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‘Little Shop of Horrors’

Northville High School drama students will perform *Little Shop of Horrors* beginning tonight at 7 p.m., followed by a 7 p.m. performance on Friday, and two shows on Saturday (1 p.m. and 7 p.m.)

The cast numbers about 16 students, including the puppet operators, as well as the orchestra pit members and the crew.

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For more information on the Northville High School Drama Club and the 2013-14 season, visit www.nhstheatre.com.

Friday: A special Girls Night Out

Fundraiser to honor CMU student who died of bulimia

By Lonnie Huhman
Staff Writer

The Northville Central Business Association’s “Girls Night Out” is always a fun event, but this Friday it will also be taking on a deeper meaning at Bailey and Shamoun Interiors as its owners honor a friend’s passing by supporting an important project in her name.

Kathryn Bailey and Basma Shamoun, who own the popular home decorating shop in downtown Northville, want to support a benefit called “Kelly’s Home”.

This is a project set up by Habitat for Humanity in honor of 2009 Northville High School

graduate Kelly Markatos, who died at her Central Michigan University apartment last September of complications from bulimia.

“This is deeply personal to us because our family was close with Kelly and so were many others here in Northville,” said Bailey. “This hit many of us very hard and so for some time we’ve wanted to do something to remember her.”

Bailey’s daughter was a friend of Kelly and graduated with her. They had known each other since first grade.

The origin of the project started at Lakeshore Habitat for Humanity where Markatos was a public relations intern. In her honor the organization wants to



Northville businesswomen Kathryn Bailey and Basma Shamoun are hosting a memorial fundraiser for friend Kelly Markatos, a CMU student who passed away recently. They plan on raising funds for Habitat for Humanity and build a home in memory of the young lady. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

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Meads Mill Middle School teacher Jennifer Miers shoots a video of her classroom on March 28 as they model both proper and improper behavior for a sort of school-wide public service announcement. The students were showing both how to and how not to behave in class. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Comfortable in front of a video camera

Meads Mill students make videos to connect with classmates

By Lonnie Huhman
Staff Writer

Creating, producing and participating in news-like videos has given Meads Mill Middle School students the opportunity to make their school environment a more positive place.

Over the past school year, students in Jennifer Miers’ enrichment class have been making videos as part of the school’s Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports program.

The videos are created each week and after some editing work are shown to all Meads Mill students a week or so later. They include things like skits of bad and good classroom behaviors, interviews with staff

and students, and highlighting of accomplishments. A PTSA grant helped the school procure the necessary video camera.

“The students have really responded to this and look forward to seeing them,” Miers said of the videos. “It’s been a great way to bring the school together.”

And that is the whole point of the PBIS program, to maximize the students’ academic and social success. The school’s PBIS team thought creating school videos would be a great tool to help bring everyone together as a community in order to feel more connected.

It seems to be working.

“I think it’s a good idea because it does bring us together as a class and school. Plus it’s a lot of fun to watch,” said seventh-grader Lasya Marla.

Marla’s class recently made their last

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‘Peace, Love & Planet’

Earth Day-inspired film series to premier at Genitti’s

By Julie Brown
Staff Writer

Gina Adams-Levy is a woman on a mission.

She’s the founder of Peace, Love & Planet, which will celebrate Earth Day by launching the nationally recognized environmental film series “Be the Solution.” The films, shot locally using area teen actors, focus on raising awareness about Michigan’s environmental issues to inspire teens to make eco-friendly choices. The premiere of the films will be 6:30-9:30 p.m. Saturday, April 19, at Genitti’s, 108 E. Main, Northville.

The “Be the Solution” premiere will double as a benefit for PLP. The party will include a viewing of films, live entertainment, silent auction and hors d’oeuvres. Guests are encouraged to reduce, reuse, or recycle their wardrobe by coming dressed in “Trash with Class.” Space is limited to 200 guests. To register, go to www.PeaceLoveandPlanet.org.

“We wanted to jazz it up a bit and have a premiere,” said Adams-Levy, who lives in Farmington Hills with a Northville address. “We anticipate about 120 as our goal.”

“We encourage kids to make eco-friendly choices,” she said of PLP’s programs in schools.

The nonprofit emphasizes recycling, including cafeteria sorting “and highlight all the different materials we can recycle. That, of course, trickles down to the home as well.”

Her family is good about recycling and other eco-friendly practices. They’d lived in Colorado and found people there were good about such things as reusable grocery shopping bags.

Her daughter was in kin-

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Books and Beyond raises \$10k for library

By Kurt Kuban
Staff Writer

Northville District Library officials weren't sure what to expect when they were in the planning stages of last week's Books and Beyond fundraiser. They held a similar event last year at Genitti's and attendance was fairly light.

So they were pleasantly surprised when Books and Beyond actually sold out, and they had to turn people away from the event that was held Friday at the recently opened Cantoro's Italian Market & Trattoria in Northville Township. About 200 people attended the event. Everyone was able to sample a variety of wines from Italy, as well as hors d'oeuvres by Cantoro's.

"We couldn't be any happier about the event," said Julie Herrin, director of the library. "We didn't have the same kind of success last year. But we sold out a couple weeks ago, and actually had to turn people away, which we weren't too happy about. I think a little of it was due to the fact that there is a lot of interest in the location (Cantoro's), but also I think people do want to support their library."

Herrin estimated the event raised nearly \$10,000 for the library, which she said will be used to purchase new technologies like Zinio, a service that will allow library users to download popular magazines onto their laptops or tablets.

She credited the library's fundraising committee, which is made up of library staff, members of Friends of the Library, and members of the pub-



Cantoro's employee Charles Barnard pours a glass of wine from southern Italy during the April 4 Northville District Library wine-tasting fundraiser event. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

lic, for coming up with the idea and then running with it. One of those members, Scott Frush, was able to make the connection with Cantoro's through a family connection. He said the initial goal was to sell 80 tickets, but it became apparent pretty quickly that there was much more interest. They ended up having to move the event to a larger area of Cantoro's to accommodate the 200 people.

"When this idea for the fundraiser came to me, I was hoping the new store would draw some

interest but I was surprised by how much," he said. "This event was a win-win for the library and Cantoro's."

In addition to Cantoro's donating the space for free and the wines and hors d'oeuvres at cost, many other businesses donated money and items that were raffled off in a number of gift baskets.

"The business community was very generous with the gift baskets," Herrin said. "The businesses really stepped up and helped make this event a success."

All in all, it was a nice social event and everybody seemed to have a smile as they conversed with other library supporters.

Northville resident Michele Fecht, who attended with her husband Steve, was really impressed with the event and the turnout.

"It was just a fantastic event. It's great to see so much interest in our library," she said.

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Northville District Library Director Julie Herrin (left) greets guests at the library's Books and Beyond event Friday at Cantoro's. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

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dergarten a few years back, and Adams-Levy wanted to improve environmental awareness among her classmates.

"People have just become so dependent on convenience," she said.

She's found elementary-age kids are good about recycling, with it dropping off in middle school. Most of her work to date has been in the Farmington Public Schools, although they're reaching out to other nearby districts.

A focus group with middle and high school students found they often didn't have access to recycling bins, a problem that was easy to solve. Doing that led to a spike in recycling, Adams-Levy said.

The film series includes a look at energy, transportation and handling waste, and incorporates humor.

"Everybody's proud to be living in our beautiful state," she said. She's found in a community of some 400,000 even recycling trash or turning off lights and powering down electronics will help.

"Sometimes global issues just seem too big for kids to understand,"

she added. "We're tackling a pretty big initiative."

The films complement earth science curriculum and can be used in many ways; to launch a lesson plan, to celebrate holidays such as America Recycles Day (Nov. 15), Earth Hour (March 29), or Earth Day (April 22) or by PLP to introduce its programs. "Be the Solution" films are available on YouTube at Peaceluvplanet.

PLP's mission is to nurture appreciation for nature and promote environmentally responsible choices resulting in healthy, sustainable communities. The non-profit reaches over 7,000 Michigan children annually by conducting engaging programs and assisting schools and businesses implement sustainable waste reduction strategies.

Due to budget constraints, environmental programming is unavailable at many schools.

Sponsorship enables PLP to work with underserved schools throughout Michigan to help develop an understanding of "why" it's important to reduce consumption of resources.

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Students of Jennifer Miers show off good behavior during the shooting of a PSA video that her class is putting together. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

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video of the period. Miers had them walk through a process of brainstorming ideas to actually acting it out in front of the camera. They posed a skit of bad classroom behavior with a lot of noise and talking,

and then went through how it should look and sound like.

After the skits were done, two students went in front of the camera to explain the behaviors needed for a productive class environment.

Being respectful was the main theme.

"I think the visual really helps," said seventh-grader Sruthi Nav-

neetha. "It can be serious and silly."

She added, "It's my favorite class."

Miers said the students come with a realistic approach when making the videos and have made her proud.

"I'm proud of them for being so honest with it, and showing a strong effort and willingness to get in front of the cam-

era. They've made this work," she said of the students.

Overall, PBIS is working as well at Meads Mill with office discipline referrals going down in the last year and a general environment of respect increasing.

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Thank-A-Staff fundraiser looking for contributors

Two local fundraising groups are joining forces once again to benefit the students of Northville Public Schools through the Thank-A-Staff program.

"Thank-A-Staff offers a unique way for parents to support Northville Public Schools students and programs, and at the same time recognize a special teacher, principal, counselor, coach or other individual who has made their child's educational experience this year an exceptional one," said Northville Educational Foundation President Eric Barritt. "During the last week of school, all Thank-A-Staff recipients receive a personalized certificate with the name of the family or student who donated in their honor. It's a great way to express your appreciation and provide additional funds to sup-

port our students and teachers across the district."

The Northville Educational Foundation (NEF) and Mothers' Club of Northville are independent 501(c)(3) charitable organizations that dedicate their funding to Northville Public Schools. Both organizations award teacher grants annually for academic and enriching programs within Northville schools.

"Now in the third year of our Thank-A-Staff partnership, Mothers' Club of Northville and the Northville Educational Foundation are deeply committed to raising funds for Northville Public Schools," said Mothers' Club President Janeen Crittenden. "The Thank-A-Staff program is a wonderful opportunity for these two non-profits to join forces in

recognizing our staff and raising funds to support Northville Public Schools in its mission to provide outstanding educational experiences for all students."

The 2014 Thank-A-Staff program kicked off on Tuesday, April 8. Fliers, order forms and more information are available on both organizations' websites, at NorthvilleEdFoundation.org and MothersClubofNorthville.org, and also will be distributed via the school district's LISTSERV email service. For your convenience, donations also can be made online using PayPal.

The Northville Educational Foundation has raised and granted more than \$2 million to Northville Public Schools since it was founded in 2000. Recent funding initiatives include the Interna-

tional Baccalaureate Program for middle and high school students; The Leader in Me for elementary students; student financial aid; innovative teacher grants; vocal, instrumental and visual arts programs across the district; coaches programs and athletic assistance grants; and staff professional development and leadership.

Mothers' Club of Northville, now in its 79th year, is also dedicated to providing Northville students with programs proven to enrich their education. Through teacher grants, Mothers' Club has awarded more than \$600,000 to Northville Public Schools over the years.

For more information about the Northville Educational Foundation, contact Libby Smith at 248-344-8458 or visit the



Mothers' Club of Northville President Janeen Crittenden and Northville Educational Foundation President Eric Barritt kick off the 2014 Thank-A-Staff program.

Foundation website at NorthvilleEdFoundation.org. For more information about Mothers' Club of Northville, contact

President Janeen Crittenden at northvillelemc@gmail.com or visit MothersClubofNorthville.org.

Marine photographer shares tales



Photographer and writer Michael O'Neill points to a leatherback turtle he photographed near his home in Florida during a March 25 visit to Northville's Winchester Elementary. O'Neill showed the students photos he's taken of marine life all over the world. He told the students that being able to communicate in writing is as powerful as taking good photographs. O'Neill was at the school for its March is Reading Month programs. PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Cabaret for a Cause

Northville Public Schools Sprouts Autism K-5 Program will host its 2nd Annual Cabaret for a Cause event on Thursday, April 17 at Genitti's Hole-in-the-Wall Dinner Theater, 108 E. Main Street, Northville. Doors open at 5:30 p.m.

The event will feature a five course family-style Italian dinner, a live cabaret show featuring performers from Eastern Michigan University's Encore! performing arts company, a silent auction, and cash bar. Tickets for the event are \$35. For more information or to purchase tickets, contact Genitti's at 248-349-

0522.

Proceeds will benefit the Northville Public Schools Sprouts Autism K-5 Program at Thornton Creek Elementary.

PTA help

The Northville Council of PTAs is seeking individuals to serve on the executive board for the school year 2014-15. Positions are for a one year term with the opportunity to serve a second one year term.

The Council is a not for profit organization that exists to help local PTA units function effectively and provides PTA leaders opportunities to learn about procedures, work together on common projects and share best practices.

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The Council provides opportunities for leadership, public relations and communications as well as an organization through which local PTA units can work with the administrators and school board of the school district.

The Council general membership meetings occur the third Tuesday of the following months: September, October, November, January, March, and the year end meeting in April. In addition, the executive board meetings occur the week prior to the general membership meetings and last about one hour.

For more information, contact Debbie Grant-Kelterborn at

Kelter1@comcast.net, Maureen Ziparo at mziparo@comcast.net, Theresa Cornelius at Lpcorneli@aol.com, or Chantal Melki at Chantal.melki@att.net.

SEPAC fundraiser

Support families with children with special needs by enjoying a meal at Noodles & Company on Thursday, April 10. Noodles & Company, which is located at 17931 Haggerty Road in Northville, will donate 25 percent of all purchases to SEPAC (Northville's Special Education Parents Advisory Council) from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and again from 4-8 p.m. – but you must mention SEPAC.

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State Sen. Colbeck files for re-election

State Sen. Patrick Colbeck, R-Canton, has filed for re-election, submitting signatures to the Wayne County Clerk's office to have his name placed on the ballot for the 2014 election for the state Senate 7th District.

Colbeck was first elected in 2010. The new state Senate 7th District adds the communities of Livonia and Wayne to the current communities of Canton Township, Plymouth, Plymouth Township, Northville and Northville Township.

"When I ran for the senate in 2010, our state was not in great shape,"

Colbeck said. "Michigan was the only state in the nation to have lost population during the 2010 census. Families were being split up as our youth were seeking employment and raising their families in other states."

"After only three years, I'm pleased to report that Michigan is coming back. Not only is our state growing again, we are well on our way to achieving my 2010



Colbeck

campaign goal of our state becoming the number one job-growth state in the nation after years of decline."

In a statement released after his filing, Colbeck pointed out Michigan has "added over 250,000 jobs since January 2011." According to Colbeck, Michigan now has the fourth-fastest private sector job growth ranking in the nation and ninth-fastest growth in per capita income.

Colbeck said more than 73,000 job openings have been posted at mitalentconnect.org, with more than 17,000 of them

"within a short commute of our homes in the 7th Senate District."

In addition to a high unemployment rate, Michigan was left with crumbling and hazardous roads. After years of struggling to find federal funds to solve the safety and congestion issues at the Ford/I-275 interchange, Colbeck secured state funding last year to kick off a solution to this problem. Colbeck said he's focused much of his efforts on "finding long-term solutions to our state's ongoing road funding problems." He said he has developed a plan to fully fund roads

without raising taxes (a plan that can be found at "Road Funding Plan" at www.SenatorPatrick-Colbeck.com).

"We need to go beyond just the quick fixes that happen during election years and instead put in place a solution that will ensure Michigan has a system of quality roads that last," Colbeck said. "Road construction should not be a jobs program that places ever increasing burdens upon hardworking taxpayers for diminishing returns. I voted against taxes such as the senior pension tax and the Homestead Property Tax

increase because the data clearly shows that we can fund our state's true priorities such as our roads without raising taxes."

If re-elected, Colbeck pledges to continue his track record of remaining true to his campaign commitments.

"Throughout my service tenure, I have been focused on solving problems not playing politics," Colbeck said. "The political environment can be difficult to navigate. I have chosen to chart my course by focusing on what is noble, true, excellent and praiseworthy."

Milford man third Republican hopeful to file for state Senate seat

By Philip Allmen
Staff Writer

A Milford man filed paperwork last week to challenge Mike Kowall for the 15th District state Senate seat.

Matt Maddock is the third Republican to run for the seat available in this fall's election. The primary election will be Aug. 5 with a Nov. 4 general election. The 15th District includes the Oakland County portion of the City of Northville.

Maddock said he's running to make sure traditional Republican principles are represented in Lansing.

"When I stand in that voting booth, it doesn't matter what side of the booth you're on," he said. "When you vote for that candidate, the first thing you're thinking? I'm just hoping this person I'm voting for if keeping to their promises."

While Maddock ran for a spot on the Milford Village Council a little

more than 10 years ago, he's been more accustomed to working behind the scenes helping other Republicans get elected.

"Nothing is more disappointing than a Republican who abandons party principles," he said.

Maddock points to the state Legislature's vote to expand Medicaid, which he opposes. He said 21 states run by Republicans "chose a better option instead of expanding Medicaid." That, he continued, doesn't follow Republican principles, and voters shouldn't be supporting Republicans who favored the expansion. Kowall was among those who voted in favor of the measure.

"We should not re-elect Republicans not willing to hold firm to the Republican Party platform. We can't continue



Maddock

to do that," said Maddock. "The Republican Party platform is a beautiful document. It's 62 pages long and represents true ideals. The Republican Party doesn't need to redefine our message. We need to redefine our candidates to hold them accountable to that platform."

"I'm never going to drive off that platform. Never ever."

If Kowall followed the Republican platform more closely, Maddock said he would not be running for the position.

"The campaign is not about me. There's thousands and thousands of people who live in this district who are sick of this as I," he explained. "I was happy working the background of the Republican Party helping others win. America is craving leaders that are honorable people who mean what they say. That's what I crave in my heart."

Maddock said he supports a part-time legislature and wants to eliminate Michigan's taxpayer-funded corporate welfare programs and the Michigan Corporate Tax.

Maddock, 47, is married with three children. He owns his own bail bonds business. He serves on the Oakland County Republican Party Executive Committee and the 11th Congressional District Committee.

Ron Molnar of White Lake also filed paperwork challenging Kowall in the Republican primary. The 15th District includes southwestern Oakland County and stretches east to Orchard Lake. The filing deadline is April 22.

Learn more about Maddock online at www.mattmaddock.com.

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Cleaning spill causes library evacuation



Staff and visitors to the Northville District Library wait for the all-clear on April 3 as Northville firefighters enter the building after it had been accidentally filled with an aerosol cleaning compound. According to library officials, the incident occurred while a custodian was doing some cleaning and some cleaning supplies spilled causing the brief evacuation. After a brief investigation, firefighters deemed the situation safe and the library re-opened. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Kowall faces two challengers in Republican primary Aug. 5

By Philip Allmen
Staff Writer

Incumbent state legislators aren't challenged regularly within their own political party, at least since voters approved term limits. In the past two years, however, that's changed a bit more.



Kowall

State Sen. Mike Kowall, R-White Lake, is experiencing that himself this year. Kowall, who's served in an elected capacity in the state House of Representatives, state Senate and White Lake Township, faces two Republican challengers in his quest for another term as the 15th District senator representing southwestern Oakland County.

"You're always going to have critics. Opinions are like belly buttons.

Everyone has one," he said.

Kowall, along with Mike Maddock of Milford and Ron Molnar of White Lake, each filed paperwork to run in the August primary for the Republican nomination.

Kowall said their running is one of the things that makes America great.

"People are paying attention. They're more engaged. Someone always has a better way to get it done," Kowall said, noting that he thinks his record shows he's represented the district well. "All in all, we're doing a great job. When you add up all the numbers at the end of the day, it's working."

Just as some constituents disagree with his work, Kowall said he's disagreed with Republican Gov. Rick Snyder on issues, as well. But in the past three years, Kowall said the state has made dramatic


changes for the better.

And he's a bit surprised when his Republican credentials are questioned. He's supported Republican candidates — both spiritually and financially — since he started campaigning for Ronald Reagan in the '80s.

"I take offense when people say that, just because it doesn't fit in with their thought pattern," he said. "There's a far radical left and a far radical right. Most people are in the middle, where I think most of our district is. It's a financially conservative district."

The filing deadline is April 22. The winner of the August primary advances to the November general election. Tom Crawford of Milford is the only Democrat who has filed to run.

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Through their eyes

Exhibit features work of district's youngest students

By Lonnie Huhman
Staff Writer

Each year, the Children's Exhibit, presented by Northville Public Schools Early Childhood Education and Extended Day Programs, showcases the many talents and creativity of Northville kids.

This year the theme is "Celebrating Communities of Learners" and the exhibit includes a sampling of project work from each of the classes in the programs.

"This an ideal event to put the community focus on the children," said Eileen Freeman, program coordinator. "This exhibit reflects the great educational relationship they and their parents have with the teachers. It's become a great tradition for us."

The exhibit includes documentation from studies that represent the value of group learning in each of the classes in the Early Childhood Education and Extended Day Programs.

It has been going for the last eight years and has been an insightful look into what these programs are all about.

And that's community. "The students put a lot effort into their different projects and it shows," said program teacher Elizabeth Hartmann-Krygier. "They take pride in this."



This project piece is from the Pre-K three year old half day class at Thornton Creek Elementary School. A golf ball was used to help make the painting. PHOTOS BY LONNIE HUHMAN

One project was from the half-day class of pre-kindergartner 3-yea-olds at Thornton Creek Elementary School. It's a painting that resembles a Jackson Pollock piece. The students constructed a box and placed the sheet the painting would go on and then they placed a golf ball into different color paints. They then moved the box around so the ball would make streaks on the paper.

"They loved it," said teacher Jan Weicksel. Another project from

the Ridge Wood Elementary Kids Club is called "Who am I?" The students decided to celebrate their uniqueness by looking at themselves and asking that question. Another RW Kids Club project involved using strands of Rainbow Looms, which was created by Novi resident Choon Ng. He was a fan of their project.

There are 24 project pieces in the exhibit. The program wants to celebrate the children, honor their unique qualities and capture the power of



Four-year-old sisters Olivia and Victoria Strube visited the Children's Exhibit on its opening night on April 2.

community involvement that constitutes the child's story. The community is invited to check out the exhibit.

The exhibit runs April 2-16 at Northville Square Mall, which is located in downtown Northville, and is open to the public dur-

ing regular mall hours.

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MILL RACE MATTERS

Mill Race Historical Village is located at 215 Griswold Ave., north of Main Street near Ford Field in downtown Northville.

DETAILS: Office open 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday-Friday. Archives open Thursday and Friday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Village buildings open 1-4 p.m., Sundays, from mid-June to mid-October.

CONTACT: 248-348-1845

WEEKLY EVENTS:
(*Grounds closed to public)

Thursday: Archives temporarily closed; 9 a.m. T.A.R.T.S.

Friday: Archives temporarily closed; 1 p.m. Tea Meeting in Cady

Saturday: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Girl Scout Adult Training in Cady

Sunday: 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Girl Scouts 40844 in Cady; noon to 5 p.m. Private Party in Church; 6:30-8 p.m. Crew 8 in Cady

Monday: 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Northville Garden Club in Cady; 6 p.m. Lions in Cady

Tuesday: 9 a.m. Stone Gang

Wednesday: 1 p.m. AAUW Bridge Group in Cady; 4-5:30 p.m. Girl Scouts 40126 in Cady; 6:45 p.m. Mindfulness Meditation Group



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Members of Northville's VFW and American Legion got together on April 7 to show their appreciation to the Novi Applebee's on Grand River Avenue for its support of veterans and active duty personnel. Northville VFW Post Cmdr. Steve Frazer, second from right, and American Legion Post 147 leader Dennis Strikolis, third from left, present Applebee's employee Nicole Barndt with a couple of framed citations for the restaurant's walls. Also shown here are (from left) David Wilder, John Roebuck and Greg Werda (far right). JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

BUSINESS BRIEFS

RE/MAX earns Showcase Award

RE/MAX of Southeastern Michigan recognized its top real-estate talent for the region at a recent awards ceremony at the Motor City Casino in Detroit. The event celebrated the accomplishments of RE/MAX's highest performers. More than 350 of RE/MAX's 700 real-estate professionals were recognized during the event, including Lisa Hall and Dwayne White, brokers and owners of RE/MAX Dream Properties in Northville. They received the presti-



Dwayne White



Lisa Hall

gious Showcase Award as top performers for the region. This award is based on agent growth, average monthly and yearly commission per agent, percentage of productive agents, and other internal criteria. "Lisa Hall and Dwayne White are integral members of the RE/MAX team. They

work extremely hard to achieve outstanding results for their agents and clients," said Jeannette Schneider, senior vice president, RE/MAX of Southeastern Michigan. "They produced great results last year and it was a pleasure to see their efforts rewarded." RE/MAX Dream Properties is located at 130 Main Center in Northville. For more information, call 248-374-7700 or visit www.northville-dreamproperties.com. For more information about RE/MAX, visit www.remax.com.

Do research before hiring contractor to repair winter damage

Over the next few weeks many readers will assess the damage that winter has done to their homes.

You may be surprised to learn that some of the damage that winter may have caused is covered by homeowners insurance. That is why before doing any repairs it is important to check your policy.

In addition, contact your homeowner's insurance agent. Remember, your agent should be your advocate in dealing with claims.

Although every company has its own process with regard to claims, it is important to always document the damage. It is not unusual for an insurance company to initially deny a claim. However, every company has an appeal process. Just because the initial response is no, does not mean that's the end of the discussion. In fact, generally, it's just the beginning. Whether your dam-



Rick Bloom

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age is covered by your homeowner's insurance, if you are going to hire someone to do the repairs, be careful. If you are hiring a contractor to repair your home make sure you're dealing with someone who is reputable and is qualified to do the job.

When it comes to hiring a contractor, ask family and friends for a recommendation. Even if you receive a recommendation, check the individual through the Better Business Bureau. Doing your homework ahead of time and hiring a competent qualified contractor will save you lots of aggravation and money down the road.

In hiring a contractor, get bids from a number of qualified companies. It's always important to remember that

it's not necessarily the cheapest bid that you accept. Price is important, however, it is not the only factor.

Another to discuss with the contractor is the time frame for when the job will be completed and what happens if the job is not done on time. In many situations it makes sense to put a penalty provision in the agreement. In other words, if the job is not done by a certain date, there are financial consequences.

I recognize that whenever there is damage to your home you want to make sure that repairs get done as soon as possible. Remember, review your homeowners policy, and hire a competent contractor to get the job done.

Rick Bloom is a fee-only financial adviser. His website is www.bloomassetmanagement.com. If you would like him to respond to your questions, email rick@bloomassetmanagement.com.

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The rankings are

determined by Healthgrades by measuring risk-adjusted mortality and complication rates across common inpatient conditions and procedures from the most current three years of data collected from Medicare patients. The data measures 31 common procedures and conditions and adjusts for each patient's age, gender and medical condition.

"Receiving these clinical awards shows our commitment to quality and safety," said David Spivey, president and CEO, St. Mary Mercy Livonia. "Most importantly, it is our patients who benefit from our

award-winning programs." In the past year, St. Mary Mercy has also receive recognition from other organizations. The Joint Commission named the hospital a Top Performer on Key Quality Measures. Also, St. Mary Mercy received an "A" for hospital safety from The Leapfrog Group. St. Mary Mercy Hospital is a 304-bed hospital providing acute-care medical and health services to the community by board-certified doctors and registered nurses. For more information about St. Mary Mercy, visit www.stmarymercy.org.

GIRLS NIGHT

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build a Habitat home costing \$80,000 to \$90,000.

Now there is a fund raising effort underway that still has a way to go.

“We believe in giving back to those who help us, and this is just the perfect way to do that. To celebrate Kelly is what this project is trying to do,” said Bailey’s husband Jeff.

“This gives the community an opportunity to honor her legacy and make a difference,” he said.

Bailey and Shamoun will be donating 10 percent of its sales from Girls Night Out to Habitat for the building project. They will be selling special “Kelly’s Home” bracelets as well and accepting general donations.

It will be a good time with food, drink and a variety of giveaways. A gift will be given away every 15 minutes.

Kelly’s parents John and Lori will be there that evening. The Habitat home means a lot to their family and her friends because it will be a living memorial that will help a family.

Jeff Bailey said Kelly’s Christian faith played a big part in her life and work with Habitat, so this home would have made her proud. Now they want to help make it a reality.

“This is our chance to remember her,” he said.

Bailey and Shamoun is located at 191 Cady-Centre. For more information, call the store at 248-380-7898.

Girls Night Out

The Northville Central Business Association organizes Girls Night Out twice a year, once in the spring and once in the fall. It will take place Friday, April 11 from 5-9 p.m. More than 50 retail stores in

FOOD TRUCKS COMING

As part of the Girls Night Out event tomorrow night in downtown Northville, the Northville Central Business Association will be bringing a number of the popular food trucks back to town.

According to Dan Ferrara of the NCBA, Jacques Tacos, Mean Weenie, El Guapo, Rolling Stone Pizza and Concrete Cuisine will be parked on Main Street from 5-9 p.m. The trucks have been a big draw during previous downtown events.

For more information about the event, visit www.northvillegirlsnightout.com.

downtown Northville will offer new merchandise, special offers, and giveaways throughout the event. Many of the participating businesses will be staying open later than normal.

“The shopping starts at 5 p.m. with special events, drawings, and discounts at many of over 50 retail stores. From art galleries to boutiques to home decor and more, there’s something for women of all ages and styles,” said Dan Ferrara of the NCBA. “With so many stores just steps from one another, downtown Northville is like an outdoor mall, but featuring small businesses with more character, unique items and special customer service.”

Ferrara noted that more than 20 bars and restaurants will also open during the event, and many will be offering specials for Girls Night Out participants.

For more information about Girls Night Out, visit www.northville-girlsnightout.com.

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Prescription drug drop-off

The Drug Enforcement Administration and Northville Township Police have scheduled the 8th National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 26 at the Northville Township Police Department located at 41600 Six Mile Road.

This is an opportunity for people who have accumulated unwanted, unused prescription drugs to safely dispose of those medications to law enforcement.

This initiative addresses a vital public safety and public health issue. Medicines that languish in home cabinets are highly susceptible to diversion, misuse, and abuse. Rates of prescription drug abuse in the U.S. are alarmingly high. According to the 2009 National Survey on

Drug Use and Health, more Americans currently abuse prescription drugs than the number of those using cocaine, hallucinogens, and heroin combined.

Northville Garden Club

The Northville Garden Club will meet at noon on April 14 at The Cady Inn in Mill Race Village. The featured speaker will be Northville City Councilwoman Nancy Darga, who will present “The History of Edward Hines Drive.”

The meeting is open to the public. For more information, call Inge Knoth at 248-348-1835.

Art House show

The work of Tom Thewes, Detroit cultural icon and acknowledged airbrush master, is showcased in the newest exhibit at the Northville Art House, 215 W. Cady Street. “Detritus” runs

through Saturday, April 26 during regular Art House hours, 1-5 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday.

Thewes is a partner of SUUMO Street Art Reproductions as well as the executive director at Contra Projects, a select group of respected, established artists who have gained global recognition by using the street as their canvas. He is also CEO of the world-renowned ©POP Gallery, which forever changed the vibe of Midtown’s Woodward corridor, and helped launched careers of some of the world’s most influential and important visual artists of the last 20 years.

For more information, call the Northville Art House at 248-344-0497. Admission is free.

Girl Scout flamingos

Starting in late April, flamingos will be showing up on lawns through



Artist Tom Thewes tidies up some of his oil paintings at the opening of his show “Detritus” at the Northville Art House on April 4. His show combined with a First Friday shopping event in downtown Northville to draw art lovers and shoppers to the area. The exhibit runs through April 26.

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out the Northville community. Girl Scout Troop 40844 will be putting the flamingos out in the middle of the night for unsuspecting homeowners as part of a fundraiser to help them go on a 10-day educational trip to Europe.

If you would like to “flock” someone, for a small donation of \$25, the girls will place the birds in their lawn for 24 hours. Of course if anyone wants the birds removed sooner than 24 hours they will be glad to remove them. If you get flocked, please have a sense of humor.

For more information about flocking someone, contact Chris Kowalczyk at kowalczyx@peoplepc.com or 248-912-0261.

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.

‘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.

Author visit

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.

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. He was contracted by the Michigan State Historic Preservation Office to write the Michigan Historic Cemeteries Preservation Guide which won the 2003 Michigan Heritage Guardian Award. He has written Historic Cemetery Preservation Briefs for the Georgia Department of Natural Resources and regularly speaks on the topic throughout the area.

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-

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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 howieambinder@gmail.com

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 Regenhart, 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 howieambinder@gmail.com.

Dems to meet

The Democrats of West Oakland will meet at 7 p.m., Tuesday, April 15 at Novi United Methodist Church, 41671 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi. Socializing begins at 6 p.m.

Bob Morris, author of *Built in Detroit: A story of the UAW*, will make a presentation. He will discuss the history of the labor movement and the UAW.

The meeting is free and open to the public. Snacks will be provided, and pizza may be purchased. For more information, visit www.mydems.info.

Civic Concern help

Northville Civic Concern, a local food bank that helps local families, is in need of non-expired food for their bi-weekly distributions. They especially need canned fruit, side dishes (instant potatoes, rice or pasta dishes), breakfast cereals, canned meat products (tuna, chicken and stews), cans of pasta products (Spaghetti O's) and boxed macaroni and cheese.

These and other food items can be dropped

off at Northville Civic Concern, 43261 West Seven Mile Road in the Highland Lakes Plaza between the hours of 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. During other times, food may be left at Cassel's Restaurant or Worldwide Alterations in the Highland Lakes Plaza, as well as at The UPS Store or The Great Harvest Bread Company in downtown Northville. Donations are also accepted at Northville City Hall.

Northville Civic Concern also accepts gas cards, or monetary donations. For more information about how you can help, call 248-344-1033.

Emergency food

The next distribution of emergency food by Plymouth Community United Way is scheduled Thursday, April 17. The Emergency Food Assistance Program provides low-income Plymouth and Northville residents with canned, non-perishable and perishable items.

All recipients must pre-register at Plymouth Community United Way, 960 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Suite 2, Plymouth.

This is a supplemental food program that may be used in addition to other assistance programs. Bridge Card holders automatically qualify, but need to pre-register. Recipients not currently on governmental assistance (food stamps, ADC and general) must provide documentation including proof of income and residency before receiving food on distribution days.

Distributions continue the third Thursday of each month from 9:30-11:30 a.m. at St. Kenneth Catholic Church in Plymouth.

For information and to register, call 734-453-6879, ext. 7, or send email to randi.williams@pcuw.org.

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 (April 12, 19, 26, and May 3); and 2:30 p.m. on Sundays (April 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 hard-working 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 weekend school shows are available at reduced ticket prices.

For more information, call the Marquis Theatre at 248-349-8110 or visit www.northvillemarquistheatre.com.

Wildflower walks

Join the Friends of Miller Woods for their annual wildflower walks through Miller Woods (entrance is on Powell, just east of Ridge, in Plymouth Township) Sundays, April 27 and May 4. Tours start on the half hour and are led by members of the Friends. The walks will highlight the beautiful native spring wildflowers along with the history of the woods and the Miller family's donation to our community. Tours are free and last about 60 minutes. Dogs are not allowed, and strollers are not recommended.

For last minute weather changes that may affect the bloom times of the flowers, visit millerwoods.com.

Music @ the Elks

The Plymouth Elks Lodge, located at 41700 Ann Arbor Road, hosts live music every month.

Blues @ The Elks happens from 7-10 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month. There is a \$5 donation at the door. On Tuesday, April 8, George Bedard & the Kingpins will perform blues, jazz and rockabilly.

Jazz @ The Elks happens from 7-10 p.m. on the last Tuesday of the month. There is a \$10 donation at the door which includes hors d'oeuvres.

On Tuesday, April 29, the Johnny Trudell Quartet will be playing jazz favorites.

For more information, call 734-453-1780 or email plymouth-elks1780@yahoo.com.



Heavy machinery is at work Monday along I-96 west of Telegraph Road, where a closure for road improvements is expected to last until October. ROBERT ALLEN | GANNETT MICHIGAN

Rude awakening for I-96 commuters

By Robert Allen and Bill Laitner
Gannett Michigan

The closure through Livonia jarred commuters out of their routine Monday.

Tyler Grauer, 20, of Southgate said he was surprised by the closure, which caused him to be late to EMT-training clinicals at Livonia Fire Department. The department is about a block north of I-96 near the middle of the closed highway segment.

"I'm trying to pick in my GPS to see which way to go," Grauer said while pumping gas at the Marathon station on Telegraph Road near I-96. "And I saw that detour, so I'm going to try my luck on that — but man, it's bad."

Karen Sanborn, 59, of Livonia, who lives a seven-mile commute from her job at Madonna University, said she used Plymouth Road and "it was a breeze" Monday.

After her morning commute, she texted her husband to say "it was

smooth sailing."

"I do feel bad" for the eastbound morning commuters, she said. "I feel that they're going to have the tougher time," in part because they must drive into the sunrise, which often causes backups for morning commuters even when I-96 is open.

The stretch of interstate will be closed throughout the summer as the Michigan Department of Transportation reconstructs a section of the east- and westbound lanes, just west of Telegraph.

Traffic in general appeared to flow steadily along the detours through morning rush hour, albeit slower than normal with more volume.

"All things considered, when you're detouring 140,000 people a day ... it went fairly well," said Rob Morosi, MDOT spokesman.

Traffic signals along southbound Telegraph Road near I-96 could get some adjustments, as that area had some "significant delays" Monday

morning, he said, adding that I-94 also had congestion. The I-96 segment is expected to remain closed until October.

As commuters took detours, heavy machinery was already breaking concrete along a bridge over the closed highway. Morosi said multiple road and bridge improvements will be under way simultaneously amid what appears to be the largest piece of interstate highway ever closed in Michigan.

Despite all the vehicles using the detour southbound on Telegraph during the morning rush hour, there was a less-than-normal flow of customers to the Marathon station near I-96.

"It's been kind of slow," manager Hussein Khalao, 34, said. "What I see this morning, it's not going to look good. It's not going to look good at all."

He said a regular customer recently "told me, 'I'll see you in the fall,'" as he planned to take another route in the mornings.

Americans for Prosperity holds Tax Day Rally

Americans for Prosperity-Michigan is holding a Tax Day Rally from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, April 12, in the VisTaTech Center at Schoolcraft College in Livonia.

The rally will feature speeches by radio personalities Tony Katz and Frank Beckmann.

After the presentation, attendees will be participating in phone banking and learning how they can become more effective citizen activists.

Americans for Prosperity is a nationwide organization committed to promoting individual

productivity and prosperity by reducing the size and intrusiveness of government.

For further information, contact Katie Hendrickson at KHendrickson@afphq.org or 248-494-0285 or visit www.americansforprosperity.org



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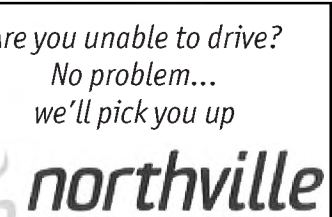
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Brightmoor Christian Church

Location: M-5 and 13 Mile, Novi
Contact: 248-668-7014 or CelebrateRecovery@brightmoorcc.org
Web: www.brightmoorchurch.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: Nursery 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. Wednesdays
Women's Coffee Break Bible Study: 10-11:30 a.m. Mondays; beginning April 14 – "God Revealed" by Fred Sievert
Holy Week worship:
Palm Sunday, April 13, 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.
Maundy Thursday, April 17, 7 p.m.
Good Friday, April 18, 7 p.m.
Easter Sunday April 20, 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.

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 Service and Adult Bible Fellowship classes. Café is open from 9:15-11 a.m. Refreshments at 10:30 a.m.; 6 p.m. Evening Traditional Service
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 organizers 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 Episcopal Church

Location: 40700 W. 10 Mile
Contact: 248-427-1175 or hollycrossnovi@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.

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.

Legacy Church

(formerly First Baptist Church and Orchard Hills Baptist Church)
Location: 23455 Novi Road, Novi
Contact: pastor Jon Hix, 248-349-5665 or visit www.legacychurch.us

cychurch.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; 10:15 a.m.: Contemporary service in worship center; children's super church on the second level (208/210)
Wednesday Family Night: 7 p.m.; Adult elective classes; junior and senior high ministries; children's programs, Nursery and Preschool Program on Sundays and Wednesdays Home of Northville Christian School (day care; preschool through eighth grade); call 248-348-9031.

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 Avrohom and Leah Susskind at 248-790-6075 or rabbi@novijewishcenter.com; www.novijewishcenter.com

Novi United Methodist Church

Location: 41671 W. 10 Mile
Contact: 248-349-2652 or visit umcnovi.com
Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/pages/Novi-United-Methodist-Church/59782031433
Sunday Worship: 9:45 a.m.
Healing Service and Holy Communion: 9:45 a.m. first Sunday of every month
Peace Vigil: noon, first Sunday of every month in front of the church. 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

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November 20, 1917 - March 22, 2014. www.obriensullivanfuneralhome.com

DOWNEY, PATRICK
Sept. 16, 1935 - March 17, 2014 www.obriensullivanfuneralhome.com

GMITTER, JOHN (BIX)
Age 72, passed away on March 31, 2014. Memorial to be held at a later date. Arrangements by Phillips Funeral Home.

GOEBEL, GEORGEANN
July 6, 1932 - March 24, 2014 www.obriensullivanfuneralhome.com



HAACK, CLAIRE A.
Age 85, of Wixom, passed away April 1, 2014. He is a graduate of New Hudson High School. He married Mary Elizabeth "Bette" in 1962 in South Lyon. Claire was a test driver at the GM Proving Grounds in Milford and a dedicated farmer. He was a member of the South Lyon Presbyterian Church. He is survived by his wife Bette, sons: Brian and Christopher Haack, grandchildren: Christine (David) Albon and Michael Hagadorn. He is also survived by many nieces, nephews and cousins. He is preceded in death by his parents Alfred and Clarissa and sister Evelyn Herald. A memorial service will be held on Wednesday, April 23, 2014, 11:00am at the South Lyon Presbyterian Church. Online guest book: www.phillipsfuneral.com



HAYES, LINDA KATHRYN
Was born on May 30, 1942, to Anna Barbara and Rollie Wallace Murray, and was later adopted by her aunt and uncle, Minnie M. and James B. Jones. She died on March 31, 2014. She was preceded in death by her grandparents, parents, adoptive parents, and one daughter, Kathryn Ann Hayes. She is survived by her brothers, James W. Jones and Douglas Murray, and sister, Phyllis Lovett. Linda married Robert E. Hayes on September 16, 1961. The wedding was performed by her brother, Rev. James W. Jones. After marriage, Linda and Bob lived in Wayne, then Plymouth, Michigan until they were transferred to Japan in 1986. After returning in 1990, Linda and Bob settled in South Lyon, Michigan, where they resided for nearly twenty-four years. Linda and Bob have two daughters, Rebecca Ufford (Donald) of Plymouth, Michigan, and Donna Henry (Keith) of Winston-Salem, North Carolina; four grandchildren, Katy Ufford, Taylor Ufford, Joshua Henry, and Joseph Henry; and two granddogs, Windsor and Jasper. During her married life, Linda took a round-trip journey to California, as well as two complete trips around the world. She lived in Tokyo, Japan for three years, and visited numerous cities in Japan as well as Seoul, Hong Kong, Singapore, Bangkok, Sydney, London, Paris, Amsterdam and Geneva. Linda was deeply involved in the lives of her children and grandchildren, providing taxi service for children, and made hundreds of pies, which were enjoyed by everyone fortunate enough to taste one. There will be no funeral service, but there will be a memorial service to celebrate Linda's life on Saturday, April 12, 2014 at 11:00 a.m., in the First Baptist Church of South Lyon, 60820 Marjorie Ann Street, South Lyon, Michigan, with a gathering time starting at 10:30 a.m. Interment of her ashes will be a private service. In lieu of flowers, please make a memorial donation to the University of Michigan Hospital, Heart Transplant Unit and/or Cardiac Intensive Care Unit (CICU).



HOLLMAN, THEODORE
December 7, 1941 - March 22, 2014. www.obriensullivanfuneralhome.com

INGOLD, CRAIG
December 24, 1954 - March 26, 2014. www.obriensullivanfuneralhome.com

KINSEY, FRANCES
March 24, 1930-March 21, 2014 www.obriensullivanfuneralhome.com

KOEHLER, PAUL
Of Milford, passed away April 5, 2014 at the age of 55. Paul was preceded in death by three sisters, his parents, and two brothers-in-law. In addition to Ellen, his beloved wife of nearly 35 years, Paul is survived by his children Seth (Theresa) Koehler, Bree (Nathan) Brouwer, Samuel Koehler, Noah Koehler, and Benjamin Koehler; dear grandchildren Chelsea Koehler, Clara Koehler, Lucia Brouwer and Maxwell Brouwer; Paul is also survived by his 13 siblings, extended family and dear friends. Funeral Service will be at Oak Pointe Church Milford, 1250 S. Hill Rd., Milford on Thursday, April 10 at 11AM. Pastor Rod Rhoad to officiate. For further information phone Lynch & Sons 248-684-6645 or visit www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com

La CHANCE, LEONARD J.

Age 84, passed away April 4, 2014. He is survived by his children Jeff La Chance, Michelle Bullard and Sheryl Baker; grandchildren: Jordan, Cody, Taylor, Lauren Bullard and Bailey and Riley La Chance. He is preceded in death by his wife Betty. The visitation will be held on Monday and Tuesday from 4-8 p.m. The Funeral service will be held Wednesday, April 9th, 11:00 a.m. at the First Presbyterian Church, South Lyon. Online guest book at www.phillipsfuneral.com



PARTIN, REBECCA
Age 67, born Aug 21, 1946 passed away April 3, 2014. Daughter to Dorothy and the late Jesse S. Winters. Becky is survived by her husband Ulys, sons Asher (Sarah) and Jason (Lisa), granddaughter Samantha, mother Dorothy, brother Stuart (Angela) and sister Ruth (George). Becky was preceded in death by her beloved son Shannon, brother Jesse J. Winters and father Jesse S. Winters. She was a loving wife, mother, daughter and Grammy. A private service is being held on Saturday, April 12, 2014.

PARTIN, REBECCA LEE

Age 67, passed away April 3, 2014. Arrangements entrusted to Phillips Funeral Home. www.phillipsfuneral.com

SORRENTINO, KATHERINE

February 3, 1919 - March 28, 2014. www.obriensullivanfuneralhome.com



THOMANN, GEORGE
Age 65, of Wixom, passed away in the care of his family on April 1, 2014. In addition to Sandy, his beloved wife of nearly 35 years, George is survived by his children Jeanette (Robert) Kechner, Vaughn Thomann, George Jonathan Thomann, and David Frederick Thomann; grandchildren Devin, Tyler, Travis, and Grace; brother Paul (Doreen) Thomann; aunt Mary Jane Thomann and extended family and friends. Funeral Service will be held at Milford United Methodist Church, 1200 Atlantic St., Milford on Saturday, April 5, 2014 at 11 a.m. The Rev. Doug McMunn to officiate. Friends may visit at Lynch & Sons Funeral Home, 404 E. Liberty St., Milford on Friday from 4-9 p.m. Memorials encouraged to the Milford United Methodist Church or Right to Life of Michigan or National Right to Life. For further information phone Lynch & Sons at 248.684.6645 or visit LynchFuneralDirectors.com

WAHOSKI, MILDRED
May 24, 1931 - March 20, 2014 www.obriensullivanfuneralhome.com



WEAVER PENNY J.

Age 66, of Northville, passed away peacefully April 4, 2014. She was born April 14, 1947 in Indianapolis, Indiana; daughter of Jack and Joan (nee Edwards) Chaille. Penny was united in marriage to Howard Weaver on November 23, 1983 and they spent 30 loving years together. Penny received a Master Degree in Business Administration from Central Michigan University and a Master Degree in Guidance and Counseling from Oakland University. She also had a Specialist Degree in Clinical Psychology from the Center for Humanistic Studies. In 2005, she became a Medium Missionary through the Chesterfield Seminary. Penny was a hard worker; she had various jobs throughout her life that she enjoyed, among them, Sales Manager for Pontiac Business Institute, Flight Attendant with TWA, Home Economics teacher, and make-up artist, where she was a consultant for CBS. For the past 14 years, Rev. Penny Weaver, Spiritual Advisor was the owner of Penny Weaver, Inc. where she practiced as a therapist and LLP Psychologist, as well as a Reverend, Spiritual Advisor, Spirit Medium Channel and Reader, and Reiki Teacher Master, Sekhem-Seichim Master Teacher, Sekhem (Australian) Teacher, Karuna Master Teacher, Blue Star Celestial Energy Master Teacher, Certified Hypnotherapist, Shaman, and Aura Photographer. Penny authored the book called "Self Mastery" and was often a guest speaker at seminars and organizations, where she would share her vast knowledge and experience. She was a member of First Spiritual Temple in Royal Oak and the Northville Chamber of Commerce. Penny adored her grandchildren. She was always positive and upbeat; she was a good listener who loved helping people. She enjoyed traveling with groups she took to visit sacred sites, such as Sedona, Stonehenge, and Indian Burial sites. She also enjoyed reading and learning new things. Penny is survived by her beloved husband, Howard Weaver; her parents, Jack and Joan Chaille; her step children, Renee (Larry Wright) Weaver-Wright and Scott (Liz) Weaver; her grandchildren, Alison, Evelyn, and Matthew Wright and Parker and Brendan Weaver; her siblings, Rebecca Renner and Andy (Mary) Chaille; her sisters-in-law, Margaret Noble, Bea Caffrey, Barb Weaver, and Betty Sheehan; and her niece and nephew, Amelia Chaille and John Chaille, along with many other nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her brother Sam Chaille and her nephew Lincoln Kaplan. The family is very thankful to the people who supported her. A time of gathering will be held Friday, April 11, 2014 from 4 p.m. until 8 p.m. with an Honoring Ceremony at 7:15 p.m. at Casterline Funeral Home, 122 W. Dunlap, Northville. A Celebration of Life will be held Saturday, April 12, 2014 at 10:30 a.m. at Italian American Banquet Center, 39200 Five Mile Rd., Livonia. A luncheon will follow the service. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions to First Spiritual Temple, 3224 Greenfield Rd., Royal Oak, MI 48073 would be appreciated. Online condolences at: www.casterlinefuneralhome.com

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Karaoke benefit ends on high note



The recent FAR Conservatory of Therapeutic and Performing Arts' "Sing Out 4 Kids" fundraiser at the Emagine Theatre in Royal Oak included plenty of karaoke performances and raised more than \$300,000 for the Birmingham-based organization that provides art, music, dance, recreation and sports therapy to children with special needs. (From left) Troy resident Link Wachler whose wife, Jody Wachler, is the FAR Conservatory President; FOX-TV2 Reporter Allan Lee, who performed a song with his wife, WWJ Health Reporter Sean Quisenberry Lee; and Northville resident and award-winning singer Josh White, Jr., who brought the crowd to their feet when he took the stage to sing. For more information about the FAR Conservatory of Therapeutic and Performing Arts, visit www.farconservatory.org. JULIE YOLLES

POLICE BRIEFS

OLV thief caught?

A tip led Northville Police to a man, who they say confessed to being involved with a string of local church thefts, including Our Lady of Victory in Northville.

The OLV theft happened last month after three donation boxes had been pried open. Church officials estimated around \$200 was stolen. Earlier this month, a tip from a Plymouth church led police to contact Northville about a possible suspect. It's suspected the 30-year-old Northville man has been

involved with a string of thefts at churches around the area, including ones in Plymouth and Birmingham.

He was detained by the Birmingham police during their investigation and it was then Northville police were able to question him about OLV. He was showed some surveillance video stills and said that it was him inside OLV at the time of the alleged theft. The Northville police have a warrant pending for his arrest.

Felony arrest

A argument between two roommates led to one being arrested on an outstanding warrant for possession of methamphetamine.

The incident took place on April 6 and had Northville police going to a residence on West Street on the report of a heated argument. They arrived to find two roommates arguing over a Playstation. One roommate was taking it as collateral for money lent to the other.

A check on both men revealed one, a 28-year-

old Northville man, had a warrant out of the Michigan State Police Brighton Post for drug possession. He was detained and later released into Michigan State Police custody.

Larceny from auto

A Northville woman had her vehicle registration and insurance certificate stolen from her car, which was parked outside her residence on Hutton Street.

The incident occurred overnight on March 26-27. The woman said she left her car unlocked overnight, and the next morning found it had

been rummaged through. The glove box was emptied out and items were shuffled around inside the vehicle.

She reported to police only two documents were missing.

Drunken driving

A Commerce Township man was arrested for drunken driving after Northville police were alerted to his erratic driving by another motorist.

The arrest took place on the afternoon of March 30. A Northville officer was doing stationary radar duty at Fair-

brook Street near Rogers Street when a motorist pulled up next to the patrol car and said the vehicle behind him was all over the road. The police spotted the suspect vehicle and followed it. According to the police report, the driver was swerving and crossing the center line.

The police stopped the driver at Eaton Drive after observing the vehicle make a wide turn without a signal. The man blew a .174 blood-alcohol on his preliminary breathalyzer test, more than twice the legal limit.

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OUR VIEWS

Make sure you're prepared for possible severe weather

After a long and brutal winter, it's nice to see warm temperatures, but with the change in seasons comes a change in the type of severe weather that can occur. Last year we were reminded that severe weather can strike at any time.

While most Michigan tornadoes occur from May to August during the afternoon and evening hours, a November 2013 severe weather outbreak hit Michigan with three reported tornadoes. There were no deaths and only two injuries in Michigan from severe weather in 2013, according to the National Weather Service. The injuries resulted from severe thunderstorm winds; however, flooding, severe thunderstorms and tornadoes were responsible for about \$277 million in damages in 2013, compared to \$210 million in damages in 2012.

Surprisingly, the most widespread severe weather damage across the Lower Peninsula didn't occur in the spring, but Nov. 17-18 as the result of a combined severe thunderstorm and wind event that included several small tornadoes. The combination of the tornadoes, severe thunderstorms and winds left more than 775,000 homes and businesses without power and about \$70 million in damages.

That's why the state of Michigan is again observing this week as Severe Weather Preparedness Week. With the shift to outdoor activities, it's important to keep an eye on the sky and be prepared to take cover when severe weather strikes.

The Michigan Committee for Severe Weather Awareness recommends that you check the weather forecast before leaving home, and check around for the nearest shelter when you arrive at your final destination. It also recommends that you:

» Seek shelter when you first hear thunder, see dark threatening clouds developing overhead or lightning.

» Count the seconds between the time you see lightning and hear the thunder. You should already be in a safe location if that time is less than 30 seconds.

» If you can't find a shelter, get into a fully enclosed vehicle. Put your head down below the windows, covering it with your hands or blanket.

» Stay inside until 30 minutes after you last hear thunder. Lightning can strike more than 10 miles away from any rainfall.

It is also important to be familiar with severe weather alerts. A tornado watch or severe thunderstorm watch simply means that severe thunderstorms and tornadoes are possible. A tornado warning means that a tornado has been sighted or is indicated on Doppler Radar. Go immediately to the basement or a small interior room on the lowest level. Keep away from chimneys and windows. Leave mo-



A major wind storm struck Northville last September. Here residents of Wing Street take a look at a large tree that tumbled down and onto a home. The storm was a stark reminder that severe weather can strike quickly and without much notice. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

bile homes and find shelter in a sturdy building.

The average lead-time for a tornado warning is 13 minutes, according to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Association. That's not much time to get to safety, especially if you don't get the warning right away.

When a thunderstorm warning is issued for your area, get indoors immediately and do not use the telephone or electrical appliances. Keep away from windows. Do not take shelter in sheds or under isolated trees. If you are out boating and swimming, get to land and find a sturdy shelter immediately.

To prepare for severe weather, the Michigan Committee for Severe Weather Awareness suggests that you:

» Plan ahead. Be sure everyone in your household knows where to go and what to do in case of a tornado or thunderstorm warning. Know the safest location for shelter in your home, workplace, and school.

Load-bearing walls near the center of the basement or lowest level generally provide the greatest protection.

» Have emergency supplies on hand, including a battery-operated radio, a flashlight and a fresh supply of batteries.

» Know the location of designated shelter areas in local public facilities, such as schools, shopping centers, and other public buildings.

» Have emergency supplies on hand, including a battery-operated NOAA Weather Radio, flashlight, and a supply of fresh batteries, first-aid kit, water, and cell phone.

» Create an emergency plan for your pets. Even with the most sophisticated meteorological equipment, predicting the weather isn't easy. But being prepared for the worse can take the guesswork out of what to do. Don't wait until the sirens sound, make your plans. It is better to be safe than sorry.

Library is worth celebrating

There is a place in Northville where anyone can walk through the doors and immediately be transported to other lands around the globe or even different worlds, go back in time or jet off into the future, listen to the hottest new music or watch Academy Award winning films. And all this – and so much more – can be done for free.

This magical place is the Northville District Library, one of the greatest assets in our community. It is a place for all people to gather to study, learn and read in order to improve their lives and follow their dreams.

The library is worth celebrating any time of the year, but next week is of particular note because it is National Library Week – a time to highlight the value of libraries, librarians and library staff.

In honor of the special week, the Northville District Library is kicking off a celebration called Lives Change @ Your Library, and will feature several programs. Visit the library's website at www.northville-library.org for more information.

The celebration's theme is appropriate because libraries and in particular librarians help change people's lives as they work with job seekers, small business owners, students and the general public to meet their various needs. Whether through offering homework help, computer help, online resources to upgrade job market skills, materials for English-language learners, or programs to support early litera-

cy, librarians listen to the community they serve.

"We are balancing between two different worlds now in our library," said Julie Herrin, library director. "Not only do we want to continue to provide the best possible service to our library users with traditional books, DVDs and music CDs, at the same time eBook, eMagazines and eResources collections are on the rise. Only by offering both types of services do we feel we can adequately help change people's lives at the library."

It is obvious the Northville community does indeed recognize the importance of the library. On Friday, the library held its Books and Beyond fundraiser at Cantoro's Italian Market. The event was a big hit, selling out and raising about \$10,000 for the library. Herrin said the money will be used to purchase new resources for the library so it can stay up to date with the latest technologies, including eMagazines that will allow library users to read their favorite publications on their laptops or tablets.

The library staff recognizes the need to stay current with resources to make sure the library remains relevant in an ever-changing world. Of course, the library will always be known for its large and ever-expanding catalog of books, but it has more to offer, including educational programming, story times for the kids, and so much more. If you haven't been there in a while, stop by and see why the library is truly a place worth celebrating.



Lily Tower, 7, admires her Lego creation at a March 26 gathering at the Northville District Library. Lego days are just one of the many programs the library offers. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

LETTERS

Fundraiser was great success

The Northville District Library's second annual Books & Beyond fundraiser, held last Friday at Cantoro's Italian Market & Trattoria on Haggerty Road, was a huge success. Close to 200 library supporters attended the wine tasting event. Largely thanks to our major sponsors, we were able to surpass our dollar goal by over 20 percent.

I would like to thank Global Garden Inc. and Jack Doheny Companies for each donating \$1,000 and the Corriveau Law Firm, which donated \$500 to the library. For their gift of \$250, I thank BP AGFA Gas Inc.; Comerica Bank; Craig David Butler Studios; Garage Grill and Fuel Bar; It's Time To Travel; Kelly and Kelly PC; Laurie Jayne Toomajanian, DDS; Mike Miller Building Company; Monroe Bank & Trust;

Northville Lumber Company; Patti Mullen & Associates; Scott Lowery, CPA, PC; and Town & Country Eyecare. Thanks also to the 22 local businesses who donated cash or gift cards for the raffle events.

The committee would especially like to thank Cantoro's Italian Market & Trattoria and their staff for providing a wonderful venue for the event, a major draw for many people who were anxious to see the new market.

Scott Frush

Chairman

Northville District Library Fundraising Committee

Library makes difference

During the week of April 13-19, communities across the country celebrate National Library Week, a time to remind us about the contributions libraries, librarians and library workers make to their communities.

Lives Change @ Your Library is the fitting theme for this year's National Library Week celebration. Our library serves as catalyst in our community, offering opportunities for children and adults alike to learn, grow and achieve their dreams. In addition to providing access to books, e-books, computers and other resources, our library offers expert teaching and guidance to aid library users in their quest to open new worlds and change their lives.

Today's libraries are driven by the needs of the community. Whether you are looking for eBooks, 24/7 homework help for your kids, or online practice tests,

the library has the resources to meet your needs. Go to the Library's website at www.northvillelibrary.org to review all the events and offerings at your library.

National Library Week is the perfect time to remember that when it is time to make a change and improve your life, the place to be is at your library.

Christine Litka

The Friends of the Northville District Library

All about re-election

Right on cue and completely predictable, Republican Attorney General Bill Schuette appealed Federal Judge Bernard Freeman's decision, declaring the Michigan ban on gay marriage unconstitutional.

Schuette's appeal has nothing to do with gay marriage and everything to do with shoring up social conservatives in his re-election bid. Freeman is a Republican-appointed federal judge.

Attorney generals in other states have not appealed their state's approval of gay marriage.

Instead of supporting the removal of the Michigan constitutional discrimination, Schuette has spent more than \$40,000 of tax payers' money to testify at the recent trial held by Freeman. Schuette hired "experts." Freeman dismissed these experts as incompetent and representing a fringe view point.

This is all about Schuette's 25-stop, four-day re-election bid.

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Five of the McClure siblings of Novi have received a Fox Run scholarship up to and including this year's honorees. The college scholarships are for teens who have worked at the retirement community.

Siblings, other teens earn Fox Run scholarships

By Julie Brown
Staff Writer

The first five McClure children of Novi received a Fox Run retirement community scholarship to help them attend college. Fox Run has held its 2014 scholarship fundraising drive to help its student workers attend college. This year, \$290,000 was raised, said Marianne Mikkelsen, philanthropy manager for the retirement community. "They serve dinner to the residents every day and establish close relationships," she said of the program, which began in 2004 and has provided some \$1.2 million in scholarship support since its inception. This year, 29 area students will receive Fox Run scholarships, including two of the

McClures from Novi, who are twins. "They live in Novi and they're very involved in the Novi community," she said. One older McClure family sibling is studying pre-medicine, a sibling is in business and another a Michigan State University graduate and mechanical engineer. "They worked here as high school students and then they went on to college," Mikkelsen said, adding one remaining sibling is too young to be employed. The teen staffers at Fox Run in Novi like being with the older residents. "They're all in school, plus a lot of them are involved in extracurricular activities," she said. The teens must work at least two years to be eligible, totaling 1,000 hours or more. They spend many waking

hours with the senior residents. "They really get to know the residents and the residents get to know them," she said. The students bound for college must obtain two letters of recommendation from Fox Run residents, as well as a letter from their supervisor. At 7 p.m. Monday, June 2, the scholarship winners will be lauded by Fox Run residents. "They kind of share their talents at that time," she said of the teens who have talents like music or dance. Not all 29 will perform. Some previous winners have returned for careers at the retirement community, working as nurses, restaurant managers or in other roles. "There's a lot of different careers here," Mikkelsen said.

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Media school brings back awards

Specs Howard School of Media Arts is making \$125,000 in scholarships available to individuals seeking training in technology-driven courses, including broadcast media arts, graphic design and digital media arts. Specs Howard officials said the "overwhelming success of last year's scholarship program" has convinced school officials to make its scholarship program a permanent part of the school. With most metro Detroit businesses looking to enhance and develop the technical skill set of their current employees, Specs Howard School of Media Arts wants to assist these Michigan-owned and -operated businesses by offering scholarships in the amount of \$5,000 per award toward tuition for any Specs Howard program.

The program was created to assist individual employers and their employees and at the same time continue to develop the strength of the Michigan work force. "Educating our students is of paramount importance and Specs Howard is thrilled to help our students transition into the ever-changing digital world," Specs Howard President Lisa Zahodne said. "Training will be in all areas, including web creation and design, digital cinematography and post-production." Employees must complete and submit an application as well as a letter of request stating why they feel they are qualified for the scholarship and how it will impact their future. They must also submit a letter of recommendation from their employer stating how the training will benefit the organiza-

tion. Applications are available online at www.specshoward.edu/mibusiness. Candidates will be selected based on the letters of recommendation and all candidates will need to meet the standard entrance requirements. Scholarships will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis and the opportunity will end when all are awarded. "Specs Howard interacts with Michigan employers everyday," Zahodne said. "We see many companies struggling with budget reductions, and unfortunately employee training is one of the first cuts. We wanted to find a way to help the community we have been part of for over 44 years. Technology is changing at such a rapid pace, employees need training to stay relevant and employers need trained employees to stay competitive."



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Amerman Elementary School students hit the hallway floors on March 28 and read books for their Read-In. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

INSTILLING THE JOY OF READING

Amerman students come together with school-wide ‘Read-In’

By Lonnie Huhman
Staff Writer

The halls of Amerman Elementary School are typically a boisterous place, but during the annual Read-In during the last week of March it took on an air of peace and quiet.

Amerman closes out Reading Month with students and teachers going out into the hallway and reading a book, all togeth-

er. It's this community feeling that has made this tradition such a fun one.

“I love this,” said Amerman fifth-grader Sarah Kuredjian of the read-in, who is a new student after going to Our Lady of Victory School last year. “I really enjoy reading, so I think it's great to get others interested.”

The month of March was filled with activities and events to celebrate reading.

There have been guest authors and readers and a weekly contest that has students reading for a certain amount of minutes. The theme was “School of Readers” with the ocean and its many inhabitants highlighting this. If a student achieved the required reading minutes they would have their name written on cut-out shark or whale and then posted on a board in recognition.

The read-in took place March 28 over 15 minutes in the afternoon. Most students were reading to themselves, but some were listening to their teachers read or were partnered up with their buddy, fifth graders and kindergartners are grouped up as buddies.

“It's a great tradition here,” said Amerman learning consultant Lyn Crowley, who is also a first-timer to the school's read-in. “It's an opportunity to be together and sit quietly as a community of readers.”

The hallway sit-down ended with everyone joining in on a song they had been learning over the course of the week. It was titled, “Reading is Your Best Shot” and was based off a Pat Benatar song.

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Amerman Elementary School student Adele Meloche hits the hallway along with her fellow students on March 28 as they participate in a “Read In” to celebrate March is Reading Month. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



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Novi's Carolyn Zhang (right) shakes hands with her Northville opponent Emma Worley after their April 1 match. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Mustangs post shutout

The Baseline rivalry between Novi and Northville is strong in several sports, but girls tennis regularly pits two of Division 1's top 10 teams.

With the Wildcats slipping out of the preseason top 10, the No. 4-ranked Mustangs took full advantage April 1 with a 9-0 win at home over their northern neighbors played in 25-35 mph wind gusts.

"The match weather was indicative of the winter as the weather was cold and very windy," Northville coach

Northville tops Novi in Baseline rivalry

By Chris Jackett
Correspondent

Linda Jones said. "The Novi team put up a great fight, but Northville was able to win all four singles courts and all five doubles courts."

The defending KLAA champions were led at No. 1 singles by sophomore Reeshma Kumar, who took a 6-2,

6-1 decision over Novi junior Erin Day.

With Novi sophomore Carolyn Zhang subbing at No. 2 singles, Northville sophomore Emma Worley capitalized for a 6-0, 6-1 victory.

Both teams debuted freshmen at

No. 3 singles; Northville's Joanne Gao won the showdown 6-0, 6-2 over Novi's Jessica Lypka.

"Incoming freshman Joanne Gao, who is playing three singles, was particularly impressive winning in her first conference match," Jones said.

At No. 4 singles, Northville junior Amelia Albanelli had a strong 6-3, 6-4 victory over Novi sophomore Allison Lollo.

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Soccer team defeats S.L. East

By Sam Eggleston
Correspondent

The Northville girls soccer team headed into its match against Central Division foe South Lyon East knowing it couldn't take the Cougars lightly.

East had a 3-0 record coming into the game, Northville's second of the season. When all was said and done, Northville's record remained unblemished while East suffered its first loss of the season, 3-1.

The Cougars were the first to get on the board, scoring at the 21-minute mark when they put in a free kick from 35 yards out. The high loft ball was played into the six-yard box, where East's Heather Emke deflected it past the Northville goalie.

"We came out a little flat in the first half and were not stringing any passes together," Northville coach Eric Brucker said. "(There were) too many touches by each individual player."

Northville remained patient, working its game plan until it paid off 19 minutes later. Sophomore Alissa Moore crossed the ball from the left flank, right to the feet of senior Jamie



Jamie Cheslik (No. 13) takes to the air as she directs the ball past the South Lyon East goalie for a goal. JOHN PAWLOSKI

Cheslik, who slammed it home to the near post.

"At halftime, we talked about some small adjustments and the team came alive," Brucker said. "It's good to get that first division win of the season."

In the second half, the Mustangs added two more goals. The first came at the 48-minute mark, when senior Megan Buckingham split the defense with a through ball, finding Cheslik in a full sprint. Cheslik played the ball forward and then beat the goalie to the far post for the lead.

Two minutes later, Northville added an insurance goal when Cheslik fired a pass through the middle of the East defense to the feet of Buckingham. The senior standout dribbled the ball around the goalie, firing to the near side for the final goal.

Junior Emily Maresh earned her second win, collecting four saves along the way.

Northville is now 2-0, while South Lyon East fell to 3-1.

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

Northville baseball team rattles off three wins

By Sam Eggleston
Correspondent

The Northville baseball team came into the season looking to start strong and stay consistent.

The Mustangs passed their first test of the season last week when they swept a doubleheader against Howell.

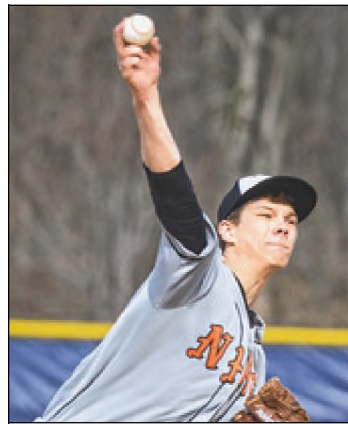
The team, coached by John Kostrzewa, picked up wins of 7-3 and 8-3 against the Highlanders. They then completed their week of baseball with an absolute drubbing of Wayne Memorial, 16-0.

"We played very good, fundamental defense in both games," Kostrzewa said of the Howell match-up.

"Sweeping a traditionally-successful program like Howell was a great way to start the season."

In the opening game, the Mustangs fell behind the Highlanders, 1-0, after the first inning, but came back to tie in the top of the second, 1-1.

The two teams stayed even, scoring a run each in the third, until the Highland-



Northville pitcher Taylor Turner winds up for a delivery April 2 against Wayne Memorial. Turner was masterful, throwing a no-hitter with nine strikeouts. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

ers scored another run in the bottom of the fourth for a 3-2 advantage. That would prove to be the last run Howell would score, while the Mustangs went on a tear in the fifth, scoring four runs to break the game open, 6-3, before adding an insurance run in the seventh.

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Mustangs hope for top-three finish

Northville brings back talented flights

By Sam Eggleston
Correspondent

Experience is invaluable in high school athletics, especially in tennis. This year, the Northville girls tennis team, coached by Linda Jones in her second year at the helm of the varsity program, will be looking to capitalize on its depth and experience. The goals? Nothing short of a return trip to the state finals, where the Mustangs hope to finish in the top three in Division 1.

But first things are first – the Mustangs are focusing on the importance of working as a team, despite playing as individuals or duos.

“Now that the remaining doubles teams have been set, everyone needs to begin working together as a team,” Jones said. “Tennis can be treated as an individual sport, but we have 12 players all working to win their courts for the team. That cannot be overlooked when competing – or you lose sight of what your goals are.”

Northville is looking



The Northville girls tennis team returns several key players from last year's squad, including Reeshma Kumar. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

to build on a very good 2013 season. Last year, the team swept all of its division, conference and regional matches and took fifth place at the state finals with a very talented No. 4 doubles team winning the state title.

This year, Northville

could possibly have a better finals finish. It helps, of course, that the Mustangs return several key players like Reeshma Kumar and Emma Worley in the singles flights and Anika Mukherji and Danielle Romano and Claudia Ma and Paige Baal in doubles.

Newcomer Joanne Gao will be playing in the singles lineup this year and is expected to be an impact player.

Leading the team will be captains Libby Quinn, Chloe Page and Alex Jeannotte.

The lineup heading into the season is: No. 1 singles, Reeshma Kumar; No. 2 singles, Emma Worley; No. 3 singles, Joanne Gao; No. 4 singles, Amelia Albanelli; No. 1 doubles, Anika Mukherji and Danielle Romano; No. 2 doubles, Claudia Ma and Paige Baal; No. 3 doubles, Alex Jeanotte and Jordan Hermiz; No. 4 doubles, Libby Quinn and Malika Sachdev; No. 5 doubles, Chloe Page and Molly Bis; and No. 6 doubles, Rachel Crittendon and Brittany Macaddino.

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BASELINE

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“Considering the very tough weather conditions, I thought both teams played extremely well,” Novi coach Jim Hanson said.

“Northville is a very young, but experienced team. They have the kind of depth at every flight that makes for a very good team.”

The doubles flights also went the Mustangs’ way, starting with the closest match of the day in the top flight. Despite the efforts of Novi seniors Asawari Kanitkar and Amy Zhou, Northville junior Anika Mukherji and senior Daneille Romano fought just a little bit harder in claiming a 7-5, 7-5 victory.

“Anika Mukherji and Danielle Romano, Northville’s one doubles team, had the most competitive match of the day, winning each set by a break of serve,” Jones said.

Northville juniors Claudia Ma and Paige Baal didn’t need quite as much time to dispatch Novi seniors Rachel Bailey and Dina Fawaz 6-1, 6-2, at No. 2 doubles.

Similarly, Northville senior Alex Jeanotte and junior Jordan Hermiz upended Novi senior Harika Bollineni and junior Dhivya Sridar 6-1, 6-0, at No. 3 doubles.

In No. 4 doubles, Northville senior Libby Quinn and sophomore Molly Bis had a close first set before claiming a 7-6(3), 6-0 win over Novi juniors Sam Martin and Shaki-la Khan.

Novi’s No. 5 doubles tandem of freshman Teja Mogasala and junior substitute Tiffany Teng put up a fight, but Northville senior Chloe Page and junior Malika Sachdev picked up a 6-3, 6-4 victory to finish the shutout.

Chris Jackett is a freelance writer and former staff writer covering Novi High School sports for the Novi News.

record a 19-0 victory in a mercy-rule three-inning game. In the second inning alone, the Mustangs scored 15 runs. Chapekis led the scoring with five RBI and three runs scored, including a towering home run to center field, her second of the young season.

Zwarka, who struck out five batters in two innings, and Jones combined to no-hit the Zebras. Swart had three hits and Petrucci and freshman MacKenzie Kamm, making her hitting debut as a varsity player, each had two hits. Brianna Nayh, Zwarka, and O’Malley also provided hits. In addition to Chapekis, Swart and Kamm scored three runs.

“It has been a good start for our young team,” head coach Jim Ritz said. “However, we recognize that the competition will get considerably stronger starting next week (against rivals Plymouth and Salem). I like the chemistry of this team and I expect our team to continue to improve.”

adding another in the fifth and three in the sixth.

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“We struggled a bit with walks, but were able to make pitches to get out of innings,” Kostrzewa said.

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By Ted Chapekis
Correspondent

The Northville softball team began its season with three straight wins last week behind timely pitching and a hitting barrage.

In Game 1 of a five-inning doubleheader played indoors against Ann Arbor Pioneer, sophomore Allison Zwarka picked up where she left off last year as the team’s leading pitcher as a freshman. She held the Pioneers to two hits and two walks while striking out 10 in a 2-1 victory. The lone Pioneer run was unearned.

Sophomore Brianna Nayh (double), Zwarka, junior Ashley Schiffer (RBI double) and senior Kirsten Jones each had hits for the Mustangs. Nayh and Schiffer pro-



Allie Chapekis is congratulated by her teammates after hitting a two-run home run April 2 game against Wayne Memorial. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

vided the deciding runs.


In Game 2, the Mustangs found their bats in a decisive 9-4 victory. Senior captain Allie Chapekis and sophomore Katie O’Malley provided the excitement with home runs. O’Malley’s

first hit of her varsity career was a grand slam to put the game out of reach in the third inning.

Pioneer scored first, taking a 1-0 lead in the first inning. In the bottom half, the Mustangs scored twice. Freshman

Melissa Swart singled home Chapekis, who was previously walked, and scored herself on a sacrifice fly by senior Micaela Petrucci. Zwarka (double) and Megan Swart also provided hits for Northville. Sophomore Alison Hige, who was hit by pitch twice, and Chapekis, also hit by a pitch, each scored twice.

The third game of the season against over-matched Wayne Memorial provided no such theatrics as the Mustangs scored early and often to



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Northville picked up the win behind the pitching of Evan Flohr, who recorded nine strikeouts with no earned runs, four hits and three walks over six innings.

“A couple tough breaks led to three Howell runs, but Evan Flohr pitched very well and kept us in the game until our bats came around,” Kostrzewa said.

In the nightcap, the Mustangs jumped out to a 3-1 lead after the first inning and held off a Howell rally in the second to have a 3-2 lead heading into the fourth inning. There, the Mustangs scored a run before

adding another in the fifth and three in the sixth.

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Talent big on girls track team

Mustangs looking to better last season's seventh place at states

By Sam Eggleston
Correspondent

One thing is certain – Northville girls track and field coach Tim Dalton has a team that is simply overflowing with athletic talent.

Dalton, who is in his second year as head coach of the program, coached the 2013 team to a 4-1 Central Division record, a KLAA and a regional championship and a seventh-place finish at the state finals.

This year, he thinks the team can do better and all signs point to him being right. “Our goals start with our division opponents,” Dalton said. “We did not win the division last year. We would like to obviously change that this year, so that would be goal number one. After the division, we move on to defending our conference and regional titles.

“This is a veteran team that has big goals. Clearly competing to be the best on May 31 at the state finals in Rockford is something we are all working

toward.”

Northville returns multiple key athletes this season, many of whom competed in the state finals last year.

Molly DeDonna, Chloe Smith-er, Rachel Coleman, Nicole Mosteller, Erin Zimmer, Alison Robinson, Hailey Harris, Morgan Robertson, Audrey Baetz, Chloe Abbott, Aimee Montambeau, Mary Catherine McLaughlin, Kara Ernst, Lindsay Walters and Taleen Shahrighian are all back this season and looking to help propel the Mustangs to their team goals.

Leading them will be Shahrighian, DeDonna, Zimmer and Gracie Goble, who have been named captains this season.

“Our biggest strength is our experience,” Dalton said. “We took 12 girls to the state finals last year and we look to build on that.”

If Northville's returning veterans were not enough, the team also has several newcomers of note, many of whom are accomplished athletes in other sports. Lexa Barrott, Cayla Eckenroth, Symone Abbott, Emily Anderson, Taylor Gattoni, Katie Chevoor, Lauren Lambert, Megan Krings, Megan Kerr, Emily Kerr, Erin Szara, Emma Smith

and Allison Lee join the team this year and are expected to contribute immediately.

“We just need to stay focused and come ready every day to work hard,” Dalton said. “It has been a tough winter and the weather has not made for ideal training conditions. Dealing with the adversity that we will face throughout the season and staying positive will be key.”

This year's roster includes: Chloe Abbott, Symone Abbott, Macy Afsari, Emily Anderson, Brianna Address, Sarah Azouz, Audrey Baetz, Lexa Barrott, Madeline Blomberg, Helena Bryans, Allison Chang, Katie Chevoor, Aashka Chhabria, Serena Chouman, Rachel Coleman, Zahra Dawson, Molly DeDonna, Lidia Drury, Cayla Eckenroth, Ramya Erasala, Kara Ernst, Addison Gaines, Neha Gandra, Taylor Gattoni, Gracie Goble, Divya Gumudavelly, Olivia Gunther, Megan Guthrie, Deanna Handley, Hailey Harris, Emma Herrmann, Emma Horalek, Skye Hydell, Lauryn Johnson, Valissa Kanellopoulos, Emily Kattynski, Emily Kerr, Megan Kerr, Clara Kim, Mirai Kobayashi, Megan Krings, Lauren Lambert, Allison Lee, Jen-

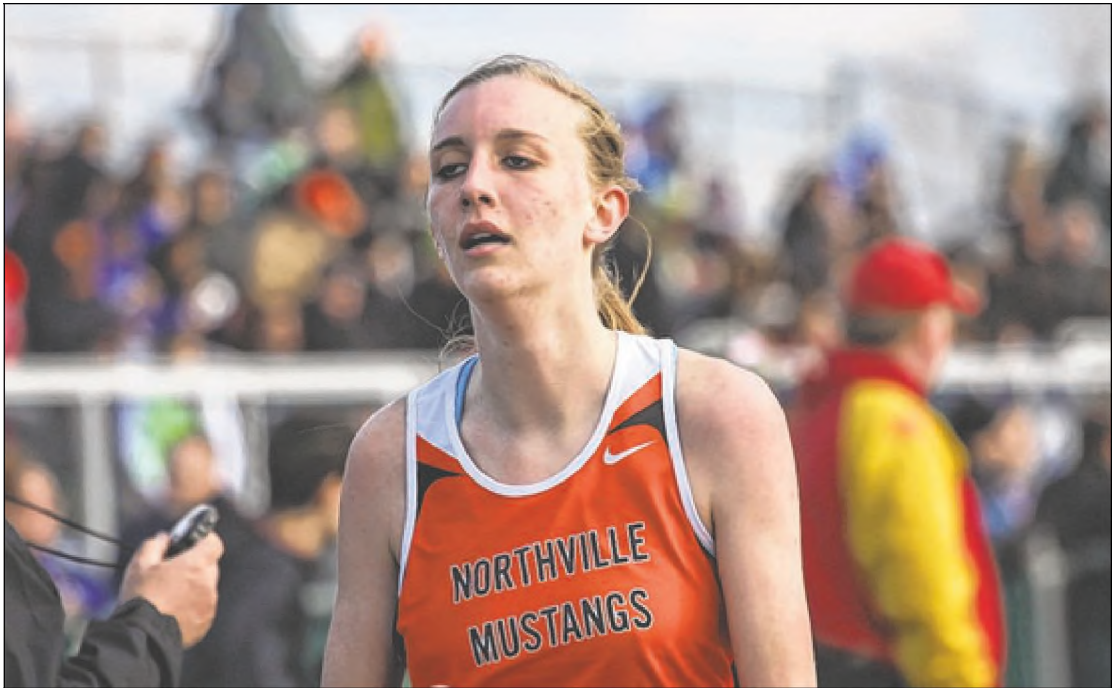


Northville track team members take off on a practice jaunt around the field during a March 31 meet. Northville's first track meet was pushed back to April 1 due to weather conditions. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

na Manske, Frances Master, Adrienne McCarthy, Mary Catherine McLaughlin, Aimee Montambeau, Nicole Mosteller, Aya Pickett, Eveline Que, Milan Robertson, Morgan Robertson, Alison Robinson, Mia Rodgers, Lauren Rodriguez, Emma Ryding, Ashley Scoggins, Taleen Shahrighian, Rebecca Shoup, Julia Slatin, Em-

ma Smith, Chloe Smith-er, Nicole Souphis, Chelsea Spamen, Katherine Stanley, Elizabeth Storm, Erin Szara, Stefani Taskas, Lindsay Walters, Rachel Wylie, Erin Zimmer, Marie Zimmer and Paige Zimmer.

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Northville's Chloe Smither pushes herself beyond exhaustion as she runs in the dual meet against Salem last week. LYNNE MOSTELLER

Experience key for Knights Rugby Football Club

By Sam Eggleston
Correspondent

In rugby, poor weather doesn't stop the teams from playing.

But when you can't find the pitch thanks to the snow covering just about everything in sight, it's hard to get out and even practice, let alone play. That, of course, hasn't slowed the Northville Knights Rugby Football Club. The team has just found ways to practice indoors to get the season rolling. Of course, that has challenges of its own.

“Getting the new players accustomed to the size of the pitch and the fluidity of the game (will be our biggest challenge),” said Ron Cornell, now in his 17th season with the Knights. “New players who have experience in other sports are typically not trained to be in constant movement and to make multiple decisions during the game. Outdoor training was delayed three weeks due to the weather. There is a lot about the game that is difficult to see and appreciate when practices have, until recently, been confined to a single basketball court – indoors.”

The Knights return several core players to the lineup from last years' team that went 4-1-1 in the conference and 1-2 in the Elkhart Midwest Tournament. They finished the season in a quarterfinals playoff loss to Kalamazoo.

Back this season are fly-half Bastien Dupessey, scrum-half Matt Stoner, center Matt McNamara, forward Joel Atallah, second row and kicker Rick Lenczewski, forward Leo LaCivita, winger Paul Behe and forward Matt Rogers.

The team is still adding play-

ers due to the slow start, but Cornell said that his team has already added some key newcomers this year. Tim DiMango, Alex Hosko and Michael Stein are from Detroit Catholic Central and have joined the team, as have Northville players Jacob Beer, Patrick Brennan, Robert Dunne and Andrew Belanger and Novi's Toshihiro Yoshioka.

“We have a core group with a few years of experience, which is rare for high school rugby,” Cornell said. “This group learned from last year's seniors about the commitment, communication and hard work required to succeed.”

The Knights come into the 2014 season with the same goal they have had for the past 17 years: Teach all the players in the program the skills, respect, competitiveness and sportsmanship that rugby demands.

“Winning the conference and making the playoffs is a close second,” Cornell said.

This year's roster includes: Joel Atallah, Salem Batayeh, Jacob Beer, Paul Behe, James Behe, Andrew Belanger, Patrick Brennan, Joey Cawley, Tim DiMango, Darsh Dholakia, Jake Dobronski, Jeremiah Dunne, Robert Dunne, Bastien Dupessey, Peter Fontana, Alex Hosko, Leo LaCivita, Rick Lenczewski, Brandon Micallef, Matt McNamara, Ken Niemi, Robert Prescott, Matt Rogers, Luke Sims, Michael Stein, Matt Stoner, Toshihiro Yoshioka and Michael Wysong.

The team is always open to new players. If interested, contact one of the players for details.

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Girls track team wins two meets

Squad defeats Salem, South Lyon

By Sam Eggleston
Correspondent

The Northville girls track and field team started the division-portion of its dual meet schedule with two lopsided victories.

The girls, coached by Tim Dalton, ran to an 80-48 victory over Salem last week before crushing South Lyon, 100-37.

“It was great to start off our divisional schedule with a win,” Dalton said after the Salem meet. “We knew it was going to be a tough meet and our student-athletes showed they were up for the challenge.”

And if that challenge was securing first-place finishes, the team picked up some ex-

tra achievements, too. Northville secured 12 firsts in the match-up as they won the 3,200, 400 and 1,600 relays, the 100 and 300 hurdles, the long jump and the 100-, 200-, 800-, 1,600- and 3,200-meter races.

The Mustangs had several athletes come up big in the field events, like senior captain Chloe Smither, who set a new personal-best in the high jump with a leap of 4 feet, 10 inches, which was good for second place. Senior captain Molly DeDonna tied her personal record with a jump of 4-9, which was good for third.

Sophomore Mary Catherine McLaughlin won the long jump with a leap of 15-4, which Dalton said “is an outstanding jump for this early in the season. Mary Catherine always puts our team first and is always looking for ways to make our team better. She has done that by trying out long

jump this season. It speaks volumes to the type of person she is.”

Against South Lyon, the Mustangs had even less resistance on their way to victory. They earned 13 first-place finishes in the Central Division dual meet with wins in the 3,200, 800, 400 and 1,600 relays as well as the 100 and 300 hurdles and the 100-, 200-, 400-, 800-, 1,600- and 3,200-meter races. The team also won the shot put.

“It was a tough double having two dual meets in one week, but we were able to move some kids around in different events and come away with our second win,” Dalton said.

Northville is 2-0 in the KLAA Central Division.

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ALL-AREA HOCKEY

Catholic Central's Cerretani locks down top spot

Catholic Central hockey is looked upon as one of the gold standards in Michigan prep sports. The Shamrocks proved that with another state championship this season, 5-1 over Brighton.

One of the key highlights was a pair of goals from senior defenseman Carter Cerretani. The 5-11, 178-pound star finished with 10 goals and 22 assists, which

resulted in Cerretani being named the 2014 All-Area Hockey Player of the Year.

Cerretani is the kind of player who really packs a punch on the ice. Add his strength and speed to a combination of scoring ability and rink awareness and you have a player who not only earned all-division and all-MHLL honors, but also to the all-state Dream Team and all-state Division 1 first team.

First team

Ryan Burnett, F Catholic Central junior
He also notched a pair of goals in the championship game. Burnett ended the year with 16 goals and 22 assists.

It's hard to score when every defender on the ice knows you're the guy to look out for, but Ryan Burnett still managed to find a way to make it happen. He picked up a hat trick early in the season, which made for a nice bull's-eye on him for defenses, but that didn't stop him from picking up 16 goals against some of the state's best teams. His play earned him plenty of notice, too. Despite being overlooked for an all-conference position, Burnett took his all-division nod and turned it into a place on the all-state Division 1 first team this year.

Mitchell Ossowski, F Catholic Central junior
Another offensive weapon for the Shamrocks, Ossowski finished with 13 goals and 20 assists. He earned all-division and all-state Division 1 first team honors.

It's almost hard to believe that Detroit Catholic Central will return its top two goal scorers next season, but everyone in Division 1 should probably take note because that's exactly what is happening. Ossowski had the second-most goals on his squad this year and the second-most assists, making him the kind of teammate everyone loves to have on the ice.

Lucas Turner, D Catholic Central senior
He earned a spot on the all-state honorable mention team after posting four goals and 13 assists. Turner also earned all-division honors.

Turner entered the postseason as what many hockey fans would consider an average player and then a new persona took over. His aggressive play ramped up, his hustle was clear as day and his desire to help push his team to a state championship was easy to take note of.

Nolan Johnson, F Lakeland junior
He had a monster year with 24 goals and 28 assists for 52 points. Johnson finished a plus-34 and led the team in scoring for the second straight year. Lakeland finished 15-8-2 and captured a KLAA North Division title.

“He has the will and determination to do his best,” coach Tim Ronayne said.

Alec Morgan, F Northville junior
He led the Mustangs in scoring with 16 goals and 24 assists for 40 points. Northville finished third in the KLAA Central Division with an overall record of 19-6-2.

Austin Petty, G Novi senior
He was the lone Wildcat to earn all-conference honors thanks to a 14-6-1 record in 22 games played. Petty posted a 1.96 goals-against average with a .917 save percentage. Novi went 18-7-1.

Second team

James Considine, F Catholic Central senior
He wasn't the biggest guy on the ice, but Considine scored 11 goals with 11 assists to help the Shamrocks earn the state title. He earned all-division second team honors.

Owen Kipke, D Catholic Central junior
He helped out on both ends with eight goals and nine assists. He earned all-division honorable mention honors.

Justin Pahl, F Lakeland senior
The captain was another potent weapon for Lakeland with 12 goals and 22 assists. He finished the year a plus-33.

Josef Blackwell, D Lakeland junior
He finished with a plus-28 thanks to six goals and 14 assists.

Jack Meacham, F Northville junior
He notched 14 goals and dished out 24 assists to finish the year with 38 points.

Chance Boutin, G Northville junior
He posted a 9-2-1 record with a 1.53 goals-against average and a .933 save percentage.



Catholic Central senior defenseman Carter Cerretani earned Player of the Year honors with 10 goals and 22 assists this season. DENNIS BARNES

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‘Placemaking’ push expands around Michigan, focus on livability

By Julie Brown
Staff Writer

For the past few years, the National Association of Realtors has made a lot of money available to state and local associations to help make communities more fun and livable. The Michigan Association of Realtors has gotten a piece of the more than \$1 million pie for an innovative program called “placemaking.”

Placemaking is part of the Lighter Quicker Cheaper Challenge pilot grant program open to the Greater Lansing area in 2012. The program was a success, according to Joe Kras, manager of communications and marketing for the MAR.

Agreeing is Realtor Gil White, a member of the Greater Lansing Association of Realtors who is doing consulting for Michigan State University’s School of Planning, Design and Construction. White has some 25 years of experience in the field and was involved in getting the placemaking project running.

Among other things, the program used \$20,000 in NAR funds to help pay for a farmers market, live music performances in an underused urban park, and the refurbishing of a once-downtrodden neighborhood to attract private investment as part of an effort to turn the area into a mixed-use destination.

The pilot project engaged Realtors in placemaking, said White. “I think it succeeded well,” he said. “We looked at Realtors as being natural for involvement.”

In 2013, the state association got some 23 requests for funding and was able to support about nine, said White, a past president of the Michigan Association of Realtors. The MAR is Lansing-based so our



Reutter Fountain Park weekly entertainment has proven to be a hit.

state’s capital seemed a good place to start.

“We had more requests than we had ability to fund. I think what it highlights is the grassroots initiative to make improvements in their daily habitats,” White said of people who live, work and play in a community.

Kras cited the following Challenge winners for MAR: \$2,500 for the farmers market expansion, Kathie Dunbar as recipient, with Realtor sponsor Brian Huggler of Coldwell Banker Hubbell Briarwood Realty; Arty Party recipient Greg Frens with Realtor sponsor Mitch Crank of Century 21 Looking Glass Real Estate Co., to create folk art signs for the Downtown Neighborhood Association meetings and website; Reutter Fountain Park Weekly Features recipient Tony Beyers with Realtor sponsor James Pyle of Lana Wagner Realty, weekly entertainment in the park; Neighborhood Art Installation recipients MC Rothhorn and Karen White with Realtor sponsor Nancy Kelly of Tomie Raines, for the Genesee Neighborhood’s addition of six sculptures.

Also, the Historical Dimondale Walking Tour recipient Lori Conarton with Realtor sponsor Kern Slueter of Gan-non Group, sign and bench

installation; Old Town Honorary Sculpture Park recipient Louise Gradwohl with Realtor sponsor Brian Huggler, in honor of late Old Town Mayor Robert Busby, a sculpture park with flower beds and more landscaping; Trowbridge Village Neighbor’s Station recipient Susan Chalgian with Realtor sponsor Sabrina Hagel of Tomie Raines, on Michigan State University’s south campus a little free library and relaxation spot; and Fab Acres Neighborhood, Barnes Street Community Garden recipient Chitea Pullman with Realtor sponsor James Pyle of Lana Wagner Realty, leveraging help from local groups and volunteers for a new community garden and gathering area.

In 2013, the Lighter Quicker Cheaper Challenge opened to eight regions by local Realtor associations and boards: Flint area, Jackson area, Monroe County, Grosse Pointe, Grand Rapids, Greater Lansing area, Southwestern Michigan and Water Wonderland. MAR Senior Vice President Kathie Feldpausch followed up with the additional associations, White said.

“It’s not a top-down approach at all,” said White, who believes citizen groups are the “greatest untapped resource” in community improvement.

“There are obviously different success stories around the state,” White said, including Ann Arbor and Traverse City. “It’s learning how to encourage that type of bottoms-up placemaking.” White said citizens are the experts at that.

“I think the surprise was the demand for the projects,” White said. The farmers market, historic preservation efforts, public art and creation of social spaces drew people together – and continue to do so.

“It runs across the board,” White added.

Other states and associations are also getting involved. The Greater Nashville Association of Realtors is using \$10,000 to help fund a citizens’ transit council, which is intended to make residents more knowledgeable about land-use issues and get them to think more broadly about how land use relates to quality of life.

All of these projects have something in common. That is, to make communities nice places to live as their population densities grow. That’s a key factor in keeping property values and investment returns up.

Community quality of life is one of the underwriters of property markets and home values, so there’s a concrete return on investment as commercial and residential real estate markets respond to improved conditions. It’s a key piece to the economic puzzle.

The NAR produced a four-minute video on the initiative. It looks at some success stories and invites you to learn more on the smart growth section of realtor.org.

The National Association of Realtors and Michigan Association of Realtors contributed to this report.

Heed counsel’s advice on guest who fell down

Q: One of my tenant’s guests fell on some carpeted stairs in my apartment building and is claiming that I violated an alleged statutory duty to keep the premises in reasonable repair. I have submitted the claim to my insurance company, but what do you think?

A: No doubt the plaintiff will argue that you had a duty to keep the apartment fit for its intended purpose and in reasonable repair, and they will argue that the plaintiff was a licensee. However, if they cannot prove that they were a lessee or licensee of yours, they will more than likely not be successful in their claim, although whether someone is a licensee or tenant is sometimes debatable. Obviously, you are going to get legal advice from your insurance carrier’s attorney, but you may wish to hire independent counsel.

Q: Can you tell me what Fannie Mae requires, if anything, with respect to rentals in a condominium.

A: From your general question, I presume that you want to know if you exceed an acceptable level of investors, will the lenders be required to deem the project ineligible for Fannie Mae financing. In that regard, if it is a fully established project, the lender will be looking for 51 percent owner occupancy (meaning 49 percent max investors). For a new project or a newly converted project, Fannie Mae is looking at 70 percent owner-occupant presale, meaning a cap of 30 percent investors, and sales to investors do not count toward calculating the pre-sale acceptance. FHA, on the other hand, says that there cannot be a prohibition against leasing units. However, they do permit a cap or limit on the number of rentals a condo will permit. In any event, you should consult with your developer or your real estate-project attorney with respect to obtaining the proper financing through the proper documentation.

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REAL ESTATE BRIEFS

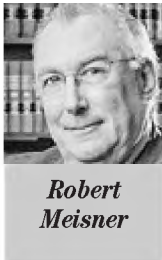
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Robert Meisner

HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-OAKLAND COUNTY

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

BEVERLY HILLS

18555 Devonshire St	\$630,000
20711 Kennoway Cir	\$300,000
30500 Lahser Rd	\$335,000
15830 Reedmere Ave	\$254,000

BIRMINGHAM

503 Arlington St	\$870,000
222 Aspen Rd	\$1,513,000
1175 Bird Ave	\$540,000
1489 E Maple Rd	\$310,000
1564 Henrietta St	\$525,000
1234 Pierce St	\$330,000
1785 S Bates St	\$160,000

BLOOMFIELD HILLS

3300 Chickering Ln	\$425,000
1351 Fieldway Dr	\$170,000
6314 Dakota Cir	\$210,000
3753 Darlington Rd N	\$465,000
622 E Fox Hills Dr	\$55,000
5065 Lone Pine Ln	\$1,125,000

BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP

211 Eileen Dr	\$175,000
1323 Knollcrest Cir	\$210,000
540 Newburne Pointe	\$197,000
6800 Oakhills Dr	\$677,000
1694 S Hill Blvd	\$148,000
1245 S Timberview Trl	\$322,000
2535 Vhay Ln	\$1,300,000
3487 W Maple Rd	\$236,000

1258 Water Cliff Dr	\$875,000
3650 Tuckahoe Rd	\$483,000
COMMERCE TOWNSHIP	
5766 Bingham Dr	\$295,000
2287 Brigantine	\$75,000
1961 Hampshire Ct	\$340,000
4970 Knollcrest Ct	\$315,000
252 Steadfield St	\$155,000
4907 Whitlow Blvd	\$164,000

FARMINGTON

33253 Kirby St	\$138,000
23541 Loomis Ct	\$117,000

FARMINGTON HILLS

29359 Bradmoor Ct	\$515,000
34290 Commons Dr	\$234,000
23949 Cora Ave	\$189,000
30974 Country Ridge Cir	\$310,000
24248 Creekside Dr	\$152,000
20938 Deerfield	\$595,000
27636 E Echo Vly Unit 237	\$70,000
29564 Gramercy Ct	\$175,000
28211 Green Castle Rd	\$190,000
28221 Green Willow St	\$185,000
30491 Huntsman Dr W	\$430,000
29672 Lochmoor St	\$192,000
29840 Minglewood Ln	\$175,000
30945 N Park Dr	\$255,000
21839 Parklane St	\$227,000
22741 Purdue Ave	\$67,000
29324 Regents Pointe	\$169,000
21624 Tulane Ave	\$95,000
22085 Tulane Ave	\$100,000
29850 W 12 Mile Rd #510	\$58,000
28291 Wildwood Trl	\$173,000

FRANKLIN

27170 Gardenway Rd	\$550,000
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Lathrup Village	
17617 Avilla Blvd	\$43,000
MILFORD	
1769 Bristol Dr	\$511,000
2331 Carriage Way	\$290,000
2521 Heritage Oaks Dr	\$60,000
2325 N Labadie	\$223,000
NORTHVILLE	
22873 Bentley Dr	\$100,000
21975 Garfield Rd	\$443,000
42138 Gladwin St	\$143,000
42153 Gladwin St	\$95,000
22384 Heatheridge Ln	\$320,000
22291 Lujon Dr	\$81,000

NOVI

43100 12 Oaks Crescent Dr	\$168,000
1980 Austin Dr	\$155,000
25032 Avon Ct	\$300,000
41404 Belden Cir	\$127,000
24460 Borderhill	\$150,000
41650 Clemens Cir	\$422,000
44663 Copland Ln	\$260,000
28331 Declaration Rd	\$97,000
28379 Declaration Rd	\$117,000
23259 Ennishore	\$290,000
24946 Fairway Hills Dr	\$237,000
44620 Gwinnett Loop	\$145,000
21982 Heatherbrae Way S	\$275,000
27876 Hopkins Dr	\$215,000
23286 Mystic Forest Dr	\$385,000
41122 Scarborough Ln	\$385,000
21569 Shadybrook Dr	\$243,000
23689 Stonehenge Blvd	\$75,000
39543 Westminster Cir	\$262,000

SOUTH LYON

58680 Bridge House Ct	\$81,000
26721 Kentucky Ct	\$415,000
21925 Lyon Meadow Ct	\$335,000
23033 N Fremont Dr	\$396,000
763 Norchester St	\$108,000
960 Oak Creek Dr	\$211,000
58888 Peters Barn Dr	\$75,000
SOUTHFIELD	
23235 Coventry Woods Ln	\$242,000
21953 Duns Scotus St	\$105,000
18633 George	\$205,000
Washington Dr	
23075 Laurel Valley St	\$255,000
24350 Martha	\$150,000
Washington Dr	
19229 Nadol Dr	\$73,000
28048 Pierce St	\$82,000
20791 Seduded Ln	\$58,000
30228 Southfield Rd # A254	\$20,000
27160 Spring Arbor Dr	\$65,000
29077 Tiffany Dr W	\$60,000
22123 Twyckingham Way	\$219,000
19639 W 12 Mile Rd # 201	\$30,000

WHITE LAKE

10700 Bogie Lake Rd	\$550,000
1375 Caprice St	\$126,000
1375 Park Dr	\$280,000
670 Plainfield Dr	\$35,000
8009 Wildwood Ln	\$218,000
436 Woodsedge Ln	\$310,000

HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-WAYNE COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Dec. 9-13, 2013, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

CANTON

2429 Arcadia Dr	\$127,000
975 Atherstone Dr	\$70,000
41418 Bobcat Ct	\$145,000
7229 Burgundy St	\$213,000
49221 Castleford Dr	\$65,000
2209 Cleveland Way	\$231,000
39900 Finley Dr	\$192,000
3977 Herbey St	\$190,000
3970 Hopefield Ct	\$240,000
45221 Horseshoe Cir	\$155,000
49700 Hudson Dr	\$495,000
49089 Ivybridge Way	\$80,000
4018 Kimberly Dr	\$245,000
44474 Leopold St	\$220,000
48318 Manhatten Cir	\$410,000
6934 N Canton Center Rd	\$152,000
48331 Nottingham Ln	\$195,000
8498 Orhan St	\$165,000
44671 Ridgefield Rd	\$179,000
48179 Royal Pointe Dr	\$380,000
1911 S Cavalier Dr	\$165,000
43930 Saltz Rd	\$152,000
42562 Saratoga Rd	\$75,000
44425 Savery Dr	\$62,000
41238 Southwind Dr	\$69,000
47875 Stratford Ct	\$420,000
4234 Strathmore Ln	\$214,000
547 Tyler Ln	\$179,000

GARDEN CITY

29435 Barton St	\$30,000
6445 Burnly St	\$100,000
683 Cardwell St	\$59,000
31324 Florence St	\$71,000
1109 Gilman St	\$104,000
7021 Gilman St	\$62,000
6932 Harrison St	\$65,000
29467 Marquette St	\$62,000
31735 Pardo St	\$65,000
LIVONIA	
39070 Allen St	\$185,000
19434 Antago St	\$65,000
28655 Bayberry Ct E	\$135,000
32967 Brookside Cir	\$230,000
18958 Canterbury Dr	\$237,000
9666 Cavell St	\$117,000
14194 Cavell St	\$156,000
9109 Deering St	\$98,000
18421 Doris St	\$183,000
16186 Edgewood Dr	\$268,000
35568 Elmira St	\$132,000
34815 Ernest St	\$193,000
14979 Fairfield St	\$95,000
36360 Fairway Dr	\$50,000
16894 Farmington Rd	\$144,000
20215 Floral St	\$170,000
20645 Golf Ridge Cir	\$40,000
34685 Grandon St	\$119,000
14341 Henry Ruff St	\$39,000
9165 Lathers St	\$128,000
16732 Merriman Rd	\$260,000
31435 Merriwood Park Dr	\$124,000
19341 Norwich Rd	\$230,000
19466 Norwich Rd	\$280,000
29631 Nottingham Cir	\$118,000

8951 Pere Ave	\$165,000
29131 Perth St	\$167,000
9901 Roseland St	\$17,000
32928 Summers St	\$145,000
14452 Summerside St	\$154,000
36807 Sunnydale St	\$172,000
28043 W Stanmoor Dr	\$154,000
18417 Westchester Dr	\$353,000
34912 Wood St	\$195,000
NORTHVILLE	
51005 Belmont Park Ct	\$494,000
16623 Highland Ln	\$483,000
16410 Horseshoe Dr	\$560,000
20256 Longwood Ct	\$151,000
19647 Northridge Dr	\$97,000
15549 Prestwick Ct	\$180,000
41418 Rayburn Dr	\$305,000
15604 Troon Ct	\$765,000
42518 Waterford Rd	\$370,000

PLYMOUTH

821 Beech Ct	\$500,000
1672 Cassidy Place Dr	\$209,000
42681 Five Mile Rd	\$145,000
13024 Haverhill Dr	\$405,000
48645 Hilltop Dr W	\$380,000
710 McKinley St	\$260,000
12015 Medford Ct	\$445,000
560 Parkview Dr	\$103,000
1399 Penniman Ave	\$275,000
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job-search mistakes to avoid when finding your first job

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Launching your first job search is both exciting and bewildering. You're eager to impress potential employers with your newly gotten experience and degree, but you're afraid that you might botch it. Here are some common job-search mistakes that trip up many new grads -- and tips for avoiding them.

Mistake No. 1: Neglecting your network

Although online searches, campus career centers and career fairs all have their place, harness the power of professional networking when searching for your first job. Consider joining your school's alumni network or a relevant professional association in your industry. Talk to as many people as you can including neighbors, parents' friends, members of your house of worship, about your career goals, especially if they're in the same or similar industries.

Mistake No. 2: Being sloppy or too clever

If you're serious about the job search, you will not only carefully edit your résumé and cover letter, but you'll ask someone else to take a look, too. Read your documents out loud to make sure they sound professional; this is also an excellent way to catch mistakes. Often, one typo can get your application tossed off the short list.

It also doesn't pay to be cute or clever. Yes, your application materials might stand out that way, but not always in a good way. See Robert Half's "Resumania" column for other good advice and best practices.



Mistake No. 3: Sending out generic documents

When you come across that cool job post, don't make the rookie mistake of sending out a one-size-fits-all application. If you want to land your first job, you have to do your homework.

Start by clicking through the company's website. Search for recent news articles. You may also want to like their Facebook page and follow their Twitter feed. Then, tailor your résumé and cover letter to show how your skills and experience mesh with the job description, as well as the firm's corporate goals and culture.

Mistake No. 4: Being careless about your online person

Just as you conduct a Web search on the people that you're interested in dating, potential employers will do a search on you. If you haven't already, sign up with LinkedIn, upload a professional-looking profile photo and write a polished summary.

You also need to comb through all your other online profiles and social media posts, and scrub what you don't want hiring managers to see. Even though you may have set all the right privacy settings in the beginning, we all know how frequently they can change. It wouldn't hurt to give everything a thorough once-over as you start searching for your first job.



Mistake No. 5: Showing immaturity

After sending out personalized application materials, you'll start hearing back from a few companies. Don't give them reasons to doubt their judgment with unprofessional phone or email manners. That could cost you your first job opportunity.

Start by getting rid of the quirky or brusque voicemail message. Instead, record a pleasant and neutral one that's appropriate for a job search.

Don't forget to give your email the same treatment by having an address that is a variation of your full name -- not a nickname, your hobby, an alternate persona or something worse. And if you have a quote or cute graphic automatically appended to the end of each email

you send, you'll want to delete that or change it to just your contact information.

Mistake No. 6: Being unprepared for interviews

You got a call for an interview, but you can't just show up and expect to ace it. Now is the time to study. Anticipate the possible questions and rehearse the answers. Practice with someone to make sure your delivery is smooth, confident and on point. Realize that the interviewer may throw you oddball questions like, "If you could be any animal, which one would you be?"

Also keep in mind that many preliminary interviews are now done by phone -- and that not all hiring managers



will set up appointments before calling. Be prepared for job-related calls out of the blue. And when they do call, try to find a quiet location where you won't be interrupted.

You may wonder how to get a first job when there's so much competition for so few openings. By avoiding these common job-search mistakes, you'll greatly increase your chances of success and a long, fulfilling career.

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ACROSS

1 A little wet
5 Dice throw
9 Bureau of Indian —
16 USMC rank
19 Down town, say
21 High chest of drawers
22 Jackie's husband #2
23 Star of a ride
25 Chance of old horror
26 Eden mother
27 Lexus, e.g.
28 "I a-la" lead-in
29 Bouncers' domains
30 Riddle, part 2
39 Law, in Soho
40 Frankster in "The Tempest"
41 Man slop: Abbr.
42 Column inches sold to sponsors
43 Gumb-toting colonists
45 Reno fixture
47 Lacto vegetarian
49 Eleapy
50 Riddle, part 3
56 Narrow road

DOWN

2 Tipsey person's highway offense
3 Pooch no so
4 Many an exec's deg.
5 "Dona nobis —" ("Grant us peace")
6 Like a very violent film
7 Suffix with audi
8 Round Table knight
9 Mari — soldier
10 Way off

11 Travel by jet
12 Far — sea (in plain view)
13 "Stores for —" ("998 Glenn Close movie)
14 President Reagan of Pink Floyd
15 "The Cabinet of Dr. —" (classic horror film)
17 Waker
18 — oil (flax product)
20 Skin care brand
24 Gaping mouth
30 Body fat
31 One of Chaplin's wives
32 Goes "avid"
33 Jct. walkway
34 Nervous —
35 Kind of bomb
36 Joe
37 Q.T. book read on Palm
38 " — blackbirds baked in —"
44 WA airport
46 Prefix with bycs

48 "And — grow on"
51 Lego piece
52 Two unsos of Indy
53 Stomach drink
54 Like a wot lawn at dawn
55 Caddy
59 Bro, "or one
60 P a joint
61 Carraa of Hollywood
62 Trim a field
63 Mine matter
64 Hide away
65 "Am nol!" comeback
66 Flashy scarf
67 Cha ged bl
68 Motorist's navig. aid
70 Gasped, joint
71 George —, a.k.a. Boy George
75 Ring great Muhammad
76 Travel in the direction of
77 Morticia's fairy cousin
78 War vehicle
79 Magnum of TV er. al.
82 91 Down, Italian-style
83 " — Est. Cakes" (Gershwin musical)

84 Transaction requiring no cred. l
85 Certain woodwind insarl
86 "Stop, Mom Will Shoot"
87 Part of KISS
88 Donkey foot
89 Like national theme songs
90 Ph.D. ollerar
91 Sweetheart's emot on
92 Prohibition advocates
93 Audit, as a class
98 In a lavish way
99 Sinister plan
101 Thing relied on for he p
103 Go-a-read
104 Train stop
107 Shisa —
108 Half of hexa
109 Song line
115 — kwon do
116 Santa —
117 Buck muscle, for start
118 Lofy verse
119 Stimp's bud
120 —
121 —conscious
121 Stable grain
122 Snacky

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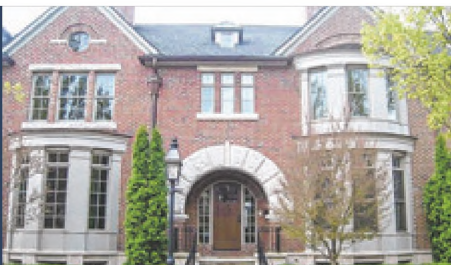
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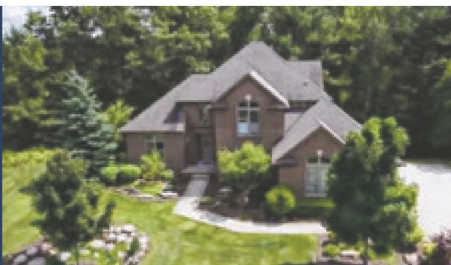
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