year-old son. Their household also includes two family dogs.

She's been in the residential real estate field around 13 years, with a total of 22 in the industry. Lipnitz agreed with other real estate pros the market is im-

"We've had a very robust year and we've seen a nice leveling out in the marketplace," she said.

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Sara Lipnitz

#### **REAL ESTATE BRIEFS**

Weichert Realtors - Cass Realty's Novi office manager/Career Specialist Jennifer Lahiff has returned from the Weichert Management

Academy "armed with tools that provide all Weichert franchisees a solid foundation and the confidence to manage the business as never before," said Kirk Miller, director of the pro-

**Training** 

gram. The weeklong program is held four

times throughout each year for new affiliates or for anyone who wants to attend as a refresher course and to network with new franchisees.

"We feel good about being part of the Weichert family at this juncture in real estate," said broker/owner Ronald La-Casse. "Weichert has remained in tune with changing demands and insists that affiliates are up-to-date and well educated," he said, citing the franchise organization's Management Academy sessions as a prime example.

Weichert Real Estate Affiliates, Inc. (WREA) announced its first affiliate in 2002 and by 2005 was identified by En-

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trepreneur magazine as one of the fastest growing U.S. franchises. The publication's January 2013 issue declared that Weichert Real Estate Affiliates ranked No. 2 among all other competitors in its 2013 Franchise 500. Currently, affiliates serve some 240 markets in 37 states. One-stop shopping, relocation outreach, top-ranked Internet presence, agent training and leads direct to agents contribute to the Weichert reputation.

#### **Short sales**

If you owe more than what your house is worth, you may be interested in a free informational seminar on short sale procedures. Many sellers are misinformed or not sure about how the procedures work. Organizers will also discuss the internal workings of short sales and the different steps involved.

Bonnie David, broker/owner of Quantum Real Estate, is the presenter. It will be 6-7 p.m. Thursdays at 129 N. Lafayette, downtown South Lyon.

Additional parking across the street in back. Please call the office at 248-782-7130 or email june.quantum@gmail.com for your reservation or additional information.

#### Seminar on Tuesdays, Thursdays

A free seminar on government-insured reverse mortgages is offered by Colonial Mortgage Corp. on Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. and Thursdays at 2 p.m., held at various locations.

RSVP with Colonial Mortgage at 800-260-5484.

#### Free foreclosure tours

Free foreclosure tours are 1 p.m. every other Sunday. Meeting place is Panera Bread on the southeast corner of Middlebelt and I-96.

Email Georgia@addedvaluerealty.com or visit FreeForeclosureTour.com.

#### **Investors**

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

Meetings are at 7:30 p.m. each first Tuesday of the month at the Red Lobster

on Eureka in Southgate. Members are free, guests \$20, which will be applied to their membership.

Any questions or concerns, call Wayde Koehler at 313-277-4168.

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# School can help on housing information

Q: I have a son who plans to attend Heidelberg University in Germany. Do you have any information as to housing?

A: The city is increasing in population with many new apartments in the new area of town being constructed. Moreover, the barracks which house 3,000 Amer-



ican soldiers, who are leaving this year, will be transformed into housing for students and others. Also, check with the university

Q: The attorney for our condominium association was hired by the managing agent when the developer controlled the association board. When the board was turned over to the co-owners, the same attorney recommended a settlement with the developer which several of the board members thought was inappropriate. Should a second opinion have been obtained?

A: It sounds like, unfortunately, a frequent occurrence by certain developers who hire a particular management company who hires a particular attorney favorable to the developer even though the attorney is representing the association. Obviously, there is always an issue when the attorney representing the association controlled by the developer continues to represent the association after the turnover, particularly, when there is an appearance of impropriety on the part of the management company hiring an attorney who has frequently represented associations in these types of situations. The board should have gotten a second opinion or, frankly, an independent opinion from an attorney who may have had his or her bread buttered by the management company controlled by the developer. It is also possible that the board may have incurred liability in relying on this attorney's advice and/or the attorney himself or herself may be culpable for malfeasance and/or a conflict of interest. The old axiom goes "if there is smoke, there is generally fire," and "if it smells fishy, it is usually a dead fish."

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Robert M. Meisner is a lawyer and

#### HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-WAYNE COUNTY

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These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of June 24-28, 2013, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses and sales prices.

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7914 Alton St
8040 Alton St
2088 Arcadia Dr
920 Aylesbury Ct
7003 Becky Dr
408 Brittany Dr
6622 Brookshire Dr
3922 Brookstone Dr
203 Concord Dr
644 Constitution St
7060 Copper Creek Cir
41415 Copper Creek Dr
45741 Drexel Rd
244 Edington Cir
7453 Emerson Dr
50639 FEDERAL BLVD
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2	280 Queen Anne Dr
4	14740 Ridgefield Rd
	3532 Riverside Dr
2	230 Selkirk St
	11949 Sunderland Dr
-	700 Sutten Dr
	GARDEN CITY
	30814 Barton St
	1517 Farmington Rd
	27602 Ford Rd
	44 Radcliff St
	IVONIA
	86743 Angeline Cir
	88166 Ann Arbor Trl
	4821 Arden St
	34419 Burton Ln
	10003 Cavell St
	28611 Clarita St
	331 Colorado St
	365 Colorado St
	35234 Elmira St
	86368 Fairway Dr
	33027 Fargo St
	1758 Farmington Rd
	18217 Foch St
	9810 Fremont St
	29173 Grandon St
	11121 Karen St
	9835 Lamar Ln
	16503 Middlebelt Rd
	37892 N Laurel Park Dr 3819 Norman Ave
	8819 Norman Ave 85971 Perth St
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42371 Old Bridge Rd

1194 Paddington Rd

43936 Orleans Ct

\$205,000	19442 Rensellor St
\$178,000	19359 Shadyside St
\$380,000	18367 University Park Dr
\$60,000	30169 Vassar St
\$319,000	31124 W Chicago St
\$169,000	17235 Wayne Rd
\$242,000	9387 Westwind Dr
\$150,000	20047 Weyher St
\$188,000	27455 Whitcomb St
\$163,000	15623 Williams St
	14001 Woodside St
\$63,000	NORTHVILLE
\$70,000	40241 Fairway III Rd
\$325,000	45837 Greenridge Dr
\$77,000	224 Lake St
	42750 Lyric Ct
\$80,000	19370 Malvern Ct
\$50,000	15923 Morningside
\$98,000	19727 Pierson Dr
\$260,000	412 Randolph St
\$84,000	17714 Rolling Woods Cir
<b>\$</b> 45,000	49064 Running Trout Ln
<b>\$148,</b> 000	16958 Sycamore Ct
\$126,000	PLYMOUTH
\$160,000	1450 Ann Arbor Rd W
<b>\$48,</b> 000	898 Arthur St
\$25,000	45800 Beacon Hill Cir
\$91,000	48763 Beaver Creek Dr
\$103,000	46800 Bettyhill
\$64,000	48076 Colony Farms Cir
\$126,000	1320 Hartsough St
\$120,000	44737 Lynn Dr
\$136,000	440 N Harvey St
\$50,000	40812 Newport Dr
\$179,000	49816 Plymouth Way
\$180,000	9611 Shearson Ct
\$140,000	1231 Sheridan St

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	\$120,000	20520 Dalby	\$23,000
	\$75,000	17461 Delaware Ave	\$40,000
	\$139,000	18255 Delaware Ave	\$40,000
	\$145,000	18829 Denby	\$36,000
	\$324,000	15517 Norborne	\$27,000
	\$150,000	26130 W Six Mile Rd	<b>\$119,</b> 000
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	\$180,000	24624 W Chicago	\$25,000
	\$135,000	26812 W Chicago	\$64,000
	<b>\$185,</b> 000	9094 Winston	\$60,000
		WAYNE	
	\$331,000	36864 Greenbush Ct	\$38,000
	\$450,000	35008 Richard St	<b>\$56,</b> 000
	\$230,000	4519 Washington St	\$53,000
	\$115,000	5239 Woodward St	<b>\$58,</b> 000
	\$112,000	WESTLAND	
	\$153,000	33930 Arrowhead St	\$90,000
	\$391,000	32372 Avondale St	\$64,000
	\$115,000	32634 Avondale St	\$95,000
•	\$487,000	33667 Avondale St	\$78,000
	\$490,000	30850 Barrington St	\$34,000
	\$410,000	35055 Bock St	\$80,000
		29256 Brody Ave	\$102,000
	\$50,000	31601 Hazelwood St	\$44,000
	\$163,000	32501 Hazelwood St	\$110,000
	\$370,000	38554 Milton St	\$92,000
	\$323,000	7791 N Henry Ruff Rd	\$147,000
	\$316,000	35439 Pheasant Ln	\$83,000
	\$150,000	8327 Randy Dr	\$93,000
	\$270,000	8711 Randy Dr	\$118,000
	\$105,000	1750 Regene St	\$94,000
	\$415,000	1891 S Harvey Ave	\$20,000
	\$90,000	1595 Selma St	\$68,000
	\$147,000	30860 Stephen Ct	\$110,000
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#### HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-OAKLAND COUN

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of June 3-7, 2013, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

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BEVERLY HILLS	
18150 Dunblaine Ave	\$400,000
16020 Kinross Ave	\$340,000
31816 Sheridan Dr	\$220,000
31427 Sleepy Hollow Ln	\$346,000
31282 W Rutland St	\$192,000
BIRMINGHAM	
582 Bennaville Ave	\$191,000
995 Canterbury St	\$414,000
212 Catalpa Dr	\$425,000
425 Catalpa Dr	<b>\$947,</b> 000
1052 Chester St	<b>\$617,</b> 000
1099 Emmons Ave	\$410,000
1506 Fairway Dr	\$240,000
868 Hazel St	<b>\$69</b> 5,000
1564 Penistone St	\$170,000
1126 Puritan Ave	\$2,150,000
1903 S Bates St	\$190,000
647 Watkins St	\$919,000
BLOOMFIELD HILLS	

3570 Larkwood Ct

4062 Overlea Ln

11 Hidden Rdg
1829 Stonycroft Ln
40760 Woodward Ave
Unit 48
<b>BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP</b>
3920 Brookside Dr
4089 Cranbrook Ct
1675 Dell Rose Dr
1018 Glenwood Ct
6478 Maple Hills Dr
5961 Miller Way E
7457 Paddle Wheel Ct
5658 S Adams Way
1230 S Timberview Trl
2605 Sequoia Ct
374 Tilbury Rd
3570 Tuckahoe Rd
4180 Valley Forge Rd
4580 W Maple Rd
COMMERCE TOWNSHIP
1701 Applebrook Dr
6161 Carey Rd
8913 Gittins St
755 Hummerside Ct
8676 Hummingbird

2000 Nacona

827 Canterbury Cres

2886 Colonial Trl 2042 E Hammond Lake Dr

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\$543,000	8612 Palomino Dr
\$238,000	4513 Racewood Dr
\$189,000	5360 Riverwalk Trl
2,038,000	363 Starling St
\$190,000	4852 Surfwood Dr
\$165,000	3988 Vanstone Dr
	FARMINGTON
	32718 Grand River Ave
\$365,000	Unit B
\$495,000	35479 Heritage Ln
\$430,000	33614 Hillcrest Dr
\$432,000	29737 Pine Ridge Cir
\$165,000	FARMINGTON HILLS
\$435,000	34905 Bridgeman St
\$345,000	37443 Chesterfield Ct
\$264,000	31176 Country Way
\$239,000	23349 Elmgrove St
\$575,000	37778 Emerald Forest Dr
\$725,000	24720 Farmington Rd
\$600,000	28328 Harwich Dr
\$549,000	30513 Huntsman Dr W
\$545,000	35093 Knollwood Ln
	28356 Parkhill St
\$510,000	21719 Parklane St
\$265,000	29603 Shenandoah Dr
\$127,000	25 <b>88</b> 7 Skye Dr
\$185,000	29739 Sugar Spring Rd
\$318,000	21738 Tulane Ave
\$149,000	28291 Wildwood Trl

\$145,000	22100 Wingate Ct
\$242,000	MILFORD
\$257,000	1725 Burns Rd
\$140,000	2937 E Buno Rd
\$370,000	1150 Hunter Ct
\$290,000	375 Martindale
	2736 Stone Meadow Dr
\$45,000	601 Telya Rdg
	NORTHVILLE
\$110,000	52079 Carrington Dr
\$240,000	41731 Onaway Dr
\$105,000	51150 Park Place Dr
	51221 Park Place Dr
\$116,000	22584 Poppleton Dr
\$165,000	22204 Roberts Dr
\$110,000	20850 Turnberry Blvd
\$203,000	21590 Woodfarm Dr
\$320,000	834 Yorktown Ct
\$200,000	NOVI
\$375,000	25750 Beck Rd
\$300,000	28340 Clymer Dr
\$171,000	22835 Cranbrooke Dr
\$43,000	44615 Ellery Ln
\$257,000	50820 Glades Ct E
\$290,000	41582 Hamlet Ln
\$130,000	50505 Langley Dr
\$178,000	25 <b>689</b> Lochmoor Ln
\$39,000	22329 Peachtree
<b>\$95,</b> 000	25844 Shoreline Dr

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1155 South Lake Dr Unit 71	\$85,000
24063 Wintergreen Cir	\$499,000
44013 Winthrop Dr	\$295,000
45039 Yorkshire Dr	\$225,000
SOUTH LYON	, ,
323 E Liberty St	\$165,000
53702 Edgewood Dr	\$315,000
799 Glen Meadows Dr	\$30,000
1044 Paddock Dr	\$232,000
59292 Peters Barn Dr	\$81,000
23600 Spy Glass HI N	\$405,000
57950 10 Mile Rd	\$178,000
216 University Ave	\$120,000
SOUTHFIELD	
20101 Covington Pkwy	\$107,000
27510 Devonshire St	\$119,000
15837 Harden Cir	\$143,000
25100 Pierce St	\$75,000
30255 Pleasant Trl	\$142,000
29425 Red Leaf Dr	\$105,000
22650 Shevington Dr	\$200,000
19670 Villa Dr S	\$60,000
19920 Villa Dr S	\$70,000
28314 W Kalong Cir	\$104,000
20220 Winchester St	\$63,000
WHITE LAKE	
903 Roman Dr	\$174,000
9180 Steephollow Dr	\$177,000