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All proceeds help the library and its programming. For more information, contact the library at 248-349-3020.

Northville High principal leaving for job at Hillside Middle School

By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer

Northville High School Principal Robert Watson will be at a new school next year, but it will still be in the district as he takes on a new role.

Watson informed the NHS community by letter Friday that he has decided to take on a new role next year. He will transfer from the high school to become an assistant principal at Hillside Middle School.

Hillside Principal James Cracraft said bringing Watson into the fold will be a welcome addition and will help address the need for added administrative support at the school, given Hillside's enrollment and size of the facility.

"In speaking with Mr. Watson, he has shared his excitement for next year and the opportunity to be a part of the Hillside team and work again with middle school students," Cracraft said.

Watson will stay on at the high school until the end of this school year and through a transition process during the summer, then he will start at Hillside next school year. He has been at NHS almost 15 years, previously as its assistant principal, social studies teacher and a coach. He was also a teacher at

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Northville High School Principal Robert Watson (left), shown here at the school's graduation ceremony last year with graduate Brandon Patrone, will be leaving at the end of the school year. He will be an assistant principal at Hillside Middle School next year. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



Short on Words to cast spotlight on aspiring authors

By Kurt Kuban Staff Writer

Have you ever considered yourself a budding author? Or perhaps a poet at heart? Well, organizers of a local writing contest are looking to cast a spotlight on a few unknown writers who might just turn out to be the next J.K. Rowling or Suzanne Collins.

The Third Annual Short on Words poetry and short story contest is in need of entries from local authors, whether or not the authors have been published in the past. The contest is the brainchild of Denise Jenkins, who runs the office over at Preservation Dental, which is located in downtown Northville at 371 E. Main Street. Jenkins is an avid reader and believes it is important to find and encourage a new generation of writers. She combined her love of the written word with William Demray's passion for photography. Demray owns Preservation Dental and is Jenkins' boss. In essence, those who enter the contest must write a short story or poem based on a series of Demray's photos, which the two have chosen from his vast collection of work, some of which has been exhibited at the Northville Art House. "Dr. Demray has really supported this contest. He loves to take photos, and writing is my passion," Jenkins said. "So the photos and written word must compliment each other. It's so cool to see what interpretations the writers have of his photos.' There are two age groups in the contest: adult (18 and older) and young author (17 and under). There will be three winners in each category, with first place getting \$100, second place \$50 and third place \$25. Entries can be a poem or a short story no more than 1,500 words. Each entry must have a title and be typed, doublespaced, and single-sided only. It costs \$10 to enter. To get an entry form, stop by the Preservation Dental office or or visit preservationdental.com. The photos are posted on the website and are also displayed at the Northville District Library.

John Bailey (center) of the "Rush Wolverines" shakes hands with his opponents during the March 213 on 3 basketball tournament at Hillside Middle School to raise funds for the Juvenile Arthritis Foundation. Hillside student Logan Bry – who's dealing with arthritis – initiated the fundraiser which eventually had 30 teams competing through the night. PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

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Student's basketball tourney raises money to fight arthritis

By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer

Students from Hillside and Meads Mill middle schools turned out in a big way to help one of their own in his effort to bring awareness about juvenile rheumatoid arthritis (JRA) through a 3-on-3 basketball tournament with all proceeds benefiting the Arthritis Foundation.

Hillside eighth-grader Logan Bry has JRA and is part of the Walk to Cure Arthritis campaign. He and his mother Debbie thought a basketball tournament for Northville middle schoolers was a great way to help the cause. Logan was diagnosed

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Some action on the gym's floor at Hillside on March 21 during the 3-on-3 basketball tournament.

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I-96 freeway to close starting April 5

By David Veselenak Staff Writer

Michigan Department of Transportation officials have announced an April 5 shutdown date for I-96 as reconstruction begins on the sevenmile stretch of freeway through Redford and

Livonia. Officials issued a press release Wednesday afternoon that stated the freeway would shut down sometime after 7 a.m. April 5, weather permitting. Ramps along the freeway will begin closing after 7 p.m. April 4, with the entire freeway following the next morning.

Jeff Horne, an engineer with the Michigan Department of Transportation working out of the temporary Livonia

office for the project, said the project's start date was in flux because of the poor weather the

region has experienced. The project was origi-

nally scheduled to begin March 24, several months later than many believed it would start when the project was announced. It was delayed more than a week earlier this month as crews waited out the winter weather for spring. The decision was then made to push back the date a few more days because of the weather.

The freeway will be shut down in both directions from Telegraph in Redford to Newburgh in Livonia for reconstruction. The \$150 million project will result in several repaired and replaced bridges over

the freeway, as well as landscaping improvements.

Horne said the original shutdown date was pushed back to at least April 1 to not interfere with the increased traffic expected to head to downtown Detroit for baseball's Opening Day.

"We are committed to having the freeway open for Opening Day for the Tigers," he said.

In addition to the freeway being closed, Schoolcraft Road is expected to drop to one lane in each direction. That lane closure will begin April 3. Work crews continue to work on detour signage throughout the area.

Horne said the freeway is still scheduled to reopen in mid-October. **Împrovements** have

been made to ramps on both ends of the project to help with traffic: MDOT crews temporarily widened the exit ramp from southbound I-275 to Six Mile to accommodate another lane of traffic, and crews have worked on widening northbound Telegraph north of Schoolcraft to allow for more traffic coming from Detroit.

Motorists are encouraged to use one of the official detour routes during the shutdown, which include I-94, I-696, the Southfield Freeway and the Lodge Freeway.

More information on the project can be found at 96fix.com.

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SCHOOL BRIEFS

Robostangs to compete

The Robostangs, Northville High School's successful Robotics team, will participate in several upcoming competitions. The 82member team works hard to spread science and technology, all the while planning and constructing a robot to play a certain game. This year, the game is Aerial Assist and requires the passing and catching of large balance balls. The team has already competed at the Howell District competition, placing second and winning the coveted Chairman's award.

The Robostangs have two more upcoming districts:

» Livonia District at Livonia Churchill High School, 8900 Newburgh Road, on March 28-29

» Bedford District, Bedford High School, 8285 Jackman Road in Temperance, on April 4-5

The team invites the public to attend any of the districts to support them and learn about Robotics. For more information, visit www.robostangs.com.

OCC alumni

Oakland Community College and its Alumni Association are seeking nominees for the College's 2014 Outstanding Alumni Award. The winner will be honored at OCC's annual commencement ceremonies on May 17

To qualify, nominees must have completed at least one semester of coursework at OCC prior to 2009, demonstrate significant professional achievement and leadership, and/or provide significant community ser-vice and leadership. The deadline for submissions is April 7

Contact Julie Burley at jdburley@oaklandcc.edu or 248-341-2137 or visit www.oaklandcc.edu/foundation/ nominationform.pdf for more.

Future leaders

The Michigan Townships Association is accepting applications for the Robert R. Robinson Scholarship, which offers financial assistance to students aspiring to leadership roles in their community.

The scholarship is designed to help Michigan students who are preparing for a career in public administration. Applicants must be a junior, senior or graduate student in a Michigan college or university.

The scholarship is awarded on a competitive basis, and applicants are considered on several factors, including academic achievement, community involvement and commitment to local government administration. Applications are due May 31. Visit www.michigantownships.org/scholars hip.asp or call 517-321-6467.

Benefit gala April 17 supports school district's autism program

By Julie Brown Staff Writer

The Northville Sprouts program invites the community to the second annual "Cabaret for a Cause." Attendees will support children with autism at this five-course family style meal and cabaret-style show at Genitti's Hole-in-the-Wall Dinner Theater, Thursday, April 17. Doors open at 5:30 p.m., dinner is served promptly at 6:30 p.m.

'We were really, really pleased with the results last year," said orga-nizer Laurie Kondek of Northville Township, mom to Sammy, 7, who is in the Sprouts program. The family also includes big brother Louie, 10, and dad Charlie.

Genitti's Restaurant & Theater is supporting Sprouts, NPS's Autism K-5 program housed at Thornton Creek Elementary School. For the second year, Encore!, a group of talented vocalists and thespians from Eastern Michigan University, will entertain after dinner with song.

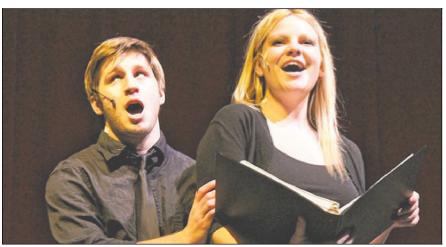
They are donating their cabaret show to us again which is really exciting," said Kondek, who estimated last year's attendance at Genitti's at 120-130. "We had people even sitting at the bar," she recalled.

All funds raised at this benefit will provide arts and music programming for the Sprouts students.

Kondek is happy that Phil Simmons and Ryan Lewis from EMU Theater have agreed to provide a performance at the Cabaret for a Cause. They selected Sprouts as an outreach opportunity for the Encore! performance troupe.

For the second year, EMU's CTA Music Director Ryan Lewis is creating a musical, cabaret-style show specifically for Encore! to perform, with choreography by musical theater professor and Broadway veteran Phil Simmons. After this event, Simmons will head south to direct Bernadette Peters in a master class at Ole Miss University.

'We're working really hard to do this fundraiser," Kondek said. "We hope people come out and support it. Everybody enjoyed the Cabaret last year. We're really excited to not only raise awareness (April is Autism



Student musicians from Eastern Michigan University will be featured at the Thursday, April 17, gala to benefit Sprouts, Northville Public Schools' Autism K-5 program housed at Thornton Creek Elementary School.

Awareness Month) but to celebrate our teachers."

Kate Colaluca is Sammy's Sprouts teacher, and Laurie Kondek feels her family's won the lottery when it comes to teachers.

"She is so gifted in working with children with autism," Kondek said of Colaluca. "I feel she has been able to bring out the best in Sammy. She's a dream come true."

One singer last year at the benefit dedicated a song to her autistic brother, a wonderful friend and person in her life.

"There was not a dry eye in the house," Kondek recalled.

On April 17, guests will enjoy: » A five-course family-style Italian dinner

» Dessert, coffee and all nonalcoholic beverages (cash bar available)

» A live cabaret-style show

» Silent auction

» An opportunity to help a worthy cause in honor of Autism Awareness month.

Call Genitti's to reserve your seats at 248-349-0522. Tickets for dinner and the show are \$35 each. A cash bar will be available. Genitti's is located at 108 E. Main Street, Northville. There's free parking on the street and behind Genitti's.

"Laura Genitti (owner) has been so generous, and just so accommodating," Kondek said. "She's just

been the greatest person to work with."

Honorary chair for the benefit is Megan Cox, Northville Public Schools' autism consultant. Cox said in a statement, "We are thrilled by the overwhelming community response and generous support for our Sprouts autism classroom. We are very proud of the program which currently services seven students with autism which is a disorder that affects verbal and nonverbal communication, social interaction, and restricted and repetitive behavior.

"The classroom is structured to facilitate communication and social opportunities throughout the day in addition to academics. We are fortunate to have a dedicated team and supportive parents, which is a vital component to meeting the complex needs of our students," Cox added.

Contact sproutswatchusgrow@gmail.com to find out how you can help or for more information.

Other Sprouts parents are seeking auction items for April 17.

'We have some good stuff so far," said Kondek, citing techie gadgets, autographed sports and entertainment memorabilia, and gift certificates including massages. Organizers continue to seek auction items.

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This group of Northville students were honored for their community service volunteer projects at the March 11 Board of Education meeting.

Northville students make an impact on community

By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer

Northville students are a striving bunch and each year a new crop works to achieve more while making a positive impact on their community.

On March 11 at the Northville Board of Education meeting, 36 students were honored with Community Impact Awards for their volunteer service in 2013 and nine others were honored for achieving Gold Award status for Girl Scouts projects.

"This says a lot about our community," School Board President Jim Mazurek said of the group of students awarded with achievement certificates.

The Community Impact Award program



This group of girls achieved Gold Award status for community projects. This is the highest honor for a Girl Scout. LONNIE HUHMAN

gives student, who are seeking volunteer opportunities, a way to find projects within the community. Students can use the program's website to browse a list of volunteer projects and find an activity. Once a project is completed, the student can then log the hours into the CIA system. A minimum of 50 volunteer hours is required for an award.

The awards include Leadership and Mentoring, which involves working with youth in the community; Beyond our Borders, which focuses on projects outside of Northville; the Northville Hometown Hero, which is for efforts involving local community groups; and the Good Nature Award, which focuses on environmentalism and preservation.

The Gold Award for Girl Scouts is similar to the Boy Scouts Eagle Project. To earn their Gold Award, Girl Scouts do service projects. Only three percent of all Girl Scouts attain this honor. One scout honoree was Nicole Krings. Her project involved building musical instruments for students at the Penrickton Center for Blind Children in Taylor.

Northville Superintendent Mary Kay Gallagher said this project was a "great example of the success that can be achieved through hard work, planning and organization."

Northville has more Gold Award recipients per capita than any other community in Wayne County, according to district officials.

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Girl Scouts Gold Award recipients: Nicole Krings, Olivia Landis, Olivia McCutcheon, Claire O'Meara, Sarah Ptashnik, Lauren Sirois, Jillian Stacer, Anna Wysong and Victoria Zaremba

Wayne County electronics recycling set for April 26

Wayne County residents will be able to recycle unwanted electronics from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 26, at Redford's Department of Public Services Building, 12200 Beech Daly.

12200 Beech Daly. Sponsored by Wayne County Public Services, Redford Township Public Services and Vintage Tech Recyclers, the program is open to Wayne County residents and small businesses only. Proof of Wayne County residency will be required at check in.

The following items will be accepted at no charge: blenders (without glass), bread makers, cables (all miscellaneous), cable boxes, cameras, carpet sweepers (corded or rechargeable), cash registers, cell phones, clocks, coffee makers, computers, computer parts (all), copiers, DVD players, electric knives, fans, fax machines, food sealing equipment, fryers, hair cutters/hair dryers, handheld electronic devices, (Gameboys. CD/ DVD players, etc), heaters, holiday lights (i.e. Chnstmas etc.), irons, laptop computers, massagers, metal tools (drills, screwdrivers, small saws, sanders, etc.), mice/keyboards, microwaves, mixers, monitors (LCD & CRT), MP3 Players/iPods, networking equipment, printers, radios, remote controls, satellite dishes, scanners (all types), shaving equipment, speakers, stereos, telephones, televisions, toaster ovens, toothbrushes (electric), typewriters, UPS batteries, vacuum cleaners (without bags), VCRs, VHS tapes, video cameras, video game consoles.

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LOCAL NEWS





Cooke School student Mikaila Guilstorf helps teacher Carrie Shade in a figure-board story during the school's March 21 Family Night activity. The night included live music from the Gratitude Steel Band, food, a book fair, a beauty station for young ladies, and lots of socializing between parents, kids and educators. PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

A special night for Cooke students

Northville High School students Jenna Manske and Matthew Fuller help dish out some food at the Cooke School Family Night on March 21.





The BeckRidge Chorale plays a concert featuring music of The Beatles March 30 at Northville High School.

BeckRidge Chorale to cover The Beatles at NHS

On Sunday, March 30, the BeckRidge Chorale sings music of The Beatles at Northville High School in Northville.

"This is the 50th anniversary of The Beatles' first appearance in the United States. Having lived and been schooled in England, The Beatles have always been a favorite," said Michael Gross, artistic director of the BeckRidge Chorale. "The performance will be a little different. We are inviting our audience to dress-up in their favorite Beatles era outfit and will be encouraged to sing-a-long a few times during the show.

"I know it is hard to listen to The Beatles and not sing along," Gross added. "I decided we will invite the audience to join us on some of the better known Beatle favorites. Why fight temptation?

While the concert celebrates 50 years of The Beatles, the Beck-Ridge Chorale is celebrating its' 40th anniversary. "It's hard to believe we have been together all these years," Gross noted. "I've been very blessed to have been here for 35 of those years. I am also thrilled to say I have a few singers who have been singing with me throughout my entire tenure. I've been incredibly lucky.'

Members of the Beck-Ridge Chorale are auditioned and come from all over southeastern lower Michigan.

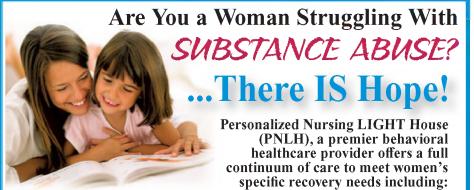
The concert takes place at Northville High School on Six Mile Road in Northville. Doors open at 2 p.m., and the concert starts at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are available online at www.beckridgechorale-.org or by calling 734-667-3127.

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Cranbrook Kingswood boys middle school for six years.

One big reason for taking on what appears to be a step down in roles is the fact that he wants to spend more time with his family.

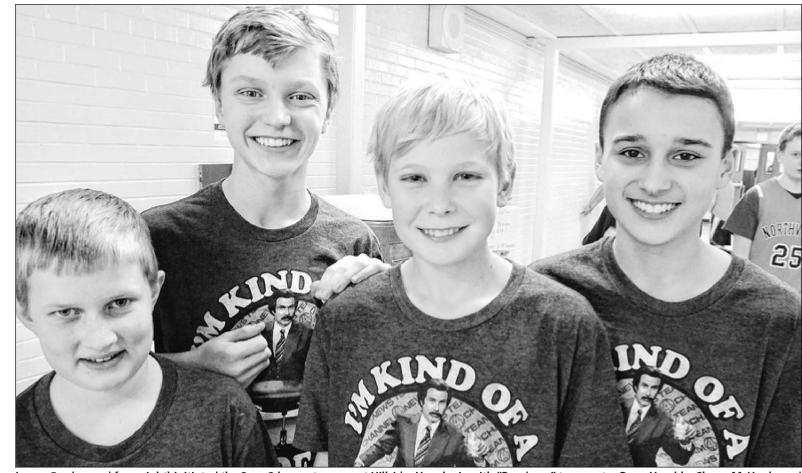
"Each year, I have expanded my role significantly and I have found myself spending less time with my wife and my three sons," Watson said. "Before long, my sons will be grown up and off to college. It is through my reflection over the past several months that I came to this decision to request a transfer."

Northville Public Schools Superintendent Mary Kay Gallagher said officials recognize Watson's leadership as a teacher, coach, assistant principal and principal over the past 15 years, "including his strong rapport with students and families, and know that he will bring these strengths to his work at Hillside." She said his new role

will be to serve as assistant principal, along with taking on some responsibilities with the Shared Time Program serving nonpublic schools and some short-term security program support during the year of its implementation.

In the next month, Gallagher will schedule times with the NHS staff, students and parents to gather input and feedback regarding desired skills and strengths sought for the new principal. The final decision should come in late May or early June, she said.

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Logan Bry (second from right) initiated the 3-on-3 hoops tourney at Hillside. Here he is with "Randoms" teammates Ryan Humble, Shane McHugh, and Zach Phillips (far right).

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when he was 11 after feeling pain in his ankle.

The tournament eventually attracted more than 30 teams, and raised more than \$1,300. By all accounts, it was a great success.

"This is amazing to see the turnout, we didn't expect this," said Logan as the tournament got underway at the Hillside gym last Friday. "I love basketball and thought this would be a fun way to help with JRA."

The Brys and school staff thought there would only be about 20 teams that would participate.

"This is our first year doing this and it's a huge turnout," said Brad O'Neill, Hillside assistant principal.

Debbie Bry said the community turned out in more ways than one. She said the tournament could not have happened without many donations including gift cards, prizes and food/drinks for concessions. The Bry family has a fundraising goal of \$10,000. With the success of the tournament they are now over half way to that mark.

"There have been so many supportive people in the Northville community who have really helped us," said Debbie. "We feel so grateful and want to thank them for the help."

Logan wasn't a bystander at the tournament – he also played. In his first game he scored a great layup and dished off some great assists, and his team won. It was a great start to a big cause.

To offer more support and/or learn about the effort visit Logan's site at http://arthritiswalk detroit.kintera.org.

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District 11 Democrats to meet in Livonia Thursday, April 3

The District 11 Democratic Party is emphasizing "Party" to celebrate spring with its new Club 11 moving to Andiamo's bar and restaurant in Livonia on Thursday, April 3.

The party runs 6-8:30 p.m., but people are invited to "drop in for 10 minutes or two hours," said Jim Gualdoni, chair of District 11 Dems. "It's purely social and no speeches are allowed," he said.

Andiamo's is at 38703 Seven Mile Road, just west of I-275.

Staged by the new District 11 Democratic Party, there's no entrance fee. It's cash bar and cash food.

"Our new district is huge and scattered, like from Canton to Troy, gerrymandered by the other party," said Lisa DiRado of Northville Township, vice chair of District 11. "We rotate Club 11 parties around to bring us together"

bring us together." Clubs from Plymouth, Canton, Northville and Novi will be represented, but all District 11 residents are welcome.

The new 11th District includes all or part of:

Wayne County: Canton Township, Livonia, Northville precinct 1, Northville Township, Plymouth, Plymouth Township.

Oakland County: Auburn Hills, Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills, Clawson precincts 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, Commerce Township, Farmington, Highland Township, Lake Angelus, Lyon Township, Milford Township, Milford Village, Northville precinct 2, Novi, Novi Township, Rochester Hills precincts 3,6,13, South Lyon, Troy, Walled Lake, Waterford township, West Bloomfield Township precincts 2, 4, 5, 8, 14, 18 ,25,27, White Lake Township, Wolverine Lake Village and Wixom.

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New concessions approved for Detroit Metropolitan Airport's McNamara Terminal

The Wayne County Airport Authority has approved the next phase in a major redevelopment of the concession program at Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport's McNamara Terminal. Eight concession agreements were unanimously approved for 25 new food and beverage concepts that will transform the airport's restaurant and dining experience over the next 1 ½ years.

Featured concepts will include national brands, such as P.F. Chang's, Chick-fil-A, Longhorn Steakhouse, Bruegger's Bagels, Potbelly Sandwich Works, Pinkberry and illy espressamente. The program also introduces many local culinary favorites such as Andiamo, the terminal's first upscale Italian restaurant, Plum Market with Zingerman's Deli,

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Corridor Sausage Company, Grobbel's Gourmet Deli, Crave Robata Grill and Bar, Papa Joe's Gourmet Market, Mezza Mediterranean Grille, Palazzolo's Artisan Gelato and Sorbetto and a gate holdroom dining experience themed on Detroit's historic Eastern Market.

This new McNamara Terminal food and beverage program will elevate our passengers' travel experience to new levels," said Wayne County Airport Authority CEO Tom Naughton. "Combining a great mix of wellrecognized, national and international brands with the quality, freshness and local flavor of many of Detroit's finest and most successful restaurant/food concepts, we think our customers will really enjoy and appreciate the new unique dining experience these venues will create.'

Increased convenience

Incorporation of innovative technologies, such as use of iPad and tablet self-ordering stations, mobile point of sale devices, social media and web-based platforms, even a virtual concierge, will enable increased convenience, speed of service and opportunity for travelers to find and order exactly what they are looking for, even from the comfort of their gate areas, in several locations.

In addition to re-soliciting existing concession agreements that will begin to expire later this year, the airport took the program a step further by incorporating new, previously undeveloped spaces into the list of program opportunities. A vacant former Northwest Airlines WorldClub on Concourse B as well as parts of several gate area holdrooms were made available for concessionaires to show creativity, and propose new nontraditional food and beverage spaces and service enhancements, within the existing gate areas.

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The new program will add approximately 22,000 square feet of additional space to the McNamara Terminal Food and Beverage program, and is expected to generate nearly \$31.6 million of capital investment, more than \$614 per square foot on average.

'Truly unique'

"The combination of great concepts and design, high-quality chefinspired menu options, convenient gate-area dining, and new technology and service enhancements, will make our program truly unique." said Marcus Kemper, Wayne County Airport Authority senior vice president of facilities and development."Since the Airport Authority is entirely self-sustaining and does not receive local tax dollars to support our operations, the enhanced non-airlinebased revenue these new concessions will generate for the Authority are vital, and help ensure we maintain a competitive cost structure which encourages new air service development."

During the first full year of the program, sales are anticipated to be approximately \$63 million, an increase of more than 47.5 percent above the current program, and revenue to the authority is projected to be over \$10 million, an increase of \$3.7 million or 57.3 percent.

Design and construction of the new concession spaces will commence shortly, and is anticipated to be complete by the fall of 2015.

Kids to learn about farm life at Maybury day camp

Maybury Farm has openings for its 2014 summer Day Camp for Kids.

The program, which is open to children 6-11 years old, offers a variety of activities that are designed to be both educational and fun. Campers will enjoy learning all about farm animals, including grooming, feeding and walking them. Children will also take nature hikes, play games, build crafts, and learn team building skills as they get to know all about farm life and the importance of farm animals in everyday life.

Camp hours will be 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from July 9 through Aug. 22. The cost is \$55 per camper per day or \$145 per week. Kids can sign up for one day or join us for a whole week.

The Northville Community Foundation operates Maybury Farm, a historic farm located at 50165 Eight Mile (just west of the Maybury State Park entrance) in Northville Township.

To register children for the camp, call 248-374-0200. Space is limited.

To learn more about the summer day camp or Maybury Farm, contact Jessica Striegle, the Northville Community Foundation events and fundraising manager, 248-374-0200 or ncfmanager@gmail.com. You can also visit www.northvillecommunityfoundation.org or www.facebook.com/maybury.farm.



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State of Community

The Northville Chamber of Commerce is now selling tickets for its annual State of the Community Luncheon that will be held noon to 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 16, at Meadowbrook Country Club, 40941 W. Eight Mile Road.

The featured speakers at this year's event are State Rep. Kurt Heise, Northville Township Supervisor Robert Nix, City of Northville Mayor Chris Johnson and Northville Public Schools Superintendent Mary Kay Gallagher.

"The State of the Community Luncheon provides an opportunity for residents and the business community to hear from its city, township, school district and state officials on past year successes and on future plans for their respective organizations" said Jody Humphries, executive director of the Northville Chamber of Commerce.

Tickets are \$40 per person, and includes lunch. Reservations may be made by contacting the Northville Chamber of Commerce at 248-349-7640 or by email at tracisincock@northville.org.

Garden club meeting

The Northville and Novi Garden Club will host its next meeting from 6:30-8 p.m., April 14 at the Northville Art House, 215 Cady in downtown Northville.

The speaker is Joe Baron of Barons Greenhouses, a family owned and operated business in Westland. Baron will discuss the construction and proper way to open an outdoor pond. There will be a question and answer period after the presentation.

The meeting is open to the public.

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Northville as one of its Volunteer of the Year at the Metroparks' 54th Annual Recognition Dinner held March 15.

Roth was celebrated for his ongoing help surrounding cross country skiing at Huron Meadows Metropark. He helps organize the Frosty Freestyle 5K/15K Cross Country Ski Race by rounding up the volunteers for registration and scheduling the ski patrol from Mt. Brighton to insure there is a safe race. Additionally, Roth is the lead organizer for the Annual **Groomer Appreciation** Banquet in which the Metroparks receive the donation from the Frosty Ski Race weekend. This year, the donation from the ski race will be approximately \$5,000.

'Five Wishes' planning

Arbor Hospice will present "Five Wishes Advance Directives: Making Your Wishes Known" from 10:30 a.m.

to noon, May 15 at the Northville Senior Center, 303 W. Main Street, Northville.

The seminar will concentrate on adults completing a Five Wishes document to make medical, personal, emotional and spiritual wishes known. It is never too early to talk with family, friends and doctor about how you want to be treated if you become seriously ill.

For more information or to RSVP, contact Jaclyn Klein at jklein@arborhospice.org or 734-794-5394.

Genealogical Society meeting

The Northville Genealogical Society will next meet at 1:15 p.m., Sunday, April 13 at the Northville District Library, 212 West Cady Street.

Guest speaker Gregg King will discuss headstone restoration. King has been involved with the actual preservation of historic cemeteries for more than 12 years.

The meeting is free to attend and open to the public. The meeting will begin with a roundtable discussion on "Google Books" at 1:15 p.m., a brief business meeting and refreshments at 2:15 p.m. followed by Gregg King at 3 p.m.

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.

NHS reunion/golf outing

A Northville High School reunion for classes in the 1960s and 1970s will take place Aug. 9. Organizers are looking for alumni from those decades to attend and be involved.

For more information, contact Howie Ambinder at 248-463-0907 howi-



The Marquis Theatre's live production of "The Shoemaker & The Elves" runs through May 4.

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In addition, Northville High School alumni will be hosting a golf outing on Aug. 9 for any graduate or faculty member. The outing is a fundraiser for a scholarship in the memory of Robert Regenhardt, Class of 1966.

For more information about the golf outing contact Rick Talbot at rtalbot19@yahoo.com or go to Northville High School Alumni Golf Outing.co

If you have any questions please call 248-463-0907 howiieambinder@gmail.com

Art House show

The Northville Art House, 215 W. Cady Street, is showcasing a new exhibit, "Sustained Patterns: Three Generations of Women Painters" featuring the work of Ellen Wilt, Ellen Moucoulis and Natalie Estep, through Mach 29.

"Sustained Patterns" interprets human biology as a common theme. Wilt of Ann Arbor, who is in her 90s, has examined working parts coming together and focuses on depicting human anatomy. Moucoulis of Livonia is inspired by the recent birth of her grandson. Estep of Canton has depicted her own birth story. This show is a declaration of professionalism, integrity, guts, creativity and shared knowhow.

Art House gallery hours (Wednesdays through Saturdays, 1-5 p.m.). For additional information, call 248-344-0497 or visit www.northvillearthouse.org. The public is invited to attend, and admission is free.

Marquis production

The Marquis Theatre, located in downtown Northville, will be presenting live on stage "The Shoemaker & The Elves" at 2:30 p.m., Saturdays (March 29, April 5, 12, 19, 26, and May 3); and 2:30 p.m. on Sundays (March 30, April 6, 13, 27 and May 4). There will also be shows at 2:30 p.m. on April 23-25.

This is an updated classic tale of a hardworking shoemaker whose life is transformed and enriched when visited by some adorable magical friends and a beautiful loving fairy princess. This live show is family friendly. Tickets are \$9 each (no children under 3). Group rates and reserved seating are available for groups of 20 or more. Birthday parties and Scout days are available. The special weekday school shows are available at reduced ticket prices.

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Educators' plan: More dollars in classrooms without raising taxes

By Karen Smith Staff Writer

A coalition of superintendents, school leaders, parents and other public school advocates is proposing an alternative school funding plan it says will put more money in K-12 classrooms without raising taxes.

The "Classrooms and Kids" budget, as it is called, builds on Gov. Rick Snyder's recent budget proposal by reducing or eliminating \$186.2 million in line-item categorical programs in the School Aid Fund to help provide an additional \$167 per student in base funding.

The categorical items are mostly programs that reward performance and the adoption of cost-effective practices but also include some special programs.

The proposal would also require an extra \$88 million above Snyder's budget, with \$34 million coming from the budget surplus and \$54 million from the general fund.

This is the first time in years a large segment of the educational community has come together to proactively offer an alternative to the governor's proposal.

It is supported by the Michigan Association of School Boards, the Michigan Association of School Administrators, the Michigan Association of Intermediate School Administrators, the Michigan Association of Secondary School Principals and the Tri-County Alliance for Public Education.

"The 'Classrooms and Kids' budget recognizes that districts have various needs they need to address to support their students," Livonia Public Schools Superintendent Randy Liepa said. "This is a budget for our schools that is supported by virtually everyone in education because it was created by those of us on the frontlines of education who see the needs of our children." Darryle Buchanan,

former president of the Southfield school board, said while the governor's proposal is a step in the right direction, the 'Classrooms and Kids' budget better meets districts' needs. "School boards across the state have a pulse on the needs of our schools and the outcomes expected by our communities and this budget allows us to address those needs," he said.

The plan was announced Feb. 27 during a press conference at the state capitol. State Rep. John Walsh (R-Livonia), speaker pro tem, said he plans to meet the first week in April with Liepa to learn the details of the plan. He said while he likes the governor's budget proposal, he also likes the concept of using categoricals. "I think we can definitely do something there," he said.

Flexibility, stability

Liepa said the "Classrooms and Kids" budget proposal would provide an infusion of additional dollars into local schools, while also giving districts the flexibility to use the money to best meet their needs.

Here's how it would work: Snyder proposed a per-pupil increase of \$111 for minimum foundation districts and an \$83 increase for districts above the minimum foundation. The "Classrooms and Kids" budget would add and additional \$167 per

Every river tells a story



Local author and canoeing enthusiast Doc Fletcher, who has been featured on PBS, will give an hour-long presentation at 10:30 a.m., Tuesday, April 15 at the Northville Community Center, 303 W. Main Street, Northville. Fletcher will discuss his various canoeing and kayaking books, and give a photographic presentation of his journeys down rivers across the state. After the event, he will be selling and signing his books. There will also be an opportunity to win a free kayak or canoe trip. Call 248-349-4140 to register for the event. For more information about Fletcher, visit www.canoeingmichiganrivers.com.

pupil for all districts, plus an additional \$13 per-pupil equity payment for minimum foundation districts.

That would bring the total per-pupil increase to between \$250 and \$291.

That increase would be off-set in some districts by a loss of revenue in categoricals. For example, Livonia Public Schools would lose about \$52 for each student from the elimination of the best practices grants.

Still, the 'Classrooms and Kids' proposal would put an additional \$1 million into LPS' coffers next school year over and above the \$1.2 million Snyder's budget would provide. That's almost enough to make up for the \$2.4 million projected revenue loss from an expected enrollment decline of 300 students.

Not a 'windfall' for districts

"This isn't a big windfall for school districts across the state; we're just trying to maintain existing programs," Liepa said.

The proposal is not a complete redo of the state's school funding model, he said, which would take a lot more time than the approximate two months left before the state adopts its budget for fiscal year 2015, which begins Oct. 1. "But it's a great start to get back into reinvesting dollars into the educational system," he said.

Over the past five years, LPS' foundation grant has been reduced by about \$500, Liepa said: "The 'Classrooms and Kids' proposal really does provide an infusion of funds into the schools that we haven't seen in quite some time."

The foundation grants provide more funding stability and flexibility than categoricals, he said.

Categoricals that would be reduced or eliminated include grants for best practices in management, \$80 million; grants for high academic achievement, \$46.4 million; and the Michigan Virtual University, \$9.38 million.

Liepa, who's vice president of the Tri-County Alliance for Public Education and on the legislative council of the Michigan Association of School Administrators representing metro Detroit districts, said the categoricals are those that "either restrict school districts or don't touch a lot of students." Left intact would be categoricals affecting special education and at-risk students, for example.

He said most districts are already following best practices in management in order to balance their budgets, and that categorical has been reduced over the years, minimizing the incentive.

He said the requested \$34 million is about 3 percent of the state's nearly \$1 billion budget surplus and the \$54 million is what the Legislature approved over and above the governor's budget proposal last year.



Northville and Novi



Car expo



Auto buffs enjoyed the first Motor City Hot Rod and Racing Expo this past weekend at the Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi. The event included everything from pistons, engines, car trailers, hot rods on display, full-size transport RVs, custom pedal cars, dealers, Roush crew, dealers, radio car racing - anything car-related. Pictured at the JD Racing display are Alexis Lawrence and Ethan Roy. CURTIS DROGMILLER



Wayne County's transparency rating improves to A-minus

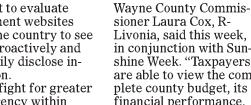
Wayne County's rating in government transparency has improved from a D- to an A- in the past vear

Sunshine Review, a non-partisan organization formed to rate local governments on transparency, gave Wayne County an A- grade in January. Sunshine Review uses a 10-point transparency

checklist to evaluate government websites across the country to see if they proactively and voluntarily disclose information.

"The fight for greater transparency within Wayne County government has been ongoing for some time and today I can say I'm proud of the strides we have made,"

Budding cartoonist



Livonia, said this week, in conjunction with Sunshine Week. "Taxpayers are able to view the complete county budget, its financial performance, audit reports and much more by visiting the county's website.'

Sunshine Week is a national initiative to

promote a dialogue about the importance of open government and freedom of information. Participants include news media, civic groups, libraries, nonprofits, schools and others interested in the public's right to know. For more information, visit www.sunshine week.org/About.aspx.

LIBRARY LINES

The Northville District Library is located at 212 W. Cady Street. For more information call 248-349-3020 or visit northvillelibrary.org. Upcoming events

include: » Samurai: Beyond the Sword

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Monday, March 31 **Details:** Experience the world of Japanese Samurai with this fascinating visual presentation by a Detroit Institute of Arts speaker, based on

the museum's current exhibit. Call to register. » Life & Times of

Shakespeare Time/Date: 7 p.m.

Wednesday, April 9 **Details:** A lively talk about the Bard set against a rich description of Elizabethan times, presented by Jim Glenn, former theater and speech educator. Call to register.

» Drop In Morning Storytimes

Time/Date: 10:15-10:45 a.m. Thursdays April 3-May 8

Details: Storytime fun for toddlers and preschoolers. All ages welcome to attend, caregivers must accompany kids age 3 and younger. Just drop in.

Charlotte Atkinson, 8, adds to a caricature during a March 19 cartooning workshop at the Northville District Library. School-age kids got to spend a bit more than an hour learning some basic cartoon drawing styles and left with some hand-outs so they could practice at home. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

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night until he sobered up.

'Sparty' stolen

A homeowner on River Street reported to Northville Ĉitv Police that his "Sparty" inflatable lawn ornament was stolen, but it was later found in a family member's yard.

The man told police the inflatable went missing sometime on March 22, but didn't know the exact time of the incident. A description of the Sparty was sent out and later that day it was found in the yard at his brother's home.

Police called it some brotherly shenanigans and it was not considered a legit larceny.

Firearm confiscated

Northville Township Police arrested a 42-yearold Novi man in the early morning hours of March 23 for possessing a firearm while intoxicated.

The incident took place shortly after 1 a.m. when an officer, who was patrolling on Seven Mile Road just west of Haggerty, noticed a vehicle parked on the shoulder of the road and a woman next to the vehicle urinating in public. The 36-year-old Detroit woman told the officer she was on her way home, but had an emergency and couldn't wait.

The officer then went

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to speak with her male passenger, who was still in the car. As he was speaking to the man, the officer noticed a handgun magazine near the man's feet. It was filled with ammunition.

According to the police report, the man said to the officer, "I know what you see." The man told the officer his firearm was in the vehicle but unloaded. The officer commanded him to put his hands where they could be seen and asked where the gun was. It was under his seat. The man said he had a legal CPL, but could not produce it.

Because the man had

"glossy eyes" and concealed pistol license smelled of intoxicants, be revoked. the officer administered Marijuana a Breathalyzer test. The possession preliminary test indicat-A 63-year-old Detroit ed the man's blood alcohol level at .104 percent, man was cited for poswhich is legally drunk. He was arrested for pos-

sessing a marijuana joint after Northville City Police stopped him for driving a car that was owned by someone with a suspended license.

The police spotted the man on March 22 while checking the Northville Downs parking lot. He exited a parking space, but did not immediately leave the lot. A check of his plate turned up the suspension, which ended up being his friend's issue because he told

police he was looking after the vehicle.

Upon making contact with the man police reported smelling marijuana inside the car. The man admitted to having some in a cup holder. He was cited and told to find another way home.

Reporting sex offenders

The Michigan State Police is changing the verification schedule for all registered sex offenders. Verification schedules will now be based on the offender's birth month and offenders will have the full month to

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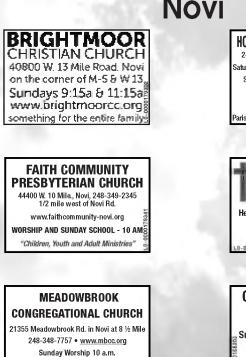
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MILFORD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Pastor Bryant Anderson 238 N. Main Street, Milford MI (248) 684-2805 www.milfordpc.o www.milfordpc.org Sunday Worship: 10:00 a.m. School age 3 thru 5th grade @ 1 outh Group 10 am - Grades 6-12 A heritage of area worship since 1836

Milford United 1200 Atlantic St., Milford, MI 48381 Sunday Worship: 8:30 am and 10:30 am, 6 pm Children's Church: 10:30 am



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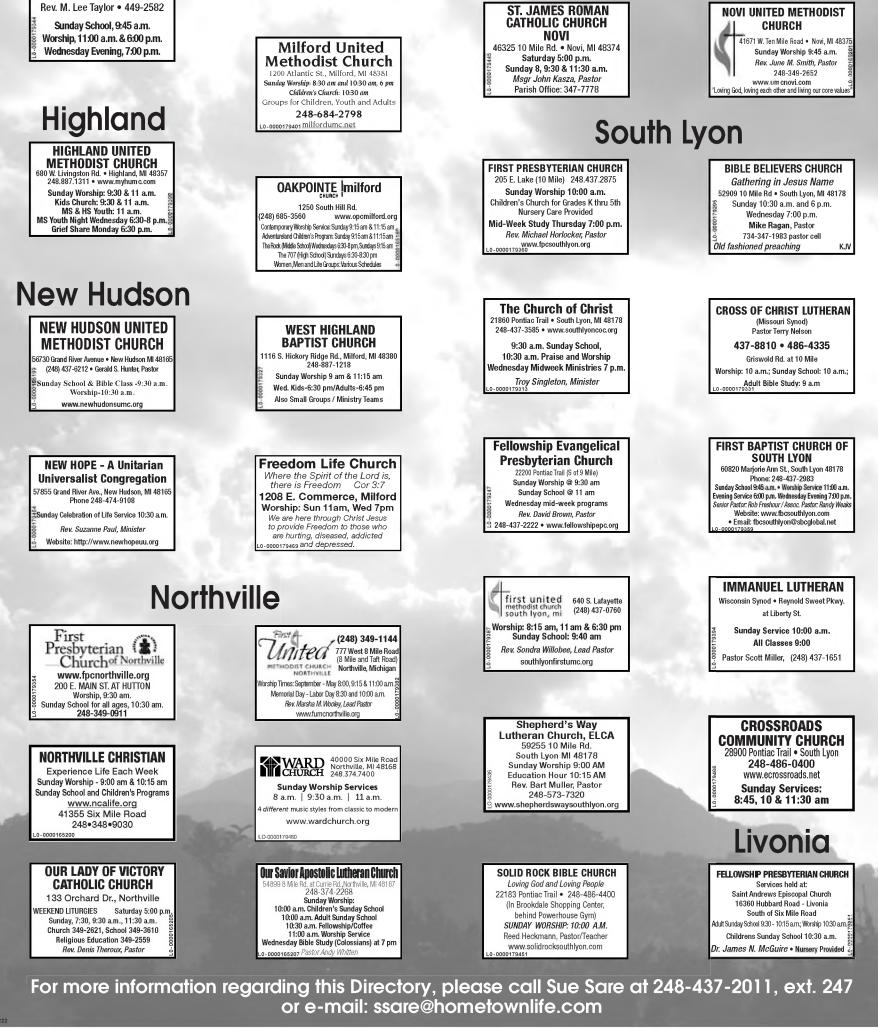
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holycrossnovi@gmail.com

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Saturday Worship 5:15 p.m., Sunday 9:15 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. Casual, contemporary service Phone (248) 912-0043 www.oakpointe.org



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Monday to be included

Sunday Worship: 9, 11:15 a.m.

Sunday School: 10:15 a.m.

St. Paul's Lutheran

Location: 201 Elm St., Northville

Unity of Farmington

Contact: 248-737-9191; Adminis-

Location: 32500 W. 13 Mile,

trativeDirector@unityfh.com

Universalist Church

Location: 25301 Halsted, Far-

Youth Interfaith Journey: 9:30

Details: This religious education

program is open to the public

students. Classes are grouped

into grades K-five, six-eight and

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Contact: www.uufarming-

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Contact: Jennifer Teed at

248-478-7272 or dre@uufar-

Lifelong Learning Forum:

Details: Six weeks exploring

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Contact: 248-478-7272 or

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Universalist Church of Farming

Multigenerational Services:

Details: Family members of all

ages can gather for drumming,

chanting, and meditation fol-

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\$5 donation is suggested. Drop

7:30-9:30 p.m. Thursdays

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Contact: 248-349-3140

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Brightmoor **Christian Church**

Location: M-5 and 13 Mile, Novi Contact: 248-668-7014 or CelebrateRecovery@brightmoorcc.org Web: www.brightmoorchur-

ch.org **Celebrate Recovery**

Time/Dates: 7 p.m. Mondays Details: Worship, teaching or testimony, and open-share recovery groups. Organizers offer the principles and tools to bring healing for the hurts. deliverance from life-controlling habits, and freedom from the hang-ups that keep us from developing strong and healthy relations with God and others. Enter at Door D on the south side of the building. No cost; free child care is available for children birth through fifth grade. Preregister.

Church of the Holy Family

Location: 24505 Meadowbrook Road

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

Time/Day: 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Sunday; 9 a.m. Monday through Friday; 7 p.m. Monday and Tuesday; 4:30 p.m. Saturday; 6:30 p.m. Saturday (Spanish)

Holy days: 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. Reconciliation: beginning 9 a.m. Saturdays or by appointment

Priests: the Rev. Bob LaCroix, pastor, and the Rev. Beto Espinoza, associate pastor AA: 8 p.m. Wednesdays

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.crosspointe meadows.org

Sunday worship: 11 a.m. Bible study classes: 10 a.m. for all ages

Details: Nurserv and older children programs available. Worship blends traditional and contemporary elements resulting in a multisensory 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:

9:30 a.m. Youth group: 7 p.m. Wednes-

days Women's Coffee Break Bible Study Advent Study: 10-11:30 a.m. Mondays; Christianity's Family Tree, Adam Hamilton

Adult Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.; "Bad Religion: How We Became A Nation Of Heretics" by Douthat

Men's Breakfast: 7:30 a.m. Saturday, Feb 1; Commandments For Today

Faith Community Presbyterian Church

Location: 44400 W. 10 Mile Contact: 248-349-2345 or visit www.faithcommunity-novi.org Sunday Worship: 10 a.m.

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

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 Passages View Online

How to reach us

1-800-379-7355 + fax 313-496-4968 + htwobits@hometownlife.com

Deadlines: Friday, 4:15 p.m. for Sunday paper Wednesday, 9:45 a.m. for Thursday paper

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 Novi Tuesday: 9:25 a.m. Women's

Bible Study (Women of the Word) studying 1 Peter 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 **Annual Community Egg** Hunt: Saturday, April 19. As in the past, pre-registration is required at dfcnazarene.org and closes when we reach 600 children (for safety reasons) or on April 16, whichever comes first; 248-354-1915.

First Presbyterian Church of Northville

Location: 200 E. Main Contact: 248-349-0911 or visit www.fpcnorthville.org Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School: 10:30 a.m. (for all ages)

First Presbyterian Church

Location: 205 E. Lake St. (corner of Wells and 10 Mile), South Lyon Contact: 248-437-2875

First Presbyterian Church

Location: 26165 Farmington Road, Farmington

First United Methodist Church of Northville

Location: 777 W. Eight Mile, Northville

Contact: 248-349-1144 or www.fumcnorthville.org Summer Sunday Worship

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

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

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

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

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

Location: 41415 Nine Mile, corner of Meadowbrook Road, Novi Contact: 248-349-0565

Sundays: 8:45 a.m. Sunday School and Bible study; 10 a.m. worship

Holy Cross

(formerly First Baptist Church and Orchard Hills Baptist Church)

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

349-5665 or visit www.legacychurch.us Sunday School/Small Groups for all ages: 9:45 a.m. Worship Services: 11 a.m. Bible Study/Prayer: Wednesday 7 p.m

Meadowbrook Congregational Church

Location: 21355 Meadowbrook Road, between Eight Mile and Nine Mile Contact: the Rev. Arthur P. Ritter, senior minister, 248-348-

7757, visit mbccc.org or email 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

Orchard Grove Community Church

Location: 850 Ladd Road, Building C, Walled Lake Web: www.orchardgrove.org Contact: Amanda Rehm at 248-926-6584 or amanda.rehm@orchardgrove.org.

Northville Christian Assembly

Location: 41355 Six Mile Contact: 248-348-9030; ncalife.org 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 (dav 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 and Leah Susskind at 248-790-6075 or rabbi@novijewishcenter.com; www.novijewishcenter.com

Northville Contact: 248-374-2268 Children (5-10) & Adult Sunday School: 10 a.m. Bible Study: Wednesdays at 7 p.m.

Orchard Grove Community Church

Location: 850 Ladd Road, Walled Lake Contact: 248-926-6584; www.orchardgrove.org

Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church

Location: 47650 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth Township Contact: 734-453-0326, Ext. 221

Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church

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

Saturday Worship: 5 p.m. Sunday Worship: 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 a.m.

Our Shepherd Presbyterian Church

Location: 1200 S. Sheldon Road, Plymouth

Contact: pastor Bill Burke at 734-927-0891

Wednesday Bible Study: 7 p.m.

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, Northville

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-.org

Praise Baptist Church

Location: 45000 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth Contact: 734-748-3898

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church

Location: 28000 New Market Road, Farmington Hills Phone: 248-553-3380 Free movie night: 6:45 p.m. Friday, March 28. This month the feature is "The 5th Quarter", based on the true story of a football player driven by the tragic and fatal car crash that took the life of his 15-year-old brother Luke. Wearing Luke's number 5 jersey, John Abbate helps to lead the Wake Forest Demon Deacons to the most successful season in school history. A taco and burrito bar is included for a free will dona-



GLAPA, BERNICE

Age 81, of Novi, passed away March 18, 2014. She was born on July 15, 1932, in Vauciennes, France, daughter of the late Adam and Viktoria Nowak. She was a talented seamstress and will always be remembered as being a loving and devoted mother, grandmother and sister. Bernice is survived by her loving children: Mitchell Glapa, Richard Glapa and Christine (Dale) Hudson; seven grandchildren and her sister Frances (Richard) Gryce. She was preceded in death by her husband, Bruno, in 2001. Visitation was held on Thursday, March 20, from 3:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m. at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME. A funeral Mass was celebrated at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, March 21, at St. Joseph Catholic Church, South Lyon. Online guestbook at www.phillipsfuneral.com

KESSLER, WILLIAM Age 82, March 23, 2014. Visita-tion March 28, 3-9pm at Phillips Funeral Home. Mass March 29, 11am St. Joseph Catholic Church

KLEBAN, JAMES SR. "Jim," age 81, longtime resident of Milford, passed away March 8, 2014. Lynch & Sons Funeral Directors, 248-684-6645.

KOOL, JUDY L. Age 69, of Brighton, March 16, 2014. Services were held. PHIL-LIPS FUNERAL HOME, South Lyon. www.phillipsfuneral.com

SANDERS THOMAS H. Longtime resident of Milford, passed 3/18/14, age 83. Preceded in death by his wife Shirley. Lynch & Sons, 248-684-6645.

SCHMIDT. NANCI ANŃ

49, of South Lyon, died Age February 20 2014 at St Joseph Hospital. Nanci worked as a care taker and loved dearly her family friends and animals. She had a very big heart. She looked after her friends and family and was beloved by many. She is sur-vived by her son Shawn Michael Chouinard; brother Brian Schmidt and sister Donna Wade. There will be a Memorial / Trib-Celebration of Life at the ute / South Lyon VFW on April 5th starting at 4 p.m. Memorial contributions may be made at the VFW the day of the Memorial.



SWANTEK, MARY **ELLEN (NEE GALKA)**

Age 77, of South Lyon, formerly of Plymouth, passed away March 20, 2014. She was born on May 13, 1936 in Detroit, daughter of the late Peter and Eleanor Galka. Mary Ellen was a wonderful, caring and above all fun friend to many. Her enduring spirit and strength touched all that knew her. She will be greatly missed. She is survived by her loving children: Gerald T., Paul and Susan (Tony) Cave. She was the loving Mimi to: Abigail and Camille Cave. She was preceded in death by her husband of 50 years, Gerald P. in 2009. A memorial service will be held on Saturday, March 29th at 11:30 a.m., with the family receiving friends beginning at 10:00 a.m at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, 122 W. Lake St., South Lyon. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Active Faith Community Services or American Cancer Society. Online guestbook at

www.phillipsfuneral.com

TIKKANEN, ROGER

Roger Tikkanen, passed away March 24, 2014. He is survived by his wife Mary Beth, stepsons: Brad and David Underwood, grandsons: Douglas and Dvlan Underwood, sisters: Susan Miller and Chris Horne and niece Shannon Horne and nephew Jeffrey Horne. he is preceded in death by his parents Eino and Agnes. Services were held from Phillips Funeral Home.



May peace be with you in this time of sorrow.



Episcopal Church

Location: 40700 W. 10 Mile Contact: 248-427-1175 or holycrossnovi@gmail.com; visit holyCROSSnovi.org

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

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

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

Lenten Quiet Time: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, March 29; your choice of quiet activities, such as silent prayer, candle meditation, listening to music, drawing, finger labyrinth, reading, journaling and more.

Hope Lutheran Church

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

Lakes Baptist Church

Location: 309 Decker Road, Walled Lake

Livonia Church of Christ

Location: 15431 Merriman, Livonia

Contact: 734-427-8743 or visit www.livoniachurch.net

Sunday Worship: 11 a.m. Bible School: Sunday 10 a.m.; Wednesday 7 p.m.

POLICE

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Legacy Church

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 Holv Communion: 9:45 a.m. first Sunday of every month

Peace Vigil: noon, first Sunday of every month in front of the church. Members of the congregation and the community will stand united in prayer for peace.

Oak Pointe Church

Location: 50200 W. 10 Mile, Novi

Contact: 248-912-0043 Web: www.oakpointe. org/lifegroups

Worship Services: 5:15 p.m. Saturday; 9:15 a.m., 11:15 a.m. Sunday

ReNew Life Group Ministries: 7-9 p.m. Monday (groups meet weekly)

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

Men's Life Groups Ministries: 6 a.m. Friday; at the church and various locations

Our Saviour Apostolic **Lutheran Church** Location: 54899 Eight Mile,

St. James Catholic Church

tion.

Location: 46325 10 Mile, Novi Contact: 248-347-7778

Pastor: Monsignor John Kasza

Mass Schedule: 8, 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. Sunday; 9 a.m. Monday-Tuesday; 7 p.m. Wednesday; 5 p.m. Saturday

Easter Celebration in Music Resurrection

Time/Date: 4 p.m. Sunday, April

Details: Friends of the Opera of Michigan present soloists Amy Blevins, soprano; Quinto Milito, baritone; and Jeanne Marie LaFramboise, piano. Free admission; donations are welcome. Contact: 313-582-0997 or fotomi@mi.rr.com

St. John Lutheran Church

Location: 23225 Gill Road, Farmington Hills Contact: 248-474-0584 or visit stjohn-lutheran.com

Saturday Worship: 5:30 p.m.

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Registered sex offenders, who are not currently incarcerated, will receive written notice of

The Michigan Sex

Offenders Registration Act, Public Act 295 of 1994, requires all registered sex offenders to regularly report to the local law enforcement agency or county sher-

iff's office having jurisdiction over their residence, or the nearest state police post, to verify their address.

day at hometownlife.com

include stories, songs and sharing. A religious education activity will follow, such as an art project, music, dance, game or theater. The evening will close with a light snack and a short time to socialize, ending at 8:30 p.m.

Ward Evangelical **Presbyterian Church**

Location: 40000 Six Mile, Northville (behind the shopping center at the corner of Six Mile and Haggerty)

Web: www.wardchurch.org Contact: 248-374-7400

Sunday Worship: 8 a.m. Liturgical in the Chapel; 9:30 a.m. Contemporary in the Sanctuary; 11 a.m. Traditional in the Sanctuary; 11a.m. Post-Contemporary in Knox Hall

Sunday Groups and Classes:

Nursery, Children's and Middle School programs available on Sunday mornings. High School Sunday night at 6:30 p.m. Sunday Morning Adult Life Classes also available.

FX: A Family Experience: An interactive family production where participants ignite conversations in the home on important topics to help kids and their parents follow God together. First Sunday of the month at 9:30 a.m. In Knox Hall, September-May.

Service Broadcasts: Live at http://live.wardchurch.org at 9:30 and 11 a.m. Sundays for live interactive video web-streaming. Also, the Traditional Service is broadcast every week on WRDT-AM 560 at 11 a.m.

Check us out on the Web every

In addition to the

change in the verification schedule, sex offenders are now required to pay an annual registration fee of \$50 each year after their initial registration. The annual registration fee must be paid during the first verification reporting

month, unless the annual

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these changes.

Livonia man, 21, in need of bone marrow donor

By Karen Smith Staff Writer

They say lightning never strikes the same place twice.

So Kelly Blackburn of Livonia, whose oldest child, Brett Schmeichel, survived a brain tumor 17 years ago, was not expecting a diagnosis other than dehydration when he was taken to the emergency room Jan. 31.

Like many 21-yearolds, Brett did not always eat right or drink enough water.

But after running tests, doctors concluded he has aplastic anemia, a blood disorder in which the body's bone marrow doesn't make enough new blood cells, something that may have been caused by the radiation used to kill the brain tumor, Blackburn said

Now Brett is in need of a bone marrow donor for a transplant that will take place at Henry Ford Hospital as soon as a match can be found. "I'm trying to get the word out there, as Brett has no full siblings that can donate bone marrow to him," Blackburn said.

She's ordered 500 test

kits for a spaghetti dinner fundraiser and bone marrow drive 2-9 p.m. Sunday, April 6, at J.R.'s Emergency Room Bar & Grill in Westland. Her hope is that every one of the kits is used at the event.

The test is a non-invasive swab on the inside of the cheek. Anyone ages 18-55 can take the test and be placed in the national bone marrow registry to give Brett and others fighting blood cancer and other bone marrow diseases a second chance at life.

Cost of the fundraiser is \$10 for adults, \$5 for children 12 and under.

A woman of faith, Blackburn said she is depending on God to help her understand why, why now and why Brett. She believes there's a reason for everything. In the meantime, she is doing everything she can to help her son fight for his life all over again. To make a donation, go

to www.youcaring.com/ BrettsJourney

ksmith@hometownlife.com 313-222-2098 Twitter: @KarenS87



Brett Schmeichel, 21, was diagnosed in January with aplastic anemia, a blood disorder that may have been caused by the radiation used to kill a brain tumor he had at age 4.



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Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia ARE YOU AT RISK?

According to a new study by Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine and the National Institute on Aging, men and women with hearing loss are much more likely to develop dementia and Alzheimer's disease. People with severe hearing loss, the study reports, were 5 times more likely to develop dementia than those with normal hearing.

Have you noticed a change in your ability to remember?

"The more hearing loss you have, the greater the likelihood of developing dementia or Alzheimer's disease. Hearing aids could delay or prevent dementia by improving the patient's hearing."

-2011 Study by Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine and the National Institute on Aging

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OUR VIEWS

'Drop in' for the sake of art

Northville Art House is worth supporting

It's no secret that Northville is home to a thriving arts community. From all the galleries and theaters in town to the public art on the streets, it's clear that people in town feel strongly about the importance of art in daily life.

Nowhere is this more the case than at the Northville Art House. Located downtown at 215 W. Cady Street, the city-owned, volunteer-operated facility is a local cultural destination. Stop by on any given day, and there is typically a lot of creative energy in the building.

The Art House routinely showcases exhibits of local and regional artists. The current exhibit is "Sustained Patterns: Three Generations of Women Painters" featuring the work of Ellen Wilt, Ellen Moucoulis

and Natalie Estep, which shows through Mach 29. For those who would like to learn to express their own artistic creativity, the Art House offers plenty of workshops taught by talented instructors.

For those who are just looking for a more relaxed environment to pursue artistic goals with others, the Art House offers Drop-In Studio time from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the second Friday of each month. This open



Lucia Danes works on a still life acrylic as she leads a March 14 Drop-in Studio at the Northville Art House. PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

studio is for any artist who works in 2D media. No instruction is provided, but there is plenty of fellowship. For those who wish, still life set-ups will be provided to inspire creativity. Each session usually features a group project for artists to try their hands at in their various mediums. The cost is \$10 for members and \$15 for non-members.

The Northville Art House is a non-profit organization, and is currently seeking volunteers to support



Dagmar Langsch works on a project during the March 14 Drop-in Studio at the Northville Art House.

the local arts scene. If you're interested stop by during regular hours (1-5 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday) and fill out a volunteer form. For more information, call 248-344-0497 or visit www.northvillearthouse.org.

If you don't have the time to volunteer but still love the arts, stop by to see an exhibit (admission is free) or take a class. The bottom line is this local treasure is worth supporting.

LETTERS

Better access to Maybury

I am an avid bicycle rider and enjoy the network of paths in Northville and Northville Township as they currently exist, and support the effort to expand them in a cost effective manner.

I am especially glad to hear that creating a safe way to bicycle to Maybury State Park is a priority. Once in the park adults and children will have access to miles of safe biking and other activities. I would like to point out that there is a very simple

and low cost way to increase such access to the park. At the northwest corner of Seven Mile and Beck roads the park's paved road is just on the other side of the fence. If a pedestrian entrance were created here by cutting a hole in the chain link fence it would im-mediately improve access. Paving the short stretch to the park road is optional.

From this intersection one can travel a short dis-tance along Seven Mile to the west to many neighborhoods. To the east there is some sidewalk, and of course access to some city neighborhoods and eventually Hines Park.

While traveling along Seven Mile on a bicycle is not ideal, traveling up Beck Road from Seven Mile to the Maybury Park Beck Road entrance is terrible on a bicycle, with narrow crumbling road, storm sewer grates, high curbs, and impassable grassy areas. Further, once in the park at this entrance you are confronted with a loose gravel road for nearly a mile before reaching pavement. This is fine for mountain bikers but not casual road bike riders and kids.

Opening up a new pedestrian entrance solves both oblems and can be done quickly and cheaply. **Mike Cullen** Northville Township

COMMUNITY VOICE

Is there an issue with parking along W. Main Street in downtown Northville? What is your solution?

The City Council has approved two traffic orders to address the concerns of homeowners along Main Street, who have complained of blocked driveways and limited sight distance due to parking in front of their homes. This question was asked to homeowners on Main and a frequent walker in downtown.



"It's a big problem and I don't think the city was prepared for this winter when it came to parking along this part of Main Street. The snow made the parking concerns even worse with people parking so far out that it was a hazard. I think in the future we should have snow emergency days, so the snow can be cleared out better."



"There is a problem with parking. The street isn't wide enough for parking on both sides and with an increase in traffic it's become a big concern. I think the city needs to find a way to get traffic to slow down and not having parking on both sides."



"It has been an issue, especially for some of my neighbors with blocked driveways and snow piling up. I think the restrictions the city has put in place, like what



"Yes, it's an issue. It's an issue all along Main Street. There are certain sections where it's difficult to see oncoming traffic because of parking. I don't think

Follow safety rules

Here are my thoughts regarding the plan to make Northville more bicycle and pedestrian friendly.

I suggest that some of the funds be spent on informing bicyclists and pedestrians of their duties under Michigan law that were promulgated for their safety. A bicycle is a vehicle and must follow all of the same rules of the road as any motorized vehicle. Pedestrians must utilize the sidewalk where provided, and where there is no sidewalk to walk facing oncoming traffic.

Sarunas Mingela

Northville

Chief will be missed

The residents of Northville thank Fire Chief Jim Allen for his terrific service of 50 years. I can't say how grateful I am for the many times he and the fire department were there protecting my home and my business. His dedication to the Northville Fire Department has made it an outstanding department, and this is reflected in the personnel that serve our wonderful community.

Chief, we will miss you. Thank you. Your service is sincerely appreciated.

John P. Kelly Northville

EAA bill needs options, quality control

I am very concerned over reports that the Michigan Legislature may vote to approve legislation around school turnaround strategy. Michigan very much needs a clear strategy that insists on change and intervention in schools that, despite our best efforts to assist them, are still failing young people.

To be effective, however, any school turnaround strategy needs to create a range of options, including traditional school districts, ISDs, effective charter schools and other non-profit educational organizations, but with clear criteria for who is qualified to be effective at managing school turnaround efforts, set under the direction of the State Board of Education by our State Superintendent of Public Instruction and Michigan Department of Education. Under such criteria, the EAA and other educational entities could earn the ability to manage school turnaround efforts, if they demonstrate a record of performance.

I hope Republicans and Democrats alike will not



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Chuck Keys Northville, W. Main Street homeowner

time of day you can park in this area, will help."

Lisa Militello Northville, W. Main Street

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there should be parallel parking anywhere along Main."

> **Roger Caid** Northville

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Mark Krempski, David W. Moore, Jennifer Pearson, Mary Kay Pryce, Beth Richert, Joan Potter Thomas and Judy Wollack. Their passion, creativity and hard work helped make this event a tremendous success. **Northville Educational Foundation**

Pass meth legislation

I support Sen. Proos and Rep. Price's recently proposed anti-meth bills (Senate Bills 535, 563, 564, 756, along with House Bills 5363 and 5364) because they are reasonable and effective approaches to curbing one of our state's worst afflictions.

Meth is a terrible drug that can devastate entire communities. Michigan law enforcement officers are doing everything they can to curtail its distribution, production and abuse, but meth presents a complex problem to try to solve.

Among the many proposals offered by Proos and Price, one of the most innovative ones is called a meth offender block list, which will prevent all former meth criminals from purchasing common cold and allergy medicines that can be misused to manufacture meth. It's a common-sense policy that targets lawbreakers, not honest citizens. Additionally, stricter penalties and minimum sentencing for convicted smurfers (i.e. those who purchase pseudoephedrine for others with the intent of manufacturing meth) will help discourage criminal activity in the first place.

Policies that target meth need to be smart, balanced and effective. Proos and Price deserve credit for crafting such a policy.

Carl F. Berry retired police chief Plymouth Township

support this legislation without changes to accomplish these goals, including Democratic Rep. Harvey Santana, who rightly wants to vote for something, that insists on meaningful intervention in failing schools in Detroit.

Mary Keys

homeowner

Northville, W. Main Street

But this legislation as it currently stands is not an effective school turnaround strategy, as it does not include quality assurance in who manages these efforts.

I reiterate the call, made on a bi-partisan basis by the State Board of Education, that legislation should empower a variety of educational entities and options to manage school turnaround efforts, including the Michigan Department of Education, but with clear criteria and performance standards that would have to be met by any entity before it would be eligible to manage a school. We are not there yet.

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Michigan State Board of Education

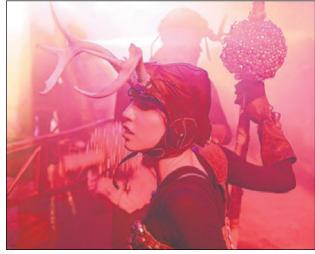
Northville celebrates the arts

Creative arts needs in all 10 Northville public schools were the focus of the Northville Educational Foundation's 2014 A Night for Northville. More than \$20,000 was raised at the March 1 event. Funds will completely fund or enhance funding for vocal, visual and instrumental arts.

Some of the 210 attendees also funded the purchase of 97 specific items from 10 Giving Trees (one tree per school). Arts teachers from each school listed specific needs with prices. This pinpoint approach allowed patrons to support precise components of arts programs at schools of particular interest to them

The Northville Educational Foundation (NEF) organized this annual fundraiser and extends a special note of gratitude to sponsors and hosts: Northville Sports Den, Brick's Restaurant, Northville Square, Timberlane Dance, The Knickerbocker Group of Raymond James, Great Harvest Bread Company, Northville Art House and hosts Susan and Chuck Gaidica

The NEF would also like to recognize and thank A Night for Northville committee members: Katy Baetz-Matthews, Tracy Bins, Judy Cavanaugh, Kim Cooke, Paul Donnelly, George Fekaris, Suzanne Geer,



Short on Words entries must be based on several of William Demray's photos, including "Red".

CONTEST

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The entry deadline is April 25.

Jenkins said she did a lot of research on other writing contests, and ultimately modeled Short on Words after others from around the country that have been successful. She is hoping to get about 40 entries.

"Thirty entrants is usually my benchmark to make the contest a success, and we've been over that both years," she said. "I would say 40 would be about perfect."

All entries will be assessed by a panel of judges, who range from school administrators to newspaper editors and published authors.

The winners will be announced during Northville's Arts and Acts Festival, a big celebration of art, which will take place June 20-22 at various places throughout downtown.

New to this year's celebration, Jenkins said, is the opportunity for the winning authors to read their works at the Short

SHORT ON WORDS RULES

» Entries can be a poem or a short story – maximum length is 1,500 words

 » Each entry must have a title and be typed, double-spaced, and single-sided only.
 » Pages must be numbered, but no other identifying marks may appear.

» A cover page must be included and must list the title of the submission, the name of the author, the photo that inspires the piece, an e-mail address and/or contact phone number. » One submission form, three copies of the entry, and one \$10 entry fee, are to be mailed or delivered to Preservation Dental, Attention: Denise Jenkins, 371 E. Main St., Northville MI 48167. » For more information or to get a entry form, visit preservationdental-.com.

on Words party, which will take place June 20. "I'm really looking forward to that. I think



"The Cook" is one of the photos authors can choose to base their short story or poem after. STEVE FECHT

the authors will be really excited about it," Jenkins said. "If the authors aren't comfortable reading in public, we will find someone else to read for them."

Ultimately, Jenkins said the contest is really about encouraging a new generation of writers, so lovers of literature like her will always have something to read.

"Writing is very important in our society," Jenkins said. "If you don't have anyone writing, you won't have anyone reading. They go hand in hand with each other. It's very important.

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"The Path" is one of six Short on Words photos.



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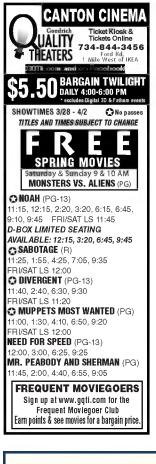
Conservation club holds annual Friends of NRA banquet

By Sue Mason Staff Writer

With the entire banquet floor available, Bob Haviland is looking for the largest crowd ever at Fox Hills Golf and Banquet Center for the Western Wayne County Conservation Association's annual Friends of the NRA banquet next week.

This is the sixth year the organization has put on the banquet to benefit the NRA Foundation. After three sellout years at the clubhouse on Napier Road in Plymouth Township, the organization moved to Fox Hills. The switch has allowed the event to grow and raise more money, 50 percent of which is returned to the state through grants.

"We started out at our club and we knew the best we could do was 160-165 people," said Haviland, a member of the WWCCA Friends of the NRA Committee that is putting on the event. "We sold out for three



years, but we didn't make a lot of money. The first year we were at Fox Hills we did \$22,000 on the banquet and did another \$3,000 in another raffle. Last year we raised more money, just over \$32,000. That's a new record for us. Each year we keep growing."

The banquet will be Friday, April 4, at the Fox Hills. Doors open at 5 p.m. to view prizes and silent auction items. Games start at 6 p.m., with dinner at 7 p.m. In addition to live auction, there will be special drawings and door prizes. Banquet tickets are \$40 each and include entry in a drawing to win a firearm.

Another sellout

Haviland is expecting another sellout with 285 of the 320 tickets already sold. They can be purchased in advance through April 2. No tickets will be available at the door.

Auction and raffle items include gift certificates for breakfast, lunch and dinner, sports memorabilia, charters, golf outings, hunting trips, select pistols, rifles and shotguns and florists. There also will be a ladies table with jewelry, shooting apparel and accessories geared toward the woman enthusiast. There also will be periodic raffles of popular firearms.

"We'll have the standard NRA items and Red Wings memorabilia; we're hoping to get some Detroit Tigers items," Haviland said. "We have a lot of good prizes in the raffles and auctions and stuff is still coming in."

Two items that were popular last year – a hot air balloon ride and a portrait by Helen Yancy of Plymouth – will be among the auction items.

"The portrait by Helen Yancy is kind of an interesting one," Haviland said. "It can be anything



Among the activities the WWCCA offers is Air Gun Fun Shoots for youth on its air gun range.

you want. Last year's winner had a portrait done with his dog. It turned out nice."

The club also will have a variety of games, including a new one called Gonopoly. Played like *Monopoly*, participants buy rolls of the dice and move around the game board. They have the chance to win free rolls and bonuses like tickets for the raffles and a gun drawing only for those who play the game.

The banquet is a month earlier than in previous years, giving the club access to the entire banquet year. It's also allowed for the relocation of the silent auction table, making it visible to everyone in the room.

"People can watch what's going on with the items they're interested in," said Haviland. "I think it's a good change and will create a little interest."

Main fund-raiser

The banquet is the club's main fundraising event for the partnership the WWCCA formed with the NRA Foundation in 2009. The club has earned the foundation's High Caliber Club designation that past two years by raising more than \$25,000 each year. The next level is High Caliber over \$50,000. Haviland doesn't think the club will hit that amount this year; it will be more like \$35,000-\$40,000. Fifty percent of the money raised at Friends banquet around Michigan return to the state to support public shooting programs for youth and women and range development. The WWCCA has received more than \$30,000 in grants.

The WWCCA was organized in 1937 in Westland and moved to its current location — 80 acres of land at Napier



The WWCCA is offering a Gal N Gun instructional clinic for women on Saturday, July 19 and Sept. 20.

Road in Plymouth Township — in 1965. Its members hail from such Wayne County communities as Plymouth, Canton, Livonia, Westland and Redford to as far away as St. Clair Shores and the Grosse Pointes. The club also attracts shooting enthusiasts from Farmington, South Lyon, Northville, Novi and

Milford.

The Fox Hills old and Banquet Center is at 8768 N. Territorial, Plymouth. For more information about tickets, contact Nancy Garneau at 734-259-3341 or Bob Haviland at 734-516-7921.

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MEACHAM IS TOPS

Northville senior earns POY honors on All-Area team

By Jeff Theisen Sports Writer

Averaging a double-double in high school means a player is getting it done on defense and with the rock. Coming close to 20 and 10 is downright impressive.

Northville senior forward Andrew Meacham averaged 19.0 points and 11.3 rebounds per game. He also dished out 3.0 assists, snagged 2.1 steals and swatted 3.5 blocks in being named All-Area Player of the Year.

"Andrew has been a tremendous asset to our program the past three seasons on the varsity," Northville coach Todd Sander said. "He has been our leading scorer and rebounder each of the past two years and his skill set is so dynamic that he can punish the opposition in the paint and behind the arc.

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ALL-AREA BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM

PLAYER OF THE YEAR Andrew Meachem, Northville

FIRST TEAM Charlie Ryan, Catholic Central Nick Troxell, Lakeland Carter Drazga, South Lyon



Northville girls run to third place

Mustangs open season with Huron Relays

> By Sam Eggleston Correspondent

Leave it to the Northville girls track and field team to come into the spring season and get to competing right away – despite the fact that it looks like winter is still trying to hang on.

The team, coached by Tim Dalton, raced Saturday in the 59th annual Huron Relays, held at Eastern Michigan University, and turned in some solid performances to finish in third place with 47 points. Saline finished first with 74 points, followed by Oak Park with 55.

"Overall, I was pleased with our effort on Saturday at EMU," Dalton said. "It was the first track meet of the season after a long winter. Due to the weather, it has been difficult to get in quality training, but every school is having that same problem. We have work to do as a team, but our kids are committed to being the best and we will get there."

The Mustangs didn't manage to snag a first-place finish, but they did have a second-place finish in three events. In the 60-meter hurdles, Morgan Robertston ran 9.26 seconds race to earn second, while the distance medley relay team of Nicole Mosteller, Erin Zimmer, Lindsay Walters and

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Jason Hugan, Milford Trent Willenborg, South Lyon East

SECOND TEAM Malik Bazzi, Northville Noah Lee, Catholic Central Connor Young, Milford Brad Govan, Lakeland Nick Zugaro, Novi Tommy Averill, South Lyon

Northville's Andrew Meacham is the 2014 boys basketball All-Area Player of the Year. JOHN HEIDER STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Northville sophomore Lindsay Walters competes in a relay Saturday at the 59th annual Huron Relays at Eastern Michigan University.

More Northville athletes make college commitments

Mustangs feature 11 who will play at the next level

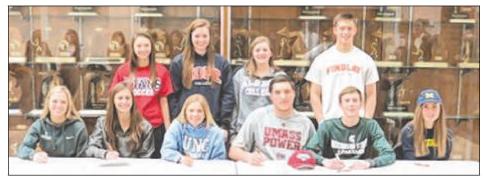
By Sam Eggleston

Correspondent

For those who have never gone through the process of being recruited to play sports at the collegiate level, it probably feels like there are some easy decisions to be made by those who are.

Why wouldn't you sign to play at the University of Michigan instead of choosing a Division II school? Why not take a full athletic ride to Saginaw Valley State University instead of an academic scholarship to Hope College?

But the truth of the matter is, making the decision to where you will play college-level sports isn't an easy one at all. Student-athletes have to consider factors like the quality of education, available programs to study, scholarships, potential playing time and more.



Some of the Northville High School athletes to sign their national letter of intent to play in college included (front, from left) Jamie Cheslik (soccer, Michigan State), Gabby Mencotti (soccer, Grand Valley), Megan Buckingham (soccer, North Carolina), Dimitri Angelas (football, University of Massachusetts), Dan Sim (cross country and track, Michigan State) and Rachel Coleman (cross country and track, University of Michigan) and (back, from left) Suzie Redick (soccer, University of Detroit-Mercy), Heather Randall (basketball, Hope College), Rachel Zawodny (volleyball, Albion) and Andrew Stevens (golf, Findley). Also signing was Olivia Landis (volleyball, Spring Arbor University).

So when the time comes to sign their name on that national letter of intent – well, it's a very special moment indeed.

Northville recently had 11 athletes sign their letter of intent to play sports in college, in soccer, basketball, football, cross country and track, golf and volleyball.

"We are extremely proud of our student-athletes who have made the

decision to continue their athletic careers at the next level," Northville athletic director Bryan Masi said. "We believe they have been well-prepared to take on the challenges of college athletics. They will join the hundreds of former Mustang athletes that have competed and are currently competing at the college level. We look forward to watching all of their future achievements and wish them much success."

The sport with the most studentathletes to sign was, not surprisingly, soccer, as Jamie Cheslik, Gabby Mencotti, Megan Buckingham and Suzie Redick all will play in the collegiate ranks next year.

Cheslik will play for Michigan State University, while Buckingham will continue her career at North Carolina. Mencotti chose Grand Valley State University and Redick will play for the University of Detroit-Mercy.

Two who will go to college for cross country and track are Rachel Coleman

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BASKETBALL

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"He finishes his career with 988 points scored, which is a huge number. It ranks near the top in Northville history."

Meachem hit 45 percent of his shots, including 35 percent from beyond the arc. He also shot free throws at a 78-percent clip.

Meachem was voted team MVP as well as first team all-conference in the KLAA.

"Andrew has been a pleasure to coach during his career. In addition to his physical skills, he understands and thinks the game extremely well," said Sander.

"I have really enjoyed watching him mature both as a person and player these past few seasons. We will miss him immensely."

First team Charlie Ryan, C Catholic Central senior

The 6-7 Ryan averaged a double-double with 13 points and more than 10 rebounds a night. He earned first team all-league honors and will continue his career with at Northwood University.

"Charlie has worked hard over the past two seasons to make himself a college basketball player," coach Bill Dyer said. "He improved his play around the basket and he made a lot of big shots for us. Charlie had a season-high 27 points at Brother Rice. His best days are still ahead of him.

Nick Troxell, G/F Lakeland senior

Troxell played four years on varsity and it paid off with a division and KLAA Lakes Conference titles. He averaged 10 points and six rebounds while shooting 47 percent from the floor.

"Nick is one of the very few high school athletes that plays above the rim," coach Bob Brugger said. "He easily has the most dunks of any player in Lakeland

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HONORABLE MENTION South Lyon East - Derek Blunden (sr.), Jack Leckner (sr.) South Lyon – Will Sanders (sr.) Milford - Kyle Valden (jr.), Sam Jaklic (jr.) Lakeland - Timmy Brotherton (jr.), Grant Osborne (jr.), Jake Menzel (sr.) Northville - Joey Hewlett (sr.), Andrew Stevens (sr.) Novi – Erik Biberstein (sr.)

history. Nick did a little bit of everything for us this season. He is a versatile player capable of guarding all five positions and able to score both in the post and on the perimeter." Carter Drazga, G South Lyon senior

He was almost always the smallest player on the floor, but Drazga would often make the biggest difference. He averaged 15 points and made 39 3-pointers. He also shot 82 percent from the line.

"Carter is a fierce competitor - a guy who wants to take the big shot, a guy who sees the floor really well and a point guard who provided our team with a lot of emotionally charged moments this year,' coach Doug Host said. Jason Hugan, C **Milford senior**

The Mavericks came on strong late and Hugan was a big reason. He averaged 10 points, 5.7 rebounds and 1.5 blocks while hitting 50 percent of his shots.

Hugan earned first team all-conference hon-

ors. "Jason was a presence in the middle that teams had to account for night in and night out," coach David Gilbert said. "When Jason played well, we were a different team.'

Trent Willenborg, F South Lyon East junior

Teams focused their defenses around stopping Willenborg, but he still averaged 13 points and 9.0 rebounds per game. He scored a season-high 28 points against Novi and tallied 25 against Milford. He earned allconference honors.

"A top-level athlete, Trent has the ability to dominate a game from the paint or perimeter,"

coach Ron Levin said.

Second team Malik Bazzi, F **Northville senior**

He was force for the Mustangs, putting up 11.0 points, 5.5 rebounds, 3.8 assists and 3.5 steals per game. Bazzi was a big reason the Mustangs made a charge in the KLAA Central, finishing one game behind Salem. Noah Lee, G Catholic Central senior

He finished his threeyear varsity career with 13.0 points and 3.0 steals per game. He earned first team all-league honors.

Connor Young, G Milford junior

He led the Mavericks with 10.7 points and with 34 3-pointers and also hit 62-of-84 free throws (72 percent). He had a season-high 28 points against Mott and put up 26 against Brighton. Brad Govan, F/C Lakeland senior

He played hard under the rim at both ends. Govan tallied eight points aand six rebounds while hitting 54 percent of his shots. He was voted first team all-KLAA. Nick Zugaro, G Novi senior

He was second on the team with 10.6 points, but filled the stat sheet in other ways. Zugaro dished out 4.4 assists, grabbed 3.5 rebounds and had 2.2 steals while hitting 75 percent of his free throws. He scored 18 and 20 points in the two district games. Tommy Averill, F South Lyon senior

He averaged 10 points and five rebounds per game and sank 34 3pointers while hitting 70 percent of his free throws.

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Hillside cagers complete perfection



The Hillside Middle School eighth-grade girls basketball team defeated its crosstown rival Meads Milll on March 19 at Northville High School. The victory completed the Raiders' perfect season with a 10-0 record. It is the team's second consecutive undefeated season, the first time the same group went undefeated in both seventh and eighth grade in five years. Team members included: (top, from left) manager lvy Sanders, Gasia Oknayan, Sarah Toth, Sophie Sawyer, Rachel Holmes, Morgan Rodgers, Roan Haines and Emma Reddy and (bottom, from left) Barbara Davis, Deedee Heinonen, Jessica Hogan, Carlie Castiglione, Nikki Skinner, Alyssa Quinn, Mariah Modkins and coach Lorri Kingsbury. Also on the team was Amanda Hawkins.

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Taleen Shahrigian took second in a time of 12:32. Shahrigian's mile split was an impressive 5:04.

was Rachel Coleman in the 1,600-meter run with a time of 5:00.11. Taking third in the

1,600-meter run was Lexa Barrott, who ran 5:14. She also joined Coleman, Mosteller and Zimmer in the 3,200 relay as they placed third with a time of 9:42. The 1,600 relay team of Chloe Abbott, Mary

Catherine McLaughlin, Kara Ernst and Lindsay Walters placed fourth in 4:15.58, while Abbott and McLaughlin ran with **Robertson and Alison** Robinson in the 800 relay and finished fifth in 1:50.17.

Abbott finished seventh in the 60-meter dash in 8.14 seconds, while Aimee Montambeau ran 9.11 seconds for 41st.

"Chloe Abbott is going to play a huge role for us this season on the sprint side," Dalton said. 'She showed Saturday why she is one of the best young sprinters in the area running in the

60 dash, 4-by-200 and 4-by-400."

In the distance medley relay, Northville's 'B' team of Emma Herrmann, Emma Smith, Chloe Smither and Cayla Eckenroth placed seventh in 13:26.

In the 60-meter hurdles, Audrey Baetz ran 12.13 seconds for 28th place. Molly DeDona and Madaline Blomberg took 34th and 37th, respectively, in the shot put with throws of 24 feet, 11 inches, and 22-04.

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

CITY OF NORTHVILLE NOTICE OF ENACTMENT **ZONING ORDINANCE #02-18-14Z**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Northville City Council has adopted Ordinance No. 02-18-14Z for the purpose of amending the City of Northville Zoning Ordinance. The ordinance amends Article 19 Site Development Plan Procedural and Approval Process, by adding Section 19.04.1 Pre-Application Meetings, as follows:

It is encouraged that the applicant attend a pre-application meeting in order to review the Ordinance requirements. The pre-application meeting may be attended by the City Planner, Building Official, Public Works Director, and other individuals as requested by the City Manager.

Other miscellaneous changes to section renumbering, including Table of Contents, were also adopted.

The ordinance was introduced for first reading on February 18, 2014 and was adopted by the City Council on March 17, 2014. The ordinance shall become effective on April 4, 2014 The complete text of the ordinance amendment is available for public review at the City of Northville Municipal Building, Office of the City Clerk or the Building Department, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan, 48167, 248-349-1300, Monday through Friday, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or on the City's website at www.ci.northville.mi.us.

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> Sue A. Hillebrand, Clerk Charter Township of Northville LO-0000187151 3x

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OFFICIAL DOCUMENT REQUEST for PROPOSAL for MOWING & TRIMMING SERVICES

Northville Public Schools 501 W. Main Street Northville, MI 48167 248 - 344 - 3510

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids for **Mowing and Trimming Services** will be received by Northville Public Schools, Attention: Michael Zopf, Assistant Superintendent of Finance & Operations. Delivery on or before April 10, 2014 at 10:00 am local EST time. No allowance will be made for late delivery for any reason.

Bids shall be prepared in accordance with specifications outlined in the Request for Bid.

Bids will be publicly opened on April 10, 2014, at 10:00 am local EST time, by Northville Public Schools, Room 104, 501 W. Main Street, Northville, MI 48167, evaluated, with awards subsequently to be made by Northville Public Schools.

Bid documents may be accessed via the Northville Public Schools web site (Departments/ Business Department/Bid Information web page), or may be obtained in person at Northville Public Schools, Board Offices, Room 307, 501 W. Main Street, Northville, MI 48167 Mon-Fri between 8:00 am & 4:00pm.

Questions of a technical nature , which may arise as a result of this Request for Bid, may be directed to Chris Gearns, Director of Operations, 248-344-3540 (office) or 248-240-9176 (cell).

A mandatory pre-bid conference will be held on April 2, 2014 at 8:00 am at Northville High School, located at 45700 Six Mile Road, Northville, Michigan 48168. Only bidders who attend the pre-bid meeting will be considered for the bid award process.

Bid shall be on forms furnished by Northville Public School. Please include your latest catalog or service brochures with your bid.

A bidder will be permitted to withdraw their bid, unopened, after it has been submitted if so requested prior tot he time specified above for opening bids.

The successful bidder shall be required to enter into a contract with Northville Public Schools.

Northville Public Schools is exempt from all taxes. A tax exemption certificate will be issued upon request

The right to reject any or all bids, either in whole or in part, or to wave any informalities or irregularities therein, is reserved by Northville Public Schools

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Northville boys take fourth place at Huron Relays

By Sam Eggleston Correspondent

The Northville boys track and field team started the season Saturday at the 59th annual Huron Relays at Eastern Michigan University.

The team, coached by Brandon Langston, ran to fourth place overall, with 30 points. Taking first was a powerful Oak Park

team with 41 points, while Saline was second with 37 and Lake Orion third with 31

Detroit Catholic Central, coached by Toni Magni, finished with four points for 27th place.

The Mustangs did pick up an impressive firstplace finish in the 3,200meter relay. The team of Jason Ferrante, Nick Noles, Conor Naughton

and Sean McCullough raced to the top spot with a time of 8:13.89 - two seconds faster than Belle-

ville's second-place team. Another first-place finish came from Dan Sims, who won the 1,600 with a time of 4:25.66. Noles took seventh, running 4:35.83.

The team of Naughton, Anthony Sourges, Ferrante and Sims took second place in the distance medley relay with a time of 10:35

The 1,600 relay team of McCullough, Alec Przybocki, Jacob Kamm and Sourges ran to 11th in a time of 3:41.23. In the 800 relay, the

team of Jomi Ogunfiditimi, Nathan Lwo, Jonathon Li and John Stroud took 25th in 1:41.91.

In the high jump, An-drew Hopkins was 17th with a jump of 5 feet, 7 inches, while John Hamil-

ton finished 25th with 5-4. In the long jump, Leo Keyes took 21st with a leap of 18-4, while Felix

Lee was 32nd with 17-7. The Shamrocks' highest finish was a 10th-place showing in the distance medley relay with a time of 11:42.24.

The Shamrocks also picked up a 16th-place finish in the 1,600 relay with a time of 3:51.14, while the 3,200 relay team finished 21st in 9:24.22. The 800 relay team ran 1:42.31, good for 28th

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and Dan Sims. They will both stay in-state, but Coleman will be running for the University of Michigan and Sims will be at Michigan State.

Dimitri Ängelas has signed to play football with the University of Massachusetts.

Two volleyball players will be taking their game to the next level as well. Rachel Zawodny will play for Albion College, while Olivia Landis will play for Spring Arbor University.

Heather Randall will play basketball with Hope College.

Andrew Stevens will play golf for the University of Findlay.

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Clifton continues high-octane running career

Michigan State University sophomore sets personal best

By Sam Eggleston Correspondent

Edward Clifton knows a lot about pushing himself to the limits.

The former Northville all-state runner has continued his career at Michigan State University, where he has continued to strive to be the best

Clifton, who ran the 800 meters in 1:55 while a senior at Northville, recently set his personal best (1:52.92) during a meet at the University of Notre Dame. While he didn't make it to the finals, Clifton's time was still less than two seconds behind the first-



Edward Clifton (center), who was an all-state runner at Northville, races in the 800 meters for Michigan State University. Clifton recently set his personal best (1:52.92) in the event.

place finisher. The time was a marked improvement over Clifton's previous top time in a collegiate race. That was 1:57.50, which he ran in a meet at Hillsdale College. He has a top time of 1:08 in the 500-meter race, also at the Notre Dame Invitational.

Clifton, who is major-

ing in supply chain management at MSU, will begin the 2014 outdoor track season March 28-29 when the Spartans travel to North Carolina to race in the Raleigh Relays. They are scheduled to race in East

Lansing for the first time April 4, when they host the Spartan Invitational.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE **ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS – PUBLIC HEARING**

The Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) has scheduled a public hearing for Wednesday, April 16, 2014, at the Northville Township Municipal Office Building, located at 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48168. The ZBA will consider variance requests to Chapter 145, Sign Ordinance, for businesses located at 15300 Centennial Drive (monument sign location) and 39425 Six Mile Road (monument sign to digital LED & panel sign). The ZBA will consider variance requests to Chapter 170, Zoning Ordinance, Article 34, Land Division, Combination or Reconfiguration, for residential property located at 44560 Country Lane (median lot size). Written comments regarding this request will be received by the ZBA at 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48168. The meeting will begin at 7:30 P.M.

Paul Slatin, Chair Zoning Board of Appeals Publish: March 27, 2014



CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE NOTICE TO THE RESIDENTS

If you experience an overflow or back up of a sewage disposal system or storm water system, you must file a written claim with the Northville Township Department of Public Services within 45 days after the overflow or backup was discovered. Notice should be mailed to:

> Northville Township Department of Public Services 44405 Six Mile Road Northville, Michigan 48168-9670

Failure to provide the written notice will prevent recovery of damages. Contact the Department of Public Services at (248) 348-5820 for assistance immediately upon discovery of an overflow or backup

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SYNOPSIS MARCH 20, 2014 – REGULAR MEETING **CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

DATE: Thursday, March 20, 2014

TIME: 7:30 p.m. PLACE: 44405 Six Mile Road

- CALL TO ORDER: Clerk Hillebrand called the meeting to order at 7:30.PRESENT: Sue A. Hillebrand, ClerkMarv Gans, Trustee
- Marjorie F. Banner, Treasurer
- Symantha Heath, Trustee

- Marjorie F. Banner, Treasurer Mindy Herrmann, Trustee ABSENT: Robert R. Nix II, Supervisor PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: 1. Agendas: Approved A. Approve the Regular Agenda and the Consent Agenda items: 1. Mismites Board of Trustoce Regular Meeting of February
 - Minutes Board of Trustees Regular Meeting of February 20, 2014
 Minutes Historic District Commission meeting of February 27, 2014

 - Minutes Planning Commission meeting of January 28, 2014
 Minutes Zoning Board of Appeals meeting of January 15, 2014
- 4. Minutes Zoning Board of Appeals meeting of January 15, 20
 5. NYA Program Report for March 14, 2014
 6. Planning Commission Annual Report
 Appointments, Presentations, Resolutions & Announcements:
 A. Joe Hetu Retirement Resolution 2.
 - В.
 - Fred Shadko reappoint to Historic District Commission Joe Oldenburg – reappoint to Historic District Commission С.

 - D.
 - Mike Weaver reappoint to Planning Commission Richard Henningsen reappoint to Senior Citizens Proclamation for Building Safety Month in May Е.
 - F.
- **Public Hearing:** 3.
 - A. Set Public Hearing for Aisin Tax Abatement for April 17, 2014 Approved
- **Brief Public Comments: None** 4.
- New Business: 5.
 - Α.
 - В.
 - METRO Act Permit for Fibertech Networks, LLC Approved Steeplechase Subdivision 8 & 9 Final Plat Approved Intergovernmental Agreement with Wayne County Park Fund Approved С.
 - D. Sign Variance Building Safety Month Approved
- Unfinished Business: None
- **Ordinances:** None
- **Check Registry:** 8.
 - **A.** In the amount of \$1,604,697.36 Approved
- Board Communication & Reports: 9.
- A. Sue Hillebrand, Marjorie Banner, Marv Gans, Symantha Heath, Mindy Herrmann, Fred Shadko, Chip Snider
- 10. Any other business for the Board of Trustees: None
- 11. ADJOURN: Meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.
- A draft of the complete minutes will be available April 1, 2014.
- **Respectfully submitted:**
- Sue A. Hillebrand, M.M.C.
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A 'fantastic' first week

BUSINESS

Customers flock to Cantoro's Italian Market

> By Kurt Kuban Staff Writer

If its first week in business is any indication, the new Cantoro's Italian Market in Northville Township is going to have a very successful future.

The store, located on Haggerty just north of Five Mile, has been filled with customers since opening for the first time to the public last week.

"It's pretty exciting," said Van Karibian, the store's manager. "It's great to see so many people come through the doors. And the customers really seem to be happy."

The location is the second Cantoro's Market owned by the Fallone family, but the new store is significantly larger than their other store on Middlebelt in Livonia, which will remain open.

The store offers aisles full of imported Italian groceries, cheeses, wines and other items. Sausage and pasta is made on-site using fresh ingredients. A wide selection of wines, specialty liquors and Michigan craft beer is also available. The store also has several tables set up for meals and a bar. The upstairs overlooking the market is large enough to host wedding receptions.

Downstairs, the market holds its wine cellar, a place where tasters, enthusiasts and businesses can hold events complete with winemakers. There will be several clubs that will meet in the wine cellar, including



Gallons and gallons of olive oil await shoppers at Cantoro's.

wine clubs, a cheese club and a dinner club.

Since opening last week, the new store has been attracting people from all over the area, including Dale and Phyllis Neumann of Livonia, who stopped by on Tuesday. Dale said the store is "terrific" noting how large it is and its diversity of products.

"It's hard to take everything in on just one visit," he said. "Plus it would be helpful to know some Italian, because there is so much I'm not familiar with. It takes a little education to really appreciate everything they have to offer."

John and Rosa Monte also stopped by the store. The Livonia couple has been shopping at Cantoro's other location for years, and they wanted to see how the new store compared.

"I think the place is just fantastic," John Monte said, as his wife unloaded a shopping basket full of goods into the couple's vehicle. "If they don't have it here, they just don't make it. I wish the owners the best of luck, because this place is really nice."

Karibian said store management is pretty happy with the excite-



Vince Cangialosi hands over a loaf of fresh-baked Italian bread at Cantoro's on March 19. Cantoro's will be making as much of its bread and pasta and deli items as possible at its 15550 Haggerty Road location.

ment surrounding the opening week, and they will continue to make improvements to offer the best shopping experience possible for their customers.

"There's been a few glitches here and there, but we're working them out as we go. The biggest complaint has been the parking lot situation. We've had so many people, it's been a bit congested out there," he said.

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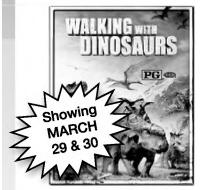
Jillian Slatina of Northville prepares to head to the check-out stands at Cantoro's on March 19. PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

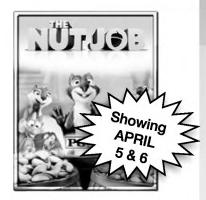






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IKEA has revealed an architectural drawing of what its expanded Canton store will look like. $\ensuremath{\mathsf{IKEA}}$

IKEA expansion expected this fall

By Darrell Clem Staff Writer

Global home furnishings retail giant IKEA has formally announced it plans a major expansion of its 311,000-squarefoot Canton store, confirming what the *Observer* first reported in February.

IKEA intends to demolish the former ABC Warehouse building it owns next door to accommodate a westward, 44,000-square-foot expansion. Construction is expected to start this fall and be finished by spring 2015.

The effort to expand its warehouse comes eight years after the Swedish retailer opened its only Michigan store at Ford and Haggerty roads, where the massive blue-and-yellow store has drawn customers from other states and Canada.

IKEA plans to remain open during an expansion that will leave the store with 355,000 square feet of space. The project involves expanding the self-serve furniture area where shoppers pick up their packaged furniture, rearranging customer service areas and enlarging the home-delivery area, the company announced.

"IKEA is thrilled with the success of IKEA Canton. But as our customer base and sales continue to grow - along with product assortment - the store's warehouse capacity now is less than ideal," Canton store manager Matt Hunsicker said in a company-issued statement. "Extending the store's self-serve furniture area so it can hold more products would allow us to improve the shopping experience to meet our customers' needs more easily and to enhance our ability to keep lowering prices."

IKEA said the ability to increase its inventory is expected to reduce transportation costs.

Canton Community Planner Jeff Goulet said IKEA has submitted an amendment to its planned development district agreement and site plan. The proposals are under review and will require a public hearing, which hasn't yet been scheduled.

IKEA's exit-area bistro and Swedish food market aren't expected to move during the store reconfiguration. The company said it hopes to minimize disruptions during its expansion.

"This project may

require some flexibility by our customers, but we are confident it will create an enhanced shopping experience with access to a bigger product selection and greater quantities of each item," Hunsicker said.

IKEA is located on 30 acres along Ford Road west of the I-275 corridor, in the heart of Canton's retail shopping district. It has 52 different room settings, three model home interiors, a supervised children's play area and a 350-seat restaurant.

IKEA, founded in 1943 in Sweden, installed Michigan's largest array of solar panels atop its roof in 2012. The company has more than 350 stores in 44 countries, including 38 in the United States.

IKEA spokesman Joseph Roth has said IKEA doesn't disclose annual sales for specific stores. He said U.S. stores had \$4.1 billion in sales for 2012, compared to \$34.6 billion for 349 sites worldwide.

IKEA sells ready-toassemble furniture, appliances and home accessories.

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Construction of the six luxury homes being built at Pinnacle in Oakland Township for Homearama® 2014 is progressing according to schedule despite the area's extreme weather. The homes, which will range in price from \$2-\$4 million will be open for public display from Aug. 29 through Sept. 14, 2014.

HOMEARAMA OPEN TO **PUBLIC IN LATE SUMMER**

Luxury homes showcased Aug. 29 through Sept. 14

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Homearama 2014 is a public service activity of HBA featuring homes built by HBA professional builder members including Moceri Companies, Cranbrook Homes, MJC Companies and Arteva Homes. The community was developed by Kirkland Adams Development.

Thousands of hours have been devoted to shaping the Pinnacle community as the "crown jewel" of Oakland County's Billion Dollar Mile. Its luxury homes will be set amid streets accented by brick pavers, wrought iron sculptures and a grand domed promenade. Acres of preservation areas, streams and stone bridges will add to the elegance and creativity of the community.

Each home is being de-

signed, built, fully decorated and landscaped by the area's top professionals. Homes will feature the latest amenities, advanced technology and energy saving features. These Dream Homes offer visitors the unique opportunity to gather luxury design and decor ideas that could be used in their own homes. Bringing The Dream Home is the theme for the event.

On-site and advance ticket sales will be available. Over 50,000 home owners, home buyers and dreamers are expected to visit Homearama 2014. Special events are also planned during the run of the

event. More information will be available at www.HomearamaHBA.com beginning in April.

Headquartered in West Bloomfield, Home Builders Association of SE Michigan (HBA) and Apartment Association of Michigan (AAM) are trade associations representing 700 builders, remodelers, multi-family property owners, developers and suppliers to the single family and multi-family residential construction industry. HBA is affiliated with the Home Builders Association of Michigan in Lansing and the National Association of Home Builders in Washington, D.C.

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HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS - OAKLAND COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Nov. 4-8, 2013, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

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1543 Threadneedle St 1350 Trailwood Path # C **COMMERCE TOWNSHIP** 6080 Amadore St 2340 Baltusrol Dr 3105 Belle Terre 3446 Benstein Rd 2265 Calibouge 5049 Carinas Way Ct

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N.J. court nixes liability claim

Q: Our homeowners association has sued a homeowner for payment of maintenance fees. That member filed a counterclaim alleging that the association had caused monetary damage to him by engaging in bad faith conduct by its involvement in a lawsuit filed by a

group of other members in the community who accused the association of with-



Robert holding Meisner financial information which allegedly caused a rejec-tion for his reverse mort-

gage loan on his unit because of that lawsuit. What do you think?

A: Under the Business Judgment Rule, the general test for whether an association has acted properly is whether its action was authorized by statute or its own bylaws and if so, whether the action was fraudulent, self-dealing or unconscionable. Generally, the Business Judgment Rule isn't available as a general defense if the association's fiduciary duty was breached by fraud or acts performed in bad faith. In a case similar to yours, the New Jersey Appellate Court held that the association cannot be liable for damaging individual unit owners simply because its actions in the course of litigation on behalf of all owners may have affected some of the members unfavorably. In the case in New Jersev. the court indicated that the litigation strategy the association used was actually quite successful for the membership as a whole since the lawsuit was dismissed witha vear without liability ssoci-

17195 Birwood Ave	\$242,000	4410 Commerce Woods	\$239,000	31674 Trestain St	\$170,000	30242 Viewcrest Ct	\$285,000	in a year without liability
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31165 Sheridan Dr	\$180,000	5004 Elkin St	\$170,000	Unit B10	P10,000	861 Challenging Trl	\$175,000	Q: My neighbor hosted a
18688 W 13 Mile Rd # 2	\$145,000	8075 Flagstaff St	\$158,000	28933 W Nine Mile Rd	\$215,000	1051 Colt Dr	\$244,000	party in a residence used
BINGHAM FARMS	J145,000	5251 Huron Hills Dr	\$313,000	31822 Wayburn St	\$140,000	23967 Copperwood Dr E	\$325,000	by his parents without
30265 Oakview Way	\$347,000	9381 Park Ln	\$499,000	FRANKLIN	¥140,000	1230 Hackney Ct	\$370,000	their consent. Alcohol was
BIRMINGHAM	JJ47,000	8420 Pine Cove Dr	\$490,000	24505 N Cromwell Dr	\$221,000	317 Harvard Ave	\$125,000	available for consumption
967 Ann St	\$521,000	8529 Pine Cove Dr	\$375,000	MILFORD	¥221,000	60829 Lillian St	\$85,000	
275 Bryn Mawr St	\$421,000	3100 Royal Blvd	\$140,000	2290 Cooley Lake Rd	\$269,000	209 Maplewood Ct Unit	\$90,000	at the party and some of
1523 Chapin Ave	\$225,000	2461 Solace Dr	\$62,000	270 Cumberland Trl	\$358,000	12	400,000	the guests, most of whom
1389 Lake Park Dr	\$797,000	3581 Stallion Way	\$300,000	781 Forestberry Ct	\$220,000	53969 Shinnecock Dr	\$430,000	were under 21, were
1097 Lakeside Dr	\$860,000	4781 Surfwood Dr	\$450,000	847 Mill St	\$280,000	1196 Vassar	\$135,000	charged an admission fee.
1115 N Old Woodward	\$250,000	9574 Trace Hollow Ct	\$25,000	639 Shaw Ct	\$120,000	837 Westhills Dr	\$270,000	The money collected in
Ave Unit	¥2.50,000	9577 Trace Hollow Ct	\$25,000	NORTHVILLE	¥120,000	SOUTHFIELD	4270,000	entrance fees was used to
232 Pilgrim Ave	\$652,000	5001 White Tail Ct	\$296,000	22839 Bentley Dr	\$100,000	27156 Aberdeen St	\$116,000	buy additional alcohol.
662 Purdy St # 320	\$205,000	FARMINGTON	¥2.00,000	49314 Chianti Dr	\$198,000	28915 Carmel Dr	\$85,000	During the party, an intoxi-
600 W Brown St # 109	\$172,000	33131 Orchard St	\$65,000	44871 Galway Dr	\$350,000	19633 Jeanette St	\$32,000	cated guest who was
1288 Washington Blvd	\$300,000	21045 Robinwood St	\$178,000	730 North Ctr	\$215,000	29300 Kensington Ct	\$144,000	charged a fee to purchase
735 Willits St	\$389,000	36131 Smithfield Rd	\$214,000	51240 Park Place Dr	\$460,000	29513 Marshall St	\$110,000	consumed alcoholic bever-
1078 Wimbleton Dr	\$290,000	FARMINGTON HILLS	\$214,000	37996 W Meadowhill Dr	\$261,000	27064 Nantucket Ct	\$153,000	ages supplied by my neigh-
BLOOMFIELD HILLS	\$2.90,000	29117 Aranel St	\$212,000	384 Welch Rd	\$232,000	24548 Pierce St	\$92,000	bor who unfortunately
3459 Devon Brook Dr	\$279,000	21074 Colwell St	\$53,000	880 Yorktown Ct	\$155,000	28596 Red Leaf Ln	\$50,000	was seriously injured in an
5633 S Adams Way	\$235,000	35787 Congress Rd	\$288,000	NOVI	\$155,000	5000 Town Ctr # 2701	\$100,000	
3037 Anthony Ln	\$713,000	24026 Creekside Dr	\$127,000	30709 Ardmore Ct	\$88,000	30105 Vernon Dr	\$170,000	automobile accident. The
7125 Cathedral Dr	\$242,000	29423 Earth Ln	\$625,000	45207 Bartlett Dr	\$431,000	18225 Westhaven Ave	\$44,000	victim's parents have now
480 E Long Lake Rd	\$970,000	21223 Flanders St	\$75,000	49992 Blackberry Trl	\$340,000	18430 Westover Ave	\$43,000	considered filing a lawsuit
2360 Klingensmith Rd	\$970,000 \$142,000	29870 Fox Grove Rd	\$285,000	39608 Burton Dr	\$173,000	24105 Woodland Dr	\$395,000	against the neighbor and
5680 Kolly Rd	\$465,000	39304 Geneva Dr	\$285,000 \$285,000	22084 Cascade Dr	\$247,000		\$393,000	his parents. Do you think
999 Stratford Pl	\$330,000	35110 Glengary Cir	\$250,000	21964 Clover Ln	\$228,000	637 Akehurst Ln	\$281,000	they have any valid claims?
1745 Tiverton Rd	\$135,000	28555 Green Castle Rd	\$230,000 \$175,000	23235 Cranbrooke Dr	\$220,000 \$220,000	9555 Bonnie Briar St	\$220,000	A: The case is state-spe-
	\$135,000 \$873,000	22100 Hamilton Ave	\$175,000 \$147,000	22234 Edgewater	\$220,000 \$133,000	1151 Clearwater St	\$220,000 \$135,000	cific and case specific in
2 Vaughan Xing			\$147,000 \$235,000	25774 Groveland	\$365,000	9817 Coledale Ct	\$285,000	regard to what the liability
100 W Hickory Grove Rd # A7	\$63,000	30420 Hanley Ct 33854 Harlan Dr	\$235,000 \$1 8 0,000	23970 Harvest Dr	\$305,000 \$320,000	8926 El Dorado Dr	\$285,000 \$256,000	would be, but it would seem
4560 Walden Dr	\$400,000		\$130,000	22828 Heatherbrae Way	\$320,000 \$266,000		\$256,000 \$187,000	to me that both the parents
BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP	\$400,000	21304 Juniper Ct		,		9163 Glasgow Dr		and the person serving alco-
1367 Club Dr	\$ 529,000	28101 Kendallwood Dr	\$187,000	26055 Island Lake Dr	\$425,000	975 Golden Dr	\$335,000	holic beverages would be
		26181 Kiltarton St	\$235,000	41677 Juniper Cir	\$161,000	8517 Huron River Dr	\$130,000	
1737 Golf Ridge Dr S	\$500,000	28946 Lake Park Dr	\$265,000	24423 Knollwood St	\$192,000	10254 Lakeside Dr	\$77,000	liable for allowing the sale of
2499 Heronwood Dr	\$810,000	24145 Locust St	\$326,000	50293 Langley Dr	\$555,000	82 Lisa Cir	\$197,000	alcohol to an obviously in-
310 Kendry	\$213,000	21610 Manchester Ct	\$365,000	50345 Langley Dr	\$534,000	613 Rumson Ct	\$62,000	toxicated minor. It is, of
6650 Lahser Rd	\$200,000	29652 Middlebelt Rd Unit	\$88, 000	50370 Langley Dr	\$664,000	9613 Shelby Dr	\$259,000	course, important to recog-
5026 Sebring Ct	\$450,000	240		50371 Langley Dr	\$55 9, 000	775 Sunnybeach Dr	\$285,000	nize that the sale of alcohol
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These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Nov. 25-29, 2013, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

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46540 Bartlett Dr 40429 Bay Harbor Ln 7380 Charrington Dr 42255 Chase Dr 436 Cherry Hill Pointe Dr 436 Cherry Hill Pointe Dr 46761 Creeks Bnd 1648 Dunston Rd 1626 E Lakeview Ln 45486 Fieldstone Dr 46368 Hanford Rd 4681 Hunters Cir E 4281 Hunters Cir W 48468 Inveraray Rd 46638 Inverness Rd 42771 Lilley Pointe Dr 47464 Lindenhurst Blvd 45671 N Stonewood Rd 1994 Oakview Dr 793 Pinehurst Dr

47600 Royal Pointe Dr 41390 Southwind Dr 43317 Stonington Ct **GARDEN CITY** 28455 Leona St 32710 Maplewood St 29614 Rosslyn Ave \$217,000 33241 Rosslyn Ave \$127,000 LIVONIA \$310,000 28832 Seven Mile Rd 31443 Alabama Ct \$255.000 \$44,000 11309 Auburndale St \$155,000 29145 Barkley St \$208,000 36711 Bennett St \$270,000 9293 Cardwell St 14982 Cavour St \$173,000 \$234,000 9139 Danzig St \$248,000 14348 Denne St 31301 Dorais St \$104.000 36104 Fairway Dr \$106,000 14754 Fairway St \$425,000 \$366,000 16802 Farmington Rd \$76,000 16910 Farmington Rd \$285,000 30158 Greenland St \$173,000 19494 Hardy St \$195,000 20414 Hugh St \$285,000 38033 Mason St

43059 Providence Ln

\$146,000	11037 Mayfield St
\$365,000	11037 Mayfield St
\$75,000	27831 Meadowbrooke
\$218,000	Ave
	30230 Oakview St
\$89,000	30891 Orangelawn St
\$95,000	35876 Orangelawn St
\$82,000	36310 St Andrews Dr
\$87,000	17977 University Park Dr
	18273 University Park Dr
\$36,000	29624 W Chicago St
\$190,000	19960 Weyher St
\$149,000	NORTHVILLE
\$109,000	42341 Amboy Ct
\$232,000	429 Beal St
\$55,000	19233 Fry Rd
\$88,000	19576 Maxwell St
\$175,000	619 North Ctr
\$155,000	19146 Northridge Dr
\$135,000	49720 Parkside Dr
\$302,000	20285 Rippling Ln
\$159,000	543 W Dunlap St
\$133,000	16534 White Haven Dr
\$115,000	PLYMOUTH
\$185,000	46625 Arboretum Cir
\$153,000	399 Auburn St
\$125,000	48121 Hilltop Dr E
\$157,000	41091 Micol Dr

\$139,000	262 N Holbrook St	\$227,000
\$70,000	432 Pacific St	\$240,000
\$300,000	49946 Plymouth Way	\$135,000
	42490 Schoolcraft Rd	\$131,000
\$150,000	REDFORD	
\$103,000	14301 Dixie	\$93,000
\$139,000	15580 Gaylord	\$76,000
\$43,000	15038 Inkster Rd	\$50,000
\$105,000	15479 Macarthur	\$50,000
\$90,000	26372 Margareta	\$70,000
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\$124,000	34258 Winslow St	\$53,000
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\$208,000	37150 Amhurst Dr	\$128,000
\$265,000	37744 Avondale St	\$135,000
\$128,000	32081 Birchwood St	\$39,000
\$53,000	35748 Booth Ave	\$29,000
\$468,000	35463 Canyon Dr	\$92,000
\$241,000	37256 Gilchrist St	\$62,000
\$558,000	32631 Grandview Ave	\$86,000
\$320,000	380 Marigold Cir	\$104,000
\$520,000	35409 Pheasant Ln	\$86,000
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Handling the 'cold' networking call or email

By Matt Tarpey, CareerBuilder writer

Growing your professional network is an essential part of finding a job and advancing your career. The Internet makes this easier by allowing you to expand your reach beyond your typical contacts. Reaching out to people you aren't directly acquainted with, whether they are hiring managers or simply contemporaries working in your industry, can be a tricky and sometimes awkward situation. However, the reality is that "cold calling" or "cold emailing," when handled correctly, can be a useful part of building your network.

Matt Tarpey is a writer and blogger for CareerBuilder. com and it's job blog, The Work Buzz.

Here are some tips for mastering networking with strangers:

Find the missing link

You've probably heard the popular theory of "six degrees of separation," which suggests that every individual is six or fewer steps, by way of introduction, from any other individual. Your best bet to get a hiring manager's attention is to be introduced or recommended by a mutual acquaintance.

Hiring managers may ignore cold calls or emails if there's no mention of a specific connection that led the job seeker to them.

Familiarize your contacts with your elevator pitch to help them introduce you around at networking events, and don't forget to return the favor when the opportunity arises.

Give context

If you can't find a direct link, it is essential that you have a good reason for asking for the contact's time and that you are upfront about this reason from the start.

Be specific about why you're reaching out to this individual in particular.

- Are you familiar with his work?
- Were you both at a networking event but missed the opportunity to connect?
- Or are you simply looking for job opportunities or career advice?
- Know what you're looking for before you dial or hit "send."

What else do they offer?

Typically, when building your network, it's not a good idea to bluntly ask strangers for a job. If they say no, which they likely will, the relationship ends there, and you may as well remove them from your network

Rather than asking for a job outright, try fostering a connection by asking for advice or an informational interview.

Not only are hiring managers more likely to respond positively to this request, but you build a stronger relationship and gain valuable information in the process.

Keep it short

Make it easy for the hiring manager you contact to help you. Your email should be short and concise, clearly spelling out your situation and the relevant information. A lengthy, wordy email with big blocks of text is unlikely to be read, much less thoughtfully considered and responded to. Respect your contact's time and keep the initial introduction brief.

Emailing or calling a person out of the blue can be scary, but if done right, it can also help your job search and career. Follow these tips, remain respectful, and soon you'll start to see your professional network and employment prospects grow.



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