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Library book sale

Feel like curling up with a good book? It's Used Book Sale time again at the Northville District Library at 212 W. Cady Street. in downtown Northville. Times for the sale, which runs from Nov. 7 through Nov. 9, are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 1-3 p.m. Sun-

The special Friends Preview Night is 6-9 p.m.. Thursday, Nov. 6. Not a Friends member? Join that night for admission to the preview and get a jump on the choice selection. Hardbacks, DVDs and CDs are \$1, paperbacks are \$.50, and children's books only \$.25. Everyday is \$5-a-bag-day.

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All proceeds from the Used Book Sale and the Book Cellar support the library's programs and service enhancements.

Cady Street ranch-style home not historic enough to save it

By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer

Is a 1952 ranch-style home historic and should it be preserved next to other older homes within the Northville Historic District?

No and no, according to the Northville Historic District Commission.

Those were the answers at the end of the Northville Historic District Commission's last meeting in which they were deciding whether or not to grant a request to demolish the home at 500 W. Cady Street.

The Historic District Com-

mission (HDC) approved the request by a 5-1 vote with commissioner Thomas Gudritz voting no on both motions, which included one stating the home was not a contributing historic home and the other granting demolition, which is a last resort decision for the HDC.

Commissioner John Argenta summed up the yes votes reasoning when he said the home is out of place in comparison to the neighboring homes and it doesn't fit the bill as far as the theme and standards that ultimately the historic district is



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

See HISTORIC, Page A3 The home at 500 W. Cady Street in Northville.



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Updating a holiday classic

NHS Drama Club bringing its version to the stage

By Lonnie Huhman

The Northville High School Drama Club's fall production is a new take on an old classic and great way to kick off the holiday season.

A modern version of Miracle on 34th Street will be debuting on Nov. 13 at NHS. It's an updated take, but it still carries the same important themes.

"It's still about belief, surrendering old ways and being open to possibility,

JOHN HEIDER |

PHOTOGRAPHER

Debbie

interim principal at Amerman

Hubbell,

Elementary

School, chats

with some of

the students

on Oct. 23 as

prepares to

school

dismiss.

but don't expect the movie," said NHS theater director Tracy Spada.

Modern technology like cell phones will make an appearance and help take the story that was originally out on the big screen in 1947 into 2014. In this new version Dr. Sawyer is a woman. However, the basic story remains with it taking place between Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day in New York City inside Macy's, and focuses on the impact of a department store Santa Claus who claims to be the real Santa.

Spada said they have been hard at work this year preparing for this production. The drama team is younger this year with much of the crew made up of

freshman. This has made it challenging at times, but in the end it's good with anxious energy leading the way.

"It's a building year with a lot of freshman joining, but it's been really good," Spada said.

Leading the cast is junior Grant Marmaduke as Kris Kringle. For him the character is his first major role and its one he is looking forward to doing in front of an audience.

"It's very exciting to be part of this," he said. "I'm looking forward to getting

out in front of the audience.' So far he has been practicing in front

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Amerman Elementary gets a needed fill-in principal

By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer

Debbie Hubbell will be serving as interim principal at Amerman Elementary School until Debbie Madeja is able to return to work after being out most of this school year due to medical

"Mrs. Madeja is grateful to be home from the hospital and on the road to recovery. She reports improving each day, and anticipates being able return to work within the next three to six weeks, subject to clearance from her physicians," wrote Northville Public Schools Superintendent Mary Kay Gallagher in an email to the school community. "The thoughts and get well wishes sent to Mrs. Madeja have been a bright spot in her recov-

In the mean time Hubbell has stepped in to fill this important

"I will be here as long as they need me to be," Hubbell said on

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GARDEN PARTY

Volunteers help First Step families with healing process

By Brad Kadrich

When Theresa Bizoe spoke to a group at a Plymouth Rotary Club lunch more than a year ago, she probably couldn't have realized it would lead to the completion of a dream.

On Saturday, volunteers from that same club – along with land-scaping crews and other workers who came with them – took giant steps toward making Bizoe's dream a reality.

Dozens of volunteers worked all day Saturday at the First Step shelter in Wayne, putting the green touches on what will be, according to its designer, one of the larg-

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est playground/healing garden facilities in the country.

First Step is a shelter serving the victims of sexual and domestic violence in western Wayne County.

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"We're putting together all the green parts of our playground and healing garden for all the families that come to us for help," said Bizoe, First Step's associate director. "Play and relaxation are an essential part of the healing process, especially for children. The kids who come to First Step leave their

homes, their schools, sometimes their families, their friends, their toys, and they come into a shelter. That can be very stressful for kids."

Jonathan Dreyfuss of Ann Arbor-based Greenscape Systems, who designed the playground, called it "perhaps the most comprehensive playground ever developed in the United States for this application."

In addition to several pieces of pretty standard playground equipment, the facility will include four different play areas, crafted for infant/tod-dlers, preschoolers, school-age kids and teenagers.

Garden party

The healing gardens will include one garden near the building, another that includes an 80-foot retaining wall – "The wall basically wraps its arms around people sitting there," Dreyfuss said – and a rock garden and water garden, with a water wall that provides a peaceful setting for families who want to listen to the water rushing.

ing.
"The healing gardens are really the component that separates this space from other spaces people go to visit in public parks," Dreyfuss said.
"These are places for people to go to lessen the stress of the experiences they've been subjected to."

The playground is expected to be "95 percent complete" this fall, Dreyfuss said, with total completion expected in the spring.

Saturday's volunteer effort blossomed out of Bizoe's appearance at the Rotary meeting. Club membership includes a couple of landscaping contractors and, according to Bizoe, a challenge was issued: For every Rotarian who volun-



TOM BEAUDOIN

Dozens of landscapers and other volunteers helped to finish the project at the First Step Shelter in Wayne.



TOM BEAUDOIN

Landscaping volunteers helping put the First Step playground together took time out for a group photo.

teered to help, a professional landscaper would be added to the volunteer group.

Right thing

Paul Opdyke of Plymouth-based Serene Surroundings, was among them.

"Rotarians are putting in the effort and the resources," Opdyke said. "I wanted to do the same. It was the right thing to

Plymouth Rotary Club member Eric Joy, the son of club president Tim Joy, said he was moved by Bizoe's presentation at that lunch meeting so many months ago.

"I told her at the end of the meeting I'd like to help," Eric Joy said. "First Step is for victims of domestic violence, but it's mostly for the kids. My mom is a retired teacher, so kids and I are kind of tight. I just wanted to do it for the kids."

When it's done the playground, which covers more than an acre,

will include a splash pad, a bucket-swing set, a large sandbox and a variety of playground equipment Bizoe said was "rescued" from another facility.

All of it is designed, she stressed, to aid families who seek First Step's help in the healing process.

"What we envision this playground to be is a place where people can relax, to be able to heal from all the trauma they've seen," Bizoe said.

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CONGRESSMAN?



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- 2. Son of a small business owner
- 3. Proud public school graduate
- 4. Supports women's reproductive rights and equal pay for equal work



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trying to preserve.

He cited one of main reasons the district was started in the early 1970s was with the passing of a resolution that the architectural theme for the Northville Historic District is Victorian, in the era from mid 1850s to the latter 1800s.

"I'm not convinced this is a historic structure," said Commissioner Mark Vernacchia prior to the vote.

Gudritz, who said he was struggling with this case, said for him, it came down to a question of value. He asked does this era and style of home deserve to be preserved.

"It does represent a time in our history," he

The commission did emphasize that each case they look at is taken on its individual details and there is no sweeping changes for the worse within the historic dis-

The meeting was packed full of City of Northville residents, for and against the demolition, who voiced their opinions during the public hearing portion of the meeting. All seemed to be in favor of preserving history, but where they differed as to what's worthy of preserving.

Longtime resident and local business owner Jim Long stood in support of the demolition, but said

both sides have worthy reasons. However, for him he said it comes down to that the home "is not historic."

His opinion was that of many who stood up during the public hearing. Many others also focused on that it doesn't fit in compared to the

rest of the neighborhood. "This house is out of place," said neighboring homeowner Dan Hack-

Residents Jennifer and Tim Luikart, who live just down the street from the home in question, said this latest demolition decision marks a trend in Northville to knock down older homes and build new, bigger ones. They would rather see the current home at 500 W. Cady rehabilitat-

"It is troubling to us to see the trend in Northville in general where historic homes are torn down, be they Sears homes in Cabbagetown, gothic farmhouses in Bealtown or brick ranches in the Historic District," they said in a letter they handed out to the commission. "They all contribute to the diversity of the Northville community."

They along with some other homeowners are concerned the HDC is not taking seriously its charge to preserve histo-

ry in the community. At the previous HDC meeting, historic district homeowner Robert Sochacki opposed the request to demolish and noted that his own home

was of a style – Japanese bungalow – not listed in the mission statement of the Historic District.

"If homes had to conform to the styles in the mission statement, could any home not thus listed be demolished?" he

Sochacki also reminded the HDC of past demolitions and feels that the Historic District itself was being torn down.

The home at 500 W. Cady is owned by Mike and Julie Malloure. Mike is a Northville High School graduate and said he has brought his family to downtown Northville because they truly want to live there and enjoy everything the community has to offer.

The meeting was an emotional one for them because they want to make downtown their home and don't want to upset anyone.

"We are deeply rooted in this community and respect Northville," Mike said.

They said they wanted to rehab the home, but it wasn't realistic to fit their needs. The current home is just over 1,000 square feet. They want to build one that fits their needs and the character of the neighborhood.

They were thrilled with the support they received at the meeting. Next they will bring the actual home building plans and details before the city for approval.

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League of Women Voters: Prepare for election day

League of Women Voters of Northwest Wayne County President Angela Ryan urges voters in to prepare for the upcoming election by visiting VOTE411.org to find their polling place, check voting hours, learn about the candidates and read tips about voting in Michi-

gan.
"Voters in Michigan want simple, helpful tools to help them navigate the voting process and election day," Ryan said. "VOTE411.org is the nation's premiere online, non-partisan election resource and the League of Women Voters of Northwest Wayne County has provided information on the candidates running for office in our community for this resource. Simply enter your address for your customized information."

Printed copies of the League's non-partisan Voter Guide were delivered to libraries in Northville, Plymouth, Canton, Livonia, Redford, Garden City, Westland and Wayne earlier this month. Additionally, voters can find the Voter Guides on the League's website at lwvnww.org, as well as videos of candidate forums held in September and October for the 20th and 21st District state representatives,

Plymouth-Canton and Livonia school boards and the 7th District state Senate.

'This year, millions of voters will head to the polls and stand up for what matters most to our communities and our lives," Ryan said. "The best thing we can all do is urge everyone to prepare by learning about the candidates and issues before they vote. All of our elected officials have incredible influence over the issues an policies that affect our families and communities most. Election day is our chance to weigh in and take control over what is most important to us."

Farmers Market coming to close



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Well, if the changing leaves and falling temperatures weren't proof enough, along comes the close of the Northville Farmers Market to show summer is indeed over. But there is still time to get your pumpkins, mums and other seasonal items this Thursday when the market holds its last session of 2014. The market runs from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the corner of Seven Mile and Sheldon roads. Here Shelly McGuire lugs a good-sized pumpkin to her cart just in time for Halloween.

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her first day last week. "The most important thing I have to do during my time here is fully support the students, staff and parents to help make this a great educational environment.'

First things first though are getting to know the students, she said. Being available and present at recess and during lunch is an important daily task for a principal, and its one Hubbell looks forward to doing.

According to Gallagher, Hubbell comes highly recommended by school officials in her previous positions. She retired in 2013, having served as an elementary school principal in Grosse Pointe for six years and middle school principal in Birmingham for 10 years. Following retirement, she has held several short term positions in Birmingham and through Oakland Schools.

"She brings a great skill set and experience to her role as interim principal at Amerman," Gallagher said.

Gallagher further said Hubbell will work together with the Amerman staff and district administration, as well as keeping in contact with Madeja, "to support our student, staff members and families over the course of the next several weeks.3

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of his classmates, family and friends. His role does take on physicality with him having to wear a "fat suit" to bring more realism to the character's looks.

'It's hot and I can't see my toes, but it gets me character pretty

quickly," he said.

Show dates and times are: 7 p.m. on Nov. 13 and Nov. 14, and 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. on Nov. 15.

All tickets will be sold at the general admission price of \$10 and will be available at the box office one hour prior to each performance. You may also purchase tickets by contacting Denise Stacer at 248-924-2324 or

drstacer@dsemail.com.

Groups of eight or more may receive a discount of \$1/per ticket by placing orders before Nov. 12. This show is appropriate for all ages.

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Winchester Elementary evacuated briefly on Monday morning

By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer

A loss of power at Winchester Elementary School on Monday morning led to the school being briefly evacuated due to an electrical smell.

An email update was sent out on the morning of Oct. 27 by Winchester Principal Kelly Lindsay, in it she said, "Partial power was lost around 9:50 a.m. this morning at Winchester."

"As a result, one of the

belts on the HVAC system broke causing an electrical smell to permeate the building. The fire department was called and the students were evacuated from the building. The fire department gave the 'all clear'

at 10:25 a.m. and all students returned to class," she said.

The school is located at 16141 Winchester Drive in Northville Township.

Lindsay, in her first year as principal at Winchester, said the students and staff conducted themselves in a great manner throughout the situation.

"The staff and students did a remarkable job staying calm and evacuating the building in a safe and orderly

fashion," she said. She emphasized to parents that their child's safety "is our number one concern."

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Working on the next move

NHS Chess Club offers up some friendly competition

By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer

Chess anyone? If so and you are a Northville High School student then you have a place to go and that's the Chess Club.

The club meets each week on Wednesday afternoon. A total of 14 members participate in what was more like a gaming club, but turned into the chess club three years ago. They still play some others games occasionally, but it's mostly chess that they devote their time.

"I like the strategy that's involved," said junior Andrew Prescott as to why he loves chess. "It takes ability to see the next moves and plan ahead."

Although most of the club members are experienced in playing chess, it's an open club to any level of expertise. The more experienced will teach and help others learn the game.

"It's casual and low pressure, and we're open to anyone wanting to join," said senior Nick Bednark. "We say come in and enjoy yourself."

The chess boards they

Caleb Benedict (right) and

chess in room 186 of

use were purchased through donations and they meet in a classroom. A visit will have one seeing players at similar levels playing each other most days. There is an occasional tournament within the club that can pit different skills levels against each other. This is something they would like to expand and compete against other school clubs.

Alex Breuhan play a game of

Northville High on Oct. 15.

Prescott, Bednark and iunior Christian Barry have been members all through high school. They hope the club will keep going after they graduate. So if you are freshman or a middle school student who likes chess than look no further than the high school chess club.

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The Northville High Chess Club meets in room 186 at the school, every Tuesday after school.



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Governor Snyder Declares October 2014 Spinal Healthcare Month in Michigan

At the request of the Michigan Association of Chiropractors (MAC), Michigan Governor Rick Snyder has signed an Executive Declaration naming October 2014 "Spinal Healthcare Month" in Michigan. In his Declaration, the Governor proclaimed that "the proper function of the nervous system and the correct alignment of the spine are essential factors to the body's ability to grow and develop appropriately, and to work effectively and efficiently." The Governor further proclaimed that, "during this month we join with back and spinal health care professionals throughout Michigan to remind citizens of the importance of proper care for the back and

"Spinal Health Care Month has become an annual tradition in our state," said Dr. Dennis Whitford, President, Michigan Association of Chiropractors. "It is also an excellent public relations opportunity for MAC doctors to promote their practices and raise awareness regarding the importance of spinal health and chiropractic care."



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Detroit Catholic Central students cheer on their classmates during a tug-of-war competition that was part of the Oct. 17 Boys Bowl pep assembly.

Boys Bowl assembly shows deep school spirit

By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer

Their teams might not win every sporting event, but no one can deny the spirit and enthusiasm of students at Detroit Catholic Central High School in

The annual Boys Bowl assembly, held Oct. 17, was a perfect example of the school's love for its traditions and values.

This year marked the 70th Boys Bowl football game and as staff, students and families all gathered in the school's gymnasium for the big assembly leading up to the weekend contest.

Of the many points of pride identified at the assembly, one was the announcement that this fall, Catholic Central was a nominee for the Best Boys High School Sports Program in the Country as part of an online contest through USA Today.

In thanks to the overwhelming support and enthusiasm shown by the Shamrock Nation, CC was declared the winner. School officials said CC dominated the competition and tallied a total of 503,947 votes over three rounds of voting, which began Aug. 18 and ended Sept. 12.

According to school lore, 70 years ago, in 1944, the first Boys Bowl game took place. A young Basilian priest, the Rev. James Martin, athletic director and baseball coach at Catholic Central, envi-



Detroit Catholic Central student Charlie Davidson (with trophy) enjoys the moment after being recognized for his fundraising efforts in a recent marathon run to raise funds for the Make-a-Wish Foundation. Davidson was recognized during the Boys Bowl pep assembly at CC.

sioned a football game between the best team in Michigan against the best team in America. At that time, the best team in America was Father Flanagan's Boys Town

squad from Omaha, Neb. Thus began the Boys

The special speaker at

this year's Boys Bowl assembly was former (football player and class of '88 graduate Chris Kovath. He summed it up well what the Boys Bowl means to CC, which he described like Super

Bowl week. "This is a great Catholic Central tradition," he

said of the Boys Bowl.

Varsity football cocaptain Cameron Hendershot seconded this when he said, "There is no other school like Catholic Central."

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During the CC Boys Bowl pep assembly, Annemarie Wright (right) was named homecoming queen. The Brighton High senior is



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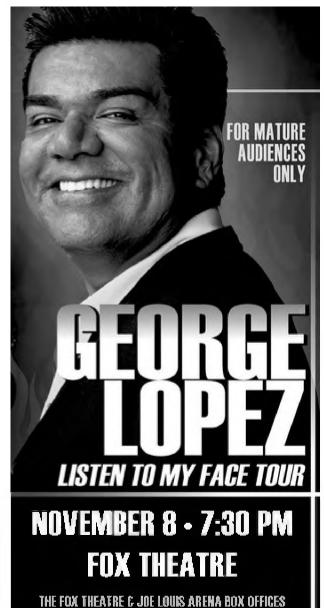
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Novi mom fights cancer with daughter's help

Her struggle featured in PBS documentary

> By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer

Juanita Gee has a lot of reasons to get up each day and fight her stage four, terminal breast cancer, which has caused her so much pain and difficulty over the past six years. Among those many reasons is one big one as to why she strives to stay positive: her daughter Alexis.

She's a blessing for me and I probably wouldn't be here today if it wasn't for my daughter," said Gee, a Novi resident.

She was diagnosed with breast cancer in 2008, when her daughter Alexis was only 2. However, she was cleared in 2009, only to find out in 2010 that the cancer was back and had metastasized. She now undergoes a daily regimen of medicine and has begun radiation and surgeries.

'It's treatable, but not



"She's a blessing for me and I probably wouldn't be here today if it wasn't for my daughter," said Juanita Gee, a Novi resident fighting her terminal breast cancer diagnosis, here with her daughter Alexis.

curable," is how she describes her situation.

Her story is one that isn't always talked about. Juanita's husband, overwhelmed by the diagnosis, left her soon after, unable to cope, leaving her without a crucial piece of support. In spite of this, she has found a

way to live and thrive with her daughter at her side each step.

It's this story she wanted to tell so people would understand and, in some cases, might even find their own inspira-

Both mother and daughter agreed to share their journey with Novi director/producer Keith Famie for his television documentary series The Embrace of Aging, which airs on Detroit Public Television. She was in the show's third episode "Fighting Cancer," which aired Oct. 26.

In that episode, the

producer stepped into the lives of three brave women who are all living with breast cancer. Between doctor's appointments, chemo and radiation treatments, medical professionals help tha audience better understand what breast cancer is.

While planning the series, Famie found a lot of similar stories of support and survival about breast cancer, but he wanted to have another perspective to go along with those stories. He found that in Juanita.

She was hesitant at first to put their lives out there for viewers, but the deciding factor was about bringing understanding to some misconceptions about people with terminal cancer, while also helping others relate who might be in a similar situation.

'Her story represents a different look into the fight against cancer, not one always told," Famie said. "It's insightful and emotional, yet very endearing to see the bond between mother and

daughter."

He said there's a lot people can learn from the series. Juanita said she did. Even though she lives it daily, she said after watching their episode she came to a better realization how much she and her daughter have and are going through together.

It's made her even more appreciate each day she has with her daughter.

'I have a strong, brave little girl who has given me the inspiration to live as full of a life as I can," Juanita said.

There may be another opportunity to see the episode when Detroit Public Television repeats it. The next one, episode four, is 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 2, and it's called "Men and Women." In this episode, they hope to shed some light on how to grow old with your life partner — and still be in love.

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NOVI

Cash stolen from home

A Novi home was the scene of a breaking and entering case in which the thief got away with \$5,000 in cash.

According to a Novi Police report, a home on Reeds Pointe Drive was broken into some time Sept. 24-25. The police believe the suspect gained entry either through an unlocked front sliding door wall or basement door. The homeowner, who lives alone, came home and found it had been rummaged through.

The thief bypassed a television and computer and snagged an envelope full of \$100 bills.

Larceny

The daughter of a Fox Run resident told Novi Police that a credit card and \$200 in cash were stolen from her mother's residence.

The daughter said the theft occurred Sept. 28. There are

no suspects. The daughter said someone would need a key to gain entry. It was reported there were some other recent thefts at the senior community, but they were being handled

The case remains open.

Neighborhood sign damaged

An entrance sign at the east entry of the Bella Terra neighborhood was damaged, with a letter being torn off by an unknown suspect.

The incident was reported Sept. 26 to Novi Police. The letter was ripped of a decorative wall. It was estimated that \$500 was needed to repair

There are no suspects.

Walmart attempted

Two men attempted to rob Walmart of more than \$800 in merchandise, according to Novi Police report.

The incident happened Sept. 27 and the men were caught on security camera pushing a cart around full of groceries and covered with a sweat shirt. The store security told police the men made no attempt to pay and pushed the cart outside before being stopped.

POLICE BRIEFS

The men admitted to the theft attempt and were arrest-

NORTHVILLE

Broken window

A Plymouth man had his truck window broken by an unknown suspect while it was parked at Ford Field in downtown Northville, a police report said.

The window was broken the morning of Oct. 17 while the man was inside Planet Fitness. It appeared as if it was a larceny attempt, but there was nothing reported taken from the truck.

Driving high

A Livonia woman was arrested for operating a vehicle under the influence of marijuana after being stopped by Northville City Police for erratic driving.

The police reported spotting the 24-year-old woman swerving and generally driving erratically early Oct. 22. The police stopped her along South Center Street and reported smelling an odor of marijuana inside the car. She told police she had a few beers at a friend's house, but would not consent to a search of the

Police had her perform field sobriety tests, which she had trouble doing and stumbled a few times. She told police she had smoked marijuana earlier at her friend's. After being arrested, she told police there were two small bags of marijuana in the car.

Tires slashed

Four vehicles parked at a Spring Drive home had their tires slashed by an unknown

The incident occurred the night of Oct. 23 and Northville

Police responded to the neighborhood after getting a call from a witness who said there were loud sounds outside similar to gunshots. Another witness told police he heard them as well and ran outside to see a person running away from the scene.

He told police he then noticed the vehicles in the driveway with their tires slashed. Each vehicle had two tires

There is no further information on a suspect.

License suspended with warrants

A Novi woman was arrested by Northville City Police after she was spotted driving with a broken taillight, according to the police report. She was stopped on South Center Street. She did not have a license and told police she had warrants out on her.

She was arrested for driving on a suspended license and for two warrants out of Novi and Canton.

City of Novi **Public Hearing Notice**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Zoning Board of Appeals for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, November 18, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers Novi Civic Center 45175 Ten Mile Road to consider:

CASE NO. PZ14-0041 40800 W. 13 MILE RD - BRIGHTMOOR CHRISTIAN CHURCH The applicant is requesting variance from Section 2503.2.A and 2503.1B of the Novi Zoning Ordinance to allow construction of scoreboards with a reduced yard setback of 34 ft. for the baseball field scoreboard and 70 ft. proposed for the softball field scoreboard and accessory structures (sheds) within exterior side yards. The property is located north side of 13 Mile Rd and west of M-5.

CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES, Section 2503.2.A requires that all accessory structures must meet the setback requirements of the district, which in this case, requires a 75 foot setback in all exterior side yards, and Sec. 2503.1.B requires accessory structures must

be located in the rear yard. CASE NO. PZ14-0046 47190 ELEVEN MILE RD

The applicant is requesting a VARIANCE from the CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES, 2400 to allow construction of a new screen-in-porch extending 2.5 ft. into the required 20 ft. side yard setback of an existing home. The property is located south of Grand River Ave. and

CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES, Section 2400 requires a minimum 20 ft. side yard setback in the R-A Zoning District.

CASE NO. PZ14-0047 DUNBARTON PINES 45082 NINE MILE ROAD The applicant is requesting a variance from CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES; Section 2513 allowing an entrance monument signs within the corner clearance zone area. The applicant is also requesting variances from 28-5(2)d.3 to allow placement of the entrance

monument signs within a required street right-of-way setback as follows: 9 Mile & Plaisance, proposed at 6 ft. from Nine Mile Rd. R.O.W. Taft Rd. & White Pines, proposed at 12 ft. from Taft Rd. R.O.W.

Taft Rd. & Dunbarton, proposed at 14.5 ft. from Taft R.O.W. The property is located on the east side of Taft Road and north of 9 Mile Rd.

9 Mile. & Foxton Dr., proposed at 4 ft. from 9 Mile R.O.W.

CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES, Sign Ordinance Section 2513 which requires a 25-foot corner clearance (clear view) zone and section 28-5(2)d.3 which requires entranceway signs be located at least 10 feet from any street right of way. CASE NO. PZ14-0048 42875 GRAND RIVER -ROJO MEXICAN BISTRO

Applicant is requesting a variances to sections 28-5(2)b.1.(b)(i) and 28-5(2)b.3 to allow a 64.75 square foot sign on the second floor wall for a first floor business.

Sign Code Section 28-5(2)b.1.(b)(i) permits a 65 square foot sign for a first floor business. Sign Code Section 28-5(2)b.3 allows a first floor business sign to be located within the lineal frontage of the business. CASE NO. PZ14-0049 28350 CABOT DR -BOGE

Section 28-5(3)f to allow a second wall sign of 24.2 square feet located on the west side of a separately owned and operated businesses. The property is located east of Haggerty Rd and north of 12 Mile Rd.

The applicant is requesting a variance from CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES,

CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES, Section 28-5(3)f permits a single wall sign where two (2) or more separately owned and operated businesses occupy a building on a single parcel of land with only one main entrance. CASE NO. PZ14-0050 (PARCEL 5022-21-101-001)

The applicant is requesting variance from the CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES, Section 2400 to allow development of four parcel with a reduced lot width of 141.75 (150 ft. required. The parcels are located east of Wixom Rd and north of 10 Mile Rd.

CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES, Section 2400 requires that parcels within the RA zoning district have a minimum lot width of 150 ft. CASE NO. PZ14-0051 45605 NINE MILE RD The applicant is requesting variances from the CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES,

Section 2503.1(I) to allow construction of a new (1) story with a building height of 18 feet(14

ft maximum) detached garage on an existing single family parcel. The property is located west of Taft on the south side of 9 Mile Rd. CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES, Section 2503.1 (I) limits detached accessory buildings to fourteen (14) feet in height in the R-1 Zoning District.

CASE NO. PZ14-0052 PINNACLE HOMES 27661 ESTRADA LN The applicant is requesting a variance from CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES, Section 28-10 to allow installation of an awning sign located on model home. The property is located east of Napier Rd. and south of 12 Mile Rd.

CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES, Section 28-10 prohibited awnings signs within

R-4, One Family Residential District.

CASE NO. PZ14-0053 SHIRO RESTAURANT 43180 NINE MILE ROAD The applicant is requesting a variance from Section 28-8 to allow continued placement of a thirty six (36) square foot off-premises pole sign for an existing restaurant business. The property is located on the north side of 9 Mile Rd and east of Novi Rd

CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES, Section 28-8 allows off-premises advertising signs in the I-2 Zoning District only. LO-0000218996 3X9.5

Firefighters support Northville Youth Assistance

Northville Township Firefighters have partnered with Northville Youth Assistance to help support its mentoring program. The NYA mentoring program matches screened and trained volunteers with young people in the community to act as positive role models that provide

friendship and guidance. The Northville Township Firefighters Charity Fund recently donated \$375 in gift cards to area restaurants, cinemas and activity centers to be used by mentors and their charges during outings. Although volunteers are encouraged to do activities that don't cost anything, such as visiting parks and play-



Northville Youth Assistance Director Sue Campbell accepts \$375 in gift cards from Northville Township firefighter Jeff

ing board games, they sometimes like to go out to eat or to other places where they have to pay admission. This gift will allow mentors to take their charges someplace special without footing the bill themselves.

'We work hard to better the Northville community both on-duty and off and we're happy to assist those who do the same," Northville Township firefighter Jeff Sims **NYA Director Sue**

Campbell said she is grateful for the gift. If you're interested in

making a difference, contact Campbell at 248-344-1618.

NOTICE OF CITY COUNCIL VACANCY **CITY OF NOVI**

Notice is hereby given of a vacancy on the Novi City Council. If you are interested in applying for appointment for the term ending November 2015, please obtain and complete an application for Boards and Commissions at <u>www.cityofnovi.org</u> or contact the City Clerk's office, 45175 Ten Mile, Novi, MI 48375, by email to mcornelius@cityofnovi.org, by phone 248-347-0456 or by fax 248-347-0577. The deadline for submission of applications is Thursday, November 6, 2014 at 4 p.m. The City Council will hold interviews at a special meeting on Thursday, November 13, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers located at 45175 Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375.

Maryanne Cornelius, MMC

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NOTICE CITY OF NOVI REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY SPECIAL LAND USE PERMIT PTSLU 14-0008

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the representative for Irwin J. Arkin LLC/Martin Technologies is requesting a **Temporary Special Land Use Permit** in accordance with 3004.2 of the Novi Zoning Ordinance for outside storage of new unlicensed, operable vehicles located at 43100 Nine Mile Road until November 14, 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 permit.

This request will be considered at 2:00 PM on Friday, November 14, 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 Wednesday, November 12, 2014.

> Tom Walsh **Building Official** (248) 34 7-0415

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MILL RACE MATTERS

Mill Race Historical Village is located at 215 Griswold Ave., north of Main Street near Ford Field. Buildings will re-open each Sunday in June of 2015. Grounds open daily dawn until dusk. Mill Race relies on rentals and memberships to maintain the Village. Please consider becoming a member or making a donation today! Please see the website for details: www.millracenorthville.org

Upcoming events

» Dinner With Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt – 7:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 14, at Genitti's Hole-in-the-Wall, Northville. A fundraiser to support the Mill Race Historical Village. Commemorate Veterans Day by going back to 1944 and interacting with seasoned actors portraying Franklin and Eleanor. Event will feature a family style Italian dinner with the Roosevelts. Cost is \$45 per person. Reservations can be made at Genitti's Hole-in-the-Wall, 108 Main, Northville, or by calling 248-349-

» Christmas in the Village – 1-4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 23. This event is free and open to the public. It will feature historical presentations by St. Nicholas, live music and choral

performances. Artisan demonstrations, NHS 50th Anniversary Retrospective NHS exhibit, "A Window on our Past." Museum buildings open and decorated for the season with docents guided tours. Volunteers are

Weekly events

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 Cady Inn.

Thursdays and Fridays: Archives open 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

General info

Website: www.millracenorthville.org

Volunteers: The Northville Historical Society at Mill Race Village accepts volunteers in many different areas. Contact the office for more

Donations: Donations accepted for the Garage Sale each Tuesday only from 9 a.m. to noon.

Archives: archivist.nhs@gmail.com

Office info: Open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Friday. Contact 248-348-1845 or mrv1845@ya-

Holiday wreaths in the works



JOHN HEIDER I STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Northville Garden Club President Inge Knoth (right) and other helpers work on making their holiday wreaths using pine cones and other natural materials during an Oct. 13 get-together at Mill Race Village. The group will soon begin taking orders for its wreaths and deliver them to buyers Nov. 17-18 at Mill Race. Members will also sell them Nov. 22 in downtown Northville.







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Wind energy and recycling hold as much promise, if not more, to create new investment and jobs over several decades, as does drilling for fossil fuels.

Michigan's energy boom more about wind than oil

Michigan sits at the precipice of an energy boom and the future is not just about oil, gas and pipelines.

Wind energy and recycling hold as much promise, if not more, to create new investment and jobs over several decades, as does drilling for fossil fuels. Also, an unprecedented construction boom to upgrade or replace coal-fired power plants means billions of new investment and thousands of construction jobs.

But even ramping up renewable energy production, such as wind and solar, can

pose environmental risks. Some groups and elected officials contend new drilling technologies to extract oil and natural gas reserves, plus newly proposed pipelines, could impact the health of the Great Lakes — and Michigan residents.

They point to the devastating Enbridge pipeline spill in 2010 near Marshall and say infrastructure, including a 61-year-old oil pipeline under the Straits of Mackinac, poses grave risks for massive oil spills that couldn't easily be contained. They worry new

pipelines could destroy private property and put land, water and residents at risk.

But those who promote a Michigan energy boom say more natural gas and oil can safely be extracted from the ground using special drilling and hydraulic fracking technologies, though gas reserves remain harder to tap here than in other states. They contend the state's modest energy industry workforce of 83,000 could expand greatly with more wind and renewable energy investment and a greater focus on recycling

and efficiency programs for homeowners.

Livonia already quietly operates three small oil wells in the city and wind energy investments in the Thumb have paid off for utilities.

A study conducted for Michigan's Energy Innovation and Business Council said local investment in renewable energy projects — advanced energy storage, biomass, solar and wind — could support nearly 21,000 jobs in Michigan by 2015 and contribute more than \$163 million in local and state tax revenues.

Michigan's energy potential

From traditional fossil fuels to renewable energy, Michigan has vast untapped energy resources.

» Oil and natural gas: The Antrim Shale formation, a geological band through the northern Lower Peninsula, is Michigan's richest natural gas resource. Almost 7.8 billion cubic feet of gas are produced from the formation each month — and that's down from better economic times a decade or so

A U.S. Geological Survey assessment of undiscovered, technically recoverable oil and gas resources in the Michigan Basin, which includes the entire state of Michigan and parts of Ohio, Indiana, Illinois and Wisconsin, showed 990 million barrels of oil, 11 trillion cubic feet of natural gas and 220 million barrels of natural gas liq-

The natural gas potential is equivalent to a large chunk of the entire natural gas usage of the U.S. in a year, 26 trillion cubic feet.

» Wind: Michigan ranks 16th among U.S. states with 1,163 megawatts of installed wind power, enough to power more than 300,000 average Michigan

The state has the potential for more than 59,000 megawatts of wind energy

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Electrician Bill Dillionson helps guide into place a solar panel at the DTE solar farm near Old Plank Road on March 3, 2014, in Lyon Township.



FILE PHOTO | GANNETT MICHIGAN

The site of two recently drilled oil wells is being readied for production in Livonia in this July 2008

Drilling in backyards benefits land owners

By Frank Witsil Gannett Michigan

A little-known source of revenue for Livonia, the city's longtime Mayor Jack Kirksey said, is three — and soon, possibly four — active oil wells.

"It's a subtle operation," Kirksey said. "They don't see it, they don't smell it, they don't taste it. Even if I told you where they were, I'd have to give you a map so you can find them.'

One of the three wells in Livonia, he said, is on the campus of Schoolcraft

New technology in the past decade, such as three-dimensional imaging and horizontal drilling, has led to an oil and gas boom in places like North Dakota and put more wells in urban and suburban areas so some landowners and cities can reap a steady income.

As oil and gas production surges, cities like Youngstown, Ohio, that declined as industry left are trying to revive. Property owners, potentially sitting on rich deposits of fossil fuel, are negotiating lucrative contracts. More oil and gas drilling - combined with more alternative energy development, which has been slow and steady in Michigan as costs have dropped – could lift the state's

But while some are cashing in, others particularly residents who live near

wells but don't have contracts and environmental groups — are fighting oil and gas exploration and drilling, underscoring a growing tension among competing interests that is playing out nationwide.

Oil and gas drilling in Michigan has gone up and down since the 1950s. In a ranking of total energy production by the U.S. Energy Information Administration, Michigan is in the middle of the states at 26th, with 618 trillion BTUs. The top state is Texas and the bottom, Rhode Island. In crude oil production, Michigan is 18th and in natural gas it's

West Bay Exploration, which has wells throughout the state, is using technology to improve the efficiency of its operations and allow it to drill in more urban and suburban areas, but the company is limited by regulation and geol-

ogy.
"I don't expect an energy boom in Michigan," said Tim Baker, vice president at West Bay, based in Traverse City. "We think it's going to be a slow, steady

Unlike in other states, where big deposits of oil can be sucked out, much more targeted drilling is required in Michigan. There are more than 4,500 active oil wells and nearly 12,000 active natural gas wells — all in the Lower

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Fortis CEO: State should have its own energy boom

'Either you hit oil - or you don't,' Conway says

Before he became an oilman, Nathan Conway wanted to be a farmer.

"I thought I'd be in agricul-ture," the CEO of Bloomfield Hills-based Fortis Energy said of his youth in North Dakota. As a child, he raised sheep. But his father and late grandfather were in the oil business so, at 16, he started working in that industry, too. "There's no industry more exciting.'

You spend a lot of money to take big risks," Conway added. "Either you hit oil you don't. If you hit a dry well, you're crying. If you hit oil, you're cele-

brating.'



Fortis, which Conway

has about 100 employees and has expanded rapidly, doesn't drill, but it provides services to companies that do. The company deploys service rigs, crane-like devices that are used for below-ground repairs to wells, throughout the Midwest and northeast, including Michigan, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Ohio, New York, Indiana, Illinois and North

Technology such as three-dimensional imaging and horizontal drilling has led to an oil and gas boom where big oil deposits have been extracted. Conway contends there is potential for more of that prosperity in other states, including Michigan.

"If we were allowed to drill more here, I believe Michigan would be in a much better financial situation," he said.

At the same time, industry innovations have also generated energy policy debates as business leaders and environmentalists clash over the benefits and dangers of drilling.

One controversy has been over fracking, a process of extracting oil and natural ga from layers of shale deep underground. Water and chemicals are pumped into the ground to create cracks to release gas. The process, also called hydraulic fracturing, has allowed companies to tap gas deposits that had been unreachable. Critics have raised concerns about the potential to contaminate groundwater.

In Michigan, there are 10 high-volume fracking oil and gas wells and 27 pending active permits, according to the state Department of Environmental Quality. New rules, state officials said, increase the information available to residents about fracking and enhance how water-impact is tracked.

"There's pros and cons to everything in life," Conway said. "But you have to do responsible development. In my

opinion, that's oil and gas." Oil money has been flowing so freely in North Dakota that state's unemployment was the lowest in the nation at 2.8 percent in August.

In Conway's view, the oil and gas industry is environmentally safe — and boosting the economy.

About a year ago, the \$13.5 million company changed its name from Arrow Energy Services to Fortis, which Conway said means strength in Latin. This year, the company

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FORTIS ENERGY SERVICES

About: Fortis Energy has oil and gas well services throughout the Midwest and northeast, including Michigan, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Ohio, New York, Indiana, Illinois and North Dakota. Last year, the company changed its name from Arrow Energy Services. Headquarters: 36700 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills Annual sales: \$13.5 million Employees: About 100 Website: fortisenergyservi-

WIND ENERGY INDUSTRY SOARING

By Frank Witsil Gannett Michigan

The shift to renewable energy sources in Michigan — particularly wind — has picked up in the past few years and could get more of a boost as the Obama administration seeks a 30-percent reduction in carbon dioxide emissions by 2030, advocates and utility companies

That could mean more investment and more jobs to add to Michigan's modest energy sector profile of about 83,000 workers. One recent study concluded targeted local investment in wind and other renewable energy could support nearly 21,000 jobs in the state by next year.

'Wind energy has been the primary source of new renewable energy in Michigan," John Quackenbush, the chairman of the Michigan **Public Service Commis**sion said as he spoke earlier this year to green energy proponents at the Michigan Energy Fair in Mason.

One reason: It's about half as expensive to produce than utility companies initially expected, down to as little as \$50 a megawatt hour last year from more than \$100 a megawatt hour in 2009

In the past few years, wind power in Michigan has created jobs, given rise to new companies that supply components - such as Ventower **Industries in Monroe** and even inspired a few school projects and tourism. The nonprofit group Natural Resources Defense Council says Michigan is home to about 120 companies that supply wind components and employ 4,000.

DTE Energy and Consumers Energy, the two companies that serve Michigan's Lower Peninsula, are building wind turbines in the Thumb area. Consum built turbines recently in the Ludington area in western Michigan. The Thumb has enough wind to be a top site nationally for harnessing the resource, officials from the companies say. Wind and other renewable sources of power are expected to provide a steadily increasing amount of Michigan's power needs by 2030.

A state law that requires 10 percent of electricity produced come from renewable



ELLEN CREAGER | GANNETT MICHIGAN

This 2013 photo shows the wind turbines in Tuscola County. Consumers Energy is now building a second \$255 million wind farm, Cross Winds, in the county.

sources by the end of next year has increased demand and helped propel the construction of wind farms. Michigan still gets more than half (54 percent) of its power from coal, a significant source of carbon dioxide emissions.

Since the state law passed in 2008, utilities have invested more than \$2.2 billion in renewable technology, including building hundreds of wind turbines, some as tall as the Fisher Building. There are now more than 20 wind farms in Michigan that are operational and in development, the public service

commission said Michigan utilities and energy producers have strategies to reduce carbon dioxide emissions, mostly by adding scrubbers to coal-fired power plants and also by replacing coal-fired plants with ones that run on cleaner-burning natural gas. More renewable energy also has become a big part of the equation. Because of that demand, Michigan's growing wind business has meant falling prices for residential consum-

To cover the extra cost of green energy production, residential customers have been paying a utility surcharge. This year, largely because of the lower cost of wind, DTE has reduced its surcharge from \$3 per meter a month to 43 cents, while Consumers Energy eliminated its surcharge altogether, down from \$2.50.

Education and tourism

Wind farms - which sprout towers 400 feet tall — have been praised and derided.

Some Michiganders don't like the turbines' humming noise from the whirling blades. They complain that the towers

ruin views and kill birds. As a source of power, wind farms are less reliable and efficient than coal- or gas-fired

because wind comes and

power plants largely

goes. But utility companies say wind farms are a clean source of power and increasingly less expensive to build and operate. Wind, after all, is free. After a wind farm is built, it takes

than a power plant. While the blades are dangerous to birds, harm can be mitigated with good operating and management practices and protection plans,

fewer people to operate

conservancy groups say. In addition, some school districts, such as Laker Schools in the Thumb, have incorporated wind power to save money on electricity and teach kids about science and the environment, said Brion Dickens, who installed three 80-foot tall turbines through a \$265,000 state grant.

Right now, he said, the district's turbines are not running because of a dispute over who should cover the cost of repairs. But he said the project illustrates wind's potential. He said he's working with other schools and districts as they develop renewable energy projects.

Michigan went from a capacity of 2.4 megawatts of wind power in 2007 to 287 megawatts in 2011, enough to power more than 120,000 homes. The state is expected to produce an additional 3,000 megawatts as more projects are developed, according to the NRDC.

Consumers Energy, based in Jackson, built its first wind farm, Lake Winds, on the west side of the state in Mason County in 2012. It has 56 turbines.

As a side benefit of the wind farm, the Lu-

WIND ENERGY **ON THE RISE**

» More watts: Electricity generation from wind increased to 168 billion kilowatt-hours last year from six billion kilowatt-hours in 2000. The boom is from improved technologies.

» Lower production costs: Power from wind in Michigan is half as expensive to produce than utility companies initially expected, down to as little as \$50 a megawatt hour last year from more than \$100 a megawatt hour in 2009, according to the Michigan Public Service Commission. » Lower utility bills:

DTE cut its renewable energy surcharge fee to 43 cents per meter a month from \$3 per month. Consumers Energy eliminated its \$2.50 a month charge in July.

dington & Scottsville Area Chamber of Commerce offered bus tours so curiosity seekers could see the turbines up close. The chamber is no longer giving those tours, but a local operator, it said, has added the stops to its tours.

Consumers Energy is now building a second \$255 million wind farm, Cross Winds, in Tuscola County in the Thumb. It should be completed by the end of the year, utility spokesman Brian Wheeler said. Plans for Cross Winds call for 62 turbines. The project also is expected to create about 150 construction jobs.

Meanwhile, Consumers Energy is closing seven coal-burning power plants in Michigan, including the J.R. Whiting plant in Monroe County, by April 2016 and is buying a natural gas-fueled plant, which emits far less carbon dioxide, in Jackson County.

has acquired wind development rights on 80,000 acres, is planning a fifth wind park, also in the

The Detroit-based utility commissioned its first wind farm in 2012. Its existing ones are Thumb Wind in Huron and Sanilac counties; **Gratiot County Wind in** the middle of the state; and Pheasant Run Wind, which was renamed Brookfield Wind, and Echo Wind, both also in Huron County.



PATRICIA BECK I GANNETT MICHIGAN

Workers pull oil-soaked booms from the Kalamazoo River near Marshall on Aug. 6, 2010. A burst oil pipeline caused major environmental damage.

Environmental disasters lurk in pipelines

By Keith Matheny Gannett Michigan

Michigan's increasing role in petroleum products transport doesn't just pose potential risk, it's already causing problems.

An oil pipeline operated by Canadian oil transport giant Enbridge burst near Marshall in July 2010, resulting in the largest inland oil spill in U.S. history. The spill decimated Talmadge Creek, a tributary to the Kalamazoo River, prompting a \$1 billionplus cleanup that is still

incomplete. As Enbridge works to comply with EPA orders to clean the river, it's also expanding pipelines across North America, including in Michigan, to ship increasing amounts of heavy tar sands oil from Canada to new markets. That includes Detroit's Marathon oil refinery, which in 2012 completed a \$2.2 billion renovation so the refinery can use more oil sands product known as diluted bitumen or "dil-

"We are in the midst of a very big, fundamental change in the type of fuel we get in this country," said Josh Mogerman, spokesman for the Natural Resources Defense Council.

As Michigan and Midwest investment in energy extraction and transport increases, rising threats to the environment and communities have become painfully apparent and worrisome, including potential oil spills in the Great Lakes, aging natural gas pipeline on lands and clouds of harmful petroleum dust polluting the air in some residential commu-

nities. Economic development officials point to increased investment and jobs from extracting and transporting natural gas and other fossil fuels, but environmentalists say the track record is already spotty and that the health of the Great Lakes and other Michigan environmental jewels is at increased risk. The health of some residents who have breathed in polluted air or who live near fracking operations and drink the water could also be at risk, they contend.

The dilbit proved particularly problematic in the Kalamazoo River spill. As the chemicals evaporated, causing short-term air quality and public health concerns, heavy oil then sank to the river bottom, making it more difficult to recover. The EPA last year ordered a new round of dredging, as the bottom oil persisted and was moving downriver.

The Midwest's growing relationship with dilbit led to the controversial rising mounds of petroleum coke on the banks of the Detroit River last year. Pet coke is a by-product of dilbit refining and is being sold as a fuel source despite environmentalists' concerns that it burns dirtier than coal.

Dust off the pet coke piles wound up in nearby residents' homes and likely in their lungs. It also swirled in black clouds over the Detroit

River, before the city ordered the piles removed. The piles' host, Detroit Bulk Storage, attempted to store the product at another site downriver near River Rouge, but the state Department of Environmental Quality rejected that request.

Enbridge also operates pipelines at the bottom of the Straits of Mackinac, where lakes Michigan and Huron come together. The 61year-old pipes – and the potential for a catastrophic oil leak into the Great Lakes - have garnered the attention of many, including state Attorney General Bill Schuette and DEQ Director Dan Wyant, who have convened an examination of the straits pipelines and Michigan's general pipeline safety.

A University of Michigan study earlier this year examined Great Lakes currents near the Straits and developed models of oil spills from underwater pipelines. The scenarios show that a spill could move eastward into Lake Huron, westward into Lake Michigan and then move back and forth through the straits several times.

Shoreline areas most impacted would be Mackinac Island, Bois Blanc Island and the Lake Huron shoreline east of Mackinaw City. Contamination could spread as far west as Beaver Island in Lake Michigan to Rogers City in Lake Huron, the study

"I can't think — in my experience — of another place on the Great Lakes where an oil spill would have as wide an area of impact, in as short of time, as at the Straits of Mackinac," said David Schwab, a research scientist at the U-M water center.

On land, while Michigan's two major utilities, Consumers Energy and DTE Energy, have stepped up efforts to replace aging natural gas pipelines, the pace remains slow and the danger is rising

DTE continues to have 2,419 miles of castiron main in its pipeline system — the secondmost of any utility in the U.S. — and 285 miles of unprotected, bare steel pipe in its system.

Consumers Energy has 575 miles of castiron pipe and 203 miles of unprotected, bare steel line. It's the kind of outdated pipe considered most at risk of failure by federal regulators. Replacement plans are expected to take 25 years or more.

DTE gas leak surveys showed average hazardous leak counts quadrupled from 2006 to 1,248 in 2010. More than a quarter of the leaks in that average were caused by corrosion, according to data from regulators.

The problems help make the case for more investment in renewable energy, said Anne Woiwode, director of the nonprofit environmental group Sierra Club's Michigan chapter: "The lack of a long-term strategy for how we get to Michigan-owned clean power is a serious problem we continue to face."

CONWAY

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has doubled the size of its headquarters and added new rigs to its fleet. It plans to add an office in southeast Ohio.

'Our business is fueling America," said Conway, who moved to Michigan 11 years ago to work for Ward Williston Oil. "We're reducing our reliance on foreign oil. We're bootstrapping America. The oil and gas industry is now one of the hottest industries. It's just not one of the most well-liked.'



MEET NATHAN

CONWAY Title: CEO **Education**: Minot State University in North Dakota, bachelor's degree; University of Michigan, master's of business administration Family: Wife Molly Hobbies: Traveling, golf Car he drives: 2013 BMW

DRILLING

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Peninsula, according to the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality.

"I think we'll see ongoing development," said Hal Fitch, chief of the regulatory department's oil, gas and minerals office. "It all comes down to balancing the demands for energy, the respect for property rights — and protecting the environment."

To reach deposits, companies and investors take risks and go through regulators and environmentalists, some of whom have opposed drilling and new methods, such as fracking, which they

worry pose safety risks to residents and could do ecological harm.

"Right there, you have a built-in, natural tension," said Arthur Siegal, an environmental attorney.

Siegal, a Jaffe Raitt Heuer & Weiss partner, this summer represented Scio Township residents who organized as Citizens for Oil-Free Backyards to fight West Bay's operations in their community near Ann Arbor.

Laura Robinson, president of Citizens for Oil-Free Backyards, said the group is concerned about the harmful effects of drilling on the environment and to their safety. Even if a community chooses to welcome drilling, it should be

protected, she said. The group was unable to persuade the courts to stop drilling, but West Bay said its exploratory well was

dry and quit operations

there. Meanwhile in Livonia, Kirksey said the community has embraced drilling and the city has earned a total of about \$500,000 in royalties. That doesn't include what residents with homes on top of deposits are getting some earning \$200 or so each month, depending on the agreement

and size of their lots. "I thought it was a wonderful opportunity," Kirksey said. "Millions of people have passed by and not known it was there. You really have to know where to look."

POTENTIAL

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generation — more than 1.6 times the state's current energy needs. That capacity is the 18th best wind resource in the U.S.

» Solar: Michigan generated just 33 gigawatt hours of photovol-

taic solar power in 2012, but it has the potential to generate 74,373 gigawatt hours per year through rooftop solar panel programs and other solar utility efforts. That's enough power to serve Detroit's needs for a year and then some.

» Biomass: Michigan could produce 4 million dry tons of

sustainable feedstock each year for bioenergy, enough to produce 50 million gallons of ethanol that could power more than 80,000 cars each year.

Sources: National Renewable Energy Laboratory, Natural Resources Defense Council, American Wind Energy Association, U.S. Geological Survey

Medicaid Expansion and the Costs of Grandstanding

Under the Affordable Care Act, Medicaid was to be expanded to include the working poor. The U.S. Supreme Court declared the states could opt in or out of the expansion. Here in Michigan, the legislature and governor opted in for Medicaid expansion. Yet some Republican state senators lead by Patrick Colbeck were able to block the legislation from taking immediate effect and thereby cause a three month delay in the expansion of Medicaid to the working poor.

There were four reasons for states to go with the expansion. The first is the Golden Rule one. If you were poor and could not afford health insurance, wouldn't you still want to have it?

The second was that it would save the state government money even after the state had to eventually start contributing 10% of the cost. It relieved the state of much of the cost it was already paying for indigent health care.

The third reason was that the expansion would bring a lot of money into the state economy that would not come if expansion was rejected.

Lastly, hospital reimbursement rates for the uninsured were lowered a lot because it was expected that there would be a lot less uninsured people. The failure to expand Medicaid would mean that there would be a lot more uninsured people than planned for. This could give hospitals major fiscal problems.

On the other side, legislators could selfishly show their disdain for Obamacare by voting against the expansion. Colbeck and the other Republican state senators used this opportunity to grandstand against Obamacare. This caused the three month delay that hurt both the working poor and our state government's finances. Michigan lost at least \$630 million in federal dollars for those three months. This is money that would have come into our state's economy. This was a very high price to pay for state senators grandstanding.

These Republicans apparently saw this vote as being about themselves and how they looked, not about the working poor or the taxpayers. Should you reward their bad behavior with your vote?

Who to Believe on **School Spending**

Democrat Mark Schauer claims that Governor Snyder and the Republicans in the Legislature cut education spending by nearly a billion dollars to help compensate for the revenue lost by their large tax cut for business owners. His claim is based on the cut of \$960 million in the 2011-12 budget for K-12 and higher education the Legislature passed and the governor signed. Some have criticized this figure because K-12 spending was not quite as bad as budgeted for. The nation pulled out of the Great Recession a little faster than expected so the 2% sales tax income dedicated to education was a bit higher than expected. Still, it was the original intent of the Republicans that supported this figure.

Governor Snyder and Republicans such as State Senator Patrick Colbeck claim they actually increased K-12 spending. This claim is based on the fact that if you add pension contributions to classroom spending, this fiscal year's spending is higher than Governor Granholm's last budget year of 2010-11. Classroom spending by itself is still lower than it was in 2010-11. Granholm's last budget was itself much lower than the 2008-09 which was passed before the Great Recession hit.

The reasons why pension costs to the state are up are twofold. First, while the employees have made their required contributions, the state has not. This goes back to the Engler Administration when tax cuts were more important than pension contributions.

The second reason is that many teachers retired earlier than they otherwise would have because all the budget cuts made teaching more difficult and less rewarding. Class size went up and there was the elimination of many of the support teachers who saw students who needed more individual help than the classroom teacher had time to give them.

It is my belief that the added cost of pensions is a debt owed by the Legislature to the pension fund and should be paid like any other bill that has come due. The school districts did not cause the Legislature to underfund pensions. There really are no grounds for calling this money school aid. The school districts are not receiving a penny of this money.

The Republicans' claim that they actually increased education spending is very misleading because it implies that they increased classroom spending. It also implies that they increased spending for the prior three years which they clearly have not.

You can check at kidsnotceos.com to see how much your school district has lost since 2010-11 because of state budget cuts. For the Livonia School District it is \$14,268,912. For the Northville School District it is \$5,070,767. For the Clarenceville School District it is \$1,500,144.

One question not often asked is why our classroom funding is not back to where it was before the Great Recession hit. The Livonia school district is receiving \$495.00 less per student for operations than it received in the 2008-9 school year. And this is not adjusted for 6 years of inflation.

Regardless of how you may have voted in the past, if you believe that our schools are way underfunded, you must decide whether or not you want to reward with your vote those who cut school funding.

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Democrat for Wayne County Commissioner District 9



Livonia, Northville and Northville Township

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Carbon monoxide alarms can save lives

arlier this month, the Northville Township Fire Department responded to a carbon monoxide alarm activation at a residence in town. According to the caller, he and his family of four had just returned home from vacation and the kids were already in bed. Due to the changing temperatures, he cranked up the furnace for the first time this year and, after about an hour, the CO alarm began to beep.

He first attempted to change the batteries in the device, but the alarm continued to sound. After calling 9-1-1 to report the incident, the dispatcher advised him to evacuate his family from the home and wait for the fire department. When units arrived, they used specialized gas monitors and found that there were readings of 85 parts per million in the home. Fire crews shut down the furnace and the water heater and ventilated the home to remove the hazard. The family was put up in a hotel for the night until HVAC contractors could repair the leak.

The following morning, it was determined that the leak originated from a faulty heat ex-

changer in the furnace. While no one was hurt during the emergency, this incident serves as a great lesson to all of us. Had the family fallen asleep or not had a CO alarm installed, who knows what could have happened as the CO levels continued to climb. According to the Consumer Product Safety Commission, as concentrations rise above 70 ppm, symptoms become more evident. When exceeding 150 ppm, it can lead to death. CO alarms save a lives.



Tom **Hughes** GUEST COLUMNIST

CO is known as the "silent killer," because it is a deadly, odorless and colorless gas that is undetectable by humans. Symptoms and outcomes are dependent on the level of CO, the duration of the exposure and the patient's overall health condition. Exposure to high enough concentrations of CO can be fatal, while lower levels can cause headache, dizziness, nausea, weakness, fatigue, confusion and unconsciousness. Symptoms of low-level CO poisoning can easily be mistaken for the flu. While CO can be harmful to anyone, children and seniors are more susceptible to CO poisoning than adults.

CO is produced by the incomplete burning of various fuels, including wood, charcoal, kerosene, propane and natural gas. CO can be produced by furnaces, fireplaces, water heaters. clothes dryers, vehicles running in attached garages, generators and more.

CO alarms are found in a number of varieties, including battery-operated, plug-in, hardwired or even combined with smoke alarms. New devices contain a sealed "long-life battery" that lasts for 10 years and is not required to being plugged in. It's important to install CO alarms on each floor of your home and especially near sleeping areas. Avoid installing these devices near heating vents or in areas that can be covered by furniture or curtains. The family involved in

this incident was lucky that the home they recently purchased was equipped with this lifesaving device. While CO alarms provide notification, the best protection is to follow these simple safety tips:

» Make sure that appliances are installed and operated according to the manufacturer's recommendations and local building codes.

» Have your heating system serviced annually by a qualified profession-

» Have your chimney and flue checked for proper operation and for any blockages. » Keep your dryer,

water heater and furnace vents clean. » Make sure animal nests, snow or other de-

bris do not block vents. » Never operate a portable generator in an enclosed space, including

your garage. » Do not use grills inside enclosed spaces,

including garages. » Do not leave your

car running in your garage, even with the garage door open.

If vour CO alarm sounds, immediately move your family outside and call 9-1-1. Make sure that all of the occupants are out of the home and wait for the fire department to arrive. Once the department gives you an all clear to return, make sure to have the source of the CO serviced by a professional. For more information, visit us at www.northvillem ich.com/fire or contact us at 248-348-5807.

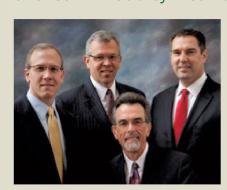
Tom Hughes is the fire inspector for the Northville Township Fire Department. He welcomes questions/feedback at thughes@twp. northville.mi.us or 248-348-5807.



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EVENT DETAILS:

Novi Library

45255 W. Ten Mile Road • Novi, MI 48375

November 6 · 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., West Room November 10 · 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., East Room

Plymouth Historical Museum

155 S. Main Street • Plymouth, MI 48170 November 8 • 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., or 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Northville Library

212 W. Cady Street • Northville, MI 48167

November 13 · 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

November 19 · 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Please call 734–455–9272 or email huronvalleygroup@thrivent.com to reserve a place for yourself and a guest.

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Tots get creative



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Julie Woodard works with student Rowan Bryer during an Oct. 20 Creative Tots class at the Northville Art House. The kids that day were creating owls out of circular bits of cork board and colorful bits of cloth. Woodard has been teaching classes at the Art House, located on Cady Street, for many years. For a complete list of classes and activities offered, visit

Novi Civic Theatre presenting 'Annie Jr.' with two casts

More than 85 young actors have been hard at work for months perfecting the Novi Civic Theatre's upcoming production of Annie Jr. Tickets are on sale now for shows taking place Nov. 7-9. Tickets may be purchased online via cityofnovi.org or at the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services office, 45175 10 Mile Road.

The popular production will feature two casts with actors ranging from ages 6-17. Novi resident Lauren Trainor and Canton resident Kylie Scarpace portray Annie. Nick Czarnota and Austin DuBois, both from Novi, play the part of Warbucks.

Performances for the Broadway cast are 7 p.m. Nov. 7; 5 p.m. Nov. 8; 1 p.m. Nov. 9. Times Square cast perfor-



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mances are 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Nov. 8; and 5 p.m.

Tickets are \$12 for adults, \$8 for children (ages 4-12) and seniors (ages 55 and over) and free for children under 3. All seats are general admission.

For more information, call 248-347-0400 or www.cityofnovi.org.

Halloween photo contest

northvillearthouse.org.

Visit our website hometownlife.com and upload your favorite Halloween photo for a chance to win movie tickets to Emagine Theaters and a free Buddy's pizza. This contest is intended to be fun. Share the link with friends and see if you come out on top! We are ending the contest Nov. 11, so don't wait too long to enter. The photo can be of just about anything related to Halloween. You may also go directly to the contest at this link: http://woobox.com/mevtpe.

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Good luck!

Plan with Novi Older Adult Services

Leaves are falling and the air is getting colder! City of Novi Older Adult Services is planning a variety of fall events providing fun opportunities for attendees to stay active and socialize with friends. Each below event includes a mea entertainment.

» Friday, Oct. 31 -"Freaky Fright Day" Halloween luncheon, noon to 2 p.m., Meadowbrook Activity Center

» Thursday, Nov. 6 – "Home of the Free, Because of the Brave" Veterans Brunch, 10 a.m. to noon, Novi Civic Center

» Thursday, Nov. 13 -"Gab and Gobble Get-Together" Thanksgiving luncheon, noon to 2 p.m., Meadowbrook Activity Center

» Thursday, Dec. 11 -"Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree" Holiday luncheon, noon to 2 p.m., Meadowbrook Activity

Center The events are \$7 for Novi residents and \$8.50 for non-residents. There is no cost for Veterans at the Home of the Free, Because of the Brave Brunch. Pre-registration is required and is available now at the Older Adult Services office (45175 10 Mile Road) and the Meadowbrook Activity Center (25075 Meadowbrook Road)

To learn about the above programs or additional older adult social and educational programs, call 248-347-0414 or visit www.cityofnovi.org.

Rotary presents McQuade

Barbara McQuade, United States attorney for the Eastern District of Michigan, will speak to the Rotary Club of Novi at noon Thursday, Oct. 30, at the United Methodist Church, 41671 W. 10 Mile Rd. Public is invited. Cost of lunch is \$12; RSVP by

calling 248-349-2652. McQuade was appointed by President Barack Obama in January 2010. She was as an assistant U.S. attorney in Detroit for 12 years. She served as deputy chief of the National Security Unit where she prosecuted cases involving terrorism financing, foreign agents, export violations and threats. During her career as a federal prosecutor, McQuade has also prosecuted cases involving violent crime, fraud and racketeering.

From 2003-09. McOuade served as an adjunct law professor at the University of Detroit Mercy School of Law, teaching criminal law in

Coffee with the

Join Novi Schools Superintendent Steve Novi Public Library at in the East Meeting Room (105B) and at 10:15 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 5, in the Board Room 202.

There will be a number of future coffee dates throughout the school year.

Author to visit library

New York Times bestselling author Karen Joy Fowler will speak at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 18, at the Novi Public Library. There are still openings for this event. Fowler will speak about her book We Āre All Completely Beside Ourselves, which was a finalist for the 2014 Man Booker Prize for fiction. In this curious, wonderfully intelligent novel, Fowler brings to life a most unusual American middle-class family, ordinary in every way but one. She is the author of The Jane Austen Book Club and has written six

novels and three short story collections.

NEWS BRIEFS

The book is the 2014 Community Reads selection by the Neighborhood Library Association, composed of five libraries: Lyon Township Public Library, Northville District Library, Novi Public Library, Salem-South Lyon District Library and Wixom Public Library. The visit is presented by all five libraries.

Registration is required for the author visit. Visit the website at novilibrary.org or call 248-349-0720. Please visit the NLA website for more information: http:// mynla.info.

NORTHVILLE

Holiday Lighted Parade

Entries are now being accepted by the Northville Chamber of Commerce for the annual Northville Holiday Lighted Parade which will take place Friday, Nov. 21. The 2014 parade theme is "All I Want for Christmas is .." and entries are invited to follow the theme in order to compete in three award categories. Bands, floats, dancers and entertainers are welcome to

perform in the evening

parade that kicks off the

holiday season in down-

town Northville.

There is now charge to participate in the parade, but an application form is required. Applications are available on the Chamber website at www.northville.org or by

calling 248-349-7640. The parade, sponsored by Tom Holzer Ford, begins at 6:30 p.m. and travels through the streets of downtown Northville. Following the parade, a community

sing-a-long and tree light-

ing ceremony will be held. Local churches will provide free refreshments before and after the parade in Town Square.

Bizarre Bazaar

The seventh annual Bizarre Bazaar will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 8 at the First United Methodist Church of Northville, 777 W. Eight Mile, in Northville. The Bizarre Bazaar will feature more than 40 unique local vendors and crafters. There will also be door prizes, vendor drawings, bake shop and lunch. Admission is \$2 (children 12 and under are free).

All funds raised will benefit Village Banking. For more information, visit www.fumcnorthville.org/biz-baz-villagebanking/ or villagebanking.org. Look for the event on Facebook.



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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - PUBLIC HEARING

The Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) has scheduled a public hearing for Wednesday, November 19, 2014, at the Northville Township Municipal Office Building, located at 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48168. The ZBA will consider the following requests for variances to the zoning ordinance

> - 15550 Haggerty Road-Article 12, Local Business District B-1 (outdoor storage) - 19717 Maxwell Road-Article 18, Schedule of Regulations (front yard setback)

Written comments regarding these requests will be received by the ZBA at 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48168. The meeting will begin at 7:30 P.M.

Paul Slatin, Chair Zoning Board of Appeals

Publish: October 30, 2014

INVITATION FOR BIDS

City of Northville

222 S. Wing Street Building Demolition 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 Thursday, November 20, 2014 for "222 S. Wing Street Building Demolition Project" for the City

This project consists of all labor and equipment necessary for the demolition of 222 S. Wing Street in Downtown Northville. This work will also include site clearing and final grading and seeding of the lot once the building have been removed and the basement area is filled.

Contract documents may be obtained by calling The Northville Department of Public Works

A Contractor awarded this work will be expected to comply with all regulations specified in

Title VI as outlined in the City's contract documents. 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

Public Works Director

City Clerk In-0000218435 3x3.5

Dianne Massa

Local church volunteers feed homeless



On Oct. 20, 20 volunteers of all ages from First United Methodist Church in Northville worked together to prepare 200 lunches for homeless people in Detroit. The meals are distributed by the N.O.A.H. project just one block from Comerica Park at Central United Methodist Church. N.O.A.H. stands for Networking, Organizing and Advocating for the

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How to reach us: 1-800-579-7555 • fax 313-496-4968 • www.mideathnotices.com

Deadlines: Tuesday, 9:30 a.m. for Thursday papers Holiday deadlines are subject to change.

ALEXANDER, RUTH

Age 64, of South Lyon, went to be with her Lord and Savior Wednesday, October 8, 2014. She is survived by her children, Patrick and Jeanne Alexander, Tim and Nicole Alexander; her grandchildren, Travis, Nora, Scarlett; her mother, Doris Hardesty; her brother, Ken and Joanne Hardesty; and her three nephews. She was preceded in death by her father, Carlton Hardesty. Ruth was faithful to her Savior and showed kindness to all those around her. Per her wishes cremation has taken place

BRIDENSTINE, WILLIAM November 11, 1943 -

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HAKLIUN ROBERT WILLIAM,

a long time resident of Milford and Highland, died at his home on October 26, 2014 at the age of 61. He was preceded in death by his parents, Robert Weeks Charlick and Joanne Charlick, and is survived by his children, Jeremy Charlick, Jeanine (Sean Gross) Charlick, Rob (Renee) Charlick and Samantha Charlick; grandchildren, Elisse, Victoria and Beckett Gross, Alyssa Charlick, John McKinney, Hope Charlick, Brenden Charlick and Lilliana Grove; siblings, Deborah (Roger) Freeman, Bret (Janette) Charlick, Bart (Donna) Charlick and Ann Charlick; many aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and dear friends. Visitation will be held at Lynch

& Sons Funeral Home, 404 E. Liberty St., Milford, on Wednesday, October 29, from 3-9PM. A Funeral Service will be held at West Highland Baptist Church, 1116 S. Hickory Ridge Rd. in Highland on Thursday, October 30, at 11AM. Burial will follow in West Highland Cemetery. For further information please

phone 248-684-6645 or visit ww w.LynchFuneralDirectors.com DEAN, ALVIN L.

Age 85. Burial and military honors were October 25 in South Lyon Cemetery Please visit: www.phillipsfuneral.com

ERICSON, VIRGINIA May 28, 1941 - October 16, 2014 obriensullivanfuneralhome.com

FLAHERTY, MARIE November 15, 1944 -

October 18, 2014

obriensullivanfuneralhome.com GATTERI, JOSEPH III Age 50, of Northville, passed away on October 22, 2014. He was born January 28, 1964 in Garden City, Michigan; son of Joseph and Margaret (nee Marshall) Gatteri. Joe was a courtesy clerk with Busch's in Farmington Hills. He was an amazing uncle who loved having fun with his nieces and nephews. He enjoyed watching WWE wrestling and harness racing. Joe was a very kind hearted and loving son, brother, uncle, and friend. He is survived by his mother Margaret Gatteri; his siblings, Gayle Gatteri, Jodie (Tim) Dempsey, Sandra Plave, and Jim (Shirley) Gatteri; several nieces and nephews; and several great nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father. A funeral service was held Saturday, October 25, 2014 at Casterline Funeral Home of Northville (248) 349-0611. Memorial con-

tributions would be appreciated

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ety, 30300 Telegraph Rd., Suite 220, Bingham Farms, MI 48025.

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McNALLY, HENRY August 11, 1924 -October 13, 2014



PAISON, CHAD M.

Age 37, passed away October 21, 2014. He was born on September 17, 1977 in Ypsilanti, son of William "Larry" and Barbara Paison. Chad was a 1997 graduate of South Lyon High School. He was an avid hunter, loved animals and enjoyed electronics. He loved his family very much and always enjoyed spending time with his niece and nephews. He will always be remembered as a loving and devoted son, brother, uncle, grandson and nephew. Chad is survived by his loving parents, William "Larry" and Barbara Paison; his brothers: William (Carole) and Patrick (Una), his maternal grandmother, Eileen Menard; his niece, Sabina; and his nephews: Brandon, Paddy, and Donie. Chad is also survived by many loving aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends. Visitation will be held on Sunday, October 26 from 1-8 p.m. with a Scripture service at 7 p.m. at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, 122 W. Lake St., South Lyon. A funeral Mass will celebrated on Monday, October 27 at 11a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church (The Country Church), 6805 Mast Road, Dexter. The family will receive friends at Church beginning at 10a.m. Chad will be laid to rest in Leland Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to Gift of Life or The National Kidney Foundation. Please visit www.phillipsfuneral.com

PRICE-ANDERSON, **EDITH**

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RESSLER PHILLIP, HOWARD

Died on October 25, 2014 at the age of 72. Phillip was born March 13, 1942 in Northville to Iris and Samuel Ressler. Phillip is survived by his loving companion Lois Wasilina, son Dean, daughter Stacy, two grandchildren, Nathan and Lexi Ressler. He is also survived by his faithful mother Iris, dear brother Marvin, and devoted friends Bill and Debbie. He was preceded in death by his father Samuel. A memorial service will be held Sunday, November 9 at 1 p.m. at the New Hudson Methodist Church, 56730 Grand River, New Hudson, MI

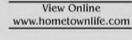
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STUMBAUGH, JULIE A.

Age 76, passed away October 25. Visitation and funeral services were held at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME. Please visit: www.phillipsfuneral.com







TURNER, BEVERLY A.

Age 76, passed away October 23, 2014. She was born on January 19, 1937 in Detroit, daughter of the late Kenneth and Virginia Johnson. Beverly had a friendly, outgoing personality and will always be remembered as the best bartender South Lyon has ever known. Because she was an excellent bartender. Beverly took great care of her customers and her customers took great care of her. She is survived by her loving husband of 25 years, Scott; her children, Dennis and Leslie Peggy Dahnke, Karen Conaster. and Paul Sisco. Pam and J.D. Drennen, and Scott Dahnke. She is also survived by six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren and her brother, Gary and Loretta Johnson and her sister, Shirley and Gary Marsalek. She was preceded in death by her parents. . Services were held on Wednesday, October 29 at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, South Lyon. Online guestbook at

www.phillipsfuneral.com.



WILSON.

WESLEY JAMES A long time resident of Milford, died on October 21, 2014 at the age of 93. He leaves Ruth Marion Wilson, his beloved wife of over sixty-eight years; his sons, Jim (Patty) Wilson and Donald Wilson; grandchildren, Jennifer Williams, Wilson-Jones, Mathew Wilson; great-grandchildren, Owen and Isabella Williams, Magnolia and Jerry Wilson-Jones: sister, Rene (the late Jack) Pulliam and many nephews and dear friends. He was preceded in death by sons, Robert D. Wilson and Gerald Wilson, and sisters, Dorothy Wilson and Helen Wilson. Wes was a veteran of the U.S. Navy and was retired from the GM Proving Ground where he served as manager of the Electrical Dept. for over thirty years. A Funeral Mass was held at St. Mary Our Lady of the Snows Catholic Church, Milford, on Friday, October 24, 2014, with burial in St. Mary's Cemetery. Memorials may be made in his name to Capuchin Soup Kitchen. For further information please phone 248-684-

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LOCAL NEWS

Brightmoor Christian Church

Location: M-5 and 13 Mile,

Contact: 248-668-7014 or CelebrateRecovery@brightmoorcc.org.

Web: www.brightmoorchurch.org.

Time/Dates: 7 p.m. Mondays.

Celebrate Recovery

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

Church of the Holy Family

Location: 24505 Meadowbrook Road.

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

Mass Schedule

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

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

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

Crosspointe **Meadows Church**

Location: 29000 Meadowbrook Road, south of 13 Mile.

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

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

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

Destiny Worship Center

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

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

Emmanuel Lutheran Church

Location: 34567 Seven Mile, Livonia.

Web: www.emmanuel-livonia.org.

Contact: 248-442-8822.

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

Youth group: 7 p.m. Wednesdays.

Women's Coffee Break Bible Study: 10-11:30 a.m. Mondays; Christiainity and World Religions: Wrestling with Questions People Ask by Adam Hamilton

The Andy Griffith Bible Study: 11 a.m. Sundays; adult Bible study

Special Needs Ministry: Contact Judy Cook, 248-442-

Faith Community Presbyterian Church

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

First Baptist Church of Northville

Location: 217 N. Wing. Contact: 248-348-1020. Sunday Worship: 10:45 a.m. and 5:45 p.m.

Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. Ladies Bible Study: 9:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Tuesdays Men's Bible Study: 9 a.m. first

Saturday of every month. First Church of the

Nazarene Location: 21260 Haggerty,

north of Eight Mile. Contact: 248-348-7600 or visit dfcnazarene.org

Sunday Schedule: 9:30 a.m. Classic worship service, Adult Bible Fellowship classes and Children's Sunday School; 11 a.m.

Contemporary worship service with Kids Church, Teen Worship Service and Adult Bible Fellowship classes. Cafe is open from 9:15-11 a.m.; 6 p.m. Evening Traditional Service.

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

Tuesday: 9:25 a.m. Women of the Word Bible Study -- the

RELIGION CALENDAR

Books of Ruth and Esther Wednesday: 5:30 p.m. family dinner; 6:30 p.m. Caravan Scouting program for ages 4 through fourth grade; Club 56 for fifth and sixth graders; Surge Youth Group, Bible Study with Pastor Troy Ogle; and Little Critters for preschool age.

First Presbyterian Church of Northville

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

First Presbyterian Church

all ages).

Location: 205 E. Lake St. (corner of Wells and 10 Mile), South

Contact: 248-437-2875.

First Presbyterian Church

Location: 26165 Farmington Road, Farmington.

First United Methodist Church of Northville

Location: 777 W. Eight Mile,

Contact: 248-349-1144 or www.fumcnorthville.org. Sunday Worship (September-May): 9:15 and 11 a.m.

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

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

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

Contact: 248-349-0565. Sundays: 8:45 a.m. Sunday School and Bible study; 10 a.m.

Holy Cross Episcopal Church

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

Sunday Worship: 7:45 and 10

Sunday School and Nursery Care: 10 a.m. worship service. Alzheimer's Support Group:10 a.m. second Saturday

Hope Lutheran Church

of month.

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

Lakes Baptist Church

Location: 309 Decker Road,

Walled Lake.

Livonia Church of Christ Location: 15431 Merriman,

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

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

Legacy Church

(formerly First Baptist Church and Orchard Hills Baptist

Church) Location: 23455 Novi Road,

Novi. Contact: pastor Jon Hix, 248-

349-5665 or visit www.legacychurch.us. **Sunday School/Small Groups**

for all ages: 9:45 a.m. Worship Services: 11 a.m. Bible Study/Prayer: Wednes-

Meadowbrook Congregational Church

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

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. **Church School and Nursery** Care: provided during worship. Fellowship Hour: 11 a.m.

Merry Widows Luncheon: 11:30 a.m. fourth Thursday of each month. Pilgrim Fellowship: 6 p.m.

Sundays.

Orchard Grove Community Church

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

da.rehm@orchardgrove.org.

NorthRidge Church

Location: 49555 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth Phone: 734-233-3621

Email: pheaton@northridge

church.com

Northville Christian Assembly

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

Sundays: 9-10 a.m. Sunday School for adults/youth/children; 9 a.m. Contemporary service in sanctuary; 10:15 a.m.: Contemporary service in worship center; children's super church on the second level (208/210).

Wednesday Family Night: 7 p.m.; Adult elective classes; junior and senior high ministries; children's programs, Nursery and Preschool Program on Sundays and Wednesdays Home of Northville Christian School (day

care; preschool through eighth

grade); call 248-348-9031.

Novi-Northville Center for Jewish

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

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

Novi United Methodist Church

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

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/pages/Novi-United-Methodist-Church/59782031433.

Sunday Worship: 9:45 a.m.

Healing Service and Holy

Communion: 9:45 a.m. first Sunday of every month. Peace Vigil: noon first Sunday of every month in front of the church. Members of the congregation and the community will

stand united in prayer for peace.

Oak Pointe Church

Location: 50200 W. 10 Mile,

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.

7-9 p.m. Monday (groups meet Women's Life Groups Ministries: 7 p.m. Tuesday; 9:30 a.m.

ReNew Life Group Ministries:

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

Our Savior Apostolic

Lutheran Church Location: 54899 Eight Mile.

various locations.

Northville. Contact: 248-374-2268. Children (5-10) & Adult Sunday School: 10 a.m.

Orchard Grove

Bible Study: Wednesdays at 7

Community Church Location: 850 Ladd Road,

Walled Lake. Contact: 248-926-6584; www.orchardgrove.org. Get your tickets at www.orchardgrove.org. Event will feature bungee jump, whirly bird, dunk tank, car bash, 3-on-3 basketball, zorb balls, long

aways all night. **Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic**

Church

board course and prize give-

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

Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church

Location: 132 Orchard Drive,

Northville. Contact: 248-349-2621 or olvnorthville.org.

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

Our Shepherd Presbyterian Church

Location: 1200 S. Sheldon, Plymouth. Contact: pastor Bill Burke at 734-927-0891.

Wednesday Bible Study: 7

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

Our Savior Apostolic Lutheran Church

Location: 54899 Eight Mile, Northville.

Pentecostals of Novi

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

www.thepentecostalsofnovi.org.

Pirones' flier.

Family reunited with dog with lots of community help



Anita Pirone in her Northville Township home with her no-longer-lost dog. Buckey took off from his home a week ago, but was tracked down by helpful neighbors who saw the

By Lonnie Huhman

The Pirone family is very grateful to have their dog Buckey back home after he went missing for several days. Family members want to thank the local community for its help.

"A lot of sympathetic people in this community really helped us out. We are very appreciative and grateful for this," Anita Pirone said.

Buckey, a schnoodle, which is a cross between a schnauzer and a poodle, went missing Saturday, Oct. 18. The Pirones were out of town and some friends were watching him. During a walk near Nine Mile and Beck roads, he

The search began immediately, with friends and others in the neighborhood keeping an eye out, but there was no

luck at first.

When the Pirones returned home, they went into action, putting together fliers, posting a story on Facebook and asking people in the surrounding neighborhoods if they had seen Buckey. He was mostly an inside dog and was not used to being out in the elements, so they were really concerned for his well-being.

The posters got people involved. Some people had spotted him in the next day or so, specifically one homeowner near Eight Mile and Beck, who called the phone number on the poster. Finally, the following Monday, Oct.

20, the Pirones got a phone call from someone saying they saw the dog and called for him, but he ran away.

Anita immediately drove to the neighborhood across from Moraine Elementary School where the caller

said Buckey was seen and looked for him. While driving around, she finally spotted him.

"He was just as happy as I was," Anita said of finally seeing Buckey.

The next step would have been getting the Humane Society involved and tracking him down through the lost chip system, but it didn't come to that. With the help of some caring people in the community, he was found safe and sound. The Pirones wanted to offer a reward to the caller, but he declined, saying he was just happy Buckey was

"We want to say thank you to everyone who helped. I know he's just a dog, but he's family to us and it meant a lot to us," Anita said.

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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

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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

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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 205 E. Lake (10 Mile) 248.437.2875 Sunday Worship 10:00 a.m. Children's Church for Grades K thru 5tl Nursery Care Provided Mid-Week Study Thursday 7:00 p.m.

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Recapping our choices for Nov. 4 election

Hwang, Kalass, Mazurek for school board

Voters residing in the Northville Public School district will have some tough decisions to make when they head to the polls or fill out their absentee ballot. The race for the three open seats on the board of education features four solid candidates, all of whom are passionate about the district and their willingness to serve the students of Northville. We feel the three candidates who will best serve the

school district are cur-School Board Hwang.

Hwang



Kalass



Mazurek

President Jim Mazurek, current Board Trustee Ann Kalass, and Roland During his first term on the board, Mazurek,

who is a Novi resident, has proven to be the kind of leader needed to steer the board through a number of tough issues, including getting the public to embrace the desperately-needed technology bond as well implementing a redistricting tough plan. He always comes to meetings prepared and is very knowledgeable about the issues impacting public educa-

Kalass, who is a Northville Township resident, has been the CEO of Starfish Family Services since 2007. She brings a great deal of knowledge about public education to the table.

She also has a unique perspective dealing with a superintendent and staff because she also serves a similar board working for Starfish. She has two daughters currently attending the high school. During her time on the board, she has been an astute learner and always does her homework. She has shown herself to be a valuable member of the board.

Hwang, who is a member of the school district's curriculum committee, has solid credential. In addition to being an attorney for the state of Michigan, Hwang is a longtime adjunct instructor at the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor. As an Asian American, he would also bring some diversity to the board. The reality is Northville has a large Asian community, and that is reflected in the students of the district. His ethnicity should not be an overriding concern, but it is certainly a bene-

Support library millage renewal

Northville voters should support the millage renewal for the Northville District Library. Voters are being asked to renew the library's operating millage of almost 0.2 for seven years.

The dedicated millage, which was first approved by voters back in 2010, is set to expire in 2015. This tax levy brings in about \$450,000, or nearly a quarter of the library's overall operating revenue. Other sources of revenue

include a one-mill levy on property that - in 1994 - voters approved in perpetuity, and building bonds that will be paid off in 2015. While the library budget is supplemented by fundraising, especially by the Friends of the Library, the lion's share of revenue is raised through property taxes in both the city and township. This operating millage is a big piece of that puzzle.

There may be an inclination by some voters to balk at this request. Nobody likes to pay taxes. But it must be remembered that this is not a tax increase – it is a renewal of an existing tax levy that will cost the owner of a \$200,000 home (with a \$100,000 taxable value) about \$20 per year.

The Northville District Library is a vital part of this community, and has been since it was first founded in 1889. The thought of Northville not supporting its library is hard to imagine. Vote YES on the millage renewal. The library is one of the best values in town.

Slavens best represents district

Voters in the Michigan state Senate 7th District have rarely had a choice as clear as the one they face in the Nov. 4 general election. Incumbent Republican state Sen. Patrick Colbeck of Can-



Slavens

conservative enough to be a Tea Party darling, faces liberal Canton Democrat Dian Slavens. We believe voters in the district which serves Plymouth, Township, Plymouth Township, Northville Canton, Wayne and Livonia - should choose

Dian Slavens.

The term-limited Slavens has been an effective state representative. In her first term, she piloted legislation that provided incentives for batterymakers to make Michigan their business home. Republicans essentially coopted her effort to end life-time health benefits for legislators, but the measure passed nonetheless.

Slavens is a strong supporter of public education and would support changes to the formula for financing public schools. While charter schools and cyber schools currently get the same foundation allowance as public schools, Slavens believes that because they don't have costs such as transportation, they shouldn't get the same al-

We believe Slavens comes closer to representing the district than does Colbeck, who supports more charter and cyber schools.



Heise

Heise gets nod in **House 20th District**

In four years as the District representative in the Michigan House, Kurt Heise certainly has made some votes with which we disagree. But we believe Heise has also

been an effective state legislator and has done enough to earn a third and final term. Heise, a Plymouth Township Republican, faces Plymouth Township Democrat Nate Smith-Tyge in the Nov. 4 general election.

Heise is a comfortable passenger on the Gov. Rick Snyder train, toeing the party line with most of Snyder's wishes. He voted in favor of the tax on senior pensions, is fine with lifting the cap on charter schools and supported the push for right to work that happened behind locked capitol doors two years ago. We disagreed with Heise on all those issues.

But he's also done things to help his constituents, among them sponsoring bills that would revise the foundation allowance and per-pupil funding formula and would bring additional state funding to both Plymouth-Canton and Northville schools, and allowed Northville Township to purchase the former Robert Scott Correctional Facility, among others.

Heise chairs the criminal justice committee and is a member of the judiciary, election and ethics and transportation committees. He's also co-chair of the Michigan Commission on Human Trafficking and has a law making the Commission on Human Trafficking permanent.

Kurt Heise has done enough for voters to return him to Lansing for his third and final term.

Marecki best pick for county commission



Marecki

Voters in the Wayne County Commission's 9th District will decide between Livonia City Clerk Terry Marecki and retired attorney Patrick O'Neil when they go to the polls Nov. 4. We recommend they

elect **Terry Marecki**, a Republican. We think Marecki will best represent the constituents of the Republican-leaning 9th which includes most of Livonia, Northville and Northville Township.

Marecki has the endorsement of Republican Laura Cox, who currently holds the seat and is running to succeed term-limited John Walsh in the state House. Like Cox, we think Marecki will be able to work across the aisle to get the best possible deal for her constituents and provide balance on the Democrat-controlled Wayne County Commission. Marecki has the political background and experience to do the job. She has served on the Livonia school board and Livonia City Council, in addition to her current role as Livonia City Clerk.



Hugh Crawford



Kathy Crawford

Crawfords best to represent area

rney're attempting to swap their state House 38th District and Oakland County Commission 9th District seats and we support Republican husbandand-wife duo Hugh and Kathy Crawford, both

Who would represent this area better than two people who both grew up here and have spent their entire lives in Novi? They know

more about this area than perhaps any candidate running for either of these seats in recent memory. They have both spent a great deal of their adult lives serving and representing this community in a mind-boggling and exhaustive list of positions, both in official capacities and as volunteers.

Kathy Crawford is a leader. She's been an Oakland County commissioner since 2010 and prior to that served on the Novi City Council for three years. Perhaps even more impressive is her 30-plus years in the public service field of aging for Oakland County. She will get results in our state's capital and will continue the fiscally-conservative philosophy that has been part of this state's turnaround.

Her husband's credentials are equally impressive. In fact, he held the 9th District commission seat for eight years before serving as our state representative for six years. And prior to those stints, he sat on Novi City Council for 15 years and the Novi Parks and Recreation Commission for 10 years. Hugh is term-limited and can't seek reelection as state rep, but there's no reason he shouldn't still be involved in serving this area. Coming back to the county commission is a perfect spot.

The state House 38th District includes the townships of Lyon and Novi and the cities of Novi. South Lvon. Walled Lake and (a portion of) Northville. This is a two-year seat. The boundaries for county commission 9th District include the cities of Novi, Northville (Oakland County portion) and the township of Novi. This is also a two-year seat.







Broderick

Gilligan Gebhardt

Re-elect three Schoolcraft incumbents

Three incumbents on Schoolcraft College's Board of Trustees are running as a slate for re-election and we recommend voters give them another

Brian Broderick, Joan Gebhardt and Terry Gilligan are part of a team that works well together and can point to several key accomplishments during the past few years, including the school's new "Schoolcraft to U" partnership with the University of Toledo and Wayne State University.

We see no reason to fix what isn't broken by replacing any of them with one or both of the challengers. Together, with the other four members, they have consistently balanced the college's budget while also continually improving the campus and the curriculum. Their accomplishments include opening the Public Safety Training Center and Jeffress Administration Center, among other buildings, achieving unprecedented culinary arts and nursing accreditation and developing a culinary baccalaureate for

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Rowers make it to Mackinac

Thanks to the generous support of the Northville community, the Northville Rowing Club (NRC) raised over \$6,000 recently during their annual Row-a-thon. The Northville Rowing Club is a co-ed team of Northville High School athletes, which got its start in the fall of 2010 and competed in its first regatta in the spring of 2011. Rowers collected pledges from family, friends and community members – just like you see for a bowl-a-thon or walk-a-thon. In addition, each rower chose several Northville businesses to approach for sponsorship of the event.

As crew is a club activity rather than a school sponsored sport, NRC relies on the financial support of its

members and the community. To raise funds, the rowers took to their rowing machines (ergometers) to downtown Northville with the goal of rowing over four hundred miles from Detroit to Mackinac. Thirty-four rowers took one-hour shifts on nine rowing machines - most athletes rowing at least twice, a few rowing three times and completed over 415

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Anyone wishing to make a donation to Northville Rowing Club, interested in more information or wanting to experience the excitement of a regatta, is encouraged to visit the Club's website at www.NorthvilleRowing-.com

David and Julie Cole Northville

Hwang is right

for school board Roland Hwang grew up next door to me in Livonia. When I learned he was running for Northville's School Board I wasn't surprised. It reminded me that Roland left his position at Ford Motor Company many years ago to work for the State of Michigan in the Attorney General's Of-

His mother and father had just died within a year of one another and his brother was on his way to becoming a missionary. Since our two families were very close over some 25 years Roland wanted to discuss the decision he was contemplating to do something "meaningful". He did decide to serve the State of Michigan. He holds a law degree from Wayne State and an engineering degree from the University of Michigan, so this wasn't a step up for Roland.

This is the kind of public servant we all want to applaud. It isn't about power or money. It's about leaving a lega-

Gloria Combe Northville

Renew library millage

We urge Northville voters to approve the millage renewal for the Northville District Li-

Northville residents have a noteworthy history of civic responsibility. As reported in the April 9 edition of the *Northville* Record, local taxpayers assembled at the annual township meeting and voted to appropriate \$1,200 to fund a public library, open to all residents. That was 1926, and I was able to locate that information quickly from the comfort of my home, because the Northville District Library recently completed the painstaking task of scanning,

digitizing, and indexing our town's newspaper back to its first edition in

Using current dollars and census data from library sources, that \$1,200 appropriation was costing each household the same as the current millage renewal, about \$30, based on median home prices. Consider, also, what more is offered today. Beyond books, there is music, video, language courses, downloadable media and Internet access.

The creation of an educated citizenry has been the cornerstone of American democracy. From humble beginnings during our colonial era, the literacy movement gained momentum as the republic matured. Since 1930, according to the National Center for Educational Statistics, United States citizens have led the world in literacy. Our Board of Direc-

tors unanimously supports a "yes" vote on the November 4th millage renewal, as it will continue this important community service.

Ed Gabrys President Northville Historical Society

Endorsements not easy, but important

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sick of this political season as I am. I've been completely inundated with phone calls, mailings, television commercials, etc. Heck, even my Facebook feed is full of paid ads from political candidates, political action committees and seemingly just about anybody else with a political ax to grind. Talk about over-saturation. There's no place to hide.

As a voter, it's just so hard cutting through all the nastiness and vitriol that has come to define our current political system. What to believe? What not to believe? It wouldn't be so bad if some of the stuff had real substance to it and actually inspired me to support a candidate rather than trying to scare me not to vote for someone. It's pretty easy to see why so many Americans are completely turned off by the political process in our

country. I was talking about this very topic with a good friend the other day. I was talking about a couple of candidates I respect and mentioned our newspaper endorsed a couple of them. That's when he got kind of indignant and said he didn't understand why newspapers actually endorse one candidate over another. I found myself defending the process, which is kind of odd considering the endorsement process is one of the things I like least about my job.

It's oftentimes pretty tough to, as a newspaper editor, tell readers to vote for one person over another, particularly when you like both candidates and are even friends. Feelings often



get hurt and there have been times in my career where an endorsement of an opposing candidate ended up severing relationships that I held

pretty dear. But when I contemplate all the crap (there's no better way to say it, well, unless going full expletive) that voters are confronted with via the mail, phone, television, radio and even Internet, I now realize why newspapers take the time to make endorsements. The fact is most voters don't get the opportunity that we do to meet and vet candidates. We are able to ask questions and see how candidates actually respond when being put on the spot about a position that they may have

taken. One of the points my friend made in arguing against newspaper endorsements is everyone has a bias. You've probably heard how liberal the media is. And you probably heard that on the conservative Fox News or from some other right-leaning media source. The point is well-taken. Everybody who isn't living under a rock has their own thoughts about politics. Anyone who knows me certainly knows I do.

Yet, as a professional, I like to think that I am able to separate those feelings from the endorsement process. I can tell you that we here at the Observer & Eccentric take the process very seriously. I wish our readers could sit in

on some of our meetings after we meet all the candidates. It sometimes gets pretty testy. But at the end of the day, we look at each candidate - their background, professional and community experience and their positions on the issues - and see how it all meshes with the community they want to serve. I don't care if a candidate has an 'R' or a 'D' after their name. I care how much their beliefs are in line with the community. If you don't believe that. I ask you to take a look at our endorsements for next week's election. We are kind of split down the middle.

And in the end, those endorsements are just our opinion. We explain to our readers why we support the candidates in a particular race and then we leave it up to them to decide whether or not they agree with us. Believe me, I've endorsed my share of candidates I knew didn't have a shot of winning. And I've also endorsed my share of candidates who I had a hard time stomaching. But I always did so because I thought they were best for the community. That's what newspapers do - at least in my experience. Take it for it's worth - just like our endorsements.

In the meantime, I'm just counting down the hours until the polls close Tuesday. Hopefully I can find some shelter to get away from the bombardment of all these political ads. Does anybody have a rock I can hide under?

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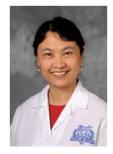
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MacKenzie gets nod for 52-1 District judge

It's not often an incumbent district court judge faces a challenger, at least not in the 52-1 courtroom.

The Novi court, which handles cases from throughout southwest Oakland County, has longtime Judge Brian MacKenzie of Novi facing a spirited challenge from Travis Reeds of South Lyon. Reeds actually tallied more votes in the primary election than MacKenzie, though the margin was close.

Why? Well, judges aren't always popular, particularly when they are known for handing down harsh sentences to those found guilty in the courtroom. And in the local court, the majority of cases that come across the three judges' benches are for drun-

But more likely is that MacKenzie has been in the news much of this year in a public spat with Oakland County Prosecutor Jessica Cooper, who found several cases during the course of MacKenzie's career in which he set aside sentences without the consent of the prosecutor's office. In a review of 10 years' worth of cases before the judge, eight were found to be im-

In court filings, MacKenzie admitted to the errors in those cases and pointed out the guilty party had not violated the law subsequently. He did what he thought was the best option for all parties involved.

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MacKenzie

MacKenzie is a strong proponent of rehabilitation whenever it seems appropriate.

The 26-year district judge isn't perfect, but we suspect if anyone were to review every case of every district court judge that mistakes would be found. And measures have been put in place to avoid such problems again,

MacKenzie said. We have no doubt challenger Reeds, a 41-year-old attorney practicing in Walled Lake, would make a fine district court judge. Reeds is familiar with a wide variety of cases that typically come before the district court, particularly drunken driving statutes. He has an even temperament, which is needed in the judge's seat. But had the controversy not been raised so publicly, we question if any challengers would have stepped forward this election season

We admire MacKenzie's focus on rehabilitation, which has shown results over the years. MacKenzie created and operates a number of specialty courts, including veterans, sobriety, domestic violence and drugs. Several of these courts were among the first of their kind and have since been used as a model elsewhere.

MacKenzie focuses on sentencing the individual instead of solely basing a decision on the one crime itself. He's taken a more scientific approach in sentencing, looking at circumstances and prior legal ac-

Specialty courts are designed as alternatives to jail time, requiring intense commitments from those who voluntarily take part in them. But the results appear promising with a far better recidivism rate than those taking the traditional path of jail time. And programs he's initiated - like the holiday testing court, taking those people most likely to pose a danger of driving drunk during popular drinking days - have made the roads safer for everyone.

It's forward-thinking efforts like that which appeal to us and we look forward to seeing MacKenzie's plans to focus on human trafficking problems if reelected. MacKenzie's ultimate goal on the bench is to make sure the community is a safer place, something we can all agree is needed.

We endorse **Brian MacKenzie** for judge in the 52-1 District Court, which encompasses the cities of Novi, South Lyon, Walled Lake and Wixom and the townships of Milford, Highland, Commerce, Lyon and No-

MORE LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Broderick for Schoolcraft trustee

We are supporting Brian Broderick for Schoolcraft trustee. He has been on the board for a long period of explosive growth for the college

and has been an integral part of making Schoolcraft a leading post-secondary choice for students in our area. His commitment to education and vision for what the college can be are strong reasons to support him

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on Nov. 4. He has proven to be a strong advocate for students, faculty and the entire community. We urge you to consider placing your vote for Brian Broderick on election day.

Tom and Kathy Spillane

Michigan voting is 'backward'

So we're voting again on a working day here in this advanced, high tech state of Michigan. For one day only, too, unless you have an absentee ballot.

My daughter in Texas voted last week without an absentee ballot. Texas has a two-week period before Nov. 4, in which a legal resident can vote if they so desire. She walked into one of their designated polls, showed her photo driver's license, they checked her out electronically and she voted

Make's you feel kind of backward, doesn't it. **Bob Moreillon**

Northville

Short memory

It is said "the voter has a short term memory." With this newspaper's endorsement of the Crawfords you are showing you do too. The editorial staff must have forgotten denouncing them for taking part with the Kowalls (Mr. Senator and Mrs. State Rep) and L. **Brooks Paterson to** change the rules after Democrats were elected so Republicans would not lose the majority on the Oakland County Commis-

They must have also forgotten the editorial on Novi not getting its fair share of revenue sharing dollars from Lansing, which happened while Hugh was Novi's repre-

It was so long ago this newspaper might have been a completely different paper for it certainly looks that way now, but in the '90s that paper consistently denounced the Novi City Council as they attempted to build a golf course the citizens did not want. In 1999, a

citizens group put a charter amendment on the ballot and the voters passed it stopping that City Council from going forward with its municipal golf course plan and also voted out the sitting mayor and two others on the council who were all pro golf course. Hugh Crawford was mayor pro tem and was not up for re-election that year.

This newspaper praised the citizens for stopping Hugh and the others, but not before they spent \$10,000 on a feasibility study for a golf course the voters would not let them build.

But now it seems no matter how many wrongs the Crawfords commit, they are always right. It is time to elect someone who will put the needs of the citizens of this district first

Substitute teachers

make too much money?

So you think teachers

are underpaid

Cynthia Churches Novi-Northville Walk

How about substitute teachers?

Northville substitutes work 7½ hours per day and make \$80. That comes to \$10.67 per hour. If a substitute worked all 180 school days, they would make a whopping \$14,400 a year. It is my opinion that substitute teachers provide a valuable service for both students and teachers. Without them, the whole system would be left in chaos. In my case, I have both a bachelor's degree and master's degree and do not feel that I make too much money.

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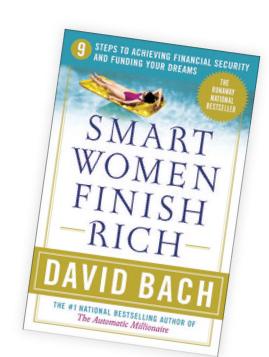
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McKenzie hopes lessons lead to Washington

By Brad Kadrich Staff Writer

When Bobby McKenzie was in high school, people told him he was never going to play basketball.

Remembering the lessons his father taught him - "Don't let anything stand in your way" - McKenzie was a team captain at Crestwood High School and walked on for Tom Izzo at Michigan State University.

Now embroiled in a race for the U.S. House 11th District seat against Republican multimillionaire David Trott, McKenzie, a Canton Democrat, is hearing the same message: "You can't do it."

He's hoping history repeats itself and he's counting on the influence of his father, a polio survivor and longtime smallbusiness owner, to get him

"He's one of the pillars of my life," McKenzie said during a recent interview. "He imbued in me the idea you fight, don't give up and you don't let things get in your way."

Learning lessons

They were lessons forged as he grew up in Dearborn Heights, after his grandfather brought the family north from Alabama. His father has owned the same small vacuum cleaner sales and repair service in Westland for 50 years.

And his dad thinks, despite the polls and the pundits who say otherwise, his son makes an excellent candidate

"He's a unique individual in a very positive sense," Bobby McKenzie Jr. said. "He knows what it takes to make things happen. In direct sales, you have to make it happen. Everyone wants to make things happen, but not everybody is willing to do what it takes. Bobby is willing."

McKenzie, who worked part time for his dad's business as a youngster, had his eyes on bigger prizes growing up. While studying economics at Michigan State, McKenzie, not the tallest player in the world, walked on for Izzo's Spartans.

Last guy

He remembers asking Izzo once if there was "any chance"



SHIRIN KHAN

Bobby McKenzie, who now lives in Canton, grew up in Dearborn Heights, earned a bachelor's degree from Michigan State and was a walk-on for the Spartans basketball team.

he was ever going to see game action and Izzo's matter-of-fact response: No. "I was the last guy on the bench," McKenzie said with a smile. "In (Izzo's) mind, I was probably the last guy on all of his benches.'

Still, McKenzie prepared, and eventually saw 9.6 seconds during mop-up time against Central Michigan in a Thanksgiving tournament in 1997.

"For me, it was the idea of getting in the game," McKenzie said. "It was something I wanted to do. It was being on the team, being able to compete in practice. Being in that environment was an experience. I was humbled.'

McKenzie went on to earn a

master's degree in security studies from Georgetown University and eventually earned a graduate fellowship in the CIA. At the tender age of 19, McKenzie was an analyst focused on the politics of the Middle East.

Dreams realized

McKenzie had fulfilled two dreams.

"Two things I wanted to do as a kid – play basketball at MSU and go into the FBI," he said. "(The CIA fellowship) was another extraordinary opportunity and I was grateful to get it.'

When the two-year fellowship ended, McKenzie went

into the private sector, though he continued to be a political analyst.

Most recently, McKenzie was a senior adviser in the Bureau of Counterterrorism at the U.S. Department of State. Before that, he worked on African refugee issues and taught courses at Wayne State University as an adjunct lecturer.

Not surprisingly, his dad thinks that varied experience makes his son a perfect candidate.

World views

"He's been all around the world. I think that experience will have a great impact (on his ability to be effective), particularly with everything happening on the planet Earth at this time," the elder McKenzie said. "It's a very unique time, especially in the Middle East. It sure won't hurt having the kind of experience he has.'

McKenzie notes the influence his family has had. His grandfather, with only an eighth-grade education, brought the family to Dearborn Heights and found work on the docks. His dad has plugged away for five decades as a small-business owner.

And his mother has been behind a lot of the success. To this day, she's both his biggest fan and biggest critic. McKenzie remembers being interviewed by Chuck Stokes of WXYZ-TV (Channel 7) recently and the phone call he got from his mother afterward.

Sitting up

"She called to tell me I was slouching," McKenzie said, laughing. "Here I am on TV, running for Congress and my mom is telling me to sit up straighter. She's my biggest critic, but she's a great sup-

Ever the optimist – and perhaps fueled by his father's notion that you don't let things stand in the way - McKenzie believes he can win, despite the millions Trott can spend and despite the perception the district is too conservative for a Democrat to win.

McKenzie takes issue with that last notion.

"I don't think it's as partisan as people think," McKenzie said. "At the end of the day, people want to know their kids can find a job here. They want to find people who will look beyond the labels.'

While McKenzie said he hasn't been surprised by much on the campaign trail, he has been struck by the amount of involvement voters are willing to give him.

"It's far more engaging and interesting than I thought," McKenzie said. "I like being out talking to people. The part I enjoy the most is being out with the voters and hearing what they think."

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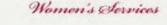
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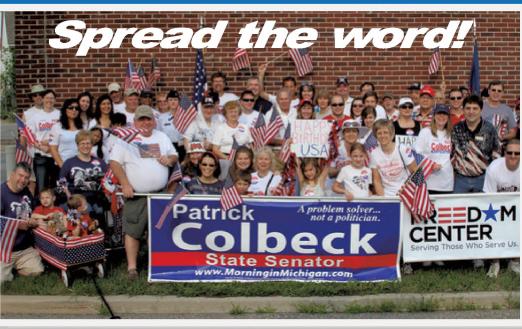
Patrick Colbeck is currently serving his first term in elected office as the State Senator for MI's 7th District. Starting in 2014 the district will include the communities of Northville, Plymouth, Canton, Livonia and Wayne. He is a graduate of the University of Michigan with Bachelors and Masters Degrees in Aerospace Engineering as well as a graduate of the International Space University in Strasbourg, France. Included in over 20 years of engineering and management work in a variety of industries, he has worked on International Space Station systems and instructed students at the U.S. Space and Rocket Center's Space Camp. He and his wife, Angie, are members of Northridge Church and have been residents of Canton for 18 years.

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parents were always passionate about ensuring that their kids received a quality education. A quality education is a team effort that requires hard work from students, parents and teachers. Together, we worked to lower the cost of higher education by expanding dual enrollment programs. We also changed teacher tenure law to reward educators on the basis of performance not length of service and went on to provide a K-12 funding increase of over \$1B during my tenure. We still need to remove roadblocks to innovation like Common Core. The Common Core Standards Initiative adopted by the State Board of Education in 2010 not only micromanages our state standards and assessments, it also micromanages the classroom by

Sharing biography of Neil Armstrong with students mandating not only what kids are taught but also how they are taught. The teaching profession has been reduced to following a script

rather than allowing teachers to tailor instruction to suit the individual student. Furthermore, we have no objective proof that these new standards will actually improve student performance. I have been and continue to be the most outspoken opponent of Common Core in the Senate."

DUCATION "Like

many parents, my

ENIORS "As a kid I was blessed to grow up surrounded by both sets of grandparents. They helped teach me the value of hard work, integrity and responsibility. I have worked hard to repay their loving guidance with my public service. During the past four years, I have passed legislation to protect seniors in nursing homes and have been an outspoken advocate for retirees including my passionate NO vote on the Senior Pension Tax (Senate Journal #41, Roll Call Vote #170 on HB 4361, May 12, 2011). My opposition to Obamacare is driven in large part by the federal government's push to cut Medicare services for the elderly by over \$700B in order to pay for other services such as the expansion of Medicaid. I am committed to caring for those who spent their entire lives working to leave this nation stronger than they found it and that is why I am honored to have received The Senior Alliance Legislator of the Year award for my work on behalf of all of the seniors right here in our community."

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Novi five-peats as Association champion

By Brad Emons Staff Writer

The Novi volleyball team held serve - and then some - in Saturday's KLAA Association Gold Tournament.

The host Wildcats repeated as Association champs for the fifth straight year by going 5-0-1 on the day, capped by a 25-14, 25-14 victory over Hartland in the championship final.

Novi, ranked No. 2 in Class A, improved to 40-4-2 overall, as junior Victoria Iacobelli led the way with 56 kills, 50 digs and 10 total aces on the day.

Twin sister Paulina Iacobelli added 37 kills and a team-best 56 digs, while freshman setter Erin O'Leary added 128 assist-to-kills and 39 digs. Ally Cummings also chipped in with 22

"I'm thrilled with our performance on Saturday as we had a

tremendous amount of pressure placed on us," Novi coach Jen Cottrill said. "I thought we stayed focused on each opponent and then really stepped up in the finals against Hartland.

The Wildcats opened pool play in the 12-team tournament by defeating Plymouth (25-14, 25-16) and Walled Lake Northern (25-12, 25-13), while splitting with Milford (25-15, 21-25).

Novi ousted Livonia Churchill, 25-18, 25-22, in the quarterfinals and Grand Blanc in the semifinals, 25-19, 25-20. Hartland downed White Lake Lakeland in the other semifinal.

'I believe it says a lot about our players, parents, program and administration to win the KLAA five consecutive years in a row," Cottrill said. "I'm certainly very proud and honored to be a part of it."

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DAVID MAYLEN

Novi players celebrate after winning their fifth straight KLAA Association volleyball championship.

Northville foiled in regional finals

Canton escapes with 3-2 penalty kicks win

By Tim Smith

It was almost criminal that one of the teams that played Friday night's outstanding, entertaining Division 1 boys soccer regional final at Westland John Glenn had its season

In a game with many twists, turns and subplots, the No. 2 team in the state, Canton, emerged victorious 3-2 in penalty kicks over Northville to win the regional title and move on to the semifinals at Holt.

'My boys all stepped up,' Canton coach Mark Zemanski said. "Hunter Olson stepped up, Matthew Causley stepped up. My seniors in the back, Sam (Belcher), Chris (Dooley), Nick (Wendel), Kyle (Mettlach) all stepped up and did a great job.

"Northville battled us and played really hard. They should be proud of themselves. It's a tough way to lose."

Northville coach Henry Klimes said his team "knew coming in it was going to be a great soccer game. ... It was a great game. There was nothing more I could have asked for."

Indeed, it wasn't easy, other than an own goal credited to Canton with one second to play in the first half to send the

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Northville's Troy Borawski (left) tries to keep Canton's Chris Dooley from getting to the ball in Friday's Division 1 regional final.

Northville, Novi top two at boys cross country regional

By Brad Emons Staff Writer

The final pit stop for the MHSAA boys cross country season will be this Saturday at Michigan International Speedway in Brooklyn.

And recently crowned Division 1 regional champion Northville and runner-up Novi should figure prominently at the finals.

Northville won comfortably by scoring 53 points, while Novi was runner-up with 93, a wider than the 49-73 spread the Mustangs enjoyed while capturing the KLAA Kensington Conference meet Oct. 16.

Novi Detroit Catholic Central placed third with 110 and earned a spot at the finals.

'We ran a much better team race today," Northville coach Chris Cronin said. "The coaches stressed pack running in practice all week and the message got through. If we run together, we are a tough team to beat. As a coach, that's been my message to this team all year. We have some very good runners on this team, but as a team, we have the potential for greatness."

Salem's Chaz Jeffress captured the 5,000-meter race in

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KIMBERY GOERING

Northville's Nick Noles (right) and Jason Ferrante placed third and fifth, respectively, for the regional champion.

Just-in time: Zimbo rides Mustangs into playoffs

By Brad Emons Staff Writer

It looked as if Northville's football season would end Friday night in Grand Blanc in a battle of 5-3 teams seeking

that elusive sixth win and a berth into the state playoffs. But desperate times often lead to desperate measures and look no further than Northville junior quarterback Justin Zimbo, who helped

orchestrate a second-half rally to stun the host Bobcats, 23-20. The victory puts the Mustangs, who earned their fifth playoff berth in six years, into match-up at 7 p.m. Friday at Canton (7-2)

Zimbo, who did most of his work on the ground - rushing for game-high 166 yards on 26 carries – made his signature play with 54 seconds left and the Mustangs trailing 20-17.

After Northville had driven to the Bobcats' 17, they were set back 22 yards because of a high snap from center along with a holding penalty.

Faced with a third-and-22 and less than a minute left, Zimbo went to the air and found senior wide receiver Kevin Bak available in the end

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GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

Barrott bolsters Mustangs' regional championship quest

By Brad Emons

Lexa Barrott was back in the lineup just in time for Northville girls cross country squad.

The junior, out for a majority of the season with an injury, finished third overall as the Mustangs edged Salem, 41-46, to capture MHSAA Division 1 regional title Saturday at Willow Metropark in New Boston.

Northville, the defending Division 1 state champion, placed four in the top 15 and all six runners in the top 20 to repeat as regional champion. Livonia Churchill edged Novi for the third state qualifying team spot, 123-128.

Farmington High's Maddy Trevisan placed first in the 5,000-meter race in 18:41.5, while Northville sophomore Cayla Eckenroth and Barrott took second and third, respectively, with times of 18:53.4 and 19:12.1.

"Lexa ran a conservative first race back since Sept. 6 and looked good," Northville coach Nancy Smith said. "Without her we would have finished second, so it just shows how important she is to the team."

Rounding out the Northville contingent were junior Emma Herrmann (sixth, 19:32.2), junior Hailey Harris (12th, 19:51.1), sophomore Emma Smith (18th, 20:31.4) and freshman Rachel Zimmer (10th, 20:37.0.

"The others ran a smart race and stepped up where needed," Smith said. "Emma and Hailey continue to be a solid three and four runners for us. The overall entire region was slower than last year. I'm not sure if it was because of the wind and the sun came out, or what."

The Division 1 girls finals will start at 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 1, at Michigan International Speedway in Brooklyn.

"Emma and Rachel will be important next week for us and one of them will have to really step up to be a solid fifth if we want to finish in the top five," Smith said. "Lexa, Cayla and Emma will be the only three



NANCY SMITH

The Northville girls cross country team repeated as Division 1 regional champion Saturday at Willow Metropark in New Boston.



LISA FENC

Novi senior Hannah Lonergan finished fifth in the Division 1 regional at Willow Metropark to qualify for the state finals.

with state meet experience."

Lonergan qualifies

Novi senior Hannah Lonergan earned an individual qualifying spot for the finals at MIS with a fifth-place regional finish in 19:17.3.

Other scorers for Novi were sophomore Jacalyn Schubring (21st, 20:45.2), sophomore Jessica Lypka (27th, 21:04.8), freshman Shaily Fozdar (28th, 21:06.1) and sophomore Hadley Peterson (48th, 21:53.6).

Novi's non-scorers were sophomore Yash Patil (55th, 22:11.7) and sophomore Heather Blair (67th, 22:37.8).

Warriors take fifth

Riverview Gabriel Richard (46), Wixom St. Catherine of Siena (50) and Royal Oak Shrine (58) earned team qualifying berths out of Saturday's Division 4 regional meet held at Willow Metropark.

Lutheran Ḥigh Westland, led by individual winner Jenna Wisner (20:42.94), placed fourth with 84, while Novi Franklin Road Christian was a distant fifth with 154.

Franklin Road's top finisher was freshman Audrey Govan, who took 17th overall in 22:54.33, just two places away from an individual qualifying spot.

Other scorers for the Warriors included Audrey Hicks (40th, 28:56.72), Sidney Lipovsky (41st, 29:30.61), Maddie Austin (42nd, 29:40.61) and Shelby Buis (43rd, 31:08.71).

BOYS CROSS COUNTRY

Shamrocks make cross country cut

By Brad Emons Staff Writer

Recently winning its eighth straight league championship was nice for Novi Detroit Catholic Central.

But even more satisfying will be a trip to the MHSAA Division 1 boys cross country finals following a third-place showing in Saturday's regional meet at Willow Metropark in New Boston.

CC scored 110
points to place behind champion
Northville (51) and
runner-up Novi (93)
as all three teams
gained automatic
berths to Michigan International Speedway in Brooklyn.

Salem, behind individual winner Chaz Jeffress, took a distant fourth with 153, while Canton wound up fifth with 165.

It will be CC's first trip to MIS for the state finals since 2010, which was the last time the Shamrocks captured a regional crown.

Juniors Scott Smith and Bailey Hobson placed 11th and 14th, respectively, with times of 16:21.77 and 16:31.06, to pace Catholic Central

"With about a quartermile to go, Novi and us were about a point apart and then our kids faded a little bit at the end," CC coach Tony Magni said. "We knew we had to get three or four kids in the top 15 or close to it for us to get out. Finishing 11th and 14th really helped out."

CC's other scorers included sophomore Mark Borek (25th, 17:00.38), junior Avery Felty (28th, 17:03.93) and sophomore Ben Racine (32nd, 17:10.98).

Ben Ludtke (44th, 17:24.88) and Brendan Canavan (54th, 17:50.22) rounded out the Shamrocks' sevenman contingent. "Our varsity is four ju-

niors and three sophomores, so I wanted to get them the experience this year to see how it is," Magni said. Times were generally slower than a year ago on the Willow Metropark course with Jeffress, a junior, winning the 5,000-meter race in 15:46.74.

"On that course there's nowhere to block the wind," Magni said. "And it was windy most of the race. It should be a fast course. It was not wet, but it was soft a

little bit. That's a course you can really fly in. I thought the first 10 or 15 kids would be under 16 (minutes), but that wasn't the case at all.

"But the thing is, it doesn't matter what the time is ... you only count the points."

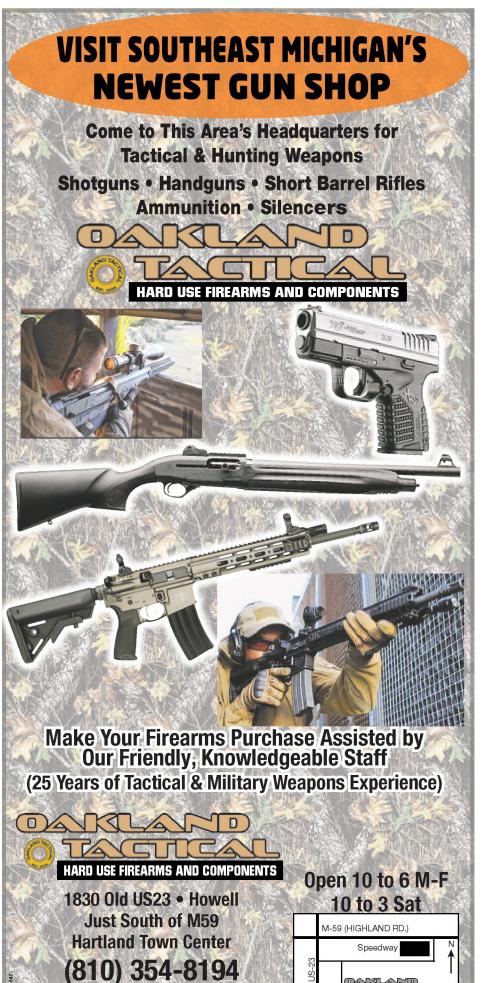
CHSL champion

On Oct. 19, CC captured its eighth straight Catholic League title at Kensington Metropark by outdueling Orchard Lake St. Mary's, 49-67, while Birmingham Brother Rice placed third with 103. Warren DeLaSalle's Mickey Davey was first (16:13), 30 seconds ahead of runner-up John Pennington of Brother Rice (16:43).

Smith was third in 16:56, followed by Borek (seventh, 17:22), Hobson (eighth, 17:27) and Avery Felty (ninth, 17:28). The CC quartet all earned all-league honors by finishing in the top 10.

The Shamrocks' fifth runner was Racine (22nd, 18:07), while junior Alex McLaren (27th, 18:13) and Canavan (30th, 18:22) rounded out the CC contingent.

"We knew it was going to be us and Orchard Lake St. Mary," Magni said. "Nobody was going to come close to us, according to dual season. We said coming in that our fourth man had to come in front of their second man, for sure, because I knew we'd bunch up pretty well. I just told them hang together and see what happens because we really don't have any front runners, so to speak, especially in a big meet.'



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15 minutes, 46.74 seconds, while Novi junior Joost Plaetinck was runner-up in 15:55.8.

Senior Nick Noles paced Northville in third (15:58.41).

"Nick showed why he is an all-state runner," Cronin said. "He is such a terrific big meet runner. Whether he finishes first or third for us, Nick sets the tone for our team."

Senior Jason Ferrante (fifth, 16:05.44) and junior Conor Naughton (eighth, 16:08.16) also earned top 10 finishes for Northville.

"Jason turned in another solid," Cronin said.
"His continued improvement this season is one of the big reasons our team has had so much success. Conor had a good race, but the junior will be called on to tighten up his team's top pack at MIS. Conor's competitive fire will be one of the intangibles we'll take to the line next week."

Northville's other two scorers were senior Sean McCullough (15th, 16:32.0) and sophomore Ben Cracraft (20th, 16:48.48).

"This was Sean's first race in October and we were thrilled to have him back in the lineup," Cronin said. "He makes us better and links our top three to our fifth and sixth runners. Ben has had a fantastic season and today's finish is a testament to all of his hard work this season."

Kenny Goolsby (24th, 16:59.94) and Sam Kremke (66th, 18:12.04) were Northville's two other finishers.

In addition to Plaetinck's second-place finish, Novi also got solid efforts from Sahisnu Malapati (16th, 16:36.02), Scott MacPherson (19th, 16:46.04), John Landy (27th, 17:03.6) and Nathan Hall (29th, 17:05.02).



LUC PLAETING

Novi's Joost Plaetinck was runner-up at the Division 1 regional at Willow Metropark.

"Joost ran a great race," Novi coach Robert Smith said. "Northville was a pretty tough challenge to beat, but we ran up to our expectations. We didn't really have any issues with health, but I think we're running on all cylinders right now."

"All the other guys were close," Smith said, "but Sahisnu was the only varsity guy to make that distinction. It was an outstanding effort on his part. Scott was the second fastest sophomore in the field today and that was only by one second and one place."

Meanwhile, Cameron Misko (17:06.3) and Adam Ditri (17:08.17) placed 30th and 31st, respectively, for the Wildcats.

"As what usually happens, the field took off fast," Smith said. "The first time I saw our runners, they were just past the one-mile mark. It was difficult to tell, but I had my doubts about us being in the top three. But the guys really held their

composure and continued to push their pace throughout the remaining two miles. I think we closed better than any other team today."

The Division 1 boys finals starts at 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 1, at MIS.

"There's a lot of teams like us," Smith said. "I can see us finishing anywhere between maybe eighth and 15th. I'm hoping for better, but I don't want have too much of an expectation because it's a disappointment. I'm trying to be realistic with that.

"It's really going to be a good race from top to bottom. I know Northville is really going to be challenged with (Waterford) Mott, (White Lake) Lakeland and Traverse City (Central and West), maybe even Holly. It's going to be a lot of fun. And there's going to be so many teams like us. It's who can put all together. It's bunch of cliches, but it's all so true."

PREP FOOTBALL

Wildcats put wrap on season with 21-19 win

By Brad Emons Staff Writer

Novi football won't be a part of the postseason, but the Wildcats took some solace from their 2014 campaign Friday night with a 21-19 victory over visiting Howell.

Novi held off a late Howell fourth-quarter rally to finish its season at 4-5 overall.

"It's not the overall record that I wanted for our program, but they've made some strides and I feel they're going in the right direction," Novi coach Jeff Burnside said. "I probably have to preach more patience, including to myself, because it's hard to be patient and I know that.'

Novi got on the scoreboard with three minutes left in the opening quarter following a sevenplay, 51-yard drive capped by senior Matt Sabo's 8-yard touchdown run. Kent Maidens converted the extra-point

Howell (4-5) then answered with 1:33 to go in the same quarter on a Greg Kearns 30-yard field goal to trim the deficit to 7-3.

Junior Emanuel Jackson, who rushed for a game-best 136 yards on 20 carries, then scored a pair of second-quarter TDs - the first coming on a 7-yard run with 6:05 left, followed by a 21-yard run with 3:04 to go. He also set a school record with 2,067 career yards rushing in the process.

Patrick Wojtylo's interception led to Jackson's second TD run.

Wojtylo, a senior linebacker, finished the night with a team-best 18 tackles, including six solo and eight assists.

"He's a real good player and has kind of been the anchor of our defense all year," Burnside said of the 5-foot-9, 194-pound Wojtylo. "It was our best defensive performance of the year, by far. I think we kept them to under 300 (total) yards for the first time all year. We finally had some turnovers tonight, made some big-time short yardage stops, did some great things tonight and good to win a game like that."

Howell, however, trimmed the deficit to 21-10 after three quarters thanks to an 11-play, 87yard dive that culminated in Austin Fournier's 5yard TD pass to Evan Siemen with 2:35 left.

And with 10:15 left in the final quarter, Kearns made it a one-score game when he booted a 28-yard field goal to pull the Highlanders to within 21-13. An interception by Michael Betz set up the

Howell then drove 80 yards in eight plays, resulting in a 3-yard TD run by Thomas Lassitter with only 2:18 remaining. Down by only two, quarterback Brett Chaperon (105 yards on 17 carries) was stopped short of the goal line on the two-point conversion attempt to keep the score at 21-19.

The game was far from over, as the Highlanders' Nick Rauch successfully recovered the onside kick at the Novi 42.

But a Chaperon pass was intercepted by Aaron Pringle with just 1:02 remaining to end the suspense.

It was like two teams with nine lives and I think we ended up with one less life at the end,' Burnside said. "It was an interesting game. Howell's kids fought hard, our kids fought hard. And our defense stepped up and made plays they needed

tonight. They did a great

Senior Rohit Mogalavapalli and sophomore Alec Bargeris shared the Novi quarterback duties, going a combined 4-of-8 passing for 35 yards. Sabo added 75 yards on 16 carries as the Wildcats had 232 total yards.

Connor Howell collected four solo and five tackles, including a sack. Christian Durham was in on seven tackles for Novi.

But despite the season-ending victory, it will be the sixth straight year that Novi has missed the playoffs, something that

doesn't sit well with Burnside, who is 8-10 overall in his first two seasons.

"I feel disappointed, I feel like I let our kids down," he said. "I think that's the way anybody would feel, a couple of plays here and there from being a playoff team. You feel like you let 36 seniors down. It's frustrating to me, but on the other hand our kids have done some things this year that we haven't done in this program for a long time.'

Jackson, meanwhile, broke season records for all-purpose vards (2.002). TDs (23) and points (138). He now holds the career mark for all-purpose yards (3,749) and TDs

Another plus to the 2014 season was a 50-33 win over KLAA Central and Kensington Conference champ South Lyon, which finished 8-1 overall.

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PREP FOOTBALL

Shamrocks trounce Osborn in grid finale

By Brad Emons Staff Writer

Novi Detroit Catholic Central scored early and often Friday in its football season finale against Detroit Osborn en route to a 49-6 victory.

The Shamrocks finished the year 4-5, their first losing season since 2006, which was the last time they failed to make the Division 1 state playoffs. CC has made 24 postseason appearances and won 10 state titles under coach Tom Mach, who just completed his 41st season.

CC jumped out to a 28-6 first-quarter advantage and led 42-6 at halftime before invoking a running clock for the second half against Osborn (3-6)

Blake Livingston started the parade of CC touchdowns with a 7-yard run just 1:44 into the game. Cole Gingell followed with the first of his six straight extra points.

Before the quarter ended, Nicholas Gies added a 1-yard TD run, set up by a Philip Schmitz interception return to the Osborn 1. Schmitz then added a 2-yard TD run

with 6:15 left and Giese ran in from 4 yards with

1:05 to go. With 11:14 left in the second quarter, Giese scored again on a 1-yard

run, his third TD of the Osborn then got its only TD with some trickery as Shayshone Bonner faked a punt and ran 42 yards for a score with 8:03 left in the half. The

two-point conversion pass. Schmitz then got loose for a 79-yard TD run with 6:34 left until intermission to make it 42-6.

Knights failed on the

CC, ironically, did not run an offensive play from scrimmage in the third quarter, but scored its final TD when Daniel Wick picked up a fumble and returned it 8 yards. Tyler Laurentius added the PAT.

All of CC's total yards (272) came on the ground, with Schmitz (92), Livingston (70) and Giese (64) leading the way. The Shamrocks did not attempt a pass and had 13 first downs to Osborn's

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"I don't even know what went through my head," the 6-foot, 180 pound quarterback said. "I just kind of threw it up there and let him (Bak) make a play and he came

down with it." The 29-yard touchdown pass with only 47 seconds remaining put Northville back on top, but a poor exchange on the hold foiled the extra point, giving Grand Blanc one more shot down by only

Starting at their own 31 with just 40 seconds to go and along with two timeouts in their pocket, Bobcats quarterback Tre'von Avery connected on three straight passes to the Northville 45.

Avery, who was elusive all night scrambling out of the pocket, then heaved a desperation pass in the vicinity of the Northville 15-yard line and found Desean Brown wide open, only to have the pass drop incomplete.

Avery then had one more play with six seconds left, but Northville's Aaron Huggins snatched the ball away from a Grand Blanc receiver at the 6 for an interception to end the game.

Grand Blanc scored on its first possession of the game, when Elias Smiley ripped 26 yards through the middle of the Northville defense for a TD with 9:45 left in the opening quarter.

The Mustangs' Jack Burke then picked off an Avery pass and returned it to the Bobcats' 47 after the ball popped out of receiver Andrew Blakemore's hands.

Northville got down to the Grand Blanc 19 before settling for a 35-yard field goal from Jacob Moody with 3:02 left in the same quarter that cut the deficit to 7-3.

Getting the ball at its own 39 to start the second quarter, Northville mounted 14-play drive before being faced with a fourthand-goal situation at the

Bobcats' 2. "My calf was cramping

up," said Zimbo, who was forced out of the game. "I was in a lot of pain, so I had to some out for a couple plays, but I just fought through it and got back in

But not before back-up Burke was forced into emergency action on the critical play.

But the back-up QB never got a chance to make a play as a high snap from center sailed over his head. And on the ensuing scramble, Grand Blanc's De'Aundre Simpkins headed the other way 85 yards for a touchdown, making it 14-3 with 5:08 left in the half.

Down 11 points, Northville got back on the board with 3:05 left in the third quarter as Zimbo got loose on a 62-yard run, followed by a 5-yard TD pass two plays later to 6-foot-7 tight end Ryan Roberts.

The point after attempt was blocked, leaving Northville still five points in the hole.

Backed up on their own end at the 4 starting the final quarter, the Mustangs went 96 yards in 13 plays, eating up 5:30, capped by Zimbo's 5-yard TD scramble on fourthand goal with a dive to the goal line.

Zimbo also ran in the two-pointer to put the Mustangs on top for the first time on the night, 17-14, with only 6:30 remaining.

"We had a bunch set, then we'd motion and shift a whole bunch over," Northville coach Matt Ladach said of his team's bread-and-butter running play that helped propel it into the lead. "We ran our jet-sweep off of there and we had a couple of counters off that jet as well."

But that Northville advantage was short-lived as Avery scrambled and hurled a 53-yard TD pass to Matt Mastromatteo with just 5:04 remaining. Northville, though, remained just one score down, 20-17, after the

extra point was missed Zimbo, who was 8-of-14 passing for 109 yards, accounted for 275 of Northville's 381 total yards.

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GIRLS SWIMMING

Northville swimmers clinch dual crown

By Brad Emons Staff Writer

Talk about going out in style.

Northville's senior swimmers went out a winner Oct. 23 in their final home meet of the season with a 99-87 victory over Livonia Stevenson, while clinching the KLAA Central Division dual-meet title in the process with a 4-0 record.

The Mustangs, who improved to 7-0 overall in duals, held off a determined Stevenson squad led by individual double-winners Laura Westphal and Kelsey Macaddino.

Westphal hit the wall first in the 200-yard individual medley (2:12.59) and 100 butterfly (1:00.41), while Macaddino captured the 50 freestyle (25.96) and 100 freestyle (55.36).

"It was a little more special than a regular meet," North-ville coach Brian McNeff said. "Typically, there is not as much focus on the swimming part of senior night, but we were going up against a tough opponent in Stevenson, so we had to make sure we still brought our best. No one wanted to let the seniors down, so a lot of people stepped up and we swam pretty fast."

The Mustangs also got a victory from Nicki Pumper in the 200 freestyle (2:02.34) and Darby Mroz in the 100 back-stroke (1:03.43). Meanwhile, the quartet of Gillian Zayan, Alissa Moore, Hannah Craig and Nicki Pumper added a first in the 200 freestyle relay (1:44.86).

We had some nice time drops from some people and really set ourselves up well for



Northville's Jessica Yan finished third in the 100 breaststroke as the Mustangs edged Livonia Stevenson.

divisions and conferences," McNeff said. "The meet was really about the seniors, though. This group of nine girls had never lost a home meet and end their careers with a dual meet record of 32-1. They have been a big part of this program since they first got here and a lot of our success has been because of what they have done both in and out of the pool. We are definitely going to miss them next year."

The Mustangs, who have

now captured four straight division dual meet crowns, will focus their attention on the KLAA Central Division meet, which starts at noon Saturday, Nov. 1, at Novi. Diving prelims will be at 4 p.m. Friday, also at

The Kensington Conference meet will follow Friday and Saturday, Nov. 7-8, at South Lyon East.

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DUAL MEET RESULT
NORTHVILLE 99, STEVENSON 87
Oct. 23 at Northville
200-yard medley relay: 1. Stevenson
(Rebecca Arakelian, Merrill Froney, Rachel Arceri,
Brenna Erickson), 1:54.57; 2. Northville (Darby Mroz,
Jennifer Ostrowski, Kelsey Macaddino, Laura Westphal), 1:57.12; 3. Northville (Alison Tucker, Erin Szara,
Sarah Ptashnik, Rachel Mazzaran), 2:05.54.
200 freestyle: 1. Nick Pumper (N), 2:02.34; 2.
Bayne Froney (LS), 2:03.7); 3. Natalie Filipowicz,
2:04.59.

200 individual medley: 1. Laura Westphal (N), 2:14.18; 3. M. Froney (LS), 2:14.18; 3. M. Froney (LS),

50 freestyle: 1. Macaddino (N), 25.96; 2. Sara Bowen (LS), 26.27; 3. Gillian Zayan (N), 26.64. 1-meter diving: 1. Jessica Weak (LS), 234.30 points; 2. Samantha Ellis, 18:9.52; 3. Alethia Blough (N), 113.28.

100 butterfly: 1. Westphal (N), 1:00.41; 2. KLAA Central Division; Stevenson, 2-2 KLAA Central.

Arakelian (LS), 1:02.37; 3. Brittany Nayh (N), 1:06.76.

100 freestyle: 1. Macaddino (N), 55.36; 2. Pumper (N), 55.81; 3. Bowen (LS), 57.1. 500 freestyle: 1. Arceri (LS), 5:23.68; 2. Jessica

Yan (N), 5:24.13; 3. Cherisa Song (N), 5:47.91.

200 freestyle relay: 1. Northville (Zayan, Alissa Moore, Hannah Craig, Pumper), 1:44.86; 2. Stevenson (Bowen, Melissa Flannigan, Kate Ptashnik, Erickson), 1:45.0; 3. Northville (Ana Barrott, Nayh, Sabrina Lee, Miroz), 1:50.94. **100 backstroke:** 1. Mroz (N), 1:03.43; 2. B.

Froney (LS), 1:05.8; 3. Olivia Burrows (N), 1:05.68. **100 breaststroke:** 1. Arakelian (LS), 1:11.54; 2. M. Froney (LS), 1:14.78; 3. Yan (N), 1:15.16. 400 freestyle relay: 1. Stevenson (Arceri, Erickson, M. Froney, Arakelian), 3:44.13; 2. Northville (Pumper, Zayan, Macaddino, Westphal), 3:45.53; 2. Stevenson (Flannigan, Ptashnik, B. Froney, Bowen), 2:50.14

Dual meet records: Northville, 7-0 overall, 4-0

PREP VOLLEYBALL

Hard-hitting Novi attack clips Canton in conference final

By Brad Emons

Baseball Hall of Famer "Wee Willie" Keeler once said: "Keep your eye clear and hit 'em where they ain't.''

The same could be said Oct. for the Novi volleyball team, which found enough holes in Canton's defense to earn its second straight Kensington Conference title, 25-17, 26-24, 25-17, in a rematch of last year's championship final that lasted five sets.

Victoria Iacobelli, a 5-foot-9 junior outside hitter and one half of the Wildcats' potent identical twin tandem along with her sister Paulina, hit for a high average as she finished with 18 kills to go along with

Paulina, meanwhile, chipped in nine kills and a team-best 17 digs as the KLAA Central Division champions, ranked No. 2 in Class A, improved to 35-4-1 overall.

'Victoria played really smart tonight," Novi coach Jen Cottrill said. "We were really working hard for a while on our other attackers and I think she took a little dip, then this last week we've been really focusing on them and moving the ball around a little bit and I thought she did a great job of that tonight."

The Chiefs (19-8-1) couldn't recover from an 18-8 first-set deficit, but regrouped to make it a battle of it in the second set, pulling even at 24-24.

But Novi got a clutch kill from Paulina Iacobelli to close out the set.

"They see the court well, especially when they stack out of the middle like they do," Canton coach Steve Johnson said of the Iacobelli twins. "And when they swing from the outside, they see the court

In the third set, Novi led 13-9, but Canton came back to within two, 16-14. The Wildcats then went up 20-16 before Johnson was forced to use his final timeout.

Seniors Courtney Kurkie and Lauren Schornak paced Canton's hitting attack with 10 and nine kills, respectively. Emma Clark chipped in five for the KLAA South Division champs.

Meanwhile, setter Carleigh Vela collected 19 assists, while Alyssa Burke added seven. Haley Diedrick and Schornak each finished with eight digs.



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Novi's Olivia Bradford (left) goes high for the block on Canton's Alyssa Burke during the Kensington Conference championship.

"We're kind of a mid-season slump a little bit," Johnson said. "I think the team had a good run through the division and then we just kind of ran into a wall a little bit. I wouldn't say a wall, but ran into a rough patch. I think

we've learned from it.' The two teams could cross paths again Saturday at Novi for the KLAA Association tournament, which features the top three division finishers from the South, Central, North and West. Pool play matches start at 9 a.m.

"It's the first time we've seen Novi this year; we've only heard things as opposed to seeing things," Johnson said. "So now to see what they

do and we'll be able adjust. T'd like to see us run our plays a little more consistently because we have some nice plays out of middle and from the different pins, too. I think just having the ability to run those is what we'll be looking for next time."

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YOUTH FOOTBALL

Colts varsity, JV advance with playoff victories

Brennen Van Riper scored a pair of touchdowns Sunday as the host Northville Colts improved their varsity record to 9-0 with a 36-6 Western Lakes Junior Football League playoff win over the Northville Stallions at Tom Holzer

The Colts led 8-0 after one quarter as Ben Shuart hit Daniel McLaughlin on a TD pass, followed by Josh Porter's two-point kick.

The Colts increased their lead to 23-0 at intermission when Nick Prystash and Ryan Silberg each ran for a TD. Porter kicked a twopointer and Prystash also ran for a one-pointer.

Van Riper added TD runs in the third and fourth quarters, while Porter contributed a two-point kick to complete the scoring.

Enzo Rodriguez had the lone TD in the final quarter for the Stallions (4-5). He also had an interception.

The Colts were led defensively by Brian Tijan, Alex VanNocker, Luke Lindsey-Zayti Aiden Hayek and Jake

COLTS (JV) 31, STALLIONS 7: Brett Rankin rushed for 236 yards and three TDs as the Colts

(8-1) rolled over the Stallions (4-5). Rankin had TD runs of 79, 38 and 63 yards, while Jake Willerer (1-yard run) and Brett Rudolph

(42-yard run) also found the end zone. Willerer set up his own TD run with a 44-yard pass to Rankin.
The Stallions' Kristopher Stojanovski rushed for 68 yards on 11 carries. He had a 63-yard TD run in the third quarter to cut the deficit to 18-7 before the Colts put it away with 13 fourth-quarter points.
The Colts held the Stallions to less than 150 total yards of Adm Ham. Shoes Sandhand Income.

yards as Adam Harp, Shane Sandhu and James Monticelli led the way, while Andrew Hayek and Kellen Gonda each came up an interception Stallions quarterback Jack Bugar was 3-of-5 passing for 33 yards.

BOBCATS 27 (FRESHMAN), COLTS 0: On

Sunday, Niko Krall rushed for 73 yards on five carries and a TD Sunday as the host Bobcats (9-0) rolled to a playoff win over the Northville Colts (4-5) at Novi High School. The Bobcats led 7-0 after one quarter on Robert

Lalain's 29-yard TD pass to Charlie Lewinski, followed by Krall's extra point conversion run. In the second quarter, Bacari Scott scored on a 34-yard TD run and Krall added a 49-yard scoring

run. Lalain and Calvin Taulbee each added a one-point conversion run. Dominic Senatore's 2-yard TD run in the third quarter sewed up the win. Lalain was 8-of-14 passing for 57 yards.

Tackle leaders included Thad Lawler (eight) and

Senatore (six).

Colts quarterback Cole McGowan completed 5-of-7 passes, while the defense was led by Ryne Socha (sack), Jack Davis (caused fumble), Santino Petrola (blocked pass) and Matthew McLaughlin

STALLIONS (FRESHMAN) 14, CHAR-**GERS 13:** On Sunday, the host Stallions (8-1) overcame a 13-0 first-quarter deficit to beat the

Commerce Chargers (6-3) in a WLJFL playoff game at Tom Holzer Field. The Stallions scored all 14 of their points in the second quarter to take the lead for keeps.

Devin Shaffer scooped up a Chargers fumble and returned it to the Commerce 25 setting up a Grady

Zoroya's TD run. Luca Prior then hit Caden Besco for the one-pointer. Zoroya then intercepted a Chargers pass which resulted in a 60-yard TD pass from Prior to Max Anderson with only 17 seconds left in the half.

Zoroya then scored the go-ahead one-pointer



TONYA DARF

Northville Colts JV ball carrier Kellen Gonda is tackled first by Luke Brodde (left) as teammate Kristopher Stojanovski comes in for support.

THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP FOOTBALL
DIVISION 1-REGION 3-DISTRICT 1
Friday, Oct. 31
Northville at Canton, 7 n m orthville at Canton, 7 p.r PREP VOLLEYBALL DISTRICT PAIRINGS CLASS A at NOVI

Monday, Nov. 3: (A) Canton vs. (B) lymouth, 7 p.m. **Wednesday, Nov. 5:** Novi vs. Salem, 5

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p.m. Northville vs. A-B winner, 7 p.m.
Thursday, Nov. 6: Championship final, 7
p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifinals, 7
p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 11 at West Bloomfield vs.
Linden district champion.)
CLASS D
at BIRMINGHAM ROEPER
Monday, Nov. 3: (A) Birmingham Roeper
vs. (B) Southfield Christian, 6 p.m.
Wednesday, Nov. 5: Novi Franklin Road

Wednesday, Nov. 5: Novi Franklin Road Christian vs. A-B winner, 6 p.m.; Detroit Winans Academy of Performing Arts vs. Detroit Universal Academy, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 7: Championship final, 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifinals, 6 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 11 at Plymouth Christian Academy vs. Clarkston Everest Collegiate district PREP CROSS COUNTRY

MHSAA FINALS at MIS (Brooklyn) Saturday, Nov. 1 Division 1 boys race, 2 p.m Division 1 girls race, 3 p.m. GIRLS SWIMMING Friday, Oct. 31 KLAA Central Diving at Novi, 4 p.m Saturday, Nov. 1 KLAA Central Meet at Novi, noon. Friday, Nov. 7

Kensington Conference Prelims at South Lyon East, 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 8 Kensington Conference meet at South Lyon East, noon.

Mustangs go two OTs to gain regional final

By Brad Emons Staff Writer

It took Northville 97 minutes, 18 seconds to get a goal.

And it was a very important one as the Mustangs earned a 1-0 boys soccer victory Oct. 21 over stubborn Temperance Bedford in the Division 1 regional semifinal at Westland John Glenn.

Senior midfielder Kyle Johnson scored the game-winner with only 2:42 left in the second 10-minute overtime period to

propel the Mustangs (14-5-3) into the regional final against Canton (see related story).

'It wasn't pretty, but we got it done," Northville coach Henry Klimes said. "We possessed the ball, I'd say, 80 percent of the game. Their goalie did make a couple of good stops, but first half we should have put three or four in the net. We weren't bearing down and pushing into the goal. We played a little bit too loose, a little bit overconfident, I think, at times.

"But give credit to Temperance. I thought they worked their tail off and they defended very well. Their goalie made great saves. And as the game progresses, it gets tougher and tougher. It took a while to finally get that nice cross by (Alec) Morgan, then to Kyle (Johnson), who got that nice header goal. It was a very nice goal, but maybe 75 minutes longer than I needed."

The Mustangs were not quite as sharp after coming off an emotional 1-0 district championship victory over Novi Detroit Catholic Central.

Northville senior goalkeeper Alec Melucci, who was the hero in the victory over CC, had to make only one save against Bedford to record his 11th shutout of the year.

"Our back line has been pretty steady, but overall we just did not execute the way we need to execute," Klimes said. "I think the work rate was good. But you have to finish and you have to do the simple things. You've got to play as a

team and I thought it was a little bit too much individual. And we were not executing in the offensive third. There were a lot of mistakes everywhere.

But then again, I don't want to take anything away from Temperance. They certainly worked very hard. They had nine behind the ball at all times. They tried for counters. They had one opportunity, but it was offside when there was a little bit of a mix-up.'

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SOCCER

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teams to halftime 1-1.

The Chiefs (22-0-3) needed a brilliant clutch goal by junior midfielder Hunter Olson with 4:58 to play in regulation to knot the score at 2-2.

And after that, it was the "Andrew Loehnis Show" as the senior goalkeeper stoned the Mustangs (14-6-3) in the two 10-minute extra sessions and penalty kicks.

With the first OT winding down, Alec Morgan's free kick from 40 yards flew into a crowd in front of Loehnis. Getting a head on it was Northville's Johnny Rodriguez and the ball caromed toward the top of the

But Loehnis skied as high as he could to snare the ball.

Then in PKs, Loehnis dove to deny a bid by Blake Becker and batted away another attempt taken by Kyle Johnson.

Canton ultimately won the PK round when junior midfielder Jason Ren's hard shot bounced in off the body of Mustangs goalkeeper Manuel Kansy (who took over from starter Alec Melucci after overtime).

"I was just thinking, 'I got to be on top, I got to get the job done' and coach chose me to get the job done," Loehnis said.
"Jay (Krebs, Canton's usual goalie for PKs) is out with a sprained ankle, so coach told me to step up."



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Canton's Hunter Olson (left) and Northville's Dan Baldwin go head-to-head during Friday's regional final.

Loehnis played the first half, giving up the game's first goal to Grant Tyburski, whose spinning boot from 10 yards in front

found the inside of the left post. Canton made it 1-1 on a strange goal. Throwing the ball in from the left side in Northville's end was senior midfielder Jack Zemanski and the ball was flicked into the box by senior forward Carter Schenk (who left the game with an

ond half).

The ball then bounced in off a Mustangs defender past Me-

"The own goal, that was a tough one to give up, but we kept going," Klimes said. "But there's nothing to be down about, the boys played their hearts out. They have no regrets and what more can you ask for high school kids?

Playing the second half for the Chiefs was senior goalkeeper Dylon DaSilva and he was beaten on a pretty shot by Jonathon Mitchell with 27:41 remaining in regulation to put Northville up 2-1.

Taking a corner kick from the right side was Jake Reitzloff and the ball bounced out of a scrum to the top of the box. That's where Mitchell's leftfooted strike sent the ball into the top-left corner.

"It felt good to put the ball in the net," Mitchell said. "At that point, we were winning so it felt good. ... It's heartbreaking (to lose), but we put forth our best effort and that's all you can ask

For more than 20 minutes, that goal stood as the winner before the Chiefs scored the equalizer.

Causley sent a pass from the left side of the Northville 18yard box in front to Olson, who flicked it in with a perfect header.

"At first I didn't think I had a chance to get a piece of it," Olson said. "But at the last second, it came toward me and I was able to jump backward

for it and get a head on it." That reprieve helped get Canton into overtime and the Chiefs managed to survive to move into Wednesday's Division 1 semifinal at Holt.



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Labor expert says job market is strong

Michigan's jobless rate improved more than 1.5 points in the past 24 months to 7.7 percent according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, and leaders at the largest recruitment research firm in the nation have identified specific employment skill sets that are driving this

According to Qualigence International founder and CEO Steve Lowisz, while it may appear the growth in Michigan is

growth.



Lowisz

industries, it is because there are certain talent needs that are not industry-

specific.

"For the past 24 months, we have seen a steady uptick in recruiting activity throughout the state of Michigan," said Lowisz, a Northville resident. "Although it

seems that most industries are seeing some movement, there appears to be a steady growth trend in automotive, health care and general technology related fields."

The talent needs in the following employment fields are greatest:

» Programmers/Developers – Skill sets are generally not industry specific

» Mechanical/Electrical Engineers - Although industry-specific experience is still preferred, cross-industry experience is becoming more common.

» Revenue generators Sales positions (inside/ outside positions).

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» Health Care Providers - There are more nurse openings today than there are nurses available in Michigan, however, there are waiting lists to get into nursing programs at local universities.

"The important thing to note is the domino effect related to these industries," said Lowisz. "For example, the Big Three and many of its local Tier 1 and Tier 2 suppliers are being very aggressive in recruiting various professional roles with a heavy emphasis on engineering and development. As the economy continues to improve, this growth

continues to the automotive dealer network.'

Lowisz explains that in late 2013, Ford Motor Company announced it would hire 5,000 new employees in 2014, with more than 80 percent in product development, manufacturing, quality and technology. This type of investment in Michigan leads to increased hiring in technology, services, and related businesses required to support this overall

T&M Associates comes to Novi

A leading automotive and waste management industries firm has set up shop in Novi.

Г&M Associates, а leading national engineering, environmental services and consulting firm, announced the opening of its Michigan office, which will focus on serving the automotive and waste management industries.

The new office is located at 39555 Orchard Hill

It has full portfolio of services, including EHS auditing and program development/implementation, regulatory compliance and permitting, site investigation and remediation, risk assessment, due diligence and transactional support, underground storage tank/ aboveground storage tank evaluation and investigation, industrial hygiene, grants and funding, energy efficiency, transportation engineering, water resources, storm water management and construction administration.

Natalie Pryde, who specializes in regulatory compliance at the local, federal and global levels, will lead the Novi office. According to T&M, she brings nearly 15 years of environmental, health and safety and compliance experience with General Motors, Ford, FIAT Chrysler Automobiles and numerous public and private clients in the sector.

T&M also appointed environmental geologist Nathan Hull as solid waste specialist, whose team will provide a broad portfolio of services to clients throughout the region. Hull comes from T&M Associates' Ohio regional office and brings 18 years of experience in construction inspection, quality assurance and environmental investiga-

"Natalie's automotive and regulatory leadership, combined with Nathan's environmental expertise, enables us to



Natalie Pryde, who specializes in regulatory compliance, will lead the Novi office.

bring best-in-class services to Detroit and enhance our offerings in the greater Midwest market," said Ihsan Al-Fayyomi, senior vice president and environmental services business unit leader at T&M.

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Restaurant show



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Gordon Food Service employee Patrick Callan prepares some turkey Swiss sliders with a tropical aioli dressing at the Oct. 14 Michigan Restaurant Show at Novi's Suburban Collection Showplace. The two-day event filled the main hall with hundreds of restaurant suppliers of food, equipment, furniture and personnel. Gordon Food Service has a location in Novi on 12 Mile Road

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Lakes Chamber hosting Expo

Members of the Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce in Walled Lake will come together from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 1, to host an Expo, Taste and Fun Fest at Walled Lake Western High School (600 Beck Road in Wixom).

Highlighting the event will be an appearance by Stacie Zotcovich, the 2014 Mrs. Michigan United States. She will be on hand to greet attendees and sign autographs. A wife and mother of two young children, Stacie is also a working professional, community leader and avid runner.

Other highlights will include an appearance by children's author, playwright and director Debbie Lannen. She has written two children's books, including Crystal: A Fairy's Dream and Same Dumb Lake, Same Dumb Curves, and several plays, including I'm Sorry, an anti-bullying play. Debbie will entertain children with readings from her books at noon, 1 p.m., 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. Additional entertainment will be provided by Magic Joe, who will entertain young and old with his amazing magic tricks, the Howell Conference & Nature Center, who will be stopping by with a live animal, and Face Flair who will be providing complimentary face paint-

Additional information on the event can be found at www.LakesAreaChamber.com or by calling 248-624-2826. The Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce, with offices in Walled Lake, has served the communities of Commerce Township, Union Lake, Walled Lake, Waterford, White Lake, Wixom and Wolverine Lake since 1963.





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Tops in the field: Commercial real estate leaders in region lauded

The Building Owners and Managers Association/Metro Detroit (BOMA/Metro Detroit) has named its 2014 Exceptional Leaders in the commercial real estate industry.

The recipients will be honored at The Outstanding Building of the Year (TOBY) and Leadership Awards Program on Friday afternoon, Nov. 7, at the Motor City Casino Sound Board in Detroit.

The program honors outstanding leaders in the local commercial real estate industry. Named to receive this year's exceptional leadership awards are:

» Gina Goodin, RPA of CBRE - Property Manager of

» John Guardiola, RPA, LEED AP of Bedrock Real Estate Services - Facility Manager of the Year

» Wiss, Janney, Elstner Associates, Inc. – Service Provider of the Year » Karen Skierski of Com-

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We have recognized and will celebrate the collective



Karen Skierski of Comcast Business



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and individual efforts of these exceptional leaders. It is the generosity of their time and talent that validates the integrity of what we do every day, the difference we make to our professions, our tenants, our customers, and our communities," said Paul Magy, president of BOMA/Metro Detroit.

For additional information on the 2014 Leadership Awards, contact Emily Keranen or visit www.bomade-

Founded in 1908, BOMA/ Metro Detroit is a professional, nonprofit trade association whose nearly 400 members either own or manage commercial real estate, or provide goods and services to the industry.

BOMA Michigan members represent organizations managing more than 250 million square feet of office and industrial space, with employees and tenants totaling more than 1.25 million people in

Michigan. Michigan members' annual expenditures contribute \$3.2 billion to the State's economy.

BOMA/Metro Detroit provides commercial real estate professionals the opportunity to work together for professional growth, advocacy rights, corporate profit, and the benefit of the Southeastern Michigan communities it serves. For more information on BOMA and membership, visit www.bomadet.org.

Realtors applaud domain announcement for Web use

The National Association of Realtors has won the rights to the new .realestate toplevel domain. NAR intends to use the .realestate domain along with the recently acquired .REALTOR domain to create order for real estate information on the Internet and to provide NAR members with tools that help brand themselves as the most trusted, valued source of real estate information.

While .REALTOR will be used exclusively by NAR members and its affiliated NAR business partners, it is anticipated that .realestate will have wider business applications. NAR encourages members to participate in the .REALTOR domain launch later this month, during which the first 500,000 members who register will be awarded a free one-year license, and procure the domain names they want and as many as they wish to creatively brand themselves.

'NAR is thrilled that it has acquired the rights to the .realestate top-level domain," said NAR President Steve Brown, co-owner of Irongate, Inc. Realtors in Dayton, Ohio. "As the leader in the real estate industry and the 'voice for real estate,' NAR has been a pioneer for new technology in the digital space and intends to use the .realestate domain in conjunction with the .REALTOR domain to build an online space where home buyers, sellers and investors can find credible and professional real estate resources and services."

NAR Senior Vice President of Marketing Bob Goldberg is excited about how these acquisitions will help transform the way Realtors do business online. "Obtaining this toplevel domain along with .REALTOR will solidify NAR and our members' standing as groundbreakers in the rapidly

changing real estate environment and change how the Internet is used to educate and connect with consumers, not only today, but in the fu-

NAR applied for the top-level domains through the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers, or ICANN, the organization that directs domains and IP addresses for the Internet..

Details on business rules, pricing and the launch date of realestate will be available in the second quarter of 2015. For more information, visit www.realtor.org /topics/top-level-domain.

HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-OAKLAND COUNTY

30016 Greenboro St

31134 Harmony Ln

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\$600,000

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of June 9-13, 2014, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

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1142 Timberview Trl
4080 Willoway Place Dr
5167 Woodlands Ln
5499 Woodview Dr
COMMERCE TOWNSHIP
206 Annison Dr
1823 Applebrook Dr
3175 Belle Terre
4550 Commerce Woods
Dr
7958 Flagstaff St
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Audit law or no, bookkeeping should be solid

Q: I hear there was an amendment to the Condominium Act regarding financial statements and audits. Can you provide me with any information?

A: A statute was passed, I think, improvidently, to provide that an association of co-owners with annual revenues greater than \$20,000 shall on an annual basis have its books, records and



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financial statements independently audited or reviewed by a certified public accountant. Unfortunately, the association may opt out of the requirements on an annual basis by an affirmative vote of a majority of its members by any means permitted under the association's bylaws. I think it is important that every association have its financial statements, books and records independently audited or reviewed by a certified public accountant, but this is what the legislature has prescribed along with Gov.

Q: I have a pit bull and the ordinance in my municipality prohibits pit bulls. I am an ex-military man and my psychiatrist has diagnosed me with PTSD. I want my assistance animal because for my therapeutic use and function. The association is saying that they don't have to agree to let me have my dog because it is dangerous and because of the ordinance. What do you think?

A: I think that the association will be compelled to allow you to keep your dog, because, otherwise, it will have violated the Federal Fair Housing Act. To prevail on a failure to accommodate claim under the Federal Fair Housing Act, a person must establish that 1) he or she is disabled within the meaning of the Federal Fair Housing Act; 2) he or she requested a reasonable accommodation; 3) the accommodation is necessary to afford him or her an opportunity to use and enjoy his or her dwelling; and, 4) that the association refuses to make the requested accommodation. In your particular case, Section 3615 of the Federal Fair Housing Act provides that "any law of the State, a political subdivision or other such jurisdiction that purports to require or permit any action that would be a discriminatory housing practice under the Federal Fair Housing Act would to that extent be invalid. I would suggest, therefore, that your ordinance is invalid as it relates to the Federal Fair Housing Act.

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.

Robert M. Meisner is a lawyer and

HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-WAYNE COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of June 30 to July 3, 2014, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

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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 Lyon.

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Investors

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

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

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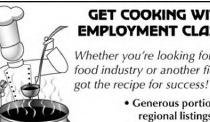
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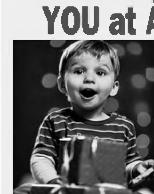
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