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As area political groups ratchet up their efforts to mobilize voters this election season, residents who want to have a voice in the Aug. 5 primary face a July 7 deadline to register.

Residents seeking to register may go to the clerk's office or to any Secretary of State office.

Potential voters also may get a registration application from the Secretary of State website at www.michigan. gov/sos. Simply click on the Elections in Michigan tab and look for the form which, if mailed. must be postmarked by July 7

Voters in the primary, as opposed to the general election, must cast their ballots for one political party rather than mixing up their

choices. Voters don't have to vote in every political race or for every ballot measure, but they must vote within the confines of one political party. That's because the purpose of a primary is to choose candidates who will advance to the November general election and face an opposing party's nominee.

Celebrating a true public servant

Nearly 200 show up for Chief Allen retirement party

> By Kurt Kuban Staff Writer

More than 170 people turned out last week to celebrate a Northville institution during a retirement party for retiring Fire Chief James Allen.

Those in attendance included Congressman Kerry Bentivolio, Northville Mayor Chis Johnson and Plymouth Mayor Dan Dwyer, just to name a few. Many area fire chiefs also showed up to honor Allen, who spent 50 years with the department. He was the first full-time chief in Northville's history, and oversaw big changes including the department's expansion to provide fire services for the city of Plymouth.

"It was a fantastic event." said event organizer and longtime firefighter Jason Jordan, who worked with Allen for more than 20 years. "The chief got a lot of accolades and there were many presentations during the night. Everyone chipped in to get him a stay at a North Carolina bed and breakfast. He really deserves it."

Allen's last day on the job was Monday. When it was time to knock off for the day, the firefighters surprised him by giving him a ride home in one of the fire trucks.

Allen has deep roots in the Northville community. He grew up here, his father, Mike Allen (Allen Terrace was named for him), was mayor, and his family used to own Inch Memorials, located on S. Main Street. It's fair to say he's made many friends over the years.

So it's not surprising so many showed up at his retirement party. Among those in attendance were Gary Callender, a

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Retiring Northville Fire Chief Jim Allen (right) greets 28-year Northville police officer Gary Callender during Allen's retirement party on June 26 at the Italian American Banquet Center in Livonia. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF



Developer David Schostak (far left), REI Investment's Gregg Orley (right of Schostak) and many others joined in the groundbreaking ceremony Wednesday at the Schostak property in Northville Township at Seven Mile and Haggerty. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Long time coming'

Ground broken on long-awaited Seven Mile/Haggerty development

By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer

Schostak Brothers and Co. Chief Exec-

that it already has a number of business

Food and Brewery.

commitments to help fill the future devel-

opment, including Chipotle and Granite City

25 at the southwest corner of Haggerty and

Seven Mile roads, the ceremony took place

while nearby workers were under way pre-

paring the site for the second phase, which

based Schostak Brothers and Bloomfield

Hills-based REI Investment Group, Inc.

is part of the joint venture between Livonia-

Held on the morning of Wednesday, June

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It's been a long journey for the 82 acres, from being covered in trees as part of the Northville State Regional Psychiatric Hospital to almost being annexed by Livonia to planners reaching an agreement with Northville Township to make it into a vibrant, tax-generating mixed commercial

"A couple of thoughts come to mind as we sit down here and one is all great things are worth waiting for and patience is a virtue," Schostak said to the gathered crowd. "This has obviously been a long time coming and there has been a lot of discussion about this project in particular."

He said the Great Recession of 2007-08

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Northville has plenty planned to celebrate July 4th

By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer

Fourth of July in Northville means a big, fun parade through downtown and remembering history at Mill Race Village.

Northville will be filled with residents and visitors on Friday morning when the parade makes its way through downtown.

The Northville Community Foundation is once again organizing the annual Independence Day celebration starting at 10 a.m. on July 4.

"The Northville Independence Day Parade is sure to be a hit once again as floats, characters, bands, classic and vintage cars, veterans, fire trucks, bikes, and even animals make their way through the streets of Northville," said Jessica Striegle, NCF's events and fundraising manager.

"There may even be a few new surprises in store for our spectators."

This year's theme is Celebrating America's Heroes.

The parade route begins at the corner of Griswold and Main Street in downtown and then continues down Main to Rogers to Cady to Wing to Fairbrook Street and it ends at Fairbrook and Center Street.

"Once again we must thank St. Mary Mercy Livonia for being our parade sponsor," Striegle said. "We appreciate St. Mary Mercy's wonderful generosity in sponsoring the parade year after year."

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With Lady Liberty riding shotgun, Deb Warterian rides in a float during last year's Northville Independence Day Parade. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER





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held up the plan, but now it's time to unveil what will be arriving in the next year.

According to Schostak, businesses that have signed leases thus far include Granite City Food and Brewery, Rusty Bucket, Sherwin Williams, BurgerFi, Chipotle and Jimmy John's.

Other opportunities are currently in negotiations as well, he said.

The Phase II portion is located on the northeast 22 acres of the 82-acre property owned by Schostak. The CEO said the development will open in spring 2015 and include 65,000 square feet of retail and restaurants.

The location will feature water ponds with floating fountains, an elevated waterfall, walkable paths, a gathering area and outdoor seating throughout the property, with a wide variety of perennials, ornamental grasses and flower features planted.

The company has completed Phase I of the overall development the 100,000-square-foot new University of Michigan Northville Health Center, which is expected to open in the coming weeks.

Schostak emphasized that what brought this plan together was coop-



An artist's rendering of Northville Park Place, a mixed-use commercial site at Seven Mile and Haggerty roads in Northville Township.

eration between public and private entities.

He said the partnership with Northville Township will eventually assist in clearing the old psychiatric hospital property of the vacant buildings that are nothing but an eyesore and impediment in making that a park.

Some of the tax revenue generated by Northville Park Place businesses will go toward the township's plan to clear the neighboring property. Park Place will be directly connected to the future Northville Township Park via bike/walking paths.

Schostak also thanked the local banks, specifically Comerica, for staying committed to the investment group's plan. Although taking a "bad rap" throughout the economic downturn, Schostak said this was wrong and that banks have a commitment to the communities they serve.

We really believe the banking community, particularly here locally, went out of its way to support the community through a very, very difficult time," he said.

There are more phases to come, from potential expansion of the medical facility to adding more retail along Seven Mile.

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Work continues on the Northville Park Place development on June 25 at Seven and Haggerty. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

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28-year veteran of the Northville Police Department.

"He's the best kind of guy you'll ever want to know or work with,' Callender said of Allen.

Allen thanked everyone and said he was ready for the next phase of his life – which will include a relaxing trip to North Carolina.

Longtime city of Northville firefighter Steve Ott took over as chief on Tuesday.

Ott has been with the Northville Fire Department since 1986. He lives in Northville with his wife Mary Starring owner of Starring the



Northville firefighter Mark Menghini arranges a tribute table in honor of retiring Fire Chief Jim Allen during his special night at the Italian American Banquet Center in Livonia on June 26. John Heider | Staff Photographer

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'Green thumbs' transform Township Hall gardens



Mary Jo Blasius joined about a dozen other volunteers of the Northville Beautification Committee and the Northville Garden Club in the effort to plant flowers at the Northville Township Municipal Building last month. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

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Mill Race Village

activities

According to Northville Historical Society President Ed Gabrys, visitors to the historic village on July 4th can hear Franklin Delano Roosevelt recite excerpts from his wartime speeches. FDR re-enactor and Northville resident, Russ Dore, will deliver Roosevelt's "Day of Infamy"

speech, declaring our intention to enter World War II, and others including his "Four Freedoms" declaration.

Civil War shooters and re-enactors from the Michigan 24th, the 1st South Carolina, and 2nd Texas will muster on the Village Green and demonstrate shooting with authentic, black powder muskets and cannon. They will also answer your questions about the war that gave this nation, in President Abraham Lincoln's words, "a new birth of freedom.

And to complete this tableau, Gabrys said re-enactors from the King's 8th will appear alongside Colonial militiamen, soldiers who were locked in a conflict after a decade of "patient sufferance," to quote the author of the Declaration of Independence.

"After the parade, join us as we celebrate 'In Defense of Freedom. Bring a picnic or purchase drinks and snacks in the Village," said Ga-

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Youth services to be impacted by millage vote

By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer

Northville Youth Assistance aims to be a consistently helpful and important service, said its director Sue Campbell. This is what NYA supporters hope the community will remember as it fills out its voting ballot on Aug. 5.

"We're here to help kids in need and act as a resource for Northville families," Campbell said. "We are always trying to improve upon what we have done by learning what new needs that the community has and then we work to fill them."

NYA is a volunteersupported organization that provides social services to Northville youths and their families. The program offers professional counseling as well as the opportunity for a youth to establish a supportive relationship with a trained yolunteer mentor.

"The purpose of the program is to mentor youths so they may become mature, responsible adults," said Campbell

Examples of kids who can benefit from mentoring are those who recently moved into the community, have experienced a death of a parent, have no contact with one parent, have a grandparent as a primary caregiver or are having a difficult time making friends. The youths range in age from

5-16 years old.

Like everything this service costs money. It's one of the shared services between the City of Northville, Northville Township and Northville Public Schools.

NYA's funding help is part of the millage proposal on the Northville Township primary ballot, which calls for levying an additional dedicated



Northville Youth Assistance volunteers partnered with the Northville Garden Club to plant a garden plot at Thayer's Corner. The produce will be donated to seniors at the Northville Community Center.

millage of 1.550 mills for the next seven years – of which 1.250 mills would be dedicated solely for Northville Township Public Safety and 0.3 mills dedicated for parks and recreation, senior adult services and youth assistance programs.

One program taken up by NYA is its partnership with the Northville Garden Club to plant a garden plot at Thayer's Corner Nature Area. "We want to give these kids an opportunity to be of service, so last year we initiated a project at the Thayer's Corner community garden," she said. "Our volunteers and their mentees plant and maintain the garden through the summer, then donate produce to seniors who visit the Northville Com-

munity Center."
This year she said the
Northville Garden Club

offered to help out and club member Margaret Fleming supplied NYA with plants and some help getting them in the ground

"It's really great to see these adults and kids working side-by-side for the benefit of others," Campbell said.

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Sue Campbell, Director of Northville Youth Assistance, outside her office at the Northville Community Center. JOHN HEIDER I STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



Be sure to take advantage of all the great events we have planned for the month of July. Join in for fun, informative, and entertaining activities throughout the entire month!

Events At:

Independence Village of Plymouth 14707 Northville Road, Plymouth, MI 48170 734-453-2600

Fourth of July Celebration

Wednesday, July 2 | 1:30 pm

Join your own Village Joy Singers as they help Independence Village celebrate Independence Day. Our thirty-voice choir will present a program of all your patriotic favorites. Light refreshments will be served.

Art in the Park

July 11 - 13 Friday, 11:00 am - 8:00 pm Saturday, 10:00 am - 7:00 pm Sunday, 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Be sure to stop by our booth during Michigan's second largest art fair. Located in downtown Plymouth, it's a great weekend of art, food and fun you won't want to miss.

America the Beautiful Patriotic Presentation

Monday, July 30 | 1:30 pm

Celebrate America through song and story. "Suzanne and Jim" will inspire your patriotic pride with this star-spangled show.

Sunday Brunch & Open House

Sunday Brunch

Sunday, July 20

Bring your family and friends and join us for a delicious chef-prepared brunch buffet. In addition to the delicious breakfast and lunch food, be sure not to miss the fantastic desserts our chef has prepared especially for this event.

Cost \$17.00 adults, \$13.00 ages 6-12, ages 4 and under are free.

Summer Celebration Open House

Saturday, July 26

Join us for the July Open House and enjoy an old fashioned picnic with everything but the ants! It's a chance for us to get together as a community, tell a few stories, and share a laugh and a meal.

Please Call for Details

Events At:

Independence Village of White Lake 935 Union Lake Road, White Lake, MI 48386 248-360-7235

Ice Cream Social

Wednesday, July 9 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm

Two of our favorite things come together for this fun event—ice cream and being social. Create your own ice cream with a variety of flavors and toppings, then sit down with your friends and swap stories like you used to do at the local soda fountain.

Time to get Jazzy

Thursday, July 31 | 6:00 pm

What could be better than some cool jazz and an ice-cold martini? Independence Village of White Lake proudly presents an evening of jazz with vocalist Sheila Landos. Enjoy exquisite appetizers and be part of the scene.

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Students finish school year on green note

By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer

Northville Public Schools have gone green.

All six of the district's elementary schools have been recognized by the Wayne County Regional **Educational Service** Agency as "Green Schools" for their environmental leadership in encouraging students, staff and parents to improve energy conservation and become environmental stewards, according to NPS Superintendent Mary Kay Gallagher.

This includes Silver Springs Elementary School achieving "Evergreen" status, Amerman, Moraine, Ridge Wood and Winchester elementary schools achieving "Emerald" status and Thornton Creek Elementary School

achieving "Green" status. For Ridge Wood this designation wraps up a year of hard work.

An environmental conscious

It had a lot of environmental conscious things already in place, but it stepped it up even more this year through a variety of activities including waste free lunch days, receiving a National



Some of the many Ridge Wood Elementary School students who helped plant trees at their school on May 29. Photos by John Heider | Staff Photographer

Wildlife Habitat designation for their bird habitat and now, with some grant help from the Northville Mother's Club, the school has developed a monarch butterfly way

"The students have really stepped up their leadership with this and have really come to understand what it means to be environmental stewards," said Ridge Wood teacher Sue Beth Balash, who along with a team of teachers has worked to organize the

efforts.

The school has had an extensive recycling program, but they expanded this year with the help of student-led Green teams. It's doing so well that some money is actually gained from it and put right back into the school-wide environmental programs.

The projects have become an important part of daily life for the students.

"This is important to us and needs our leadership," said fourth-grader Gregory Stanton.

To mark the occasion of becoming an official Green School Ridge Wood planted trees, which were given to the school by the local Home Depot. It was a great way to end the year while looking forward to the future.

"It feels like all our work has been worth it," said fourth-grader Jonah Koilpillai.

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Sophia Chapski helps to put some dirt on one of the nearly dozen trees the kids of Ridge Wood Elementary School planted in the last week of May.

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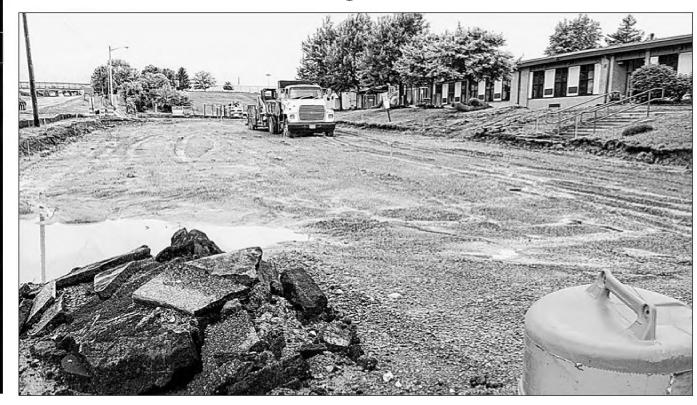
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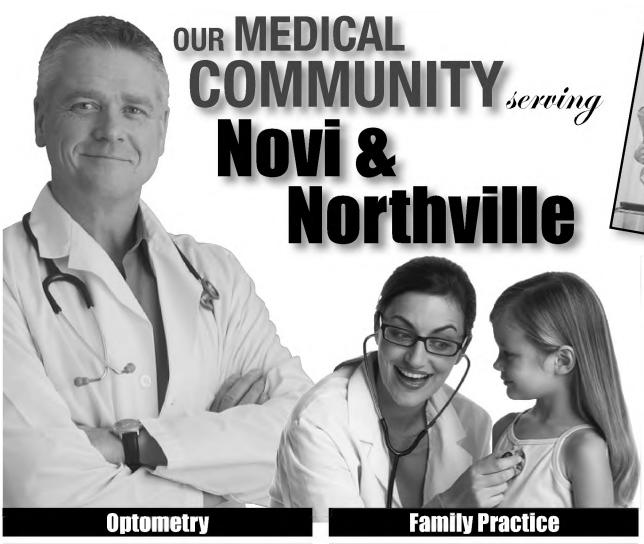
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This June 24 photo shows the entire south and southwest parking lots of Amerman Elementary School torn up as construction crews begin the repaving project, which is expected to be completed before students return in the late summer. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



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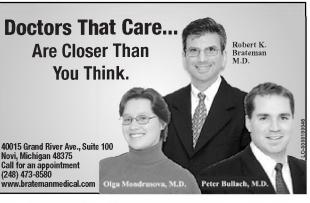
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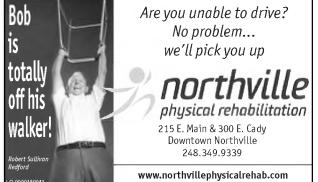
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Annual walk to feature six 'diverse' gardens

By Kurt Kuban Staff Writer

The Country Garden Club of Northville's annual garden walk has been a community tradition for more than two decades. The event, in its 21st year, takes place from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on

Wednesday, July 9. According to organizers, the theme of this vear's garden walk is "Beautiful Michigan" and will feature six diverse and unique private gardens in and around Northville and Northville Township that all showcase flowers, shrubs, trees and water features.

Club president Ronnie Cambra said one of the main goals of the walk every year is to feature gardens that will appeal to a variety of gardeners. Some are owned by club members, but others are

"We select them randomly. We try to select a variety of gardens," she said. "We try to appeal to everyone. We have big gardens, but also some smaller ones. Not everyone has ostentatious acreage to build a garden. We choose all kinds so people can relate.'

This year is no different. Among the six featured gardens are large, spread out gardens in the township and smaller pocket gardens in the city, like Terry Snyder's on Gardiner Street.

Cambra said people will really enjoy Snyder's garden, which features plenty of flowers but also vegetables, including jalapeno peppers grown from heirloom seeds

brought up from Mexico. On the larger side, there is a three-level garden in the Hidden Ridge sub owned by a builder, which includes impressive water features that take advantage of the natural drainage of the property.

"He has more land-



Some of the coneflowers in Terry Snyder's Gardiner Street garden. PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

scaping, where some of the others are more flower-based," Cambra said. "People will get something different from each

Another one of the gardens is modeled after Butchart Gardens located on Vancouver Island.

Tickets for the event are \$10 and can be purchased at Gardenviews Garden Gallery, 117 E. Main Street, at the ticket table in Mill Race Village on the day of the walk or ordered online at www.cgcnv.org..

In addition, Music on the Green will be going on at Mill Race Village during the garden walk. There will be a number of vendors on site selling garden products, as well as music and homemade goodies. Club members will be there to answer any questions.

The garden walk is the club's biggest fundraiser, and is used to provide an annual scholarship to a Northville High student who pursues a degree in horticulture or a related field.



Terry Snyder's Gardiner Street garden will be part of this summer's Country Garden Club of Northville Garden Walk. Snyder has been hard at work transforming the double lot garden since 1991. Snyder particularly likes the well-worn wood on the pergula she's passing through.

The club's 53 members also put together floral arrangements each

tients, and care for the gardens at the library, Post Office and at the

Race Village.

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Families cool off at metroparks' Splash-N-Blast

By Laura Colvin Staff Writer

Scott Young and his family recently came from Howell for some fun family time at Kensington Metropark's Splash-N-Blast water park in Milford.

We came out to enjoy a nice day," Young said, noting that, while they frequently spend time at Kensington Metropark, it was the family's firstever visit to Splash-N-Blast. "My wife and I both work all week, so this is a great place to come on the weekends to enjoy some time with the kids. It's a fun place, and it's nice, after a long winter, to finally get out of the house.'

Located on the north end of Martindale Beach, Splash-N-Blast, opened in 2006 and includes two 240-foot twisted water slides and an adjacent spray area where water shoots from colorful cannons, palm trees, serpents and a whale.

Riders also choose between the open slide or ride down in the dark through the enclosed slide.

"I love the closed slide," said Katie Stephenson, Splash-N-Blast supervisor. The water park is appropriate for all ages, but those who wish to ride the water slides must stand at least 48 inches tall. "It's like a tunnel, and you don't know what's coming

The Splash-N-Blast is open daily from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. through late summer. Entry to the Splash-N-Blast is \$5 for adults and \$4 for kids. After 5 p.m., adults pay \$4 and kids enter for \$3. A metroparks vehicle entry permit also is required to enter any met-

"We get a lot of repeat customers," Stephenson

Entry also includes a wristband, which allows Splash-N-Blast visitors to come in and out of the park during the day.

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Zachary Young, 3, fires a water cannon at the Kensington Metropark's Splash-N-Blast water park. LAURA COLVIN

Thirteen metroparks offer natural oasis from suburban life

hat is a metropark? The question itself is a lot easier asked than answered. With almost 25,000 acres of land stretching across five counties, serving approximately 9 million visitors annually, a better question to ask would be, what isn't a metropark?

The Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority, better known as the metroparks, is a regional special park district encompassing Wayne, Oakland, Macomb, Washtenaw and Livingston counties. Currently, 13 metroparks make up the authority and cover near-



ly 25,000 acres.

The metroparks are located along the Huron and Clinton rivers, providing a greenbelt around the Detroit metropolitan area. Recreational facilities are provided at 12 sites stretching in a loop from Lake St. Clair to Lake Erie. The parks are generally more than 1,000 acres each, with Stony Creek, located in Shelby Township, and Kensington,

located in Milford, being more than 4,400 acres.

The metroparks provide a natural oasis from urban and suburban life and they provide an evergrowing variety of outdoor recreational and educational activities year round in safe, clean environments. Picnicking, fishing, swimming, boating, hiking, nature study, biking, golf, disc golf, winter sports and a host of special outdoor programs and events are available within a short drive to southeast Michigan residents.

Extensive paved hike/ bike trails and scenic golf courses make the

metroparks easily distinguishable from other parks. More than 55 miles of paved hike/bike trails course through the metroparks and some of these trails connect with many more miles of trails outside the metroparks, and the system operates eight regulation golf courses and two par-3 courses.

With a strong commitment to environmental education and preservation, the metroparks operates nine full-service interpretive centers nature, farm and historical — that provide a variety of programs both on site and off site, for almost 1.75 million people annually. A 10th interpretive center, the mobile learning center, is a fully-stocked vehicle filled with exhibits and hands-on activities that visits schools, community centers, fairs and other locations in southeast Michigan to conduct nature, farm and history programs to groups that may not have the means or opportunities to visit a metropark.

The metroparks are funded principally by a property tax levy, limited to one-quarter of one mill, and by revenues from vehicle entry fees and other user fees for various facilities such as golf courses.

A vehicle entry permit is required to enter any

metropark and is \$30 annually for regular admission, \$20 annually for seniors or \$7 daily.

So next time instead of asking the question, 'what is a metropark?," head to the closest one and find out for yourself all of the amazing things it has to offer, and you'll quickly realize that "what isn't a metropark" is a much shorter answer. For more information and for a list of amenities and attractions that each metropark has to offer, visit our website at www.metroparks.com.

John P. McCulloch is the director of the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority.



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Officials hope to demolish another former hospital building on Seven Mile property

By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer

One building on the old Northville Psychiatric Hospital property on Seven Mile Road could soon be coming down once studies are done on how much asbestos it contains and to best bring it down.

So called "Building 72", which is very visible from Seven Mile Road on the most western part of the property and has been the scene of many trespassing incidents, is the one designated for this study and potential demolition.

The Northville Township Board of Trustees, by 6-0 vote, approved a nearly \$20,000 contract with AKT Peerless to perform the asbestos and hazardous materials survey, and to prepare the abatement and demolition specifications for the bidding process.

This decision and funding is in accordance with the requirements of Community Development Block Grant program, a federal granting program administered by Wayne County, which is helping to fund the



To combat trespassers and its slow collapse, the far western building of the former Northville Psychiatric Hospital on Seven Mile should be demolished soon. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

cleanup of the property. Previously, a \$200,000 **Environmental Protec**tion Agency grant helped with work at the property's powerhouse and maintenance building.

"We are accumulating about \$390,000 that might be enough money, depending on the bids, that once we get the engineering work done here and the scope of the bids we'll see if that gives us an opportunity to demolish one of the buildings on the Seven Mile property," said Northville Township Supervisor Robert

He said the building was picked by using

criteria that considers how much the township has for such a project. Previous buildings to be demolished like the power house building had been discovered to be filled with asbestos causing the costs of the project to sky rocket.

The former hospital opened in 1952 as a modern mental hospital that could house up to 2,000 patients. Its nearly 20 buildings included research facilities, a movie theater, bowling alley, pool and morgue. Building 72 does contain the old bowling alley and like the rest of the buildings it is run down and a safety hazard.

Building 72's prominence off Seven Mile has made it a trespassing destination, which is an ongoing issue for the Northville Township Public Safety Department. Every month the police are citing trespassers for being illegally on the township-owned property. In 2012, there were nearly 700 service calls to the property, nearly all of them for trespassers.

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POLICE BRIEFS

NOVI

Plants stolen

Some boxwood shrubs and perennials were taken by a couple from Glenda's Garden Center.

The incident happened on June 5, and it was reported to Novi Police that the unknown couple was spotted taking the plants from the nursery located at 40575 Grand River Avenue without paying for them. The couple used a cart and placed three or four shrubs on it as well as two or three perennials. The exterior manager spotted them as they walked out without paying and got in their

However, the couple's identities are not known and there is no video of the thefts, so the case is on hold pending identification.

Cell phone stolen

A Novi woman's iPhone 5C was allegedly stolen by her friend, she told Novi Police.

The woman told police on June 6 that a man she is friends with made a visit to her residence in the 42000 block of Park Ridge Road. After the visit, she discovered her phone missing. She told police she's unsure whether or not she wants to press charges, but wants her phone back.

The case was still open pending contact with the suspect.

NORTHVILLE

Car crashes into home

A Northville man was stirred out of bed by the loud crash of a car smashing into the front of his home.

The crash happened on June 28 in the 300 block of Sherrie Lane. Northville City Police responded to the scene on the report the driver had fled on foot. The police reported the car had hit near the front

The police were not able to locate the driver that night, but did find his driver's license inside the vehicle. He is a 18-year-old Northville man. The case remains open.

Felony warrant arrest

A North Carolina man was arrested on an outstanding warrant in downtown Northville after police got a call from a witness that the man was taking his clothes off in public.

The incident occurred at a Northville city parking lot. The witness told police that she saw the man expose himself while in the parking garage elevator and she and her husband called out of concern.

Police later found the 67-year-old man with his pants unbuttoned, no shoes on and zipper down. The police report stated the man appeared to be intoxicated. This was confirmed when he submitted to a Breathalyzer test, which registered a .25 percent blood-alcohol level. A check on him revealed a felony warrant out of the city of Plymouth.

He was later turned over to Plymouth City Police.

Car window smashed

A Northville Township man called police to report somebody smashed out the back window of his Ford Escape during the night of June 19.

The man, who lives on the 17200 block of Cameron Drive, told police the vehicle was parked in his driveway. When he awoke, the the rear window was broken out, but nothing was taken from inside the

Statewide Fourth of July drunken driving crackdown begins

To celebrate freedom this Fourth of July holiday, police officials said motorists need to designate a sober driver or risk ending up behind bars. A statewide Night Patrol impaired driving enforcement crackdown kicked off Tuesday with nearly 150 law enforcement agencies in 26 counties participating.

In 2013, 354 people died in Michigan as a result of alcohol and/or drug-involved traffic crashes, a 3.5 percent increase from 2012. To

help prevent these avoidable tragedies, law enforcement agencies from local police departments, sheriff offices and Michigan State Police posts across the state will conduct extra drunken driving patrols throughout this popular summer holiday period.

The effort runs through July 13 and is paid for with federal funds administered by the Michigan Office of Highway Safety Planning. Grant-funded counties in Southeast Michigan are Livingston, Macomb, Monroe, Oakland, St. Clair, Washtenaw and Wayne. "Alcohol-involved

fatalities have increased during the last few years, resulting in more families mourning the preventable loss of a loved one," stated Michael L. Prince, OHSP director. "The officers are taking part to encourage drivers to make smart decisions and plan ahead to ensure a safe way home. Make no mistake, if you drive drunk, you will be arrested."

During the 2013 Fourth of July holiday period, 19 people died on Michigan roads. Six of the fatal crashes were alcohol-related.

In Michigan, it is illegal to drive with a blood alcohol content of 0.08 or greater, although motorists can be arrested at any BAC level if an officer feels they are impaired. Under the state's high BAC law, motorists face enhanced penalties if a first-time arrest is for a 0.17 BAC or higher.



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MacKenzie facing two challengers for his seat on the 52-1 District Court bench

Three candidates are vying for a seat on the 52-1 District Court incumbent Judge Brian MacKenzie, Scott Powers (son of Judge Dennis Powers, of the 52-1) and attorney Travis Reeds (MacKenzie's former law clerk). The two with the most votes in the August primary will move on to the November general election. This is a sixyear term. The district includes Novi, South Lyon, Walled Lake and Wixom, the townships of Commerce, Highland, Lyon, Milford and Novi and the villages of Milford and Wolverine Lake.

The candidates were asked 14 questions. Due to space limitations in the print edition, not all are included here. However, please visit www.novinews to read the entire Q&A

1. How could the costs of judicial administration be reduced? Can you give us a specific example of how you have reduced costs in your law practice/

MacKenzie: Most of the cost of judicial administration comes from two sources, salaries for our staff and rent for the building. Those costs are difficult to reduce. However, during the recession, the court was given a budget task of cutting more then \$100,000. We able to meet the task without laying off staff, the loss of whom would have degraded our ability to serve the public. Instead, as part of meeting the task we made many small cuts for everyone in the courthouse. Examples of these cuts include giving up mileage reimbursement requests for local travel and adopting two-sided printing in order to save paper. These many small cuts, in total, reduced the cost of operating the

Powers: The 52-1 District Court building is not owned by the county. A part of the court's budget is used for paying property taxes for this building. Over time, I believe the court would significantly reduce its administration costs if the county owned the building and the property. Most recently, my law office removed its internal servers and started using the Google Cloud Platform. This significantly reduced our hardware, software and information technology costs while still providing the same benefits.

Reeds: Judicial administration has developed in such a fashion as to be labor intensive and costly. The first step towards reducing costs is through organization and systems management using technology such as e-filing as is currently used in the federal courts and some circuit courts. There are a variety of ways that the costs at the courthouse might be reduced. Technological advancements are definitely one area for potential cost savings. These programs

can lead to greatly improved efficiency, which in turn cut costs. At the Reeds & Reeds offices in Walled Lake, I have implemented new technology to save repetitive and time-wasting jobs to streamline our work product, which leaves more time for personnel to perform other tasks.

2. What have been the most effective methods for improving court procedures and efficiency? What other methods would you suggest?

MacKenzie: Despite being one of the busiest district courts in the state, 52-1 has been a model for changing court procedure to ensure that everyone's case is heard in a timely manner. When I came to the bench, I inherited 40 pending jury trials. Now every jury trial is set within a month. Our court pioneered the rocket docket for domestic violence cases and the fast-track arrangement/ pretrial program.

Powers: From a practicing attorney's perspective, the e-filing systems used in some courts are very efficient. Simply put, it saves time and resources for the public, the court and attorneys. I would also like to see the court's register of actions available online with the ability to order copies of documents in the court's file online. Again, it saves time and resources for everyone, and it's convenient.

Reeds: Implementation of the JIS (Judicial Information System), a computer program designed for courts which assists with docketing and organization, was a good first step. However, I understand there is next-generation technology which, if implemented, would increase efficiency. Technology is not the only area where improvements are available. Cost savings can be secured through implementation of procedures designed to reduce time spent handling case files. In some courts, written orders are given to litigants before he/she leaves the courtroom. The clerk prepares the document on the spot, and there's no need for transferring the file to another clerk to process. Another area for improvement is more efficient docket scheduling. Presently, multiple cases are scheduled at the same time which often results in litigants, witnesses and law enforcement personnel waiting for hours for the case to be "called". As a small businessman, I'm aware of the need to operate efficiently and cost effectively.

3. What do you perceive as the greatest obstacles to justice, if any?

MacKenzie: In a district court the greatest obstacle to justice is caseload volume. While the current caseload of about 45,000 cases for three judges is well

above state average, it is still manageable. I know from experience that a caseload in excess of 60,000 cases impacts on a judge's ability to provide a litigant in the courtroom with a sense of justice. No person should leave a courtroom thinking that a judge did not have the time or interest to hear their

Powers: People's inability to use the courthouse during normal court hours and lack of funds are obstacles to justice. People are often unable to take time off from work because vacation days aren't available, they've started a new job, or they can't afford the lost wages to appear in court. If they are struggling financially, then they are unable to hire an attorney to appear in court on their behalf. When this happens, most people will choose a path that ensures they don't have to go to court or that minimizes their court appearance, without regard to justice.

Reeds: Lack of accessibility to court services has become an increasing obstacle to justice. As the costs of litigation and appeals increase, for many people in our community, the district court is the court of last resort. Citizens are imbued with constitutional or statutory rights which can be expensive to exercise. The judge can reduce the cost of litigation by being punctual and hardworking. The reduction in cost will result in justice being achieved and in a strong community feeling that the court is there to serve and provide the necessary time and consideration for the cases that it handles.

4. Do you believe there is such a thing as a "victimless crime?" If so, what offenses would you place in this

category? MacKenzie: A soilled victimless crime is an offense with no apparent victim. The classic example is prostitution, where supposedly both parties consent. But as far as the communities that are served by the 52-1 District Court are concerned, prostitution is not a victimless crime. Once an area of prostitution exists, property values begin to decline and local crime and the drug trade increase. The entire community is effected by this so called

victimless crime. **Powers:** There is no such thing as a victimless crime. Someone is always affected by criminal actions, whether it's a family member, a third party or the community. The judge must determine the degree of impact and sentence fairly and appropriately based on the facts of the case.

Reeds: I believe that all criminal offenses, whether malum in se or malum prohibitum, have at some level a victim, even if it might be society generally. However, a judge must follow the

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law and, regardless of personal feelings, a crime is a crime because the legislature has so decided. The concept of victimless crimes at the district court usually involve minor in possession of alcohol and pertain to those crimes which are non-violent and have no particular victim. The judge must determine the appropriate punishment at sentencing and consider the impact on the victim. I believe that the punishment should fit the crime, and that the role of a judge is to punish those that deserve it and provide treatment only for those that need it, but with fairness for all. Our community demands protection and deterrence, but everyone who comes before the court should be treated with dignity.

5. Do you ever wake up in the middle of the night thinking about a case, wishing you had handled something differently? If so, please describe one situation.

MacKenzie: I am affected not so much by a particular case, but a way of handling cases. At the start of my time as a judge, I was not as effective in my sentencing as I am now. Over the years, I have developed more effective methods of sentencing that more frequently result in a defendant changing their behavior. For instance, we recently established an opiate court docket that focuses mainly on young women addicted to heroin. The sentencing approach used here is already showing good results.

Powers: Being as passionate about my clients as I am, there are times when this happens to me. The most common situation for me is recollecting testimony from earlier in the day and asking myself, "Should I call this witness or not?" "Will this line of questioning help or hurt the case?" And my favorite, "Is this an issue that the judge will listen to or am I wasting everyone's

time?" **Reeds:** Yes. I believe it would be disingenuous for anyone to say that he/she could go through life without ever rethinking a decision. As a judge, decision-making is part of the job, and I am willing to undertake the responsibility of making tough decisions to protect our community. I also believe that acting with dignity and honesty places me, personally and professionally, in the best position to make the right decision most often. Once I make a decision, I am always confident that it was not made without due deliberation. I have always believed in myself, and the times when I wake up in the middle of the night are from concern about the welfare of a client or the family, and not concern that I should have handled the situa-

BRIAN MACKENZIE

Age: 64

Years a resident in the 52-1 area: 36 years Community involvement: Over the years that I have



MacKenzie

lived in this area, I have been the president of the Novi Optimists; served on the Novi Library Board; I am a lifetime member of the Rotary, I have been a member of the Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce, and the Novi Chamber of Commerce; I created the court in the school program that took actual criminal cases into South Lyon, South Lyon East, Novi, Milford, Walled Lake Western, Walled Lake Central

and Catholic Central high schools; and I have been active in Novi Youth Assistance, South Lyon Youth Assistance, Huron Valley Youth Assistance and Lakes Area Youth Assistance. **Related experience:** Prior to becoming a judge I was an assistant Wayne County prosecutor and an assistant attorney general for the State of Michigan; I was honored in 2001 with the Paul H. Chapman Medal for improving justice in America; I was also honored with the position of the American Bar Association/National Highway Safety Association Judicial Fellowship; I was awarded the Heart of Haven Award for my work on reducing the crime of domestic violence and the Judicial Advocate Award by the Parents of Murdered Children; I have co-edited a book on Michigan Criminal Procedure. I have also written and lectured throughout the country about issues in the law. Profession: judge

Education: Western Michigan University BA with honors in history; Wayne State University Law School juris doctorate Family: married 22 year to Karen, with three children Kate, David and Breanna; and three grandsons -- Daniel, Raymond and Henry

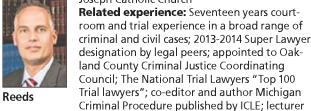
Web: http://judgebrianmackenzie.com/

TRAVIS REEDS

Years a resident in the 52-1 area: 40

Community involvement: Member South Lyon Chamber of

Commerce; Walled Lake Rotary (former), St. Joseph Catholic Church



and author on legal seminars on drivers license and traffic,

Profession: attorney Education: South Lyon High School; Central Michigan University (BA); Wayne State University Law School (JD) Family: married to Karen for 17 years; children -- Carter, 15;

criminal procedure, and OWI substantive law.

Web: http://reedsforjudge.com/

SCOTT POWERS

Name: Scott W. Powers

Years a resident in the 52-1 area: approximately 30 years.

Community involvement: pro bono legal services for financially distressed individuals and a board member for Little League Baseball

Related experience: five years experience as a circuit court judicial clerk; 14 combined years as corporate general counsel and private practitioner handling relevant civil and criminal litigation, and trained by the Michigan Judicial Institute as a magistrate for Michigan district

Powers

Profession: attorney and counselor

Education: graduated from Our Lady of the Lakes, Albion College, and Wayne State University Law School. Family: married for 13 years with three children Web: www.powersforthepeople.com

6. Please describe one instance in which you faced an ethical dilemma and how you resolved it.

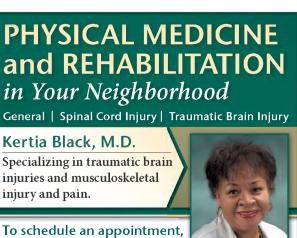
MacKenzie: As a general rule, if someone I have socialized with is charged with an offense and appears on my courtroom, I disqualify myself. On a more personal level, a few years ago a former defendant contacted the police saying he was in my backyard with a gun. He was actually a few miles away, and the police found and arrested him. Shortly thereafter, I was contacted to see what my thoughts would be about charging him. I said, as a victim, I should not have a role in the charging decision. So, I left it where it belonged - with the police and prosecutor.

Powers: In a civil matter, a client discussed with me the facts of the case and presented me with questionable documentation supporting his position. The client wanted me to present these

and argue his position based on them. It seemed to me that he was being disingenuous and the veracity of the documentation was questionable as well. It begs the questions of how much due diligence must an attorney use in a case, and how much can he rely on the representations of his client? The dilemma was resolved by using more due diligence and requesting more documentation until I was comfortable that I understood the truth of the matter.

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Reeds: One instance where I was confronted with an ethical dilemma involved a client who came to consult with me about a civil case. During the course of the interview, it became clear to me that the case was going to focus on another former client. As this raised a clear conflict of interest, I handled the situation by stopping the interview and referring the client to another attorney.



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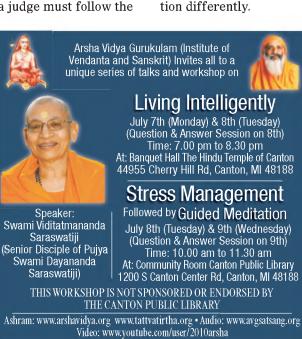
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Kids can get down, dirty at Mud Day on July 8

The Nankin Mills Area of Hines Park will become a mother's worst nightmare when Wayne County Parks turns into sloppy playground from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday, July 8, for its 26th annual Mud Day.

Parks workers will create a giant 75-foot by 150-foot mud pit where children ages 12 and younger will have the opportunity to get down and dirty in one of the messiest playgrounds southeast Michigan has ever seen.

'Mud Day is a fun, unique and rare annual event that draws interna-tional attention," Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano said. "Regardless of the time of year, Wayne County Parks have great opportunities for families to enjoy themselves and create life-long memories."

Thousands of kids will charge into the mud at 11 a.m. Youngsters will be separated into age categories for events, such as 'Mud Limbo" and wheelbarrow races, before the 2014 King and Oueen of Mud are crowned.

Children should wear old clothes and shoes and bring a clean change of clothes. There are no showers on-site; however, a cleanup area is available with hoses to aid in rinsing off the



It's mayhem in the mud at the annual Mud Day celebration in Hines Park. FILE PHOTO

mud. Parents are also advised to bring a supply of towels. Plastic bags will be provided to ensure that all dirty clothes

are properly contained for the trip home.

The Hines Park Nankin Mills Area is located on Hines Drive, east of

Ann Arbor Trail in Westland. Sponsors for Mud Day include ITC Holdings, Community Alliance Credit Union, Krog-

er, CVS, Friends of Wayne County Parks and the Western Wayne County HMRT.

For more information

on Mud Day or any other Wayne County Parks event, call 734-261-1990 or visit parks.waynecounty.com.

Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra coming to Northville Farmers' Market

The Northville Chamber of Commerce is bringing the Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra to the Northville Farmers Market on Thursday, July 17. The Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra's Brass Quintet will perform at the Market at 11 a.m., with an Instrument Petting Zoo throughout

the Market hours of 8 a.m.-3 p.m.

The visit is part of "Taste of Music", a three-year program funded by the Community Foundation of Southeast Michigan which moves classical music out of the concert hall and into the community at area farmers' mar-

Children of all ages will have the opportunity to try out real violins, cellos, trumpets and clarinets. Child-sized instruments, along with trained "zookeepers" ensure that even the smallest child will have a successful first instrumental experience. The

Northville Farmers' Market is held every Thursday from May to October at the northwest corner of Seven Mile and Center Street.

The Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra is a regional orchestra offering live, symphonic music for audiences of diverse ages and classical music experiences. The A2SO performs in front of more than 76,000 people every year, from tiny tots to seasoned citizens in venues ranging from the Michigan Theater to Hill Auditorium, as well as schools in the five-coun-

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tional programming information, contact the A2SO by calling 734-994-4801 or e-mailing info@a2so.com. For more information on the Northville Farmers' Market, contact the Northville Chamber of Commerce at 248-349-7640 or visit www.northville.org.







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Web: www.emmanuel-livo-

Contact: 248-442-8822. Sunday worship: 8 a.m., 9:30

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AVERY, KEITH W.

Born December 6, 1934 passed away on June 27, 2014 in Cebu the Philippines. He leaves behind a brother, Lyle (Jenni) of South yon and a sister Carol (Bill), of Cleveland, Georgia. Keith gradufrom Plymouth School, also attended Northville High School. He loved the Philippines and had been living there for the past twenty five years.

HOFSESS, MAY YVONNE "BONNIE"

June 24, 2014, Age 88. Graveside July 1, Salem Walker Cemetery. www.phillipsfuneral.com KOVALA,

RANDOLPH G.

Age 65, passed away June 24, 2014 at his home. He was born on September 24, 1948 in Detroit, son of the late Ralph and Minerva Kovala. He is survived by his loving daughters, Christine (Scott) Maschke and Caroyn (Jason) Raney; four grandchildren; and his sisters, Beth (Barry) Packwood and Annette Kovala. Randolph was preceded in death by his parents and his brother, Karl. Visitation will be held on Monday, June 30 from 4:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. at PHIL-LIPS FUNERAL HOME, 122 W. Lake St., South Lyon. Online guestbook at

www.phillipsfuneral.com.



ARTHUR E.

A longtime resident of Milford, passed away Sunday, June 29th, 2014 at the age of 93. He is survived by his wife and Doris; son, Michael (Jean) Mitchell. He was loved by his four grandchildren, Jeffery, Patrick, Angela and Charles, along with seven great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his son, Paul (Denise) in 2004. Services will be held privately. For information phone 248-684-6645 or visit ww w.LvnchFuneralDirectors.com





NUECHTERLEIN

RONALD R. Ronald R. Nuechterlein Age 70, of Northville, passed away June 26, 2014 after a battle with a rare form of lymphoma. He was born August 2, 1943 in Frankenmuth, Michigan; son of Richard and Agnes (Hecht) Nuechterlein. He was united in marriage to Penny S. Pennell on July 30, 1966; they spent 47 years together. Ronald his childhood Frankenmuth; he has been a resident of Northville for the past 40 years. He worked as a construction manager for 45 years with various companies and most recently was self-employed. Ron was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Northville for many years; he sang in the choir and shared his fine woodworking skills with the church through many projects he built. He was a member of Midforest Lodge and Detroit Gun Club. Ron was an avid outdoorsman; hunting and fishing were his passion. He was very active and ran marathons for years. He was a family man;

cherishing the time he spent with his family, especially his grandkids. He was very outgoing and friendly; enjoyed spending time with his friends, which often included a delicious fish fry. He always had a chainsaw in his hand, either working on his own projects or ready to tackle a challenge anyone else had. Ron was a talented woodworker; his projects often began from a tree in the forest, and transformed into whatever project he was working on. He is survived by his loving wife, Penny S. Nuechterlein; his children, Wendy (Mike) Ripper and Mike (Kerri) Nuechterlein; his siblings, Charlie (Pauline) Nuechterlein and Pauline (Jeff) Johnson; and his grandchildren, Ben, Veronica, and Mikayla, Keegan. He was preceded in death by his parents. A funeral service was held Tuesday, July 1, 2014 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Northville. Pastor Christopher Fairbairn officiated the service. Mr. Nuechterlein was laid to rest at Rural Hill Cemetery. Memorial gifts suggested to Angela Hospice, 14100



Newburgh Road, Livonia, MI 48154, or St. Paul's Lutheran

Church - Music Fund, 201 Elm

St., Northville, MI 48167. Online

www.hometownlife.com

Age 87, passed away in the care of her family June 27, 2014. Preceded in death by daughter Colleen Kay; grandson Jordan; brother George W. Russell; and parents George and Bessie Russell. In addition to Joseph, her beloved husband of 69 years, Marjorie is survived by her children Joseph III (Persis), Steven (Kathleen), Lee A. (Diana), and Gail Hobart; 13 grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren; also many nieces, nephews, extended family and friends. Marjorie was a 50 year member and past President of American Legion Auxiliary Unit #216, Milford; Past District President served the Department of Michigan for many years. She was a member of Salon #224 of the 8/40. Funeral Service was July 2. 2014. Burial Highland Cemetery. Memorial donations to the Rainbow Connection, 621 W. University, Rochester, MI 48307 in her memory appreciated. For further phone 248-684information. 6645, or visit

www.LynchFuneralDirectors.co

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VERNIER,

MARJORIE G.

...bring you peace.

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

Holy Cross Episcopal

Location: 40700 W. 10 Mile.

Contact: 248-427-1175 or ho-

lvcrossnovi@gmail.com; visit

Sunday Worship: 7:45 and 10

Sunday School and Nursery

Care: 10 a.m. worship service.

Group:10 a.m. second Saturday

Alzheimer's Support

Hope Lutheran

Lakes Baptist

Location: 39200 W. 12 Mile

Location: 309 Decker Road,

Livonia Church of

Location: 15431 Merriman,

www.livoniachurch.net.

Legacy Church

and Orchard Hills Baptist

Wednesday 7 p.m.

Sunday Worship: 11 a.m.

Contact: 734-427-8743 or visit

Bible School: Sunday 10 a.m.;

(formerly First Baptist Church

Location: 23455 Novi Road,

Contact: pastor Jon Hix, 248-

Sunday School/Small Groups

349-5665 or visit www.lega-

Worship Services: 11 a.m.

Bible Study/Prayer: Wednes-

Location: 21355 Meadowbrook

Road between Eight Mile and

Contact: the Rev. Arthur P.

Ritter, senior minister, at 248-

348-7757; visit mbccc.org; or

email to office@mbccc.org.

Sunday Worship: 10 a.m.

Fellowship Hour: 11 a.m.

Merry Widows Luncheon:

11:30 a.m. fourth Thursday of

Pilgrim Fellowship: 6 p.m.

Community Church

Web: www.orchardgrove.org.

Contact: Amanda Rehm at

da.rehm@orchardgrove.org

Location: 41355 Six Mile.

Sundays: 9-10 a.m. Sunday

Northville Christian

Contact: 248-348-9030; ncalife-

School for adults/youth/children;

porary service in worship center;

9 a.m. Contemporary service in

sanctuary; 10:15 a.m.: Contem-

children's super church on the

Wednesday Family Night: 7

junior and senior high ministries;

children's programs, Nursery and

Preschool Program on Sundays

Northville Christian School (day

care; preschool through eighth

p.m.; Adult elective classes;

and Wednesdays Home of

grade); call 248-348-9031.

Novi-Northville

Life

Center for Jewish

Details: Events, programs and

activities for all ages throughout

the year - children's programs,

services and programs, commu-

Contact: Rabbi Avrohhom and

Leah Susskind at 248-790-6075

www.novijewishcenter.com.

WEEKLY EVENTS

tinues with tickets on

sale in the office and

general store during

Doll house raffle con-

or rabbi@novijewishcenter.com;

Sunday school, adult Jewish

classes, youth clubs, holiday

nity social events.

second level (208/210)

Orchard Grove

Location: 850 Ladd Road,

Building C, Walled Lake.

248-926-6584 or aman-

Assembly

Church School and Nursery

Care: provided during worship.

for all ages: 9:45 a.m.

Meadowbrook

Congregational

(east of Haggerty), Farmington

holyCROSSnovi.org.

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

Church

of month.

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Walled Lake.

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Livonia.

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cychurch.us.

day 7 p.m.

Church

Nine Mile

each month.

Sundays

and Bible Study.

All Ages.

Wednesday: 6:30 p.m. Bible

First Presbyterian

Location: 200 E. Main. Contact: 248-349-0911 or visit www.fpcnorthville.org.

all ages).

First Presbyterian

Location: 205 E. Lake St. (corner

Contact: 248-437-2875.

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

Location: 41415 Nine Mile, corner of Meadowbrook Road,

School and Bible study; 10 a.m. worship.

Methodist Church of Northville

Summer Sunday School

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 congre gation and the community will stand united in prayer for peace.

Oak Pointe Church

Location: 50200 W. 10 Mile,

Contact: 248-912-0043. Web:

www.oakpointe.org/lifegroups. Worship Services: 5:15 p.m. Saturday; 9:15 a.m., 11:15 a.m. Sunday.

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

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

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

Our Savior Apostolic Lutheran Church

Location: 54899 Eight Mile,

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

p.m.

Orchard Grove Community Church

Location: 850 Ladd Road, Contact: 248-926-6584:

www.orchardgrove.org.

Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church

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

Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church

Location: 132 Orchard Drive, Northville. Contact: 248-349-2621 or olv-

northville.org. Saturday Worship: 5 p.m. **Sunday Worship:** 7:30, 9:30,

11:30 a.m.

Our Shepherd Presbyterian Church

Location: 1200 S. Sheldon, Contact: pastor Bill Burke at

734-927-0891.

Wednesday Bible Study: 7 Sunday Bible Study: 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m.

service. **Our Savior Apostolic**

with fellowship and food after

Lutheran Church Location: 54899 Eight Mile,

Pentecostals of Novi Location: Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. 10 Mile

Contact: 248-697-8158 or visit www.thepentecostalsofnovi.org.

Plymouth St. John's **Episcopal Church** Location: 574 S. Sheldon in

Plymouth. Contact: 734-453-0190, Ext. 16, or visit www.stjohnsplymouth-

Praise Baptist Church

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

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church

Location: 28000 New Market Road, Farmington Hills. Phone: 248-553-3380. **Terrific Tuesdays**

Time/Date: Thursdays in July. **Details:** Five weeks of themed activities for children ages 4-8 including stories, projects, drama and music. This program is free. The themes include Let's

Get Creative (July 8), Monsters Beware! (July 15), Superheroes Arise! (July 22), and What's Cookin? (July 29). Call the church office for more information or to attend.

St. James Catholic Church

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

Pastor: Monsignor John Kasza. Mass schedule: 8, 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. Sunday; 9 a.m. Monday-Tuesday; 7 p.m. Wednesday; 5 p.m. Saturdav.

St. John Lutheran Church

Location: 23225 Gill, Farming-

ton Hills. Contact: 248-474-0584 or visit stjohn-lutheran.com

Saturday Worship: 5:30 p.m. Sunday Worship: 9, 11:15 a.m. Sunday School: 10:15 a.m.

St. Paul's Lutheran

Location: 201 Flm St. Northville Contact: 248-349-3140

Unity of **Farmington Hills**

Location: 32500 W. 13 Mile, Farmington Contact: 248-737-9191; Adminis-

trativeDirector@unityfh.com

Unitarian **Universalist Church** of Farmington

Location: 25301 Halsted, Farmington Hills

Contact: www.uufarming-Youth Interfaith Journey: 9:30

and 11 a.m. Sundays **Details:** This religious education program is open to the public and currently enrolling new students. Classes are grouped into grades K-five, six-eight and nine-12 with age-specific educa-

tion materials for all. Contact: Jennifer Teed at 248-478-7272 or dre@uufarmington.org

Lifelong Learning Forum:

7:30-9:30 p.m. Thursdays Details: Six weeks exploring different topics like religion, philosophy, science, health, social and political issues. No advance registration necessary; a \$5 donation is suggested. Drop in and pick the class that interests you most at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Farming-

Contact: 248-478-7272 or uufarmington.org/uucf/re-

lifespan **Multigenerational Services:**

Details: Family members of all ages can gather for drumming, chanting, and meditation followed by a brief participatory worship service which could include stories, songs and sharing. A religious education activity will follow, such as an art project, music, dance, game or theater. The evening will close with a light snack and a short time to socialize, ending at 8:30

Ward Evangelical

Presbyterian Church Location: 40000 Six Mile, Northville (behind the shopping center at the corner of Six Mile

and Haggerty) Web: www.wardchurch.org Contact: 248-374-7400 Sunday Worship: 8 a.m. Li-

turgical in the Chapel; 9:30 a.m.

Contemporary in the Sanctuary;

11 a.m. Traditional in the Sanctuary; 11a.m. Post-Contemporary in Knox Hall **Sunday Groups and Classes:** Nursery, Children's and Middle School programs available on Sunday mornings. High School

Sunday night at 6:30 p.m. Sun-

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

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

Mill Race Matters

Mill Race Historical open hours. Village is located at 215 Griswold Avenue, north of Main Street near Ford Field in downtown Northville. Grounds are open daily dawn until dusk.

Cady Inn. Wednesday, July 9: -

Thursdays and Fridays: Archives open 9

a.m. to 1 p.m. **VOLUNTEERS**

September-May.

The Northville His-

Race Village accepts volunteers in many dif-

Monday-Friday from 9 am-1 pm. 248-348-1845 or mrhv1845@yahoo.com

Tuesdays: Stone Gang; The Stone Gang is a group of volunteers who handle Village care and maintenance. New volunteers always welcome.

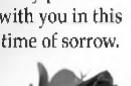
Meet at 9 a.m. in the

Northville Garden Walk

torical Society at Mill

ferent areas. Contact the office for more details. **OFFICE INFO:** Open





ENGAGEMENT



Drake-Cross

Dr. and Mrs. Jerry Drake of Northville would like to announce the engagement of their son David Warren Drake to Ashley Brooke Cross. Ashley is the daughter of Tony and Jana Cross of Colorado Springs, Colo. David attended Hillsdale College. Ashley attended the University of Denver. David and Ashley both attended Cooley Law School in Lansing where they met. They are currently living in Colorado and work for the Cross Law Firm in Colorado Springs. An Oct. 4, 2014 wedding is planned in Colorado Springs.

ENGAGEMENT



Drake-Kress

Dr. and Mrs. Jerry Drake of Northville announce the engagement of their son Daniel Raymond Drake to Michelle Maria Kress. Michelle is the daughter of Joe and Jane Kress of Palm Coast, Fla. Daniel attended Kalamazoo College followed by the University of Michigan Dental School. He is a practicing dentist in Ormond Beach, Fla. Michelle attended both Daytona State College and Florida State University. She is employed as a special event coordinator for the Halifax Humane Society. The couple met in Ormond Beach. A Feb. 20, 2015 wedding is planned in St. Augustine, Fla.

ENGAGEMENT



Thornburg-LaJoye

Lindsay Elizabeth Thornburg and Jesse LaJoye are engaged to be married. Lindsay is the daughter of Robin and Steve Thornburg of Northville. She is a 2007 graduate of Northville High School. She earned a sales communication degree from Michigan State University in 2011. She is currently employed with Google as a sales account executive in Ann Arbor. Jesse is the son of Colleen and Jim LaJoye from Durand, Mich. He is a 2004 graduate of Durand High School. He earned a degree in criminal justice from Western Michigan University in 2008, and is currently employed as a sales engineer with Thomson Reuters. An October 2014 wedding is planned.

Your Invitation to

Milford Novi

Brighton

HOLY SPIRIT ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL

www.hsrcc.net at the corner of Winans Lake & Musch Rd. 810-231-9199 Fr. John Rocus, Pastor Weekend Liturgies Saturday 4:00 p.m. Sunday 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. se visit our Shroud of Turin Display and Book & Gift Sh

Walled Lake

CROSSPOINT

1850 S. Commerce Rd. Walled Lake, MI 48390 Sunday Services: 9 a.m. & 11 a.m. Wednesday Evening: 7 p.m. All Ages Rev. Kenneth Warren - 586-531-2021

COMMUNITY CHURCH

www.cpccnow.com

Whitmore Lake

FELLOWSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH 10774 Nine Mile Road

Rev. M. Lee Taylor • 449-2582 Sunday School, 9:45 a.m. Worship, 11:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening, 7:00 p.m.

Highland

HIGHLAND UNITED

248.887.1311 • www.myhun Sunday Worship: 9 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Kids Church: 9 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. MS & HS Youth: 10:30 a.m. Check our website for summer youth activites

METHODIST CHURCH DW. Livingston Rd. • Highland, MI 483 and special events: www.myhumc.com

NEW HUDSON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

New Hudson

6730 Grand River Avenue • New Hudson MI 4816 (248) 437-6212 . Gerald S. Hunter, Pastor nday School & Bible Class -9:30 a.m Worship-10:30 a.m. www.newhudonsumc.org

NEW HOPE - A Unitarian **Universalist Congregation**

57855 Grand River Ave., New Hudson, MI 4816 Phone 248-474-9108 lebration of Life Service 10:30 a.m.

Rev. Suzanne Paul. Minister Website: http://www.newhopeuu.org

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH Preschool, Pre-K & Kdg. - Mo. Synoo

620 General Motors Rd., Milford Church office: (248) 684-0895 Summer Services: Sunday 9:30 am, Monday 7 pm ible Study: Sunday 8:30 am, Monday 8pm Rev. Martin Dressler

FIRST BAPTIST OF MILFORD

133 Detroit St., Milford • 248-684-5695

Pastor Steve Swayze unday School (all ages) 9:45 a.m. • Sunday Worship - 11 a.m. Young Adults Dinner/Bible Study, Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays, 6:45-8:15 p.m. Awana, 3 yrs old thru 6th grade and Youth Group for 7th grade and older

MILFORD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Pastor Bryant Anderson 238 N. Main Street, Milford MI (248) 684-2805

Sunday Worship: 10:00 a.m School age 3 thru 5th grade 6 outh Group 10 am - Grades 6-eritage of area worth A heritage of area worship since 1836

Milford United Methodist Church

1200 Atlantic St., Milford, MI 48381 Sunday Worship: 9:30 am Children's Church: 9:40 am Groups for Children, Youth and Adults 248-684-2798

LO-0000193048 milfordumc.net

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(248) 685-3560 www.opcmilford.or Contemporary Worship Service: Sunday 9:15 am & 11:15 am Adventureland Children's Program: Sunday 9:15 am & 11:15 am The Rock (Middle School) Wednesdays 6:30-8 pm, Sundays 9:15 am Women, Men and Lite Groups: Various Schedules

WEST HIGHLAND

BAPTIST CHURCH 1116 S. Hickory Ridge Rd., Milford, MI 4838 248-887-1218

Sunday Worship 9 am & 11:15 am Wed. Kids-6:30 pm/Adults-6:45 pm Also Small Groups / Ministry Teams

Freedom Life Church

Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is Freedom Cor 3:7 1208 E. Commerce, Milford Worship: Sun 11am, Wed 7pm We are here through Christ Jesus to provide Freedom to those who are hurting, diseased, addicted ₀₀₀₁₇₉₄₆₉ and depressed

Northville

Presbyterian Churchof Noothville www.fpcnorthville.org 200 E. MAIN ST. AT HUTTON Worship, 9:30 am. Sunday School for all ages, 10:30 am. 248-349-0911

NORTHVILLE CHRISTIAN

Experience Life Each Week Sunday Worship - 9:00 am & 10:15 am Sunday School and Children's Programs www.ncalife.org 41355 Six Mile Road 248 • 348 • 9030

OUR LADY OF VICTORY CATHOLIC CHURCH

133 Orchard Dr., Northville /EEKEND LITURGIES Saturday 5:00 p.m Sunday, 7:30, 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m. Church 349-2621, School 349-3610 Religious Education 349-2559 Rev. Denis Theroux, Pastor

NORTHVILLE

(248) 349-1144 777 West 8 Mile Ro (8 Mile and Taft Roa Northville, Michiga

hip Times: September - May 8:00, 9:15 & 11:00 a.m Memorial Day - Labor Day 10:00 a.m. Rev. Marsha M. Wooley, Lead Pastor www.fumcnorthville.or

40000 Six Mile Road Northville, MI 48168 248.374.7400 **Sunday Worship Services**

8 a.m. | 9:30 a.m. | 11 a.m. different music styles from classic to mo www.wardchurch.org

Our Savior Apostolic Lutheran Church

Sunday Worship: 10:00 a.m. Children's Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Adult Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Fellowship/Coffee 11:00 a.m. Worship Service esday Bible Study (Colossians) at 7 pr

BRIGHTMOOR

CHRISTIAN CHURCH 40800 W. 13 Mile Road. Novi on the corner of M-5 & W 13. Sundays 9:15a & 11:15a www.brightmoorcc.org§ omething for the entire famil

FAITH COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

44400 W. 10 Mile., Novi, 248-349-2345 1/2 mile west of Novi Rd. www.faithcommunity-novi.org WORSHIP AND SUNDAY SCHOOL - 10 AN "Children, Youth and Adult Ministries"

MEADOWBROOK CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

21355 Meadowbrook Rd. in Novi at 8 1/2 Mile 248-348-7757 • www.mbcc.org Sunday Worship 10 a.m. Rev. Arthur Ritter, Senior Minister

ST. JAMES ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH NOVI

46325 10 Mile Rd. • Novi, MI 48374 Saturday 5:00 p.m. Sunday 8, 9:30 & 11:30 a.m. Msgr John Kasza, Pastor

Parish Office: 347-7778

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 205 E. Lake (10 Mile) 248.437.2875 Sunday Worship 10:00 a.m. Children's Church for Grades K thru 5th Nursery Care Provided

Mid-Week Study Thursday 7:00 p.m Rev. Michael Horlocker, Pasto www.fpcsouthlyon.org

The Church of Christ tiac Trail • South Lyon, MI 48178

248-437-3585 • www.southlyoncoc.org

9:30 a.m. Sunday School, 10:30 a.m. Praise and Worship dnesday Midweek Ministries 7 p.m. Troy Singleton, Minister

Fellowship Evangelical Presbyterian Church

22200 Pontiac Trail (S of 9 Mile) Sunday Worship @ 9:30 am Sunday School @ 11 am Wednesday mid-week programs Rev. David Brown, Pastor 248-437-2222 • www.fellowshipepc.org

first united 640 S. Lafayette Worship: 8:15 am, 11 am & 6:30 pm Sunday School: 9:40 am

Rev. Sondra Willobee, Lead Pastoi

southlyonfirstumc.org

Shepherd's Way Lutheran Church, ELCA 59255 10 Mile Rd. South Lyon MI 48178

Sunday Worship 9:00 AM Education Hour 10:15 AM Rev. Bart Muller, Pastor 248-573-7320 ww.shepherdswaysouthlyon.org

SOLID ROCK BIBLE CHURCH Loving God and Loving People 22183 Pontiac Trail • 248-486-4400 (In Brookdale Shopping Center, behind Powerhouse Gym) SUNDAY WORSHIP: 10:00 A.M. Reed Heckmann, Pastor/Teacher

www.solidrocksouthlyon.com

HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH

aturday: 4:30 p.m. (English) & 6:30 p.m. (Spanish Sunday: 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Fr Boh LaCroix Pastor Fr. Beto Espinoza, Associate rish Office: 349-8847 • www.holyfamilyno

HOLY CROSS EPISCOPAL

40700 W. Ten Mile Rd. • 248-427-1175 Sunday Worship 7:45 am & 10 am Healing Service Wednesday 11:45 am Rev. Ann Webber, Rector holycrossnovi@gmail.com

OAK POINTE CHURCH

50200 W. 10 Mile Road, Novi Saturday Worship 5:15 p.m., Sunday 9:15 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. Casual, contemporary service Phone (248) 912-0043 www.oakpointe.org

NOVI UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 41671 W Ten Mile Boad • Novi MI 4837 Sunday Worship 9:45 a.m. Rev. June M. Smith, Pastor 248-349-2652 www.um cnovi.com wing God, loving each other and living our core value

South Lyon

BIBLE BELIEVERS CHURCH Gathering in Jesus Name 52909 10 Mile Rd . South Lyon, MI 48178

Sunday 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Wednesday 7:00 p.m Mike Ragan, Pastor 734-347-1983 pastor cell Old fashioned preaching

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CROSS OF CHRIST LUTHERAN

Pastor Terry Nelson 437-8810 • 486-4335

Griswold Rd. at 10 Mile

Worship: 10 a.m.: Sunday School: 10 a.m. Adult Bible Study: 9 a.m

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF **SOUTH LYON** 60820 Marjorie Ann St., South Lyon 48178

Phone: 248-437-2983
Sunday School 9:45 a.m. • Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
Evening Service 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m. Genior Pastor: Rob Freshour / Assoc, Pastor: Randy We Website: www.fbcsouthlyon.com Email: fbcsouthlyon@sbcglobal.net

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN

Wisconsin Synod . Reynold Sweet Pkwy at Liberty St.

Sunday Service 10:00 a.m. All Classes 9:00 Pastor Scott Miller, (248) 437-1651

CROSSROADS **COMMUNITY CHURCH**

248-486-0400 www.ecrossroads.net Summer Service Times
July 6-Aug 31: 9:30am & 11am
July 13-Aug 10
9:30 is Contemporary Service
11am is Family Oriented Service

Livonia

FELLOWSHIP PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Services held at: Saint Andrews Episcopal Church 16360 Hubbard Road - Livonia

South of Six Mile Road dult Sunday School 9:30 - 10:15 a.m.; Worship 10:30 a.m., Childrens Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Dr. James N. McGuire • Nursery Provide

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OPINION

Our fundamental purposes are to enhance the lives of our readers, nurture the hometowns we serve and contribute to the business success of our customers.

OUR VIEWS

Put safety first this Fourth of July holiday

In January 2012, it became legal for Michigan residents to buy consumer fireworks, such as Roman candles, bottle rockets and other items that leave the ground.

Now the landscape is peppered with an assortment of stores and tentsto peddle the pyrotechnics to the public, who wholeheartedly embraced having their own fireworks displays long before state lawmakers made it legal, by buying fireworks in Indiana and Ohio.

But the new found residential banging and booming comes with some rules that some people chose to ignore. For them, celebrating the Fourth of July holiday can start as early as several weeks before the holiday and runs well past . But lawmakers tweaked the law last summer, giving communities the power to restrict the use of aerial fireworks from midnight to 8 a.m. on nine holidays and the days immediately before and after. On New Year's, fireworks are restricted from 1-8 a.m. For the rest of the days of the year, municipalities can restrict fireworks use as they see fit. Violators can face a fine of up to \$500.

But beyond the noise factor, care is needed in handling fireworks. Every year, injuries from consumer fireworks send thousands to the emergency room. The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission has found that a majority of fireworks-related injuries happen around the Fourth of July holiday. Its data shows that there were more injuries last year then there has been since 2000. There were an estimated 11,400 injuries in 2013, up from 8,700 in 2012 and 9,600 in 2011.

According to the report, children younger than 15 years of age accounted for approximately 30 percent of the estimated injuries. And of the total overall injuries, 12 percent, or 600, were to the eyes. Burns were the most common injury to all parts of the body, except the eyes, where contusions, lacerations and foreign bodies in the eyes occurred more frequently.

Groups like the public health-based organization Prevent Blindness continue to support development and enforcement of bans on the importation, sale and use of all fireworks and sparklers, except for authorized public displays by competent licensed operators. The group believes such bans are the only effective means of eliminating the social and economic impact of fireworks-related trauma and damage.

But such bans may be an uphill battle. The American Pyrotechnics Association reported a record \$662 million in personal-use fireworks revenue for last year, compared with \$328 million for display fireworks, such as those used at public shows. In Michigan, more than 880 certificates were issued for vendors to sell fireworks this vear, up from 727 in 2013 and 704 in 2012, according to the Michigan State Fire Marshal's Office.

So those planning to use fireworks on, before and after the Fourth of July, follow the rules. Find out what the times are for fireworks in your community and follow them. And, do it safely. The Consumer Product Safety Commission offers these safety tips when using fireworks:

» Never allow young children to play with or ignite fireworks.

» Avoid buying fireworks that are packaged in brown paper because this is often a sign that the fireworks were made for professional displays and that they could pose a danger to consumers.

» Always have an adult supervise fireworks activities. Parents don't realize that young children suffer injuries from sparklers. Sparklers burn at temperatures of about 2,000 degrees - hot enough to melt some metals. They can cause severe skin burns or ignite clothing.

» Never place any part of your body directly over a fireworks device when lighting the fuse. Back up to a safe distance immediately after lighting fireworks.

» Never try to re-light or pick up fireworks that have not ignited fully.

» Never point or throw fireworks at another

person. » Keep a bucket of water or a garden hose

handy in case of fire or another mishap. » Light fireworks one at a time, then move

back quickly. » Never carry fireworks in a pocket or shoot them off in metal or glass containers.

» After fireworks complete their burning, douse the spent device with plenty of water from a

bucket or hose before discarding to prevent a fire. Put safety first this Fourth of July. Enjoy the parades and picnics, and if you must shoot off fireworks, do it with the utmost care. Fireworks can and do injure, maim and kill, if not handled properly.

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COMMUNITY VOICE

What are your plans for the 4th of July?

This question was asked in downtown Northville.



"We are visiting friends who have a lake house in the Irish Hills. We will probably cookout and watch fireworks."

John Coe Northville



"I'm going to New York to visit my boyfriend."

Noelle Kuphal

Northville



"I will probably be in the parade here in Northville."

JT Thompson Northville



"I'm working, so my plans are boring."

Ryne Mitra Northville

LETTERS

Meads Mill myth

The otherwise very informative article by Mr. Gene Scott ("Tour of Hines Drive filled with nature, history," June 26) contained a longstanding myth about the Meads Mill area of Hines Parkway. The stone structure on the river is not the remains of a bell foundry nor any other 19th century industry. It is actually what's left of a 1937 W.P.A. project, designed by Detroit architect Nathaniel O.

Functionally, the dam structure created a suction basin for a water intake that supplied the nearby Wayne County Training School. However, it was also clearly a decorative feature for the parkway that was being built at the time. To that end, it had an operating five-foot diameter cypress wood waterwheel that did not drive any machinery. Perhaps this was Mr. Gould's tribute to the mills that were once in the vicinity. The design also included a drinking fountain

for park visitors. Not mentioned in Mr. Scott's article is the Cass Benton Comfort Station. This was the first of the Hines comfort stations and, in my opinion, the most impressive. It was built in 1926 in a Tudor revival style on land donated to the county by Cass Benton's widow. Cass had been a state legislator and was the grandson of Gideon P. Benton, one of Northville's first settlers In the early days, the comfort station was open day and night with attendants on duty. The Benton donation formed the beginning of the parkway

Bill Sivy vice chair, Northville Township Historic District Commission

Extraordinary act of kindness

I just read Kurt Kuban's story "A final resting place" (June 26) about the 59 deceased remains given a final resting place set up by the L.J. Griffin Funeral Homes. It brought a tear to my eye. Everyone deserves respect at the end of their lives and a final resting place. I would like to commend the honor guard

from American Legion Post in Livonia and Father Jack Baker and pastor Rob Allen for delivering eulogies.

Finally a big thank you to David Griffin. The extraordinary act of kindness and respect hopefully showed all of us how to do the right things.

Jim Kastely

Supporting Phil Cavanagh

If you are fed up with Robert Ficano and "politics as usual" in Wayne County, then you need to vote in the primary this August.

This election is about many issues that impact our daily lives. For example, if you drive in Wayne County then you need to vote and Phil Cavanagh is by far the best person to get Wayne County back on track.

Phil Cavanagh has the experience and the integrity to make wise and intelligent decisions. He will work for everyone in the county - not just the special interest groups. Phil will be above board and transparent in all his dealings.

I believe that Phil Cavanagh is the best choice for Wayne County Executive.

Annette Masson

'Time for a change'

Who is best qualified to fix the mess that Wayne County finds itself in? The first reality is that the winner in November will be a Democrat. The county is over 60 percent Democratic. The winner for all practical purposes will be the candidate who wins the Aug.

5 Democratic primary. Eleven candidates are listed, but only five have real campaigns and any chance of winning. They are Phil Cavanagh, Warren Evans, Robert Ficano. Kevin McNamara, and Bill Wild.

As part of a Northville Democratic Club screening committee, I recently had the chance to question each of the five in depth on a wide range of county issues. We concluded that Phil Cavanagh was the best qualified candidate, though we noted two other candidates as well qual-

Mr. Ficano did not make ei-

ther list. We unanimously concluded that it is time for a change. The county government has squandered around \$250 million on poorly conceived and poorly executed projects, including the failed county jail project, over \$40 million in cost overruns on the renovation of the Guardian Building, and over \$30 million in infrastructure for the Pinnacle Raceway, a horse track southwest of the airport. Also, under Mr. Ficano's watch the county pension funds have plummeted from over 100 percent funded to only 45 percent funded today.

Phil Cavanagh has the education, the experience, the brains, and the integrity to find solutions for what ails the county. He served as a Wayne County commissioner for eight years. And he has served the past two terms in the state Legislature. As commissioner, he consistently raised concerns and opposed the Ficano administration on the aforementioned projects.

Most importantly, Phil Cavanagh has the integrity to run an honest, transparent county government. He and his family have dedicated their lives to public service, and have never brought shame or scandal to their positions. His father, Detroit Mayor Jerome P. Cavanagh, was considered one of the nation's best mayors. His uncle, Michael Cavanagh, has served with distinction on the Michigan State Supreme Court

Cavanagh worked his own way through University of Detroit Law School. He also studied in the famed Harvard Kennedy School of Public Administration. I was somewhat shocked to learn that two of the other leading candidates lacked even an associate's degree. Wayne County government is a massive \$2 billion per year operation. I want a CEO who can at least finish a

college degree. In conclusion, if you agree with me that it is time for a change; time to clean up Wayne County government; please consider Phil Cavanagh as the best qualified candidate.

Scott Craig Northville

A banner year



The Northville High School Mustangs will raise yet another banner, that of the state championship girls soccer team, to their already wide variety of victorious proclamations in their west hallway. It has been an amazing year for the Mustangs. The girls cross country team also won a state championship, while many teams won regional (girls cross country, boys cross country, volleyball, girls track and field, girls tennis and girls soccer), district and conference titles (football, girls cross country, boys cross country, baseball, girls soccer, girls track and field, girls tennis and boys lacrosse). All in all, it was a banner year for the Mustangs. John Heider | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



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ALL-AREA BOYS GOLF

Shamrocks freshman Piot leads loaded field

2014 All-Area Player of Year won four tournaments

By Jeff Theisen

It's not often a freshman can come along in any sport and create waves like Catholic Central's James Piot did in golf, especially at the Division 1 state

Piot had a monster year with an average of 73.23 for 18 holes while winning four tournaments – Grosse Ile, Forest Akers West, Forest Akers East and the Catholic League.

The 2014 All-Area Player of the Year capped his season by leading the Shamrocks to a runner-up finish at states by tying for sixth place individually, just one stroke out of a five-way playoff for first.

Piot showed incredible consistency by finishing in the top 10 in nine of his 12 matches.

First team Glenn Piot

Catholic Central

The junior was another strong force with a 75.46 average, including five top-five finishes. He finished tied for first at districts with a 71, tied for third at Grosse Ile with a 73, tied for third at Bedford Valley with a 74 and tied for fifth at regionals with a 74. He shot a pair of 74s at states. He was also captain of the team.

Dominic Mancinelli Catholic Central

The senior was another model of

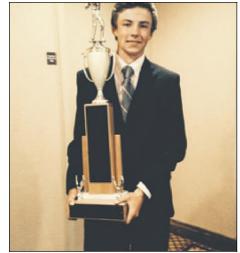
consistency with seven top-10 finishes. He carded a 74 to tie for third at Bedford Valley for his top round. He shot an even-par first round at state and a 76 on Day 2 for a total of 148. He was also a captain.

Garret Buckley

The senior filled the No. 1 spot in impressive fashion with a 37.29 average for nine holes and 74.38 for 18. He recorded rounds of 69 at Oakland County, 71 at KLAA Conference and 73 at the Holiday Inn Express, all for medalist becomes

"Garret was honorable mention all-state as a junior and had a better senior year," coach Brad Huss said. "He was all-KLAA for the fourth time and finished tied for fifth at districts.

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Catholic Central's James Piot holds the Sharmrocks MVP award. The freshman is the 2014 All-Area Player of the Year.



Megan Buckingham poses with the state championship trophy. She was named Miss Soccer by the Michigan High School Soccer Coaches Association this season as well as the Gatorade Player of the Year for the state. JOHN PAWLOSKI

BUCKINGHAM WINS STATE'S TOP HONOR

Miss Soccer award caps stellar high school career

By Sam Eggleston
Correspondent

It's been one heck of a year for Northville girls soccer players, coach-

es and fans, but it's been especially notable for senior Megan Buckingham.

Buckingham, who was named the Hometown Newspapers All-Area

Player of the Year as well as Michigan's Player of the Year by Gatorade, added to her accolades with the state's top honor — the Miss Soccer award.

The award, which is determined by the Michigan High School Soccer Coaches Association, is given to the best player in the state.

"It's just sort of rewarding to get the recognition for the work I've put in," said Buckingham when asked about the honor. But, in Buckingham style, she was quick to give credit elsewhere. "I could not have done it without my support system."

That system, which includes Buckingham's parents, teammates, coaches and more, has been with her for the

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Always Basketball

Former Brazilian pro passes love of hoops to area youth

By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer

Staff Writer Steam at Always Baske

The team at Always Basketball knows basketball. They're offering girls and boys in grades 3-6 a chance to learn about the sport at a new summer camp being held at North-ville Community Center.

Led by Northville resident Vitor Imbuzeiro, Always Basketball's summer camp makes its debut in July to give kids a chance to learn the game in a way that leaves everyone feeling good about picking up and dribbling a basketball.

"It's about having fun, but they are also learning the basics and fundamentals at the same time," Imbuzeiro said. "What we teach isn't that difficult to learn, so that's what makes it enjoyable for everyone."

Campers will focus on drills specific to the core elements: passing, ball handling, shooting and defense. The staff of Always Basketball includes current and former professional and college players, as well as coaches and many of their former players.

Imbuzeiro brings a ton of playing and coaching experience himself. Originally from Brazil, he played professionally there and then went on to coach youth and high school teams, and it was overseas where he permanently caught the coaching bug.

bug.

"After I finished my professional playing career, I was invited to go to Japan and coach high school level over there," he recalls. "What was scheduled to be a three year program turned into an 11-year run with four state tournament titles and five bids to the national tournament."

It was also in Japan that he met his wife, who is from Michigan,

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Victor Imbuzeiro teaches a participant of the Silver Spring Always Basketball camp how to hold his fingers while dribbling. PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



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World champion triathlete overcomes disability

LOCAL SPORTS

By Dan O'Meara Staff Writer

Aaron Scheidies has never allowed his disability to discourage him or stop him from achieving what he wanted to do in athletics

Despite being nearly blind, the 32-year-old former Farmington resident has become a world champion triathlete and an inspiration to people worldwide.

Scheidies, who now lives in Seattle, is training and hoping to qualify for the 2016 Paralympics in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

It will be the first time the triathlon is included in the competition, which will follow the Olympics Games in early Septem-

Scheidies competed recently in the Dallas and Chicago triathlons for impaired athletes, both of which afforded him major points toward his qualifying goal.

He also had taken to doing marathons. He has run the Boston and California marathons the last three years and could possibly qualify in that event for the Paralym-

Scheidies will do five more triathlons this year and the New York City Marathon in November as part of his two-year

"Road to Rio" effort. In addition to winning a gold medal in 2016, Scheidies' other great ambition is to win an ESPY Award. He came close in 2011 when he was a finalist.

"An ESPY is like the academy award of sport," he said. "Anybody can be nominated. I was up for Best Male Athlete with a Disability. It's a world type of thing.

'It was pretty much the experience of a lifetime. I went to the ceremony in Los Angeles. I'd like to win it next time."

Scheidies, who graduated from Farmington High School in 2000, earned an undergraduate degree from Michigan State and then a doctorate in physical therapy from the University of Washington in 2008.

Broadens horizons

While he still works in that field with geriatric patients, his success as an impaired triathlete

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Aaron Scheidies high-fives well-wishers during a para-triathlon competition. CDIFFERENT WITH AARON

spawned another career in public speaking.

With the help of a manager, Scheidies has traveled the country to give inspirational talks, including appearances at NASA and with the Young Presidents, an organization of young entrepreneurs.

"I talk about how I live my life and have gotten to where I am, about having a good attitude," he said. "It filters to being an inspirational and motivational type speech.

"I get a lot of emails from people who found out they were losing their vision, or they're a blind, impaired individual who wants to get into athletics and they reach out to me because I've had a lot of success

"It's nice to be able to impact people and help them figure out ways to get through it and not look at it as a death sentence or something negative but find the good things in it.

"It's one of the things I like most about being an athlete, being a role model for people and inspiring people.'

He's a writer, too

Scheidies also is active in social media. He maintains a website (cdifferentwithaaron.com) and writes a blog that was ton Post and can be accessed via his web page

society's perception of the blind and impaired community - what they can do and how they live their lives," he said.

"I've substantially increased what I do. I'm moving toward writing a book here at some point when I can get some time.

"The subject will be about living life as a blind person and finding ways to succeed and be resilient. I haven't outlined it yet; I've just thought about it in my head."

When his vision was last classified, it was 20/600, but it has gotten worse, Scheidies said, adding he sees mostly blurry blocks. He can see the 'E' on an eye chart from a foot away.

When he does triathlons or runs marathons, Scheidies does so with the help of a guide, as do the other visually impaired athletes.

He and the guide are tethered at the waist for the swimming and running portions, and the guide takes the front seat on a tandem bicycle for the biking competition. Ben Collins was his guide in the Chicago triathlon.

"He's pretty much like my eyes on the course," Scheidies said. "He swims the course like he's swimming on his own. I feel a tug on the bungychord tether to nudge me to go the other way.

Changes in the sport

The sports is evolving, however, and Scheidies is trying to keep up with the changes and increased competition.

A handicap system was introduced this year. Partially but legally blind athletes start 3 minutes and 43 seconds after completely blind individuals.

"The Paralympics are becoming a more elite level type of competition around the world," Scheidies said. "They're trying to make it as fair as pos-

"It's not exactly accurate. Three-forty-three is way too much. It's not a good statistic. Thev'll change it before the Paralympics.

"The sport is really growing and they want it to be a headline event in the Paralympics. They see a lot of promise in triathlon as a spotlight event, and they want people to watch it.'

Consequently, the length of a race has been cut in half. Swimming is now 750 meters; the biking and running elements are 20 and five kilometers, respectively.

Scheidies, who began doing triathlons in 2000 and was president of the triathlon club at MSU. has won four world championships. Four were won at the short-course distance, four at the halfironman distance.

"They've made it a sprint event," he said. "It's more spectator friendly. It's real close competition, that type of stuff. It's all about what the media and TV want.

"It's going to a shorter, faster race and I'm getting older. I'm really having to get back to training my anaerobic system more than (was necessary for) the longer stuff I was doing.

Big accomplishment

Scheidies achieved a major career objective in 2008 when he became the first para-triathlete to break two hours in an Olympic distance race.

That was a cool experience," he said. "It was

special because it was breaking down barriers and showing even someone with vision impairment could compete on an elite level."

His best time at that distance is 1:57:24. That was double the distance he does now. His times on the shorter course are around one hour.

"I have broken an hour in the sprint distance triathlon," he said. "It depends how long the transitions are, how far I have to run from the water to the transition area."

Swimming is still the favorite and best event for Scheidies, who was a swimmer and runner in high school. Running is his strongest event.

"I'm still better than the average triathlete at swimming," he said. "Triathletes tend not to be good swimmers. That's what makes me a pretty good triathlete. I'm pretty well rounded in all three."

Trying to stay on top

Scheidies said he continued to get faster until a couple years ago, but age and injuries have made it difficult to continue performing at the same lev-

"I've done pretty well because I was already at a really high level with respect to the competition," he said, adding the biggest challenge nowadays is the recovery time between races and not getting injured.

"They're easier because I've done so many of them. They're not easier because I'm still pushing myself to the

"A lot of times it can be a challenge finding a guide, finding people to train with and ride a tandem with, because I can't just go out and ride on my own.

In the big scheme of things, Scheidies has done very well on his own, however.

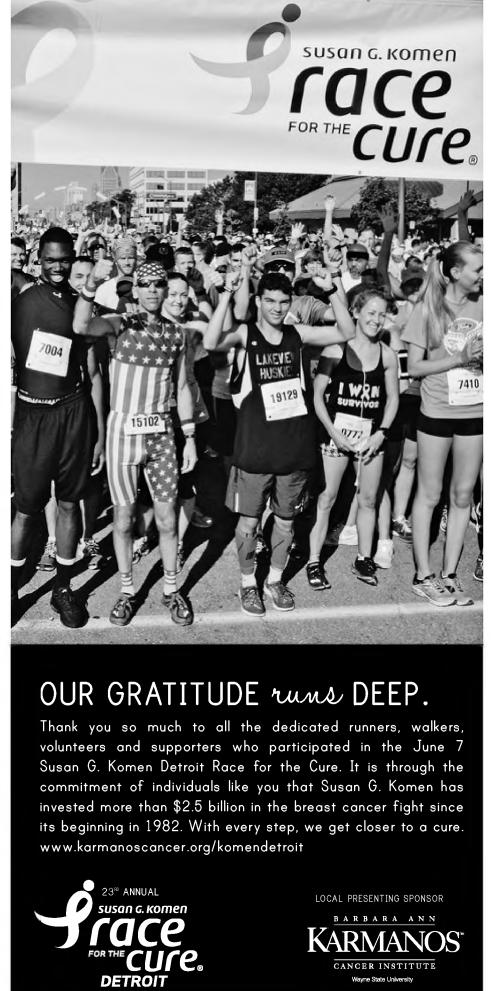


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Hurricanes snag Nedeljkovic

By Tim Smith Staff Writer

Mike Vellucci saw goalie Alex Nedelikovic play enough with his old team — the Plymouth Whalers — to make sure he gets to see him in the future with his new one, the NHL's Carolina Hurricanes.

Vellucci, the longtime coach and general manager of the Whalers from Farmington Hills who recently was hired as assistant GM and director of hockey operations by the Hurricanes, undoubtedly was a catalyst behind the team selecting Nedeljkovic early in Saturday's second round (37th overall) at the NHL Entry Draft in Philadel-

phia. "It's very surreal right now," said the 18-year-old Nedeljkovic during a Saturday afternoon telephone call. "You grow up. you dream of getting drafted and getting an opportunity to play on an NHL team.

"It's still kicking in right now that my dreams are just starting to become reality.

Nedeljkovic added that it was thrilling to pull a red Hurricanes' iersev over his head and 'amazing and incredible that Coach Mike thinks so highly of me that he tried to push as much as he did to get me drafted by Carolina."

The native of Parma, Ohio, heard his name called at Wells Fargo Center one pick after the Vancouver Canucks selected netminder Thatcher Demko of Boston Col-

Both Nedeljkovic and Demko are clients of Stan Matwijiw, who is goaltending coach for the Ontario Hockey League's Whalers as well as founder and director of Ban-

dits Goalie School. "I'm having a wonderful day," Matwijiw said. "I had back-to-back, 36 and 37. Thatcher Demko is also one of my guys, so it was a pretty special day for me, pretty emotional.

"I can't even put it into words how proud I am of Ned and of Thatcher, and all the hard work they put in over the years toward their game. To see them get called this early is extremely, extremely special and I can't even begin to tell you how proud I am of both of them."

Both Matwijiw and new Plymouth GM Mark Craig praised Vellucci's hockey acumen and noted that Vellucci's influence from watching Nedeljkovic with the Whalers had a definite impact on the choice.

'I'm sure Mike had influence," said Craig, who also attended the draft. "But certainly, Ned in the second round, we pretty much knew that if he was available in the second, we were pretty sure that Carolina was going to grab him. I mean, that's really a good pick. That's a great pick.

Especially after Thatcher Demko went it didn't surprise me at all. I'm sure Mike had influence, but he (Nedelj-

kovic) is just such a great kid. He's just got every-thing. That's the nice

No doubt

Chiming in about Nedeljkovic going to Vellucci's new team was Matwijiw. The Hurricanes and Whalers both are owned by Peter Karma-

"Look, Mike is a very smart hockey man," Matwijiw said. "Obviously, he was the one that played Ned the 65 games this year (2013-14) and gave him that workload. He knew that boy could

play.
"And I think there was no choice that if Alex was around at 37 that they weren't going to draft him.'

The first goalie picked in the seven-round draft was Mason McDonald by the Calgary Flames, with the 34th selection. Then came Demko and Nedeljkovic in rapid fashion.

But Matwijiw said the goalie nicknamed "Ned" definitely would still have been picked by Vellucci and new Carolina GM Ron Francis even if the other two goalies

were still available. "Hats off to Mike, he's already starting to make his mark with the Carolina Hurricanes and what a mark it is," Matwijiw continued. "Because he (Nedeljkovic) is a very, very, very, very special talent.

'There is no doubt in my mind that Alex Nedeljkovic will be an NHL goalie.'

Nedeljkovic, the 2013

Ontario Hockey League Goaltender of the Year and the fourth-rated goalie overall by NHL Central Scouting entering the draft, has two full seasons left with the Whalers.

That means Whalers fans will still have the chance to go to Compuware Arena to catch a glimpse of Nedeljkovic's netminding brilliance.

He stopped over 2,000 shots last season, posting a 2.88 goals-against average and .925 save percentage while almost single-handedly leading the Whalers into the playoffs for a leaguerecord 23rd consecutive year.

Four others picked

The Nedeljkovic pick wasn't the only good news to come out of Wells Fargo Center for the Whalers.

Also drafted by Vellucci's Hurricanes was Plymouth Whalers defenseman Josh Wesley (fourth round, 96th overall).

Taken in the third round were Whalers right wing Connor Chatham (71st overall, New Jersey) and defenseman Alex Peters (75th overall, Dallas)

A fifth Whalers player selected was left wing Matt Mistele, taken by the Los Angeles Kings with the 180th pick overall (last pick of the sixth round). Plymouth defenseman Yannick Rathgeb was not drafted.

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GOLF

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He had a great career and he is an elite player in Michigan and will be playing at Lovola in Chicago next year.' Jake Kneen Lakeland

The senior finished the year on fire by winning the regional title with a school-record 68 after winning medalist at the KLAA Association tournament with a 70. Kneen ended with a 74.5 average for 18 holes and was a fouryear letter winner. At the state finals, Kneen shot an 80 before rebounding with a 75. Justin Pahl

Lakeland The four-year letter winner shot a 1-underpar 143 at the state finals to finish tied for ninth. It capped an average of 76.36 for the year. Pahl also shot a 76 at regionals and a 75 at districts. He tied for third at the KLAA Association tournament with a 77.

Andrew Sarokin Northville

The senior averaged 37 for nine holes and 78 for 18. He earned KLAA all-conference honors, was district champ and earned Team MVP honors three years in a row. He also recorded four top-10 finishes. He will continue his career at Oakland University.

"The true No. 1 player on my team," coach Jeff Balagna said. "He played his best golf on the biggest stages throughout his career. He is one of the hardest working players I have ever coached, he was never satisfied with his game and was always looking to improve. I always felt comfortable that he was going to put up a good number - just as steady as they come."

Second team **Dan Ault Catholic Central**

What will capture your eye?

The senior finished with an average of 76.6, which included four top-10 finishes and a first-place finish at Paint Creek CC with a

Ben Smith Catholic Central

The freshman completed the year with a 77.18 average and had five top-10 finishes. His top finish was a tie for second at Saline with a

Andrew Stevens Northville

The senior averaged 38 for nine holes and 79 for 18. He recorded three top-10 finishes and was co-MVP. He will continue his career at the University of Findlay in Ohio.

Justin LaFrance Lakeland The sophomore fired

two even-par rounds at the Division 1 state finals to help the Eagles to a sixth-place finish. LaFrance was also fifth at regionals with a 74 and finished with a 77.18 average for 18 holes.

Mitchell Stump South Lyon

The senior did not finish the year at 100 percent, causing his 18-hole average to climb to 81. When healthy, the team captain recorded rounds of 71 at Rush Lake, 75 at Orchard Lake CC and 77 at Pontiac CC.

Jeffrey Clemence Milford

The junior finished with a nine-hole average of 39 and a 79 for 18. He was the team MVP and earned KLAA all-conference honors. Alec Adgate

South Lyon East The junior qualified individually for regionals and the state finals in Division 2. He finished with rounds of 82 and 79 in the finals at Forest Akers West. His top scores included a 75 at regionals, a 78 at Division 2 Oakland County and a 79 at the Northville Invite at Hudson Mills.

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AWARD

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past 14 years when she first started kicking the ball around the pitch. Since then, she's gone on to play for the elite club team, the Michigan Hawks, and led her high school team to the Division I state championship. This year, she scored 23 goals and had 23 assists.

So what's next for the state's best player? A career away from the state, actually. Buckingham will continue her career at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

"(Going to UNC) has always been a dream of mine and if I wasn't going to play soccer I would still want to be in that environment, so it was an easy choice for me," said Buckingham.

Buckingham will use

her athletic scholarship to help her study business while playing for the Tar Heels.

As new memories are being made at the NCAA Division I level, Buckingham will no doubt reflect on her career in Michigan, and the friends and soccer family she has made along the way.

"My favorite memory is probably a montage of all the trips I take with my best friends and teammates," she said.

"Soccer is what brings us together, but we bring the best out of each other on and off the field, which is what I love most. The best memories come with smiles."

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

CAMP

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which is how he ended up in Northville. They moved to the U.S. in 2009 and have three children. He found new opportunities to coach high school again and then for the past three years as the assistant men's basketball coach at Schoolcraft College.

Imbuzeiro is a veteran of the Syracuse University Camp, has coached at the Red Auerbach Camp and Dave Cowens Camp (both in the Boston area)

and also at Oakland University's camp. Last summer he was invited to travel to Italy where he spent four weeks coaching kids at camps there.

He established Always Basketball with the intention to bring a sports activity to school children at their schools. He's been offering afterschool camps to kids at Northville's Silver Springs Elementary, where his children at-

"I opened Always Basketball Inc. to promote sports in elementary schools and to also work as a fundraiser for the school," Imbuzeiro said. "Over the past year the company grew tremendously.

Now he and his team - which includes Always Basketball's other head coach, Northville resident Steve Claramunt want to keep growing the basketball business by giving kids a chance at fun exercise over the summer.

For more information about Always Basketball, visit alwaysbasketball-.com.

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NOTICE **CITY OF NOVI** REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY SPECIAL LAND USE PERMIT PTSLU14-0005

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the representative for Somnio Global L3C is requesting a Temporary Special Land Use Permit in accordance with 3004.2 of the Novi Zoning Ordinance for temporary placement of an exterior nitrogen storage tank with equipment and two diesel tanks located at 45145 W 12 Mile Rd until June 24th, 2015.

A public hearing can be requested by any property owner of a structure located within 300 feet of the boundary of the property being considered for a Temporary Special Land Use

This request will be considered at 9:30 AM on Tuesday, July 22nd, 2014 at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 Ten Mile Road. All written comments should be directed to Tom Walsh and must be received prior to Monday July 21st, 2014.

Tom Walsh Building Official (248) 347-0415 LO-0000201547 3X2.5

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INVITATION FOR BIDS

City of Northville 2014 PERMANENT UTILITY CUT REPAIR PROJECT

Sealed bids will be received in the City of Northville Council Chambers, City Hall, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan 48167 until 2:00 p.m. local time on Tuesday, July 15, 2014 for the City's 2014 Joint and Crack Sealing Program. This project seeks a Contractor to provide all labor, materials, tolls and equipment necessary to perform 360square yards of quality Utility Cut Repairs on City streets inside the City of Northville. Contract documents and bid proposals can be examined at the City Clerks Offices at 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan, and can be obtained by contacting the Northville Department of Public Works at (248) 449-9930.

The City of Northville, in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 78 Stat. 252, 42 U.S.C 2000d to 2000d-4 and Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Department of Transportation, Sub Title A, Office of the Secretary, Part 21, Nondiscrimination in Federally assisted programs of the Department of Transportation issued pursuant to such Act, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration of an award.

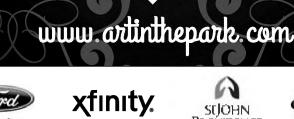
The City of Northville reserves the right to waive any irregularity or informality in bids, to reject any and/or all bids, in whole or in part, or to award any contract to other than the low bidder, should it be deemed in its best interest to do so.

James P. Gallogly Director of Public Works

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Oakland leads in job growth

Oakland County's job growth since 2010 has outpaced other key counties of similar population around the United States, Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson announced.

"Oakland County plays a significant role in Michigan's economic recovery because of our deep dive into the knowledgebased economy," Patterson said. "And from the looks of it, we are a leader in the nation as well."

The May 2014 jobs figures from the Bureau of Labor and Statistics indicate that Oakland County's labor force increased by 5,600 participants to 594,916 and the number of employed residents grew by 2,800. Because of more participation in Oakland County's work force, the May unemployment figure for Oakland County is 6.9 percent, up from 6.5 percent in April.

In an effort to diversify the economy, Patterson launched Oakland County's Emerging Sectors initiative in 2004 to identify the top 10 sectors that will attract

COMPARISON

Oakland County has 11 percent more jobs than it had in 2010, said Dan Riley, a market research analyst in the Department of Economic Development & Community Affairs. Using the May 2014 jobs numbers just released by the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), Riley compared Oakland County to other counties of similar size — the same ones to which the University of Michigan compares Oakland County in its annual economic outlook report: (County and percentage more jobs since 2010)

- » Oakland County, Mich. 11 percent
- » Wake County, N.C. 10 percent
- » Macomb County, Mich. 9.4 percent » DuPage County, III. — 7.9 percent
- » Hennepin County, Minn. 6.6 percent
- » Orange County, Calif. 6.2 percent
- » Fairfield County, Conn. 3.9 percent
- » Nassau County, N.Y. 2.4 percent
 » Fairfax County, Va. 2.3 percent
 » Montgomery County, Md. 2.2 percent

and retain sustainable, high-pay-

ing jobs to the region in the 21st century. Companies in these Emerging Sectors are involved in such leading-edge fields such as advanced electronics and controls, advanced materials and chemicals, communications and

information technology, robotics and automation, and Oakland County's Medical Main Street.

Since its inception, 284 companies have invested \$2.71 billion creating 31,379 jobs and retaining 16,282. For more information, visit www.advantageoakland.com.

Prop 1 good for business



A broad-based group of supporters, including Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson, AARP Michigan Volunteer State President Tom Kimble, small business owners and other community leaders, urged a yes vote on Proposal 1 on the Aug. 5 ballot, which would solve two problems at once without a tax increase on anyone. Proposal 1 would eliminate the double tax on local small businesses and it would stabilize local communities by dedicating 100 percent reimbursement of the estimated revenue lost from the Personal Property Tax (PPT) for police, fire, ambulances, jails, schools, roads, libraries and other community services. Eliminating the Personal Property Tax is expected to create up to 15,000 jobs and \$450 million in additional investment. Proposal 1 is not a tax increase. It is paid for by eliminating spe cial corporate tax breaks the legislature has voted to end, and by establishing a statewide Essential Services Assessment paid only by manufacturers receiving a PPT reduction.

Lotus brings Alleman on board

Lotus Bank announced that it has named Kenneth S. Alleman its Senior Credit

admini-

stration



analyst. Alleman has more

than 25 years of experience in banking and finance, with a background in auditing, tax analysis, cash flow analysis, documentation,

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financial statement analysis, sampling and fraud prevention.

"We are pleased to announce Ken's appointment," said Neal Searle, president and CEO of Lotus Bank. "His decades of experience will allow Lotus Bank to continue to serve the community and grow as one of the premier commercial banks in the

Prior to joining Lotus Bank, Alleman served as an administration manager, auditor and analyst at prominent regional and national financial

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institutions. Alleman is a — is based in Lansing. For resident of New Hudson.

SBAM board member

More than 350 small business owners and supporters attended the Small Business Association of Michigan's (SBAM) 45th annual meeting June 19 in Lansing. During the meeting, SBAM's 2014-2015 board members were announced. Among them was Marie Seipenko, of the Northville-based

Preferred Solutions, Inc. The Small Business Association of Michigan

more information, visit www.sbam.org.

Maxion names new exec

Maxion Wheels has named Bill Wardle vice president, global sales and marketing. Maxion said the addition will help it pursue its aggressive growth strategy.

Most recently, Wardle was global vice president of sales and marketing for Magna Exteriors, Interiors and Seating. He'll be based out of the company's Novi headquarters.

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BUSINESS BRIEFS

Cooper Standard enters into agreement

Novi-based Cooper-Standard Holdings Inc., the parent company of Cooper-Standard Automotive Inc., announced that Cooper Standard has entered into an agreement with Halla Visteon Climate Control Corp. to sell HVCC its thermal and emissions product line. The company said the sale allows Cooper Standard to focus on the product lines where it holds a leading market position and can gain the greatest competitive advantage.

"A strategic decision was made to divest our thermal and emissions product line and allow the company to focus resources on our four core product groups: sealing and trim, fuel and brake delivery, fluid transfer and anti-vibration systems," said Jef-frey Edwards, chairman and CEO, Cooper Standard. "We will work closely with HVCC to ensure a smooth transition.'

Cooper Standard products, including exhaust gas recirculation modules, electronic coolant pumps and valves, electronic wastegate actuators and electronic throttle bodies, as well as related assets from operations in North America, Germany, France and the Czech Republic along with certain engineering and other resources in North America and Germany are intended to transfer to existing HVCC locations over the next several months as a part of the transaction.

The sale is subject to adjustment, certain regulatory and other approvals and is expected to be finalized in the third quarter of 2014.

ITC share

repurchase program ITC Holdings Corp. has entered into an accelerated share repurchase program (ASR) with JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Associa tion for up to \$150 million of the company's common stock. The ASR is part of ITC's boardapproved share repurchase program authorizing the repurchase of up to \$250 million through Dec. 31, 2015, as originally announced on April

15. "This ASR demonstrates ITC's commitment to our balanced capital allocation strategy and how our model aligns the ability to invest and grow the business for the benefit of customers while also delivering value to investors," said Joseph L. Welch, chairman, president and CEO. "We remain focused on preserving our credit quality and financial flexibility to reinvest back in the business while also maintaining a strong balance sheet and delivering returns to investors."

Under the terms of the ASR, ITC has agreed to repurchase up to \$150 million of its common stock from JPMorgan in total with an initial delivery of approximately 2.9 million shares based on current market prices. The final number of shares to be repurchased will be based on the volume-weighted average share price of the company's common stock during the term of the transaction, which is expected to be completed by year-end 2014.

Retail forecasts rise despite sluggish May sales

Michigan retailers' outlook rose to its most optimistic level in more than nine years in May, following sluggish sales that didn't keep pace with April's post-winter surge, according to the Michigan Retail Index, a joint project of Michigan **Retailers Association** and the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago.

Retailers' 90-day sales forecasts rose more than five points in May after shooting up by 11 points in April.

"We expected sales to keep rising in May after a strong rebound in April. Instead, they fell off," said James P. Hallan, MRA president and CEO. "Retailers' optimism continued rising anyway, likely because they know the economy is improving and consumers should be willing to spend."

The May survey of MRA members showed 30 percent of retailers increased sales over the same month last year, while 46 percent recorded declines and 24 percent reported no change. The results create a seasonally adjusted performance index of 47.7, down from 51.1, in April. A year ago May the Index stood at 54.9.

The 100-point Index gauges the performance of the state's overall retail industry, based on monthly surveys conducted by MRA and the Federal Reserve. Index values above 50 generally indicate positive activity; the higher the number, the stronger the

Looking forward, 63 percent of retailers expect sales during June-August to increase over the same period last year, while 8 percent project a decrease and 29 percent no change. That puts the seasonally adjusted outlook index at 79.3, up from 73.9 in April and the highest since November 2004. A year ago May, the Index stood at 76.6.

ICSC selects six communities

The Michigan cities of Marquette, Ferndale, Westland, Bay City, Brighton and Port Huron have been selected by the International Council of Shopping Centers to participate on the Municipal Runway at the 44th annual Michigan Idea Exchange & Alliance Program on July 24, from 8:45-9:30 a.m. at the Suburban Collection Showcase in Novi. These communities were selected following a twomonth, statewide competition because of their best practices in crafting public/private partnerships that have attracted capital, created jobs and raised the tax base in their communities.

Signature sells space in Novi

Signature Associates has negotiated the sale of 33.025 square feet of industrial space located at 22285 Roethel Drive, Novi.

Steve Kozak and Steve Gordon of Signature Associates represented the seller, Graham Clements Management, LLC. Kozak also represented the purchaser, Shastco, LLC

Pho Lucky coming to Novi

Pho Lucky, one of metro Detroit's favorite little Vietnamese noodle shops, is opening a second location with far more seating — and parking.

The new restaurant on Grand River at Haggerty in Novi will accommodate about 100 guests, compared to about 30 in the original location on Joy Road in Redford Township, said owner Cong Nguyen. He plans to open on July 7, the Monday after the Fourth of July weekend.

Pho - pronounced FUH and considered the national dish of Vietnam — is made with a flavorful clear broth, flat rice noodles and the diner's choice of meat, usually beef. Cilantro and green onions are often served on top, with a side plate of fresh herbs, lime wedges and bean sprouts added to taste.

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Smoke alarm use focus of fire prevention effort

he National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) June 9 announced "Working Smoke Alarms Save Lives: Test Yours Every Month!" as the theme for Fire Prevention Week 2014, Oct. 5-11. As the official sponsor of Fire Prevention Week for more than 90 vears NFPA announced the theme at its 2014 Conference and Expo in Las

"Smoke alarms can make a lifesaving difference in a fire, but they need to be working," said Lorraine Carli, NFPA's vice president of Outreach and Advocacy. "Unfortunately, many home fire deaths result from fires where a smoke alarm is present but does not operate. This year's Fire Prevention Week theme focuses on motivating people to test their smoke alarms each month to make sure they're working properly.

According to NFPA statistics: » Having a working smoke alarm in the home cuts the risk of dying in a fire in half.

» On average each year, three out of five home fire deaths result in fires where there are either no smoke alarms or no working smoke alarms.

"Smoke alarms can make a life-saving difference in a fire, but they need to be working."

LORRAINE CARLI

National Fire Protection Association's vice president of Outreach and Advocacy

» In one-quarter (23 percent) of the home fire deaths, smoke alarms were present but did not sound.

Nearly 3,000 people continue to die in fires each year, with most of those deaths occurring in homes," said Carli. "The vast majority of home fire deaths are preventable, and working smoke alarms play a big role in helping reduce those numbers.

NFPA recommends:

» Installing smoke alarms inside every bedroom, outside each sleeping area and on every level of the home, including the basement.

» Testing all smoke alarms every month by using the test button.

» Replacing all smoke alarms every

10 years or sooner if they don't re-

spond properly when tested. Fire Prevention Week occurs annually in October during the week in which Oct. 9 falls, commemorating the Great Chicago Fire of 1871. Each year, NFPA works in coordination with partnering companies, organizations and fire departments to promote Fire Prevention Week and its fire safety

messages throughout North America. For more information on Fire Prevention Week and this year's campaign theme, "Working Smoke Alarms Save Lives: Test Yours Every Month!", visit www.fpw.org.

NFPA is a worldwide leader in fire, electrical, building, and life safety. The mission of the international nonprofit organization founded in 1896 is to reduce the worldwide burden of fire and other hazards on the quality of life by providing and advocating consensus codes and standards, research, training, and education. NFPA develops more than 300 codes and standards to minimize the possibility and effects of fire and other hazards. All NFPA codes and standards can be viewed at no cost at

www.nfpa.org/freeaccess.

estate lawyer can explain exemption changes

Q: I have heard that Michigan has amended its general property tax as it relates to additional exemptions. Do you have any information?

A: Yes, the amendments discontinue a short-term exemption from school operating taxes for new construction on development property, replacing it with an exemption for both the underlying real property and the



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structure. They exempt from school operating taxes the development property on which a formerly exempt new construction was located, for limited periods, to the same extent as provided for a principal residence under other state statutes. "Development" property means real property on which rests a residential dwelling, condominium, or other residential structure that has never been occupied, has been available for sale, has never been leased, and has never been used for any business or commercial purpose (except as an onsite office in a specified development). You are best advised to consult with your tax or real estate lawyer in connection with this new legislation.

Q: I am selling my condo for a substantial gain, but I have con-cerns about the taxes I will have to pay. The association has made substantial improvements to the condominium since I have owned my unit. Is there any way to in-corporate those improvements to reduce my tax liability?

A: Yes. As a condominium coowner, you have a percentage ownership interest in the entire condominium. Correspondingly, you have a percentage interest in the capital improvements to the condominium. The dollar amount of that percentage interest can be added to the tax basis of the unit when calculating the gains attributable to the sale of the unit, reducing your tax liability.

Robert M. Meisner is a lawyer and the author of "Condo Living 2: An Authoritative Guide to Buying, Selling and Operating a Condominium." It is available for \$24.95 plus \$5.55 for tax, shipping and handling. "Condo Living 2" is available in both print and e-book editions. The e-book is available for download through iTunes, Amazon.com and barnesandnoble.com. He is also the author of "Condominium Operation: Getting Started & Staying on the Right Track," second edition. It is available for \$9.95, plus \$2.20 for tax, shipping and handling. Call 248-644-4433 or visit bmeisner@meisner-law.com. This column shouldn't be construed as legal advice.

REAL ESTATE BRIEFS

Short sales

If you owe more than what your house is worth, you may be interested in a free informational seminar

on short sale procedures. Bonnie David, broker/owner of Quantum Real Estate, is the presenter. It will be 6-7 p.m. each Thursday at 129 N. Lafayette, downtown South

Please call the office at 248-782-7130 or email june.quantum@gmail.com for your reservation or additional information.

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The Real Estate Investors Association of Wayne will have an open forum. Investors will answer questions and offer a market update. Meetings are at 6-9 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month at the Red Lobster on Eureka in Southgate.

Members are free, guests \$20, which will be applied to their membership. The Red Lobster is next to 7-11, near Trenton Road.

Any questions or concerns, call Bill Beddoes at 734-934-9091 or Wayde Koehler at 313-819-0919.

Seminar each Tuesday, Thursday

A free seminar on governmentinsured reverse mortgages is offered by Colonial Mortgage Corp. at 6:30 p.m. each Tuesday and at 2 p.m. each Thursday at various locations.

RSVP with Colonial Mortgage at 800-260-5484.

Free foreclosure tours

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

Email Georgia@addedvaluerealty.com or visit FreeForeclosureTour-

HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-OAKLAND COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week		4025 Telegraph Rd 801 W Long Lake Rd #	\$400,000 \$44,000	MILFORD 768 Forestberry Ct	\$220,000	1142 Paddock Dr 24656 Padstone Dr	\$254,000 \$72,000
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Oakland County Register of		BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP		NORTHVILLE		605 Woodland Dr	\$214,000
Deeds office. Listed below are		6975 Cathedral Dr	\$375,000	41733 Broquet Dr	\$120,000	SOUTHFIELD	
		6600 Valley Spring Dr	\$545,000	21129 Westfarm Ct	\$280,000	17191 Edwards Ave	\$153,000
cities, addresses, and sales prices.		6681 Woodbank Dr	\$250,000	NOVI	, — ,	29670 Everett St	\$32,000
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22880 Shagbark Dr	\$465,000	234 Arabelle St	\$76,000	27649 Cromwell Rd	\$292,000	18559 Jeanette St	\$152,000
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These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of March 10-14, 2014, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds

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157 Hamilton Ave	\$267,000	11302 Seminole
44870 Joy Rd	\$150,000	13120 Sioux
9194 Manton Ave	\$170,000	19941 Woodworth
48487 Meadow Ct	\$369,000	WAYNE
45138 Pinetree Dr	\$325,000	4420 Adams Cir
11146 Terry St	\$325,000	33947 Winslow St
45293 Woodleigh Way	\$210,000	WESTLAND
REDFORD	\$225,000	6610 Central City Pkwy
9129 Appleton	\$45,000	32607 Hiveley St
9592 Arnold	\$60,000	5633 N Newburgh Rd
17301 Brady	\$22,000	698 Ravencrest Ln
17629 Five Points St	\$22,000	7395 Woodview St

Car Report

In New Honda Platform, & All the Nation Becomes a **Music Stage** sponsorships of a single artist or concert



By Dale Buss

Honda\

Honda is launching a major new music promotion.

Honda Stage is a multi-platform program designed

brands outside the car industry that are effectively

playing to the music-hungry Millennial generation.

to meet music fans in environments where they're

Honda an opportunity to further build brand

already searching for and consuming music, providing

awareness and lovalty. Honda will offer a Honda Stage

YouTube channel devoted to original music content as

well as 200 sponsored live events over the next year and

tie-ins with music-industry giants ranging from Live

In doing so, Honda seeks to elevate itself above

what it considers the industry's wan music-marketing

one-off promotions for individual vehicle launches or

efforts to date that typically have been limited to

Honda doesn't just want to putz with musicbased marketing the way other car brands do. With the launch of its hugely ambitious Honda Stage music platform, Honda intends to blow away its automaker rivals like a bass-guitar riff drowning out a harp solo - and join the cluster of top

series. "We want to take this to a whole new level that's not really being done by anyone else," Tom Peyton, assistant vice president of advertising and marketing for American Honda, told me. "We want to be a blue-chip company that gets into the music content and curation business and creates our own advertising platform

In complement and as part of Honda Stage, Honda also will be greatly augmenting its most significant music initiative to date: the Civic Tour that has entertained 3.5 million Americans since 2001. This year Honda plans three successive Civic Tours promoting three distinct genres of music instead of the single tour that the brand has employed each of the 13 previous years. One tour will feature alternative rock bands, another will be headlined by pop-rock band American Authors, and the third will feature a Latin DJ trio.

And as before, headlining bands will design their very own custom Honda Civic and showcase their creative Civic

Civic Tour must be boosting Honda sales to some extent. The target audience for the Civic compact, of course, is Millennials who are looking for entrylevel vehicles and may be attracted to the Honda brand for a number of reasons. Honda had a hiccup with a new version of the car it introduced a couple of years ago, which was panned by critics, but the current, quickly and much-improved

Civic has re-established itself in its traditional sales groove.

In May, Civic sales in the United States rose by 19 percent compared with a year earlier, to more than 36,000 units, and they rose by 4.5 percent for

aid, translates directly into higher consideration and sales for the Honda brand. Company research showed that Civic Tour attendees increased their consideration of Honda vehicles by 34 percent over a control group of

"If we can get Honda to be thought of in the same likes as Apple and other great Millennial brands, that's certainly my goal at the end of the day," Peyton

"Plenty of other [non-auto] companies



The 2014 Honda Civic Coupe

the year to date. That keeps Civic as, by far, Honda's best-selling vehicle after the Accord mid-size sedan

The main immediate goal of Honda's giant leap is to register more heavily with Millennials, who consume a big portion of their media online instead of via traditional TV, radio and print, and who have come to be known as the car-resistant generation. "When you're integrated correctly, especially with music, it increases your emotional appeal to [this] consumer," Peyton said

And that emotional appeal, he

consumers. And sales data from the subsequent six months showed that such concert-goers actually made a congruently greater number of purchases.

In essence, Honda Stage is meant to put Honda in the same group of savvy non-music consumer brands outside the auto circle — including Amazon with its new Prime Music service, Coca-Cola in partnership with Spotify, Apple through its All Access Music, Twitter and YouTube — that have inserted themselves into music-content creation and are refreshing their brands by doing so.

have done a great job with music," he added. "But we think with more than 200 events lined up over the next year, as well as our online presence, we can have a constant premise and become known as a destination for music on an ongoing basis — and that's the real difference.

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Assessment of new physician jobs: Specialists represent untapped talent



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Physician's considering a transition into retirement, looking for part-time work, or just exploring other options, will find one discipline in extremely high demand.

Are you a retired surgeon who wants to start seeing patients again? Perhaps you've spent years as a dermatologist or rheumatologist and would now like to grow your specialty practice by including general family medical care.

Maybe you've been dreaming of transitioning to part-time work in a medical field where doctors are in extremely high demand. If any of these situations - or innumerable others—describes yours, you may want to consider a move to primary care.

Shortage in primary care

Primary care physicians-particularly those in family medicine—are in short supply and many experts predict they will

only become more so in the coming years. In fact, a 2012 study published in the Annals of Family Medicine estimated the primary care physician shortage will reach 51,025 by 2025. A number of factors are contributing to the problem, from more than 10,000 Baby Boomers turning 65 every day to increased access to preventative healthcare for millions of Americans under the Affordable Care Act. Additionally, while the Association of American Medical Colleges predicts medical school enrollment will increase 30 percent between 2002 and 2017, too many new medical students choose sub-specialties over primary care fields.

A cap on federal financing for residency programs has compounded the issues, making it impossible for many medical school graduates to complete the final portion of their training necessary to practice medicine.

It's easy to see why many healthcare employers are desperate to hire family medicine physicians and other primary care staff. A recent nationwide survey of hospitals

and medical groups by one staffing firm found 31 percent of respondents intended to increase their medical staff with primary care doctors. Many will look at untapped sources of talent as they search for candidates, and retired specialists and other physicians looking to make a career change are exactly that.

Online transition program

Becoming a family medicine physician after a successful career in another specialty doesn't require a return to medical school. Last year Dr. Leonard Glass, a retired reconstructive and plastic surgeon, launched an online course designed to make it simple for specialists to transition to primary care. Doctors—from those currently practicing to those who have retired yet retained their medical licenses—can refresh and deepen their family medicine skills through the 100-hour web-based Physician Retraining & Reentry program.

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