ORIHULE RECORD

Merry Christmas

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25, 2014 • hometownlife.com

Film fest deadlines

The deadlines for the 2015 Rock Hard Film Fest all-ages competition are approaching — Jan. 1 for musicians; Feb. 1 for filmmakers. Returning as special guest judge is Allee Willis, a Grammy and Tony award-winning songwriter/artist.

The three-day event will kick off its second year at Detroit Farm and Garden at 7 p.m. Friday, June 5. Registered filmmakers and musicians will be introduced and then randomly paired into teams by random drawing. All teams will be given specific elements that need to be incorporated into their music videos. They will be given 48½ hours to complete their music videos.

Sponsors opportunities are available; contact event founder Lisa Meinzinger-Abraham at rockhardfilmfast@

gmail.com.
For more information, go to
www.rockhard
filmfast.com and
follow on
www.facebook.com/
rockhardfilmfast,
www.twitter.com/
rockhardfilm and
www.instagram.com/
rockhardfilmfast.



JIM ALLEN

Mayor Chris Johnson (left) hands longtime resident Charles Toussaint the proclamation plaque honoring Dec. 21 as Charles Toussaint Day in the city of Northville.

DEC. 21 PROCLAIMED CHARLES TOUSSAINT DAY

Long-time community supporter honored

By Lonnie Huhman
Staff Writer

In honor of his lifelong support for the community, Dec. 21 in the city of Northville was proclaimed Charles Toussaint Day

was proclaimed Charles Toussaint Day.
"I'm overwhelmed by this," said Toussaint at the Northville City Council's Dec. 15 meet-

ing. "This is an honor and a privilege."

Mayor Chris Johnson made the proclamation on behalf of the city and called Toussaint a friend.

"Having visited Germany, Denmark, Finland, England, Scotland, Ireland, Norway, Russia, China Africa, Egypt, Belgium, France, Italy, Greece and Czechoslovakia and had an audience with Queen Nor of Jor-

dan, Charles always returned to his home in Northville," Johnson said.

Toussaint turned 84 on Dec. 21, which is why Johnson and council picked that day. He was being honored for being a lifelong resident and supporter of Northville. He still lives in the same house he was born in.

He attended Northville Public Schools where he served as the captain of the Northville High School golf team.

According to the proclamation, as a young man, Toussaint started his working career as a paperboy selling the *Detroit Free Press* in the morning, the *Detroit News* and *Times* in the evening and on Saturdays, could be found on any of the four corners selling papers. Later, he worked as an usher at Northville Downs and eventually ran for Northville City Council.

His remembrances have been recorded

See TOUSSAINT, Page A2



JIM ALLEN

Charles Toussaint has lived in Northville his entire

MONTH WALLAND THAT THE THREE THE THREE THE STATE OF THE BOTTON THREE TH

JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Northville Rotary President Alan Somershoe gives a check to Northville Civic Concern's Marlene Kunz for \$5,000 for the charity's needs. Rotary raised the funds during its annual Goodfellows campaign.

Rotary Club gives back

By Lonnie Huhman
Staff Writer

The Northville Rotary Club gives back to the community by supporting two important organizations.

At their last meeting on Dec. 16, Northville Rotary handed over a combined \$8,000 to the Northville Public School district and Northville Civic Concern.

"You are our hometown heroes," said Civic Concern Director Marlene Kunz, accepting a \$5,000 check from Rotary President Alan Somershoe.

See ROTARY, Page A2

Business A11 Crossword Puzzle B7 Education A4 Homes B6 Jobs B8 Obituaries A12 Opinion A14 Services B6 Sports B1 Wheels B6

© 2014 O & E Media Volume 145 Number 21

CONTACT US

INDEX

- News/Advertising (866) 887-2737
 Classified Advertising (800) 579-7355
- Delivery: (866) 887-2737
 Mail: 29725 Hudson Dr.
 Novi, MI 48377-1736



PRICE: \$1

Scouts share Peace Light around the world

By Gretchen Osgood

Correspondent

Boy Scouts from Troop 755 shared this year's *Peace Light* from Bethlehem with the First Presbyterian Church of Northville on Dec. 14. FPC, in turn, transferred the flame to the candles on their Advent wreath for the worship service.

The Peace Light from Bethlehem originates from the Grotto of the Nativity in Bethlehem, the Holy Land. Every year a flame from one of the Grotto's oil lamps, which have been burning continuously for hundreds of years, is shared with Scouts from all over Europe, who have gathered together in Vienna for a special Peace Light ceremony. The Scouts then take the flame back to their own countries and begin sharing it with others in their home communities and asking each individual who receives the flame to pledge to become a peacemaker through his/her own words and actions.

For 12 of the past 13 years, the flame has also been flown to New York City so American Scouts can spread it across the North American continent as well. At this very moment, the flame is

See PEACE, Page A2



SUBMITTED

Boy Scouts from Troop 755 sharing the Peace Light and its history with the congregation of First Presbyterian Church of Northville on Dec. 14

Holiday Shopping
Made Easier
Rates as low as 4.49%



right here right for you www.cfcu.org (877) 937-2328

NORTHVILLE ART HOUSE

The Northville Art House is located at 215 W. Cady Street in historic downtown Northville and provides art enrichment and education to the community through classes, art shows and public art. Our winter and spring pring art classes and workshops are now available online for children, teens and adults at www.northvillearthouse.org. Register early as classes fill quickly; the first session starts Jan. 12.

Though the Art House is and reopening Jan. 2 from 6-9 p.m. for First Friday, phone messages will be returned for class registrations so leave a message at 248-344-0497. Starting in January, new Art House hours will be noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday; noon to 4 p.m. Saturday; and 1-9 p.m. First Fridays only.

Visit the Art House Store during this holiday season to find unique and affordable quality art and contemporary fine crafts by local artists. The featured artist is Mary Kernahan from Westland who is a fine jewel-

Art Classes & Workshops

Stop by the Art House for our list of winter and spring art classes and workshops for children and adults, in every medium, and during the day and evening.

Volunteers

Volunteers are the heart of the Art House call if you're interested in getting involved. One can also offer support through an annual membership.

ORTHVILLE

Northville Record (USPS 396880) is published weekly (Thursday) at 29725 Hudson Drive, Novi, MI 48377-1736. Periodicals postage is paid at Novi, MI and at additional mailing offices. Postmaster: Send address changes to Observer & Eccentric Media, Customer Service, 29725 Hudson Drive, Novi, MI 48377-1736.

Community Office:

29725 Hudson Drive ◆ Novi, MI 48377 ◆ 866-887-2737 Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. hometownlife.com

Editor: Cal Stone 810-599-0491 Email: cstone@hometownlife.com

Sports: Brad Emons 734-451-1490 or 734-404-6044

Subscription Rates:

Newsstand price: \$1.00 Thursday Thursday Mail delivery: \$4.75 EZ pay per month \$58.00 in county mail per year \$83.00 out county in state per year \$88.00 out of state per year

Home Delivery:

Customer Service: 866-887-2737 Mon.-Fri. 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. After hours, leave voicemai Email: custserv@hometownlife.com

To Advertise:

Classified Advertising & Obituaries: 800-579-7355 Legal Notice Advertising: 586-826-7082 Fax: 313-496-4968 Email: oeads@hometownlife.com

Print and Digital Advertising: Julie Jarrett, 248-850-6440 Email: jjarrett@hometownlife.com

Advertising Policy:

All advertising published in this newspaper is subject to the conditions stated in the applicable rate carrd, copies of which are available from the advertising department. We reserve the right not to accept an advertiser's order. Our ad-takers have no authority to bind this newspaper and only publication of an ad constitutes acceptance of the advertiser's order.

ROTARY

Continued from Page A1

Civic Concern is an all-volunteer organization whose purpose is to help those in need with food and services around 100 families in the city of Northville and Northville Township, as well as Focus Hope recipients. It's funded primarily by the contributions of Northville community residents.

The donation to Civic Concern came from the Rotary's Goodfellows fundraising effort.

The other chunk of the donations came as part of the proceeds raised by the Rotary Club from the Tour de Ville bike ride in September and was donated to the Northville School District's Kids against Hunger program. This was the first year for the bicycling event and it was a huge success

NPS Superintendent Mary Kay Gallagher accepted the donation on the school district's be-

"This helps continue the tradition of every $% \left(t\right) =\left(t\right) \left(t\right) \left($ Northville elementary student partnering with a student from a Detroit school to package food for those who need it most," Gallagher said of

the donation.

Kids Against Hunger is an international, volunteer-driven organization dedicated to providing food to malnourished and starving children throughout the world. including metro Detroit.

The organization part-

ners with local schools, churches and other community groups to organize food packing events where more than 20,000 meals can be assembled in a three-hour period. Through the Kids against Hunger "Michigan Project," which specially tailors food-packing events to the school setting, Michigan school children have assembled

more than three million meals. Since 2005, more than 5,500 Northville and Detroit students have worked together to pack over 750,000 meals.

As part of the program, school children from Northville and Detroit work together to learn more about world hunger and, most importantly, do something about it through the Kids against Hunger Michigan Coalition "Michigan Project" and the Gleaners Community Food Bank Kids Helping Kids initiative.

lhuhman@hometownlife.com cell: 517-294-4215 Twitter: @lhuhman

NORTHVILLE LIBRARY LINES

The library will be closed Wednesday, Dec. 31 and Thursday, Jan. 1.

Drop-In Winter Break Craftapalooza

Time/Date: 4-5 p.m. Monday, Dec. 29

Details: Kids of all ages use your imagination and get creative with a variety of fun craft supplies. No registration required, just drop in! Due to space limitations, we cannot accommodate special groups.

TOUSSAINT

Continued from Page A1

by the Northville His-

Toussaint's niece

Michelle Harris attend-

ed the council meeting.

She said his family now

consists of just her and

her mom, Charles's sis-

resident of Northville.

"The two of them

have been inseparable

eling the world together

and living their lives in

Northville," said Harris.

throughout life, trav-

ter, who is also a lifelong

torical Society.

Winter Storytimes

Time/Date: Varied times in January

Details: For details about winter storytimes, Visit www.northvillelibrary.org or call 248-349-3020. Registration for some storytimes begins in January.
POEMS FOR MICHIGAN WITH JOYCE BENVENUTO

Time/Date: 7 p.m.

Thursday, Jan. 8 **Details:** Join us for a night of beautiful poetry with Poet and Storyteller Joyce Benvenuto, who brings alive the generations of people

recorded by

Society.

the Historical

"Brother and sister as

well as dear friends."

sister, Arlene, now de-

and father whom he

cared for throughout

kind things for many

ceased as are his mother

their lives and in old age.

'Charles did a lot of

He did have another

who have lived along Grand River, both the river and the road, for the past 160 years. Registration required. at 248-349-3020.

iPad Basics

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 27 and 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 3

Details: This is a two-part class. Bring your iPad and learn basic skills for your device, including where to find common settings, how to install apps and more. Registration required, online at our **Events Calendar or by** phone.

In the past, he has

given turkeys at Thanks-

giving, gave older people

people in the town and in Toussaint's his life, most of which he remembrances never talked about,' Harris said. have been

> rides, helped with their taxes, (he was also an accountant) including advice on other matters he was familiar with, gave gifts people need-

ed, including monetary support, and helped wherever he could, his family said.

lhuhman@hometownlife.com cell: 517-294-4215 Twitter: @lhuhman

PEACE

Continued from Page A1

being shared throughout Europe, the U.S., Canada, and parts of the Middle East, Asia and Africa.

Star Scout Joshua Osgood on Dec. 12 traveled to Camp Miakonda in Toledo, Ohio, to receive the flame as it travels across the country, and he brought it up to Northville in his oil lantern to share with troop 755. He hopes to keep his lantern burning until Epiphany on Jan. 6, and would be happy to share it with anyone in the area who contacts him at peacelight michigan@gmail.com.

This light gives us hope that, even though there is much darkness in the world today, there are people committed to keeping the promise of peace alive. More information is available at peacelight.org.



SUBMITTED

Joshua Osgood and Joseph Reding at the Peace Light distribution.

MISH TABLE —EST. 1995



SAVE 20% OFF

SHOWROOM STOCK

PLUS GET DELIVERY

COME, SHOP, SAVE & ENTER TO WIN



MERRY

TO YOU &

YOURS!

SAVE 10% OFF **NEW ORDERS**

LAST CHANCE TO



PRICES SET TO INCREASE IN 2015!

AMISH TABLES

OUTLET CENTER





The first 5 people INTO OUR STORE DEC. 26 - DEC. 30TH WILL RECEIVE A FREE GIFT

Dec. 26th - Dec. 30th! Winner to be announced Jan. 2nd!

50% Come in &

on clearance pieces from our team of Amish builders



More details on our facebook page: facebook.com/ amishtables

"Like" us while you are there!



A DINING SET FOR 4



236 N. Main St., Plymouth, MI 734-927-1110

HOURS M - W: 10 AM -7 PM TH - SAT: 10 AM - 5 PM

{Closed Christmas Day, New Year's Eve & New Year's Day} ALWAYS OPEN ONLINE AT www.amishtables.com

Annual Christmas Day dinner relocates to new church

By Sue Buck Staff Writer

Although there's a new location for a popular free Christmas Day dinner, the traditional loving sentiments remain.

The Christmas Day dinner held for more than 10 years at St. Dunstan Parish will now be incorporated on the site of the new St. Thomas Apostle Parish

In June, both St. Dunstan and St. Raphael parishes closed to become St. Thomas the Apostle Parish. The holiday dinner is scheduled to be held in the former St. Raphael building located at 31530 Beechwood, west of Merriman, in Garden City.

After being a parishioner since 1958, I don't have to tell you how

heart-breaking it was," said Judy Larry, a Realtor and church member affectionately known by all as Judy "O."

She and her husband Bruce, along with countless volunteers, have provided a turkey dinner every year complete with all the fixings. They took over the dinner responsibilities years ago from John and Mary

"We are trying to make the new church our home," Larry said. "We are getting acclimated."

The mission of the dinner hasn't changed. It will be provided to individuals who would otherwise be alone Christmas Day. These people don't have families nearby. It is not meant for families.

Last year, Larry and her volunteers served

dinner to about 125 people. Until the final numbers are known – reservations are a must - it is unknown whether the dinner will take place in the Resurrection room, which is attached to the church, or in the gym, located across the street

"We will be having our dinner like we did at St. Dunstan on Christmas Day," Larry said. "It will start at 1:30 p.m., doors open at 1 p.m. It is a wonderful dinner of turkey and all the trimmings. We have never turned anyone away."

from the church.

The full sit-down dinner includes turkey, mashed potatoes, gravy, salad, rolls, butter and an assortment of desserts.

Guests will be treated royally and all who attend will receive a special surprise gift to take

She also appreciates anybody who can help out, make cookies or offer a donation.

Members of the Larry family, which consists of six children and 22 grandchildren, also roll up their sleeves and work that day. The event has grown so large that they celebrate their own special family time now Christmas Eve rather than Christmas Day.

Christmas Day is devoted to helping oth-

To make reservations, call Judy "O" at 734-595-3049 and leave a message. Participants must provide their name, phone number and indicate how many people will attend.

sbuck@hometownlife.com Twitter: @SueSbuck

Holiday luncheon



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Mary Drzewiecki smiles moments after she lit up her LED multicolored necklace at the Dec. 11 holiday luncheon at the Novi Senior Center. The packed house enjoyed a warm lunch with dessert, Christmas trivia and door prizes and then a live band with caroling thrown in at the end.

Salvation Army Thrift Stores welcome year-end donations

As the new year approaches, The Salvation Army Southeast Michigan Adult Rehabilitation Center is seeking yearend donations at the nonprofit's 34 metro Detroit family thrift stores. Through Dec. 31, patrons are invited to drop off their gently used clothing, linens, home goods and more to receive a 2014 tax receipt.

"As we reflect upon the year, many of us will be seeking ways to give back to the community,' said Merle Miller, administrator of The Salvation Army Southeast Michigan ARC. "By donating your gently-used goods to The Salvation Army family thrift stores,

you're helping provide hope to men and women struggling with substance abuse."

Completely self-funded, the ARC operates two voluntary, six-month residential rehabilitation centers for men and women that draw their working budgets from the revenue of the nonprofit's 34 thrift stores.

"Donating at The Salvation Army thrift stores is super easy," said Jacqulynn Idzior, director of operations at The Salvation Army Southeast Michigan ARC. "Each of our stores has a conveniently located donation center with drive-up access, so patrons don't even need to get out of

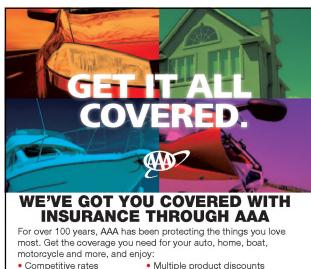
Contributions of gently used clothing, linen, household appliances, furniture, toys, shoes, purses and house wares are accepted at all Salvation Army donation centers. Nearby thrift stores include: 532 Highland Road, Highland, 248-887-3047; 730 N. Pontiac Trail, Walled Lake, 248-669-1443; 9434 Highland Road, White Lake; and 3600 Plymouth Road, Livonia, 734-425-7573.

For specific hours of local Salvation Army thrift store donation center, visit www.salarmythrift.com.

Community members will also have the option of donating to the ARC at multiple remote drop-off locations in partnership with Gardner-White Furniture. Donations will be accepted at each of Gardner-White's metro Detroit locations during normal business hours, now through the end of the year. Gardner-White Furniture has a store at 39453 Ford, Canton, 734-844-3190. For more information, visit www.gardner-white.com.

All donations to The Salvation Army are tax deductible. Donate before Jan. 1, 2015 to receive a tax receipt that can be applied toward 2014 taxes.

For more information visit www.salarmythrift-



 Competitive rates • 24/7 claim service

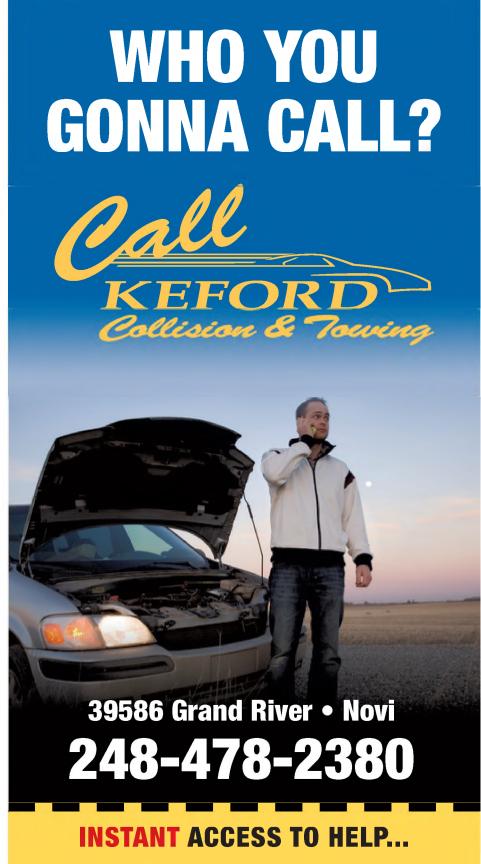
And more!

ishyabeauty.com

248-513-8493



248-347-6969



Text "TowMe" to 31996

Collision & Towing 248-478-2380

KEFORD



Enjoying holidays, while preparing for the new year

gan since 1987. **Every Christmas** when our boys were young, my wife's sisters, who live in Seattle, would send a huge box to our house. The "Auntie's box" was the highlight of our Christmas preparation. It was not officially Christmas until the box arrived.

On the day the box arrived, it would not be opened until everyone in the family was home. Typically, I arrived last. The boys would greet me at the



Steve Matthews SUPER

door, smiles on their faces, and shout, "The box has arrived! I knew what that meant.

Before I was in the door, they would be opening the box. The aunts would have already wrapped the presents. Each boy would carefully handle their gifts and then set them

under the tree. It was a wonderful time.

All of us have holiday memories. No matter what holiday we celebrate, we have special memories of time spent with family, special moments, gifts we treasure.

We have spent four months in school. Students, teachers and staff have been busy this year. There have been assignments, homework, tests and papers. Students have completed projects.

Many students have partici-

pated in co-curricular and extra-curricular activities. Bands, choirs and orchestras have performed on fields, in parades and on stages.

Athletic teams have spent weeks in preparation for their seasons and then worked hard to represent our community with grace and honor.

Our staff has come in early and stayed late. They have cared for the children in our community in a respectful and loving way.

The first four months of

school have flown by. But evervone was ready for some time to relax and prepare for

the new year. My hope is that your holiday season has been and will continue to be filled with special

moments, special friends and

special memories. I look for-

ward to the new year and new

activities and new memories. Steve Matthews is superintendent of Novi Community Schools. He can be reached at 248-449-1204 or

smatthews@novi.k12.mi.us.

Novi's Fischer honored at Aquinas

Aquinas College senior Anna Fischer has been named Aquinas' October 2014 Student of the Month. The Novi native is one of six students selected for the award throughout the academic school year.

Fischer works as a consultant in Aquinas' Writing Center, helping to assess various learning and writing styles and to put together individualized strategies for approaching writing tasks and assignments.

'Anna goes above and beyond the call of duty in her position at the Writing Center," said Julie Bevins, Aquinas Writing Center coordinator.

"Students request her consulting services because of her patient attention to detail and how she customizes her advice based

Fischer on each person's needs. We regularly receive positive feedback from both students and faculty members who are grateful for Anna's

In addition to her work at the Writing Center, Fischer was lead presenter at a conference session on "Consulting with Writers on the Autism Spectrum: A Model," hosted by the Michigan Writing Centers Association in October. Fischer has also made the dean's list for five semesters.

Aguinas' Student of the Month is chosen by a committee composed of faculty and overseen by the associate vice president for student affairs. This award is given out in September, October, November, February, March and April. The qualifications are based upon a student's academic record, research and leadership. Winners of the award receive either a \$25 bookstore or food service gift card.

Service project



Novi High School juniors and National Honor Society members Aastha Dharia, Aria Thakore, Swathi Sampath and Sruti Ganesh pose Dec. 13 at Lord and Taylor at Twelve Oaks mall. The school's National Honor Society has once again chosen Salvation Army Kettle Drive as one of its fall service projects. The 127 members of the club are volunteering at either this site or Busch's market in Novi for this worthwhile cause. In addition, many other Novi High students are also volunteering at this event, too.

Space trip



JOHN HEIDER I STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Parkview Elementary second-graders sing songs from their fall musical, "A Trip to Space." The musical, coordinated by music teacher Matt Ownby, was attended by

families and friends and featured such space-themed tunes as "Inter-planet Janet," "I Don't Want to Live on the Moon" and "The Gravity Blues.'

FORGET WHAT DU KNOW AB COMMUNITY COLLEGE.



GET READY TO JOIN A

COLLEGE COMMUNITY.

If you thought community college wasn't challenging, exciting, fulfilling and fun, it's time you got educated. With serious academics, outstanding faculty, a dynamic campus and a culture of success, the Schoolcraft experience offers all the support you need—and all the opportunity you can handle. Welcome to college.



Enroll now for Winter Semester. For more information visit www.schoolcraft.edu or call the Schoolcraft College Answer Center at 734-462-4426.





Hardwood Sale FREE CREDIT* No Interest for 12 Months

Prefinished Oak Starting at:

Laminate Flooring Starting at:

Vinyl Flooring Mannington Brand



Carpet Sale

FREE INSTALLATION ON ALL CARPET Standard installation including tear-out of old carpet & pad

Our Most Popular | Plush Carpet Reg. \$3.19 sq. ft.

Our Most Popular Berber Carpet

Reg. \$3.49 sq. ft.

Our Best Selling Heavy Twist Reg. \$4.29 sq. ft.

sq. ft.

REMNANTS

Basement Carpet

Reg. \$1.99 sq. ft.

All Sizes, All Colors 70% OFF



SOUTH LYON | 21946 Pontiac Trail (South of 9 Mile Rd.) | 248.437.2838 HOURS: Mon., Wed., Fri., 9am-8pm; Tue., & Thu., 9am-6pm; Sat. 9am-5pm

perfectfloorsinc.com

*Financing based on credit approval. Minimum \$600 purchase with 50% deposit required. Prior orders exempt, Call for details.

Livonia Civic Chorus: A goldmine of fun music for 50 great years

LOCAL NEWS

ack in 1845, prospectors found gold in Michigan's Upper Peninsula - then they all went to California.

There's been plenty of gold, of other kinds, for the finding throughout our state. In western Wayne County, for example, there's the Livonia Civic Chorus, this year observing its golden anniversary of 50 years. It was first discovered in January 1965 on the stage of Franklin High School at its first concert and has been glowing golden ever since.

The chorus was formed by members of Livonia's St. Maurice Catholic Church Choir, which was forced to disband in 1964. Coincidentally, Catholic church choirs around the country were faced with abrupt changes at about this time when, after centuries, they had to switch from Latin to English in their Mass services. St. Maurice has since combined with St. Genevieve Church.

Also about this same time, the city's Parks and Recreation Department advertised in the Observer its call for sponsoring a community chorus. Choir member Joyce Winter saw the ad, her group immediately responded and soon, as a secular choir, they were providing artistic gold for Livonia and surrounding suburbs.

Ever since that first year, the Livonia Civic Chorus has been a handsfree show chorus, its members memorizing every song in the repertoire while dancing their way across the stage for two main shows – around Christmas and early spring.

Members come from all over

Chorus membership has been as high as 65 and currently is at 56. They come mostly from Livonia, but also Ann Arbor, Canton, Farmington Hills, Northville, Novi, Oak Park, Pleasant Ridge Plymouth Redford, Westland and Wixom, with smiles on their faces and songs (memorized) in their hearts.

Soprano Linda Gibson comes from farthest away - Bois Blanc Island in Canada.

The chorus' performances usually include a variety of songs from popular musicals and movies. Occasionally, they have written and scored their own Broadway-style show. Its first show, at Franklin High in 1965, was "Around the World with Livonia Civic Chorus," with 39 members on stage.

Most often performed, especially at the spring concerts, are shows that



Gene Scott **GUEST** COLUMNIST

convey a central theme, such as "How The West Was Sung," "Island Mag-ic," "Bond and Beyond" and more recently "A Tribute to Motown" with songs like Ain't No Mountain High Enough and What a Wonderful World and Thoroughly Modern Broadway, including numbers from Mama Mia and Les Miserables.

Last spring's show, "Touch the Sky," included 20 songs about the sun, moon and stars and the weather, from Blue Moon to Singin' In the Rain.

Seldom is the chorus seen in typical tuxedos and formal gowns like other choral groups with music in their hands. "The idea is to get the audience to laugh, look and listen ... and it works," chorus director Donna Gleason said. Choir historian Hank Kanar seconds the notion, saying: "After our shows, people come up and say, 'You folks really look like you're enjoying yourselves."

Gleason, a music school graduate of the University of Maryland, has been director since 2003. She is accompanist at Walled Lake Western High School and vocal director for its musicals. She directed the Redford Baptist Church Choir for 22 years.

Accompanist since 2004 is Rimma Stolbov, a piano teacher for 25 years and a native of Latvia and graduate of its musical college. Rimma also is an accompanist at Walled Lake Western and a member of Farmington Musicale.

Livonia Chorus' past directors, starting with its first, are Bob Slusarski (choral director at St. Maurice), Ed Mead, Don Large (director of the University of Detroit Chorus for more than 25 years), Gordon Limbaugh, Kris Koriath Karen McDaniel, Jim Whitten and Carol Spinacchio.

Multi-generational

Current and past chorus members have spanned four generations in age, from teenagers to great-grandpas and great-grandmas, and many walks of life including doctors and dentists, nurses, engineers, clergymen, housewives and even an undertaker (a bass, of course)

Two chorus members have been with the group for 50 years - Henry (Hank) Kanar, baritone, and tenor Dominic Lucca (most years).

Kanar vividly recalled



Alto Janet Watson leads the chorus in a rousing opener for the May 2014 show with "Let the Sun Shine Harr: from the Watson leads the chorus in a rousing opener for the May 2014 show with "Let the Sun Shine Harr: from the Watson leads the chorus in a rousing opener for the May 2014 show with "Let the Sun Shine Harr: from the Watson leads the chorus in a rousing opener for the May 2014 show with "Let the Sun Shine Harr: from the Watson leads the chorus in a rousing opener for the May 2014 show with "Let the Sun Shine Harr: from the Watson leads the chorus in a rousing opener for the May 2014 show with "Let the Sun Shine Harr: from the Watson leads the chorus in a rousing opener for the May 2014 show with "Let the Sun Shine Harr: from the Watson leads the chorus in the chorus in

one of the funniest things that occurred during a show. It happened that first year at Franklin High. It was hot and humid and the school had no air conditioning, so the doors were kept open. A strong wind blew the accompanist's music away and the show was delayed while the audience gasped.

At a later show, an artificial fog machine went crazy and covered the orchestra pit, putting the performance on a horrifying hold until the clouds of fog were cleared.

Chorus members for 25 years or more are altos Kim Alderman, Geri Leiter and Melinda Thornton and sopranos Pat Dierks and Eleanor Smith. Ten-year members are Sue Cassidy, Robin Diedrich, Linda Gibson, Jim Komiensky, vice president and show choreographer Jennifer Perry, Diane Schlaeffer, Carol Verkennis and Janet Watson.

This season, Kim Alderman will have had three generations of her family in the chorus when niece Nicole and nephew Zachary join them for the 50th season. Kim's father, Phil Meyer, was a member in the 1970s.

Perhaps best known of its guest performers is "Fat Bob" Taylor, who sang with the chorus in the late 1970s. He was promoted as the "Singing Plumber" when he did several local radio shows, including many with WJR-AM personality J.P. McCarthy. Closest to that today is singermusician Jim Hovey, who entertains at local watering holes and restaurants with his Delivery Boys

Acoustic String Band. An unsung hero from the chorus' past is tenor Bill Hill. During World War II, Hill was wounded several times, once while rescuing a fellow soldier from the battlefield. He was awarded many medals for his feats of bravery and valor

Clarenceville High is concert home

After the nation's bicentennial in 1976, the chorus found a permanent venue for its Christmas and spring shows at Clarenceville High School, Livonia's first high school and auditorium with 900 seats. Built in 1940, Clarenceville High will be observing its 75th anniversary

this year. In addition to its main shows at Clarenceville, the chorus has had many other venues – at Livonia City Hall for the city's annual tree lighting and Greenmead Historical Village's annual Christmas walks for more 20 vears and Christmas caroling at Greenfield Village for the past 12 years. It has also sung at GM's Industry Sings, Plymouth's Fall Fest Selfridge Air Force Base, Gaylord and the University of Michigan.

More recently, it has sung with the Livonia Symphony Orchestra and often has had the "Classical Bells" ringers, children's choirs and dance groups as part of its Christmas or spring shows.

Also recently, the chorus has hit the road to entertain at local senior citizen residences and nursing homes, bringing heartfelt hope and joy to home-bound folks who

can't get around much anymore.

For many years, the chorus has had a special mission of helping Livonia high school vocal music students continue with their training through its scholarships program.

Currently, students are selected for scholarships to Madonna University and Blue Lake Music Camp near Muskegon. Several past winners have gone on to successful musical careers. This past year's winners were Anna Dresinski, Jasmine Fernandez, Stephanie Powell and Jack Welcher. Coordinator for this program is soprano Sharon Kroll.

Busy behind the scenes to keep it all together is chorus president Peggy Gaskill, a seven-year alto member who is a consultant in educational reform for middle schools and program development manager at Michigan Virtual University. Before that, she was associate dean at Walden University and a teacher education professor at Central Michigan University.

A final note: Maybe those gold prospectors in the U.P. should never have left Michigan. Just beyond where they were looking were iron and copper mines that since have vielded many times more than all the gold

ever found out west. Down here in lower Michigan though, we have a music gold mine in Livonia Civic Chorus. Break a (musical) leg, LCC ... and happy 50th.

AUDITIONS

Chorus president Peggy Gaskill has sent out invitations to 84 former chorus members to come back for the fun, but anyone who likes to sing can join. Auditions are for voice placement only. Rehearsals are held at 7:30 p.m. each Tuesday at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 34567 Seven Mile, west of Farmington Road. The fee is \$50 each for the chorus' winter and spring sessions. This helps pay for the cost of the music, costumes, stage sets and props, printing, practice and video recordings, etc. Livonia Parks and Recreation pays for the director and accompa-

Help with other expenses comes from the chorus' three additional sponsors: AlphaUSA, an engineering and production development firm; Melissa Pilzner/Raymond James, financial consultants; and St. Mary Mercy Hospital.

To join the chorus or get tickets or other info, visit www.livoniachorus.org or write 37637 Five Mile, Ste. 156, Livonia, MI 48154 or call 734-542-9071.

Gene Scott has been a Livonia Historical Society member for about 12 years. He is a retired editor and teacher who has published four books on the histories of Michigan towns. The most recent is "Michigan Shadow Towns." He and wife Barb have lived in Livonia for 23 years.

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, January 13, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Council Chambers Novi Civic Center 45175 Ten Mile Road to consider:

CASE NO. PZ14-0052 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. PZ14-0058 30001 CABOT DR

The applicant is requesting variances from the CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES. Section 2503, to allow construction of a 450 square foot Guardhouse in the front of the property. The property is located on the north side of 13 Mile Rd and east of M-5. CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES, Section 2400 requires all accessory buildings shall not be erected in any required front yard or in any required exterior side yard. CASE NO. PZ14-0059 LOTS 14 & 70 PARCEL 50-22-20-200-002

The applicant is requesting variance from the CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES. Section 2400 to allow reduce lot widths of lots 14 and 70 (64.28 ft. required, 43 ft. and 50 ft. provided). The parcels are located east south side of Eleven Mile Road, west of Beck Road

(Section 20) CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES, Section 2403 requires that lot widths between the proposed building and minimum front yard setback cannot be less than (71.4 ft.) 90% (64.28 ft. required).

CASE NO. PZ14-0061 22399 BRIDLE RUN

The applicant is requesting a variance from the CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES. and Section 2400 to allow construction of a new single family home with a reduced front setback of 30 ft. (45 ft. required) and a reduced aggregate side setback of 48.58 ft. (50 ft. required). The property is located west of Beck Rd and north of 8 Mile Rd. CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES, Section 2400 and the Maybury Park Estates RUD (Residential Unit Development) approval requires that structures designated as part of the R-A zoning district have a minimum front yard setback of 45 ft. and a minimum

aggregate side setback of 50 ft. CASE NO. PZ14-0062 1705 EAST LAKE DR

The applicant is requesting variances from the CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES, Sections 2400 and 2503.1(g) to allow construction of a new second floor addition over existing first floor footprint on an existing lot with a reduced northwest (west) side yard setback of 4.0 ft., a reduced aggregate side setback of 12.0 ft., a reduce rear yard setback of 28 ft., and a separation distance of 0 ft. from the existing detached accessory (shed) building. The property is located west of Novi Rd and south of 14 Mile Rd.

CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES, Section 2400 requires minimum side yard setbacks of 10 ft. and a minimum aggregate of 25 ft. respectively, and a front yard setback of 30 ft. Section 2503.1(g) requires all detached accessory building shall not be located closer than ten (10) feet to any main building.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE NOTICE TO THE RESIDENTS 2015 BOARD OF TRUSTEE MEETING DATES

Please take notice that the Board of Trustees Regular Monthly meetings are held on the third Thursday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at 44405 Six Mile Road. The public is invited and welcome to attend.

The 2015 Regular Meeting Dates are:

January 15, 2015 April 16, 2015 July 16, 2015 February 19, 2015 May 21, 2015 August 20, 2015

September 17,2015March 19, 2015 June 18, 2015 December 17, 2015 Visit the township's web site: www.twp.northville.mi.us for Board Agendas, meeting minutes, general information and to subscribe to receive selected material of the township's boards and

This notice is posted and published in compliance with PA 267 of 1976 as Amended (Open Meeting Act), MCLA 41.72a (2) (3) and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Individually als requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Township Board by writing to the Deputy Clerk's Office at 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville MI 48168 or by calling 248-662-0492.

> Sue A. Hillebrand, Clerk Charter Township of Northville

October 15, 2015

November 19, 2015

Publish: December 25, 2014

Publish: December 25, 2014

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE **Notice to the Residents**

The Administrative offices at 44405 Six Mile Road, including the Water & Sewer Department on Beck Road, will be closed for business on the dates listed below in 2015. The Department of Public Safety (Police & Fire) will be staffed and remain open 24/7 on the dates listed below. Holiday Office Closings:

2015 HOLIDAY OFFICE CLOSINGS

Thursday, January 01 Monday, January 19 Monday, February 16 Friday, April 03 Monday, May 25 Friday, July 03 Monday, September 07 Wednesday, November 11 Thursday, November 26 Friday, November 27 Thursday, December 24 Friday, December 25

New Year's Day Martin Luther King Jr.'s Presidents' Day Good Friday Memorial Ďay Independence Day Observed Labor Day Veteran's Day Thanksgiving Day Day after Thanksgiving Day Christmas Eve Christmas Day

Visit the township's web site at www.twp.northville_mi.us

Sue A. Hillebrand, Clerk Charter Township of Northville

LO-0000225023 3x3 5

Flu forces Beaumont to set visitor restrictions

By Sandra Armbruster

Flu season is here in Michigan and doctors at south Oakland County hospitals say it's already one of the most intense in recent history.

"We're setting now a record of one of our busiest months



Harris

·ever,'' said Dr. Martin Harris, an emergency room doctor at Prov-Hospital in

Southfield. And the source of the overload is the flu.

"Influenza is at the top of our list. We're seeing lots of children and peo-

ple at risk," he added. Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak is reporting a similar experience.

During the week of Dec.15, doctors there treated a record number of patients in the emergency center.

"We are experiencing four times the number of cases in our community than is typical for mid-December," said Dr. Jeffrey Band, M.D., Beaumont Health System

chairman, epidemiology. "One of the reasons for the marked uptick in cases is because it has been relatively quiet over the past several years. Every few years, we experience a marked upsurge."

As a result, visitor restrictions are now in place for all three Beaumont Health System hospitals.

For the safety of patients and staff, people with flu-like symptoms and children younger than 13 may not visit patients in the hospital. Flu-like symptoms include fever, cough, sore throat, runny/stuffy nose, muscle aches, chills and fatigue.

While Providence as of last week had not restricted visitor access to the hospital, visitors were being monitored upon entry and those with any symptoms are being required to wear a mask, Harris reported.

Do you have the flu?

To help area residents identify flu symptoms and select a treatment option, Beaumont Health System has launched a free community Flu Hot-

Staffed by Beaumont registered nurses, the hotline is a toll-free, 24hour-a-day community resource for timely, accurate information about flu symptoms and when and where to seek medical attention. The Flu Hotline can be reached at 888-375-4161.

Harris identified symptoms of the flu as including upper respiratory problems, sore throat, coughing especially at night, wheezing, fever of 100-101 degrees and muscle and head-

"Children do run a bit hotter," he added about the fever.

A cold is different than the flu, because it does not include the same "shaking chills and fever," Harris said.

The flu strain has drifted from what experts originally predicted. As a result of this unexpected drift, Band says the vaccine is significantly less protective against nearly half of the flu viruses in circulation.

'Breakthrough cases of influenza are occurring due to this mismatch. However, the vaccine still may modify the degree of illness in

affected persons with the drifted strain. In addition, the vaccine remains quite effective against the other 50 percent of flu circulating in the community. Therefore, it is still best to be vaccinated. It is not too late," Band said.

"We missed it a bit," Harris agreed. He explained that the Centers for Disease Control decides, in part, on what the vaccine should target by looking at what strain has shown up in the Southern Hemisphere, which experiences the flu ahead of the Northern Hemisphere.

Treating the flu

If you do get the flu, don't hesitate to call your doctor, Harris advised. Doctors can prescribe Tamiflu, which must be taken within the first 48 hours to be effective, he said, noting that there are reports that Tamiflu medicine is becoming scarce in the area.

Other than that, use Tylenol or ibuprofen to control the aches and fever, Harris said. But also important is preventing the spread of the disease by coughing into your arm, drinking lots of fluids and washing your

And stay home from work, something Harris said he knows is tough. "Employees need to think about their co-workers,"

Those who do get the flu are finding the symptoms are lasting about a week, he said.

"It's nothing to fool around with," especially since the flu can hit those people hardest who are already at risk, according to Harris.

Flu season typically extends to late March. People who develop severe influenza are more prone to develop complications such as ear infections, sinus infections and bacterial pneumonia. Vaccination remains the best method of preventing flu and other complications, according to Beaumont staff.. Every year, at least 30,000 people are hospitalized in the United States with complications due to influenza. Vaccination reportedly can prevent most of these complications.

Some people have fears or concerns about the safety of vaccinations. As a result. Band said America is experi-

encing an increase in many childhood diseases that were almost eradicated in the United States such as measles, mumps and pertussis.

Vaccine safety

The cases are primarily occurring in non-vaccinated children and adolescents and can be spread to older adults who have lost immunity due to aging or diseases like cancer. These diseases can cause severe illness and death.

'Vaccination is effective and safe. All the vaccines used today are highly purified," he said. "There are two types of vaccines used for prevention of diseases: a killed, purified subunit of the virus or bacteria that produces antibodies to help prevent disease or a live, weakened vaccine that does not cause disease, but does produce protective antibodies to prevent disease when administered."

For more information about preventing infectious diseases, visit the Centers for Disease Control flu website.

sarmbruster@ hometownlife.com



Santa (Fred Moschetta) and Mrs. Claus (Marilyn Schunemann) surrounded by Christmas elves played by (from left) June Lark Owen, Lorraine Blaty, Eddie Rayborn, Beth Conway, Megan Smith and Cindy Candela.

SANTA CONSIDERS RETIRING TO FOX RUN

Santa, accompanied by Mrs. Claus, came Dec. 11 to Novi to consider retirement at Fox Run. They were part of "Santa's Dilemma," a five-scene com-edy play performed by Fox Run residents and staff that opened to rave reviews and a standing ovation by more than 300 people in the audience.

Residents Geri Angel and Helen Weingarden produced, directed and wrote the play and chose other residents and staff to do the acting. Each actor took on their role with gusto and added something uniquely special to the character he or she portrayed. A total of 15 Fox Run departments were

represented by staff actors.

Santa and Mrs. Claus toured Fox Run before eventually deciding they are not yet ready to retire. "Christmas will go on as usual - for this year anyway," Angel said.

"I can't remember the last time I laughed so hard," Fox Run Executive

Director Michael McCormick said in post-production remarks. "The lines performed were brilliant with many overt and subtle jokes to enjoy. These types of events underscore the magic of Fox Run with residents and staff partnering together to do extraordinary things for the community."

NOTICE TO **CREDITORS**

The Frederick And Ruth J Beard Living Trust Agreement

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Your interest in the Trust may be barred or affected by the following: The decedent, Ruth J Beard, who was born on 9-21-30 and whose last known address was 41130 Fox Run #321 Novi, MI, died on 11-29-14. The decedent was the grantor of the Frederick H And Ruth J Beard Living Trust ("Trust") dated April 19,1996 as amended.

Tellipso as amended. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the Trust will be forever barred unless presented to the current acting trustees (whose names and address appear below) of the Trust within four (4) months of the date of publication of this notice.

The current acting Successor Co-trustees are:

Pat Larivee 19133 28 Mile Rd. Ray, MI 48096

Notice is further given that the Trust will be thereafter assigned and distributed to the persons entitled to it.

Dated: December 12, 2014 Publish: 12/25/14

Jean Cartwright 246 Wainwright Novi, MI 48377

many. Since then she has participated in a holiday cookie exchange project whose theme is, "Like

Novi Fox Run resi-

dent and writer Arnetta

involved with the Unity

in the Community group

noting their countries of

world map in the retire-

ment community's club-

placed her pin on Ger-

most cookie recipe in-

she has used, and con-

basically the same." And

gredients, we are all

Whitehouse first got

when she joined her

ancestry on a large

house. She proudly

neighbors to put pins



Whitehouse

ture. Unity in the Community's mission is to cultivate an environment where people embrace, accept, value and celebrate the unique qualities of each individual. Whitehouse would not

tinues to

use, her

writing

and volun-

teerism to

connect

with one

another

and na-

people

have it any other way. "We promote an atmosphere that encourages equality and mutual respect," said Whitehouse, who worked in the tax planning business prior to moving from her home in Farmington Hills to Fox Run more than four years

Writer celebrates diversity, inclusion and nature at Fox Run

She, her husband and her father live in the same apartment, along with their two cats.

Whitehouse enjoys the sharing of ethnic cuisines and the celebration of diverse cultures at Fox Run.

A German dance troupe and Mexican Lindo Folk Lore Dancing performances – and the

glorious dance of butterflies outside her apartment - have served to be her muses as she has reincarnated herself in the past few years with new-found creativ-

She writes monthly columns for Fox Run's newsletter and is now exploring web-based outlets for her Henry David Thoreau-esque essays on eclectic subject matter such as "The Mourning Dove," "Trees and Shrubs" and Pond Life."

She researches extensively, always thematically aligning her writing with "unity."

"Every life – human and animal – is precious and is a reason to celebrate," said Whitehouse, who leads the Creative Writer's Group at Fox Run.

"I want do what I can to make a positive difference and always do something worthwhile."

She would say more, but her actions speak more effectively. Besides, there is a Native American flute music concert in the offing and far too many frogs, ducks, geese and foxes yet to be heard from through her writing.

CITY OF NOVI NOTICE OF ADOPTION **ORDINANCE NO. 14-124.19**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CITY OF NOVI CODE OF ORDINANCES, AT CHAPTER 11, "DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS," ARTICLE XI, "BICYCLE PATHS," AND ARTICLE XII, "PEDESTRIAN SAFETY PATHS," IN ORDER TO AMEND THE EXISTING DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS TO INCORPORATE THE ENGINEERING DESIGN MANUAL STANDARDS FOR OFF-ROAD NON-MOTORIZED FACILITIES AND TO REPEAL CONFLICTING DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS FOR BICYCLE PATHS AND PEDESTRIAN SAFETY PATHS.

The Ordinance was adopted by the City Council on Monday, December 8, 2014 and the provisions of the ordinance shall become effective fifteen (15) days after its adoption. A complete copy of the Ordinance is available for public use and inspection at the office of the City Clerk, 45175 Ten Mile Road, during the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., prevailing local time.

Maryanne Cornelius, City Clerk

CITY OF NOVI NOTICE OF ADOPTION **ORDINANCE NO. 14-45.30**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND APPENDIX C OF THE CITY OF NOVI CODE OF ORDINANCES, ARTICLE VI, "DESIGN STANDARDS," SECTION 4.05, "PEDESTRIAN SAFETY PATHS, BICYCLE PATHS AND PUBLIC WALKWAYS," IN ORDER TO AMEND THE EXISTING DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS TO INCORPORATE THE ENGINEERING DESIGN MANUAL STANDARDS FOR OFF-ROAD NON-MOTORIZED FACILITIES AND TO REPEAL CONFLICTING DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS FOR SAFETY PATHS, BICYCLE PATHS AND PUBLIC WALKWAYS.

The Ordinance was adopted by the City Council on Monday, December 8, 2014 and the provisions of the ordinance shall become effective fifteen (15) days after its adoption. A complete copy of the Ordinance is available for public use and inspection at the office of the City Clerk, 45175 Ten Mile Road, during the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., prevailing local time.

Maryanne Cornelius, City Clerk

LO-0000224987_3X5

Publish: 12/25/2014

Police respond to Thornton Creek on a domestic disturbance call

By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer

A domestic dispute outside Thornton Creek Elementary School led school administrators to call the Novi Police.

In an email letter sent Dec. 17 to the school community, Thornton Creek Principal Alison Epler wrote, "The safety of students is our highest priority. You may notice an increased police presence in Thornton Creek's parking lot, particularly during arrival and dismissal. The Novi Police Department is providing

Wedding ring

A wedding ring is

missing from a Novi

home on Island Lake

police report, the al-

According to the

leged theft was reported

Nov. 29 to the Novi Po-

lice, but the owner said

it may have been taken

some time between Oct.

29 and Nov. 29. The ring

with 2.5-carat diamond

and is valued at \$5,500.

cleaning crew that was

in the home during that

The Novi Police ar-

rested a driver for hav-

ing a blood-alcohol con-

tent more than twice the

legal limit after respon-

ding to a report of reck-

According to the

responded Nov. 29 to the

Taco Bell on Haggerty

phoned to say another

police report, police

Road after a caller

time period may have

been responsible.

Super drunken

driver

less driving.

that someone on the

The owner told police

is made of white gold

stolen

Drive.

this support strictly as a precautionary measure resulting from a disturbance in our parking lot last Friday (Dec. 12) involving a dispute between family members."

According to the Novi Police Department, during dismissal, officers responded to a domestic disturbance call between a husband and his wife. The dispute was over who the child would go home with. The suspect left the scene prior to the arrival of police.

The suspect has not been named to protect the child's identity. Novi

driver had driven over a

curb. Novi Police report

finding a car driven by a

picking up his girlfriend

at the eatery. Police said

Detroit man who was

upon making contact

with that man the odor

of intoxicants was de-

tected and his speech

When asked to per-

form the field sobriety

tests, the man declined

to recite the alphabet

from E to T. He was

then given a prelimi-

nary breathalyzer test,

which registered 0.172

Hub caps stolen

cle parked outside

Twelve Oaks mall.

Four center caps

were stolen from a vehi-

The larceny from

auto was reported Nov.

\$200. A similar incident

was reported around the

same time and security

video captured that one,

but suspects could not

they were too far away.

– By Lonnie Huhman

be identified because

28 to Novi Police. The

caps were valued at

was slurred.

percent.

NOVI POLICE BRIEFS

Police have jurisdiction over that part of the Northville Public Schools

"The school requested extra patrols because the incident was possibly witnessed by several children," said Victor Lauria, Novi's assistant chief of police.

Epler said the regular daily security protocols remain in place, "as we continue to take the necessary steps to ensure the safety and security of our students.'

Lauria said, "We work closely with all of the schools within the city

and to help ease their concerns we have asked our officers to be in the area during drop-off and pick-up."

He added, "The incident is still being investigated to determine what, if any, laws were

Epler said the school is thankful for the Novi Police for their ongoing support. If parents have any questions, they can contact Thornton Creek's office at 248-465-2350.

lhuhman@hometownlife.com 517-294-4215 Twitter: @lhuhman

NORTHVILLE POLICE BRIEFS

Washer fluid stolen

The Mobil gas station on West Eight Mile Road was robbed Dec. 6 of road salt and washer fluid bottles.

A station employee called Northville City Police to file a report. The employee found a door lock damaged and the items missing while reporting to work. The security camera was unable to help identify a suspect.

School carnival theft

A Hillside Middle School mother said the reported theft she was allegedly involved in was an accident.

Northville City Police responded Dec. 5 to the school on Center Street for a report of a larceny. A parent attending the school's annual carnival was spotted on video grabbing a pair of shorts and a gift card without paying the vendor.

The items were returned and the vendors did not want to press any

Prostitution ring?

A 30-year-old Commerce Township woman was arrested for disorderly conduct and obstruction of police after Northville Township Police were called to

her Hampton Inn hotel

The arrest happened Dec. 1 at the hotel on Haggerty Road. A hotel employee called police for a guest removal on the suspicion prostitutes were using the room. The employee told police the woman had been staying there for a couple of days and was letting different men, who visited for a short time, through the rear door and then seeing them out the same way.

When police arrived, the woman did not answer the door for 10 minutes, according to police. Police reported hearing the toilet flush several times before the door was opened. The woman refused to answer questions when she did let police in.

– By Lonnie Huhman

H.E.A.T. offers 10 tips to stay safe over holidays

Holiday shoppers are often easy targets for vehicle thieves and carjackers. Help Eliminate Auto Thefts (H.E.A.T.), Michigan's statewide auto theft prevention program and tip line, urges shoppers to consider a few simple safety tips to protect themselves and their property during the holidays:

» Be alert. Always be aware of your surroundings. As you approach your vehicle, avoid talking or texting on cell phones, digging for keys or juggling multiple packages.

» Parking. If you can, avoid shopping alone after dark. But if you must, park in a well-lit area with pedestrian traffic or in a lot with an attendant. If possible, avoid parking near objects that block your view of the surrounding area, such as dumpsters, bushes and large vans or trucks. Also avoid parking next to cars with tinted windows that you cannot see through.

» Remember where your car is parked. Walk directly to your car and do not spend unnecessary time wandering around the parking lot. Walk confidently and with purpose.

» Always ask. If you're alone and don't feel comfortable walking to your car, don't hesitate to ask retail security personnel for an escort.

» Place items in trunk. If you must leave something in your vehicle, lock it in the trunk or place items out of sight. Do not leave packages on the seat of your car.

» Move your car. Move to another area of the parking lot if you return to your car in the middle of a shopping

JOSEPH DuMQUCHELLE

trip, even if it means giving up a prime spot. This will deter a thief who may have been watching you unload your purchases.

» Use common sense. Even if you are just going into a store for a quick errand, never leave your car unlocked or your vehicle running unattended.

» Keep passengers safe. Criminals are not timid about approaching people in their driveways. Take children and the elderly into the house first, then immediately unload all purchases from your car. Never leave vulnerable loved ones alone in a vehicle, even if you will only be gone "for a minute."

» Don't argue. If a carjacker wants your vehicle, let him have it. A vehicle isn't worth your life. According to Terri Miller, executive director of H.E.A.T., most carjackings involve a weapon. So don't resist or argue, instead get a good look at the carjacker and what he or she is wear-

» Call the police immediately. If you witness an auto theft or carjacking, call 911 immediately. After you have informed local law enforcement, call H.E.A.T.'s 24/7 confidential tip reward line (1-800-242-HEAT) if you have any information regarding auto theft, insurance fraud or carjackings.

H.E.A.T. works with Michigan law enforcement agencies to follow-up on tips. Tipsters are awarded up to \$1,000, if the tip leads to the arrest of or issuance of a warrant for a suspected car thief or a person suspected of auto theft-related insurance fraud.

RELIEVING RESTORING

Rehabilitation Physicians, PC provides patients with comprehensive care to relieve pain, recover from injury and regain function from disabilities.



Rehabilitation Physicians, PC

Relieving Pain and Restoring Lives

Contact us for more information

248-893-3200

Livonia **Farmington Hills** Novi RehabilitationPhysicians.com

Westland 35337 West Warren Road

734-467-5100

Kimberly Carnicom, Audiologist



South Lyon 321 Pettibone Street, Suite 105 248-437-5505

www.personalizedhearingcare.com



larger sapphires and rubies, estate jewelry, signed pieces, larger diamonds, fine objects and artwork.

Call 800-475-8898 | 313-300-9166

josephdumouchelle.com

In home or office appointments available.

EXPERIENCE. KNOWLEDGE. TRUST. Experts who have been earning the trust of their clients for generations. With their vast industry knowledge, discreet, personalized service and expert valuation, you can sell your unwanted jewelry with ease and confidence.



Dr. Karissa Jagacki,

Audiology and Hearing Aids **Interact Freely**

Enjoy Better



Hearing in 2015 and Communicate with Confidence

We specialize in fitting Hearing Aids on an individual basis in a professional friendly environment

Hear what people are saying about us and visit our website





LOCAL NEWS

JOHN STORMZAND | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Jake Tryban carries a Christmas tree for a customer. The Trybans have about six varieties of trees for sale.

Christmas trees are a family affair

Fourth generation of former Farmington family man sells at 10 Mile and Orchard Lake

By Joanne Maliszewski Staff Writer

Probably for as long as folks can remember, the vacant lot at 10 Mile and Orchard Lake has been filled with Christmas trees this time of

year.
And believe it or not, members of the Tryban family — formerly of Farmington and Livonia — have been there faithfully selling Christmas trees grown on their farm in Cheboygan. "It's always been a family operation," Cash Tryban

said.
Cash and his wife,Pat, who now live in Cheboygan, are sort of handing the retail side over to their son and grandson, whom shoppers will see manning the 10 Mile/Orchard Lake lot. "We have the fourth genera-

tion doing it now."
With Cash's father, the Trybans bought the tree farm almost 50 years ago. Eventually, Pat and Cash bought the farm from his dad while they lived first in Farmington and Livonia — Pat was a nurse at Botsford Hospi-

a real estate agent and carpenter.

"That seemed to be the thing to do at the time," said Tryban, who was raised on a farm. "It was a natural for us. I had an uncle in the nursery business."

Along the way, they bought another parcel and today have about 30 acres with some 20,000-25,000 trees. At the farm, the family cuts the trees, bales them and in Farmington Hills they are put on stakes to keep them standing upright for display, Tryban said.

The family is continuing a worldwide tradition that began in the 1500s with the first written record of a decorated Christmas tree in Riga, Latvia. Men of the local merchants guild decorated a tree with artificial roses, danced around it in the marketplace and then set fire to it. The rose was used for many years and is considered to be a symbol for the Virgin Mary, according to the National Christmas Tree Association.

In 2013, Americans spent \$1.16 billion on real Christmas trees, with



Jake Tryban and his grandfather Cash Tryban, 74, check a tree for sale.

JOHN STORMZAND | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

about 33 million sold. On the other hand, Americans also spent \$1.19 billion on fake trees with 14.7 million sold, according to the association.

Despite sales of fake Christmas trees, Tryban said, he sees people today coming back to the real thing. "They want to get away from the rat race and have a traditional Christmas. Real people

have real trees.

On their farm, the Trybans grow — and sell — Fraser firs, white pines, Scotch pines, blue spruces and concolor firs. "The concolors are a different type of fir. They have a different smell to them," Tryban

said.

Also this year at 10 Mile and Orchard Lake, the Trybans offered white trees, made that way with a special process. "They have a white aura," Pat Tryban said.

Over the decades, the Trybans have seen the same families come back annually. The family also sells tree stands. "We have more stands than we ever had before,"

Tryban said.
The lot, which opened
Thanksgiving Day, remained open until about 1
or 2 p.m. Christmas Eve.

jmaliszews@hometownlife.com | 248-396-6620



JOHN STORMZAND | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



IT'S ABOUT

18 Weeks TO GRASS ALLERGY SEASON*

GRASTEK should be started at least 12 weeks before the season. Talk to an allergy specialist now about whether GRASTEK is right for you.

*Date is approximate, depending on your region.



GRASTEK is grass allergy immunotherapy in a tablet. It may help you gradually build tolerance so you become less sensitive to grass pollen.



Made from small amounts of natural Timothy grass pollen, GRASTEK treats the grass allergies that cause eye and nose symptoms. Starting treatment early may give your body time to become less sensitive to grass pollen in preparation for the allergy season. It's recommended that you start taking GRASTEK at least 12 weeks before the grass pollen season. Make an appointment with an allergy specialist soon. To find a doctor near you, go to grastek.com/thinkspring.

GRASTEK is a prescription medicine used for sublingual (under the tongue) immunotherapy to treat Timothy and related grass pollen allergies that can cause sneezing, runny or itchy nose, stuffy or congested nose, or itchy and watery eyes. GRASTEK may be prescribed for persons 5 through 65 years of age who are allergic to grass pollen.

GRASTEK is taken for about 12 weeks before grass pollen season and throughout grass pollen season. GRASTEK may also be taken daily for 3 years to provide a sustained effect for a fourth year in which you do not have to take GRASTEK.

GRASTEK is NOT a medication that gives immediate relief for symptoms of grass allergy.

Important Safety Information about GRASTEK

- GRASTEK can cause severe allergic reactions that may be life-threatening. Stop taking GRASTEK and get immediate medical treatment right away if you or your child has any of the following symptoms after taking GRASTEK: trouble breathing; throat tightness or swelling; trouble swallowing or speaking; dizziness or fainting; rapid or weak heartbeat; severe stomach cramps or pain, vomiting, or diarrhea; severe flushing or itching of the skin.
- Do not take GRASTEK if you or your child has severe unstable, or uncontrolled asthma; had a severe allergic reaction in the
 past that included trouble breathing, dizziness or fainting, or rapid or weak heartbeat; had difficulty with breathing due to
 swelling of the throat or upper airway after using any sublingual immunotherapy before; has ever been diagnosed with
 eosinophilic esophagitis or is allergic to any of the inactive ingredients contained in GRASTEK.
- For home use of GRASTEK, your doctor will prescribe epinephrine if you or your child has a severe allergic reaction after taking GRASTEK. Talk to your doctor or read the epinephrine patient information.
- The first dose of GRASTEK must be taken in the doctor's office. After taking the first dose, you or your child will be watched for at least 30 minutes by a healthcare professional for symptoms of a serious allergic reaction.
- Children should be given each tablet of GRASTEK by an adult.
- You should tell your doctor about any medicines you or your child take.
- Stop GRASTEK and contact your doctor if you or your child has any of the following after taking GRASTEK: Any type
 of a serious allergic reaction; heartburn, difficulty swallowing or pain with swallowing, or chest pain that does not go
 away or worsens; any mouth surgery procedures (such as tooth removal), develop any mouth infections, ulcers or cuts
 in the mouth or throat.
- The most commonly reported side effects were itching of the mouth, lips, or tongue, swelling under the tongue, or throat irritation. These side effects, by themselves, were not dangerous or life-threatening.

You are encouraged to report negative side effects of prescription drugs to the FDA. Visit www.fda.gov/medwatch, or call 1-800-FDA-1088.

Please read the Brief Summary on the following page for more detailed information. Copyright © 2014 Merck Sharp & Dohme Corp., a subsidiary of **Merck & Co., Inc.** All rights reserved. Printed in USA. RESP-1132773-0008 11/14



NOVI

2015 State of the **City Address**

Novi Mayor Bob Gatt will deliver the 2015 State of the City Address on Thursday, Feb. 12, providing Novi citizens and

business partners an opportunity to reflect upon the 2014 accomplishments and learn



Gatt

about the goals Novi will strive for in 2015. The event, in partnership with the Novi Chamber of Commerce, begins with a 7:30 a.m. breakfast at the Suburban Collection Showplace.

Interested parties can register online at cityofnovi.org (\$23 per person) or mail a check (\$20 per person, made payable to city of Novi) to Community Relations, city of Novi, 45175 10 Mile, Novi, MI 48375.

Contact 248-347-0416 for more information.

Civilian pistol safety class

The Novi Police Department will be offering a civilian pistol safety class from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 17, at the Novi Police Department Training Center 45125 10 Mile The course fulfills both the classroom and shooting requirements to obtain a Michigan Concealed Pistol License.

Registration forms are available online at www.cityofnovi.org and at the Novi Police Department. Completed registration forms and the \$150 course fee (cash or money order), may be returned to the Novi Police Department. Class size is limited, and all participants are subject to a criminal background

After lunch, partici-

pants will move to the Novi Firearms Training Center to complete the course. Students must bring their own equipment, including a personal handgun, 100 rounds of ammunition, safety glasses, shooter's earmuffs or ear plugs, a pen or pencil, a baseball cap, and wear loose comfortable clothing to participate in the course. Participants must be 21 years old and do not have to be a Novi resident to attend.

For more information, visit www.cityofnovi.org or contact Sgt. Michael Warren at mwarren@cityofnovi.org or 248-921-9843.

Choralaires recruiting

Do you love to sing? Would you like to meet new people and take part in sharing the joy of music within our community? Join the Novi Choralaires, a community chorus of men and women from Novi and the surrounding area, who perform concerts for the public and at many community events. The current season is January through May, with rehearsals 7:30-9:30 p.m. each Tuesday.

The Choralaires are seeking new members for all voice parts. Open rehearsals for the 2015 January through May season will be held at 7:30 p.m. Jan. 6 and 13 at the Novi Middle School choir classroom (4900 W. 11 Mile at Wixom Road).

The Choralaires spring show will be at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 9, at the Novi Middle School Auditorium.

For more information about the Choralaires and their concerts, visit www.novichoralalires.org or www.facebook.com/novichoralaires.

Gorman's partners with Arc

It is estimated that nearly 4.6 million Amer-

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

icans have an intellectual or developmental disability. Gorman's Home Furnishings & Interior Design, through its Lifeline of Hope Campaign, will once again raise money to help make a difference in the lives of these local individuals and their families.

Customers can participate in this communitygiving program by visiting any of Gorman's four southeast Michigan showrooms in Novi, Troy, Southfield or Lakeside (Shelby Township) through Jan. 19 and make a minimum donation of \$50 to The Arc of Oakland County. As a thank you, donors will receive \$200 off the price of any recliner from Gorman's 10 best brands or \$400 off select, world-famous Stressless recliners.

The Arc of Oakland County Inc. is Michigan's largest community-based organization of and for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. It works through education, research and advocacy to improve the quality of life for the people it serves.

For more information about The Arc of Oakland County, visit http://thearcoakland.org/.

Novi Farmers Market continues through winter

The 2014 Novi Farmers Market was so successful — with hundreds of people enjoying fresh vegetables, flowers and other items throughout the summer and fall that the market will continue through the winter with gourmet foods and artisan items indoors at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 10 Mile Road.

The winter market will take place twice monthly from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. the following Saturdays: Jan. 10 and 24; Feb. 14 and 21; March 7 and 21; and April 4 and 18.

The market will show-

case an expanded selection of Michigan food products, as well as selected artisans with items to complement the home. Patrons will find foods, decor and gifts for holiday entertaining.

To stay in the know about the Novi Farmers Market, including recipes, vendor features and more, like it on Facebook.

For more information, contact manager RoseAna Twitchell at 248-347-0400 or www.rtwitchell @cityofnovi.org.

Coffee with the Superintendent

Join Novi Schools Superintendent Steve Matthews for Coffee with the Superintendent at the Novi Public Library in the Board Room 202 on: Jan. 12 (6:30 p.m.); Jan. 14 (10:15 a.m.); Feb. 9 (6:30 p.m.); Feb. 11 (10:15 a.m.); March 9 (6:30 p.m.); March 11 (10:15 a.m.); April 13 (6:30 p.m.); April 15 (10:15 a.m.); May 11 (6:30 p.m.); and May 13 (10:15 a.m.).

Art classes for older adults

City of Novi Older Adult Services invites those ages 50 and above to socialize, relieve stress and lift moods by taking part in the upcoming Color Your World art class series. The classes are led by volunteer Novi High School art students who want to share their love for art. No previous experience is necessary.

Pre-registration is required and can be completed online at www.cityofnovi.org, at the Novi Civic Center (45175 10 Mile) or Meadowbrook Activity Center (25075 Meadowbrook Road).

Classes are held from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. each Saturday at the Meadowbrook Activity Center. There is no cost to register, but a \$3 supply fee will be due to the instructors at each class. The schedule includes:

For more information,

call 248-347-0414.

Clothing recycling program

For Walled Lake residents, recycling unwanted clothing is now as easy as a walk to the curb with the free curbside collection program offered by Simple Recycling.

The program is simple and convenient since pickup occurs on the same day as recycling service, collection bags are provided and replacement bags are left each time full bags are set out for curbside pickup.

While the focus is on recycling clothing, Simple Recycling will also accept shoes, accessories, toys, books and small home goods in working condition such as kitchen ware and tools.

Residents who live in communities not serviced by the Simple Recycling program are encouraged to donate unwanted clothing to their favorite charity or thrift shop. A list of local organizations, including those that offer pickup, is available on the RRRA-SOC website at www.rrrasoc.org.

Give blood, platelets

The American Red Cross asks eligible donors to give something that means something this holiday season — a lifesaving blood dona-

Blood donations often decline this time of year when donors get busy with holiday festivities and travel. Severe winter weather and seasonal illnesses, like the flu, can also have a serious impact on blood donations, but the need for blood remains steady. On average, the Red Cross must collect 15,000 blood products every day for patients across the country.

Eligible donors with all types are needed, especially those with O negative, A negative and

B negative. To learn more about donating blood and to schedule an appointment, download the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit www.redcrossblood.org or call 800-733-2767.

NORTHVILLE

Becoming a Love & Logic Parent

Love and Logic is a philosophy of raising and teaching children that allows adults to be happier empowered, and more skilled in the interactions with children. Love allows children to grow through their mistakes. Logic allows children to live with the consequences of their choices.

Northville Youth Assistance is presenting a series of three Love and Logic four-session workshops (select one):

» Thursdays, Jan. 8-29, 9:30-11 a.m.; Northville Community Center 303 W. Main

» Wednesdays, Feb. 4-25, 2-3:30 p.m.; Silver Springs Elementary School, 19801 Silver Springs Dr.

» Wednesdays, March 4-25, 7-8:30 p.m. Silver Springs Elementary School.

The fee is \$20 per person. Contact the NYA office at 248-344-1618 if this presents a financial hardship. Pre-registration is required.

Blues @ The Elks

Plymouth-Ann Arbor Elks Lodge No. 325 in Plymouth will present Blues @ The Elks the second Tuesday of each month in partnership with the Detroit Blues Society and Jazz @ The Elks the last Tuesday of each month. The Lodge is located at 41700 Ann Arbor Road, in Plymouth Township. The events run 7-10 p.m. For more information

call 734-453-1780 or visit www.plymouthelks 1780.com.

Brief Summary



GRASTEK Timothy Grass Pollen Allergen Extract Tablet for Sublingual Use 2800 BAU

Carefully read the Medication Guide before you or your child start taking GRASTEK and each time you get a refill. This Brief Summary does not take the place of talking to your doctor about your medical condition or treatment. Talk with your doctor or pharmacist if there is something you do not understand or you want to learn more about GRASTEK.

What is the most important information I should know about GRASTEK?

GRASTEK can cause severe allergic reactions that may be life-threatening. Stop taking GRASTEK and get medical treatment right away if you or your child has any of the following symptoms after taking GRASTEK:

- Trouble breathing
- Throat tightness or swelling • Trouble swallowing or speaking
- Dizziness or fainting
- Rapid or weak heartbeat
- Severe stomach cramps or pain, vomiting, or diarrhea Severe flushing or itching of the skin

For home administration of GRASTEK, your doctor will prescribe auto-injectable epinephrine, a medicine you can inject if you or your child has a severe allergic reaction after taking GRASTEK. Your doctor will train and instruct you on the proper use of auto-injectable epinephrine. Talk to your doctor or read the epinephrine patient information if you have any questions about the use of auto-injectable epinephrine.

What is GRASTEK?

GRASTEK is a prescription medicine used for sublingual (under the tongue) immunotherapy to treat Timothy and related grass pollen allergies that can cause sneezing, runny or itchy nose, stuffy or congested nose, or itchy and watery eyes. GRASTEK may be prescribed for persons 5 through 65 years of age who are allergic to grass pollen. GRASTEK is taken for about 12 weeks before grass pollen season and throughout grass pollen season. GRASTEK may also be taken daily for 3 years to provide a sustained effect for a fourth year in which you do not have to take

GRASTEK is NOT a medication that gives immediate relief for symptoms of grass allergy.

Who should not take GRASTEK?

You or your child should not take GRASTEK if: • You or your child has severe, unstable or uncontrolled

- asthma • You or your child had a severe allergic reaction in the
- past that included any of these symptoms:
- o Trouble breathing
- o Dizziness or fainting o Rapid or weak heartbeat
- · You or your child has ever had difficulty with breathing due to swelling of the throat or upper airway after using any sublingual immunotherapy before.
- You or your child has ever been diagnosed with eosinophilic esophagitis.
- You or your child is allergic to any of the inactive ingredients contained in GRASTEK. The inactive

ingredients contained in GRASTEK are: gelatin, mannitol and sodium hydroxide.

What should I tell my doctor before taking GRASTEK? Your doctor may decide that GRASTEK is not the best treatment if:

- You or your child has asthma, depending on how
- severe it is. · You or your child suffers from lung disease such as chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD).
- · You or your child suffers from heart disease such as coronary artery disease, an irregular heart rhythm, or you have hypertension that is not well controlled.
- You or your daughter is pregnant, plans to become pregnant during the time you will be taking GRASTEK, or is breast-feeding. • You or your child is unable or unwilling to administer
- auto-injectable epinephrine to treat a severe allergic reaction to GRASTEK. You or your child is taking certain medicines that enhance the likelihood of a severe reaction, or
- interfere with the treatment of a severe reaction. These medicines include: o beta blockers and alpha-blockers (prescribed for
- high blood pressure) o cardiac glycosides (prescribed for heart failure or
- problems with heart rhythm) o diuretics (prescribed for heart conditions and high
- blood pressure) o ergot alkaloids (prescribed for migraine headache)
- o monoamine oxidase inhibitors or tricyclic antidepressants (prescribed for depression) o thyroid hormone (prescribed for low thyroid activity).

You should tell your doctor if you or your child is taking or has recently taken any other medicines, including medicines obtained without a prescription and herbal supplements. Keep a list of them and show it to your doctor and pharmacist each time you get a new supply of GRASTEK. Ask your doctor or pharmacist for advice before taking GRASTEK.

Are there any reasons to stop taking GRASTEK?

Stop GRASTEK and contact your doctor if you or your child has any of the following after taking GRASTEK:

- Any type of a serious allergic reaction • Throat tightness that worsens or swelling of the tongue
- or throat that causes trouble speaking, breathing or swallowing
- Asthma or any other breathing condition that gets worse
- Dizziness or fainting
- Rapid or weak heartbeat
- Severe stomach cramps or pain, vomiting, or diarrhea • Severe flushing or itching of the skin
- Heartburn, difficulty swallowing, pain with swallowing,
- or chest pain that does not go away or worsens Also, stop taking GRASTEK following: mouth surgery procedures (such as tooth removal), or if you develop any mouth infections, ulcers or cuts in the mouth or throat.

How should I take GRASTEK?

Take GRASTEK exactly as your doctor tells you. GRASTEK is a prescription medicine that is placed under the tongue.

- Take the tablet from the blister package after carefully removing the foil with dry hands.
- Place the tablet immediately under the tongue. Allow it to remain there until completely dissolved. Do not swallow for at least 1 minute.
- Do not take GRASTEK with food or beverage. Food and beverage should not be taken for the following 5 minutes.

· Wash hands after taking the tablet.

Take the first tablet of GRASTEK in your doctor's office. After taking the first tablet, you or your child will be watched for at least 30 minutes for symptoms of a serious allergic reaction.

If you tolerate the first dose of GRASTEK, you or your child will continue GRASTEK therapy at home by taking one tablet every day. Children should be given each tablet of GRASTEK by an adult who will watch for any symptoms of a serious allergic reaction.

Take GRASTEK as prescribed by your doctor until the end of the treatment course. If you forget to take GRASTEK, do not take a double dose. Take the next dose at your normal scheduled time the next day. If you miss more than one dose of GRASTEK, contact your healthcare provider before restarting.

What are the possible side effects of GRASTEK?

In children and adults, the most commonly reported side effects were itching of the mouth, lips, or tongue, swelling under the tongue, or throat irritation. These side effects, by themselves, were not dangerous or life-threatening. GRASTEK can cause severe allergic reactions that may be life-threatening. Symptoms of allergic reactions to

- GRASTEK include: • Trouble breathing
- Throat tightness or swelling
- Trouble swallowing or speaking • Dizziness or fainting
- Rapid or weak heartbeat
- Severe stomach cramps or pain, vomiting, or diarrhea • Severe flushing or itching of the skin

For additional information on the possible side effects of GRASTEK, talk with your doctor or pharmacist. You may report side effects to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) at 1-800-FDA-1088 or www.fda.gov/medwatch.

This Brief Summary summarizes the most important information about GRASTEK. If you would like more information, talk with your doctor. You can ask your doctor or pharmacist for information about GRASTEK that was written for healthcare professionals. For more information go to www.grastek.com or call toll-free at 1-800-622-4477.

The Medication Guide has been approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

Manufactured for: Merck Sharp & Dohme Corp., a subsidiary of Merck & Co., Inc., Whitehouse Station, NJ 08889, USA

Manufactured by: Catalent Pharma Solutions Limited, Blagrove, Swindon, Wiltshire, SN5 8RU UK

For more detailed information, please read the Prescribing Information. usmg-mk7243-sb-1404r000 Revised: 04/2014

Copyright © 2014 Merck Sharp & Dohme Corp., a subsidiary of Merck & Co., Inc. All rights reserved. RESP-1132773-0008 11/14



BUSINESS

CAL STONE, EDITOR

CSTONE@HOMETOWNLIFE.COM 248-437-2011, EXT. 237 FACEBOOK: HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



Mary Brady and Darin

Dingman, will own and

chased the business for

\$435,000 and property for \$960,000. They also

expect to spend approximately \$800,000 on

Tom Brady said the

name Jim Brady's De-

Detroit pride seen back

when the business first

"There was a pride in our community at

shooting to come back

to now," he said. "It is

really that moment in

time we look to create."

The business will

end beer and food. The

same as the Oxford Inn

hours will remain the

and, while the total

shrinks slightly, the

outdoor seating will

It is expected to take

'It's very appealing,"

three to four months for

the renovations to be

City Commissioner

Kyle DuBuc said. "I

think it works. I'm ex-

cited and I wish you the

nmueller@hometownlife.com

Twitter: @SOKEccentric

complete.

best of luck."

586-826-7209

curity.

seating capacity

operate as a gastro-

lounge, serving high-

that moment we are

troit stems from the

operate Jim Brady's

Detroit. They pur-

Oxford Inn on Main Street in Royal Oak is set to close and will be replaced by Jim Brady's Detroit.

Jim Brady's to replace mainstay

By Nathan Mueller Staff Writer

ROYAL OAK — Acknowledging they have "big shoes to fill," Royal Oak Mayor Jim Ellison welcomed the owners of Jim Brady's Detroit

to Royal Oak. Jim Brady's Detroit will be replacing the well-known Oxford Inn on Main Street. Oxford Inn was one of the first investors in Royal Oak's rebirth, according to Ellison, and owner Bob Higgins and the restaurant were "an institution in this community for a very long time.'

"Although we are sorry to see Bob and his family go, we are excited to see Jim Brady's land in Royal Oak,' Ellison said. "We are deserving of you and you are deserving of

Jim Brady's has a storied history dating back to 1954, when James Brady opened a bistro on Seven Mile Road in Detroit. It then relocated to Southfield before moving to Novi in 1991, where it was called Diamond Jim Brady's.

The Novi location remains in operation at the Novi Town Center, run by Mary Brady.

Tom Brady, along with his step-mother IT'S YOUR BUSINESS Q&A

Santa: Year-long effort makes Christmas magical

O&E: How hard is it to get ready for Christmas? How early do you have to start planning?

Santa: Oh it's very hard. After Christmas, Mrs. Claus and I take a couple of weeks off for a well-earned vacation. Then, we gather all the elves to start planning for Christmas next year!

O&E: Why do you only check the list twice? Does anyone else proofread it first?

Santa: I only have to check it twice because, well, I know you have heard of Bernard, my head elf? He is an overseer of all the other elves. So when I get the list, he and the other elves have already looked at it many times. It certainly makes my job easier! Ho, ho, ho.

O&E: Do you get frequent flier miles?

Santa: Oh no, I don't get frequent flier miles! Ho, ho, ho. It's my sled and reindeer, so I don't have to worry about that sort of thing!

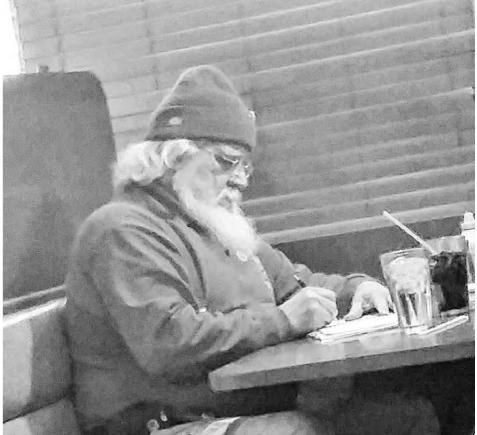
O&E: How did you get started in the Santa business?

Santa: Well, the Santa business is all about giving to others and not worrying about getting back. I have always been a giving person, so I fit right in!

O&E: What do you like best about being Santa?

Santa: What I like best is all the smiles on all the boys and girls when they come and see me and especially on Christmas morn, when they open their presents

O&E: What's the biggest challenge?



Santa, in casual dress, was caught checking his list at a local restaurant.

ANGIE KHALAF

Santa: The biggest challenge is always trying to make sure that every child everywhere receives a much deserved gift.

O&E: What's the worst

Santa: I think the worst part is when a child is sick and not feeling well!

BUSINESS BRIEFS

O&E: Do you like all those cookies or do you like some variety, maybe some vegetables or crackers and cheese?

Santa: Of course, I am partial to milk and cook-

DETAILS

Name: Santa's Workshop Location: North Pole Owners: Santa and Mrs. Claus

Years in Business: Too

many to count Employees: Many, many elves Contact: By letter and mailed to Santa Claus, care of the North Pole

ies, hee, hee, hee; but I do like vegetables and

crackers and cheese, too! That's how I keep such a "round" belly! Ho, ho, ho!

O&E: Have you and the elves gone high-tech and created a database to keep track of everyone in the world?

Santa: Oh, yes! What with the smart phones and, of course, all of the elfin dolls around the world, I know what "everyone" is doing in a moment's notice!

Merry Christmas!

Novi Business Recognition Awards

Nominations are now open for the Novi Chamber of Commerce 2014 **Business Recognition** Awards. This is an opportunity for Novi companies to be recognized for their great work as community builders, excellent employers or providing phenomenal customer service. Nominations are open until Jan. 5.

Award winners will be honored Feb. 27 at the Toast of the Town Gala at the Baronette Renaissance hotel, with Chuck Gaidica as host.

Visit novichamber.com for more information and to obtain a nomination form.

Bright House introduces security, control

Bright House is now offering its Bright House Networks Home Security and Control, a next generation system that puts customers in control of their home security and comfort no matter where they are — at home, at the

office or on the go. It offers centrally monitored and self-managed security, as well as energy, light and home appliance management via an in-home touch screen, the web and smart phones. With cellular and battery backup over Bright House Networks' advanced network platform, the system's secure website allows customers the ability to customize settings for their individual homes.

Bright House Networks Home Security and Control is supported by a 24/7 Emergency Response Center, ensuring the utmost reliability, including intrusion and fire, through a state-ofthe-art UL approved central monitoring center. Bright House Networks Home Security and Control has also received the Five-Diamond

Certification from the **Central Station Alarm** Association. For more information on Bright House Networks Home Security & Control, go to brighthouse.com/homese-

SBA hits lending

record The U.S. Small Business Administration 7(a) Loan Program reached another lending record in fiscal year 2014 (ending Sept. 30), approving 52,044 7(a) loans for \$19.19 billion, an increase of 12 percent in number loans and 7.4 percent in dollar amount over fiscal

year 2013. The 7(a) program is designed to provide small businesses with the most comprehensive type of financial assistance to cover the vast majority of business expenses, such as short and longterm working capital, exports, and refinancing existing debt under cer-

tain conditions. SBA had been authorized \$17.5 billion in the FY 2014 lending program. It became clear that lending would exceed that amount; therefore the agency secured an increase for the 7(a) program in the Continuing Resolution that was approved in mid-Septem-

Other SBA loans that did well in fiscal 2014 were those \$150,000 and under. Spurred by the fee relief implemented at the beginning of the fiscal year (fees were set to zero), these loans saw an increase of 23 percent in number of loans (30,675) and 29 percent in approved dollars (\$1.86 billion) over fiscal year 2013 (24,923 and \$1.44 billion respectively).

Fee relief was also instrumental in helping veteran small business owners through the Veteran Advantage initiative (zero fees on loans \$150,000 to \$350,000 to veterans.) Fee relief for veterans began Jan. 1,

2014, and by the end of the fiscal year amounted to \$610,000. Fee relief for both loans \$150 000 and under, and for Veterans Advantage, was extended through fiscal year 2015.

Wright & Filippis re-brands offices statewide

Wright & Filippis — a family-owned provider of prosthetics, orthotics, custom mobility solutions and accessibility solutions — is undergoing a statewide office rebranding, including the Novi location at 26750 Providence Parkway.

Suite 125. A.J. Filippis, chairman and CEO, said refreshing the locations reflects the company's focus on its primary business lines. The locations undergoing changes will feature new signs and logos.

While each facility is tailored to the patients it serves, changes across the state include new exterior window displays, renovated waiting areas

and product displays. "We are continually evaluating our business and making adjustments to accommodate our patient's needs. As we continue adapting to the ever changing health care environment, rebranding our locations is one of the many changes we're making to improve our services," Filippis

Additionally, the company recently launched a new website design which featured new branding, a streamlined view of the four core business lines, better navigation menus, easyto-read content, detailed staff profiles and better visuals of all services and products provided.

Oakland County helps tech companies

Oakland County, through its tech248 initiative, and MITechNews.com has partnered to enable Oakland County technology companies to reach a wider Michigan audience with a flip of the switch. By submitting press releases to brennan@mitechnews.com, Oakland County technology companies will reach a dozen Michigan technology news outlets at

one time. Four technology news websites, three technology news podcast channels, two eNewsletters, an Internet radio station, a Clear Channel radio station and the Michigan

Talk Radio network comprise the distribution list. They include Oakland County's Prosper news letter, MITechNews.com, WJR-AM (760) Internet Advisor show (InternetAdvisor.net), Michipreneur.com and ITintheD-.com. Collectively, they reach more than 133,000 tech news consumers each month.

"We're looking to cover what's happening in Oakland County, one of the hot beds for technology activity in Michigan," said Mike Brennan, editor and publisher of MI-

TechNews.com. "That not only includes what's happening with Oakland County's technology start-ups, but also any companies developing great technology products.'

Tech248 is a new initiative by Oakland County to promote its 2,000 technology companies and attract high-tech jobs. In addition to helping technology companies promote themselves, Tech248 will host monthly meet-up events. For more information, go to MItech248.com.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BID

DATE: December 18, 2014

PROJECT: Project No. 14-NPS-SCS-01, Structured Cabling System, District-Wide

OWNER: Northville Public Schools Business Office - Third Floor 501 W. Main Street Northville, MI 48167-1576

DESIGNER: Wright & Hunter, Inc. 818 W. 11 Mile Road

Royal Oak, Michigan 48067 Phone: 248 594-5850 Fax: 248 594-5851

BID DUE DATE: Until 2:00 PM EDT on January 28, 2015 the Owner will receive sealed Bids for the work as set forth in the Bid specifications and proposal forms ("RFB documents") at:

> Sealed Bid Enclosed for Structured Cabling System, District-Wide Northville Public Schools Attn: Michael Zopf Business Office - Third Floor 501 W. Main Street Northville, MI 48167-1576

Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at this time. Bids received after the above date and time will **not** be accepted. Bids that do not include a sworn and notarized statement disclosing any familial relationship between the Owner and the bidder as defined in Michigan

Public Act No. 232 of 2004 will not be accepted. RFB documents will be available on or after January 6, 2015 and can be obtained by registering at the following website: http://www.vlbp.com/launch/wrighthunter/home.php. Bidding details may be obtained electronically at: http://www.vlbp.com/launch/wrighthunter/

A bidders' meeting is scheduled for January 14, 2015 at 2:00 PM EDT at:

Hillside Middle School All visitors must sign-in at the Main Office 775 North Center Northville, Michigan 48167

All bidders are strongly encouraged to attend.

Each bid shall be accompanied by a certified check, cashier's check, money order or bid bond made payable to Northville Public Schools in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the

Withdrawal of any bid is prohibited for a period of ninety (90) days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids, either in whole or in part, to reject a bid not accompanied by the required bid guarantee, or by other data required by the RFB documents and Michigan law or to reject a bid which is in any way non compliant with the bid requirements. Submitted bids may be adjusted by unit prices included by the bidder to ensure all bids submitted are compared on the same basis with respect to required materials

The Owner reserves the right to accept alternates in any order or combination and to determine the low bidder on the basis of the sum of the base bid and the alternates accepted.

RELIGION CALENDAR

Send calendar information to cstone@hometownlife.com by noon Monday to be included in Thursday's publication. The calendar is also available online at www.hometownlife.com.

Brightmoor Christian

Location: M-5 and 13 Mile,

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

Web: www.brightmoorchur-

Celebrate Recovery

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

Church of the Holy Family

Location: 24505 Meadowbrook

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

Mass Schedule

Time/Day: 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Sunday; 9 a.m. Monday 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 appoint-

Priests: the Rev. Bob LaCroix, pastor, and the Rev. Beto Espinoza, associate pastor

AA: 8 p.m. Wednesdays.

Crosspointe **Meadows**

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

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

Destiny Worship Center

experience.

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

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

Emmanuel Lutheran

Location: 34567 Seven Mile, Livonia.

Web: www.emmanuel-livo-

How to reach us:

Contact: 248-442-8822. Sunday worship: 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Youth group: 7 p.m. Wednes-

Special Needs Ministry:

Contact Judy Cook, 248-442-**Christmas Eve Services:** 5

p.m. family worship; 7 and 11 p.m. traditional family worship. All services include candle lighting and holy communion. Sunday, Dec 28: one worship service at 9:30 a.m.

Faith Community Presbyterian Church

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

First Baptist Church of Northville

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

and 5:45 p.m. Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. Ladies Bible Study: 9:30 a.m.

and 7 p.m. Tuesdays. Men's Bible Study: 9 a.m. first Saturday of every month.

First Church of the **Nazarene**

Location: 21260 Haggerty, north of Eight Mile. Contact: 248-348-7600 or visit dfcnazarene.org.

Sunday Schedule: 9:30 a.m. Classic worship service, Adult Bible Fellowship classes and Children's Sunday School; 11 a.m. Contemporary worship service with Kids Church, Teen Worship Service and Adult Bible Fellowship classes. 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

Tuesday: 9:25 a.m. Women of the Word Bible Study — the 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 all ages).

First Presbyterian Church Location: 205 E. Lake St. (cor-

ner of Wells and 10 Mile), South

Lyon. Contact: 248-437-2875.

A Holiday Happening



The combined seventh- and eighth-grade Novi Middle School choirs perform Christmas songs during their A Holiday Happening presentation Dec. 4 at the Novi Rotary holiday party.



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Christina Rohm gets a hug from Santa during the Dec. 4 Novi Rotary holiday party at Novi Middle School. The late morning activity for local seniors was filled with musical and choral performances by Novi Middle School students, lunch, strolling carolers, visits by the Jolly Old Elf and lots of good cheer.

First Presbyterian

Location: 26165 Farmington Road, Farmington.

Methodist Church of Northville

Location: 777 W. Eight Mile,

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

Good Shepherd

Location: 41415 Nine Mile,

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

Holy Cross Episcopal

Church

Lutheran Church

corner of Meadowbrook Road

View Online

www.hometownlife.com

First United

Sunday Worship (September-Sunday School (September-

Contact: 248-349-0565.

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

Contact: 248-427-1175 or holycrossnovi@gmail.com; visit holyCROSSnovi.org.

of month.

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

Location: 40700 W. 10 Mile.

Hope Lutheran Church

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

Lakes Baptist Church

Location: 309 Decker Road,

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.;

Legacy Church

Wednesday 7 p.m.

Church)

(formerly First Baptist Church and Orchard Hills Baptist

Location: 23455 Novi Road, Novi.

Contact: pastor Jon Hix, 248-

349-5665 or visit www.lega-Sunday School/Small Groups

for all ages: 9:45 a.m. Worship Services: 11 a.m. Bible Study/Prayer: Wednesday 7 p.m.

Meadowbrook Congregational Church

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

Contact: the Rev. Arthur P. Ritter, senior minister, 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. **Christmas Eve Worship:** 6

nativity scene) and 9 p.m. (adult choir and harp). NorthRidge Church

p.m. (children's message and

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 Life

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

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

Novi United Methodist

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

Oak Pointe Church Location: 50200 W. 10 Mile,

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

Worship Services: 5:15 p.m. Saturday; 9:15 a.m., 11:15 a.m. Sunday. **ReNew Life Group Ministries:**

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

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

Our Savior Apostolic Lutheran Church

Location: 54899 Eight Mile, Northville.

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

Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church

Location: 47650 N. Territorial

Road, Plymouth Township, Contact: 734-453-0326, Ext. 221.

Our Lady of Victory Location: 132 Orchard Drive,

Northville. Contact: 248-349-2621 or

olvnorthville.org. Saturday Worship: 5 p.m.

Sunday Worship: 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m.

Presbyterian Church

Our Shepherd

Location: 1200 S. Sheldon,

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

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

Our Savior Apostolic Lutheran Church

Pentecostals of Novi

Location: 54899 Eight Mile, Northville.

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

Plymouth St. John's

Episcopai Church Location: 574 S. Sheldon in

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

Praise Baptist

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

Prince of Peace

Phone: 248-553-3380

Lutheran Location: 28000 New Market Road, Farmington Hills.

Fall Support Groups: Hosting two separate fall support groups: "Hope for Tomorrow" for those grieving and "Through the Fire" for those needing divorce recovery. These free support groups will meet at 7 p.m. Thursdays in the fellowship hall area. These classes will offer strength, courage and hope to individuals as they go through the process of grief and/or divorce. Space is limited. Please call the church office to pre-register or for more in-

St. James Catholic Location: 46325 10 Mile, Novi.

formation.

Contact: 248-347-7778. Pastor: Monsignor John Kasza. Mass schedule: 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Sunday; 9 a.m. Monday-Tuesday; 7 p.m.

St. John Lutheran Church

Wednesday; 5 p.m. Saturday.

Location: 23225 Gill, Farmington Hills. Contact: 248-474-0584 or visit

stjohn-lutheran.com.

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

St. Paul's Lutheran Location: 201 Elm St., North-

Contact: 248-349-3140. **Unity of Farmington**

Hills Location: 32500 W. 13 Mile,

Farmington.

See RELIGION, Page A13

Passages

1-800-579-7355 · fax 313-496-4968 · www.mideathnotices.com

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

HARRY F. passed away December 18, 2014, with his wife Audrey by his side in Ann Arbor, Michigan. Harry was born July until her untimely death in 1945. Harry was a graduate of Redford Union High, served in WWII and was honorably discharged from the army in 1946. In addition, Harry served in the Navy and was honorably discharged in 1953 and was a graduate of Western Michigan College. He was an accountant with Consumer's Power Company for nearly 31 years, retiring in 1985 as accounting controller at their Traverse City branch. Harry was blessed to have married Doris Wendland of Novi, Michigan in 1954 and together they had three children, Greg Bowers, Harry Bowers, and Lynn Moody. After have met and later marry Audrey Dowen of Traverse City, Michigan. Harry and Audrey have spent the past 30 years entertaining, golfing, traveling and enjoying life. Mr. Bowers is survived by his wife, Audrey Bowers; children, Greg Bowers, Harry Bowers, and Lynn Moody; step-children, Sybil Poage, Terri Wolfe, Cherri Ballantine, and Scott Dowen; and 12 grandchildren. He was preceded in death

www.phillipsfuneral.com.



BOWERS, JR.,

20, 1926, in Toledo, Ohio to Harry and Helen Bowers. Harry's mother Helen raised him the untimely death of Doris in 1985, Harry was fortunate to by his brothers, Raymond Bowers and Warren Bowers. A Memorial Service was held Monday, December 22 at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, 122 W.

Lake St., South Lyon.



BURNS, RITA September 2, 1951-December 10, 2014. www.

obriensullivanfuneralhome.com.

CLARK, IDA H. May 1, 1920 -December 16, 2014. L.J. Griffin Funeral Home-

Northrop Sassaman Chapel.

FELTER, RUTH S. June 30, 1921 -December 18, 2014

L. J. Griffin Funeral Home

Northrop Sassaman Chapel

FIX, ROBERT March 18, 1936-December 9, 2014. www.

obriensullivanfuneralhome.com.

HENRY, LISA MARIE

Of Milford, passed away peacecare of her family on Wednesday, December 17, 2014 after a courageous battle with cancer. She was 43 years old. She leaves her husband, Darrick Henry; their children, Megan and Clay Henry; her parents, Rick and Jeanne Seymour; her brother, Kevin (Melissa) Seymour and many extended family and dear friends. A Funeral Service was held at St. Matthew Lutheran Church, Walled Lake on Saturday, December 20th, 2014. Rev. Paul M. Moldenhauer officiated. Burial Milford Memorial Ceme-Memorial contributions may be made in her name to Girl Scouts of America. For further information phone Lynch & Sons, Milford at 248-684-6645 or visit

LynchFuneralDirectors.com LYNCH & SONS Funeral Oirectors

McMILLAN, GERALD

March 11, 1925-December 11, 2014. www. obriensullivanfuneralhome.com.

HINZMAN Missing you always! Love you. Your Family

BRIAN

PASTERNACKI, **GARY** August 31, 1955 -December 17, 2014. Phillips Funeral Home.

www.phillipsfuneralhome.com

PAULK, ADAM April 21, 1992-December 7, 2014. www. obriensullivanfuneralhome.com.

December 14, 2014. www. obriensullivanfuneralhome.com. SMITH, JEANETTE July 27, 1924 - December 18,

Arrangements

SCALCO, ROBERT V.

November 29, 1981-

www.phillipsfuneral.com TERRANA, CHARLES April 22, 1920-December 9, 2014. www.

obriensullivanfuneralhome.com.

PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME.

WILSON, DANIEL November 28, 1980-December 11, 2014. www. obriensullivanfuneralhome.com.

In Memoriam



RELIGION

Continued from Page A12

Contact: 248-737-9191; AdministrativeDirector@unityfh.com.

Unitarian **Universalist Church** of Farmington

Location: 25301 Halsted, Farmington Hills. Contact: www.uufarming-

Details: This religious education program is open to the public and currently enrolling new students. Classes are grouped into grades K-5, 6-8 and 9-12 with age-specific

education materials for all.

Contact: Jennifer Teed at 248-478-7272 or dre@uufarmington.org

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

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

Multigenerational Services: 6:45 p.m. Fridays.

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

Ward Evangelical **Presbyterian Church**

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

Web: www.wardchurch.org.

Contact: 248-374-7400.

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

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

FX: A Family Experience: An interactive family production

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

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

Check us out on the Web every day at hometownlife.com

Your Invitation to

Brighton

HOLY SPIRIT ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL

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

Livonia

FELLOWSHIP PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

Whitmore Lake

FELLOWSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH 10774 Nine Mile Road Rev. M. Lee Taylor • 449-2582

Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.

Worship, 11:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday Evening, 7:00 p.m.

Highland

HIGHLAND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH W. Livingston Rd. • Highland, MI 483

Sunday Worshin: 9:30 a m & 11:00 a m

Kids Church: 9:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. MS & HS Youth: 11:00 a.m.

Wed is MS Youth Night: 6:30 p.m.

Griefshare, Mondays, 6:30 p.m

248.887.1311 • www.myhun

FIRST BAPTIST OF MILFORD

133 Detroit St., Milford • 248-684-5695 Pastor Steve Swayze unday School (all ages) 9:30 a.m. • Sunday Worship - 11 a.n foung Adults Dinner/Bible Study, Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m Wednesdays, 6:45-8:15 p.m. wana, 3 yrs old thru 5th grade (Sept.-March) and Youth Group for 6th grade and older

Milford

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

school, Pre-K & Kdg. - Mo. Syn 620 General Motors Rd.. Milford

Church office: (248) 684-0895

Worship Services: Sunday 8:30 am & 11:00 an

Bible Study: Sunday 9:45 am

Rev. Martin Dressler

Nursery Availa

MILFORD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

Sunday Worship: 10:00 a.m. lay School age 3 thru 5th grade @ 10 Youth Group 10 am - Grades 6-12 A heritage of area worship since 1836

Milford United **Methodist Church**

1200 Atlantic St., Milford, MI 48381 Sunday Worship: 8:30 am, 10:30 am, 6:00 pm Children's Church: 10:30 am Groups for Children, Youth and Adults

248-684-2798 milfordumc_net

OAKPOINTE |milford

(248) 685-3560 www.opcmilford.org Contemporary Worship Service: Sunday 9:15 am & 11:15 am Adventureland Children's Program: Sunday 9:15 am & 11:15 am The Rock (Middle School) Wednesdays 6:30-8 pm, Sundays 9:15 am

Women, Men and Life Groups: Various Schedules

New Hudson

NEW HUDSON UNITED

METHODIST CHURCH

(248) 437-6212 . Gerald S. Hunter, Pastor lay School & Bible Class -9:30 a.m Worship-10:30 a.m www.newhudonsumc.org

NEW HOPE - A Unitarian **Universalist Congregation**

7855 Grand River Ave., New Hudson, MI 4816 Phone 248-474-9108

Rev. Suzanne Paul, Minister

Website: http://www.newhopeuu.org

WEST HIGHLAND

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

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

Freedom Life Church

Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is Freedom Cor 3:7 1208 E. Commerce, Milford Worship: Sun 11am, Wed 7pm

We are here through Christ Jesus to provide Freedom to those who are hurting, diseased, addicted 1000219863 and depressed

Northville

Presbyterian (1)
Churchof Northville www.fpcnorthville.org 200 E. MAIN ST. AT HUTTON Worship, 9:30 am. Sunday School for all ages, 10:30 am. **248-349-0911**

NORTHVILLE CHRISTIAN Experience Life Each Week

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

OUR LADY OF VICTORY CATHOLIC CHURCH

133 Orchard Dr., Northville VEEKEND LITURGIES Saturday 5:00 p.m Church 349-2621, School 349-3610 Religious Education 349-2559

Rev. Denis Theroux, Pasto

United

(248) 349-1144 (8 Mile and Taft Road Northville, Michigan

Worship Times: September - May 9:15 & 11:00 a.m. Memorial Day - Labor Day 10:00 a.m. Rev. Marsha M. Woolley, Lead Pastor www.fumcnorthville.org

40000 Six Mile Road Northville, MI 48168 248.374.7400

Sunday Worship Services 8 a.m. | 9:30 a.m. | 11 a.m.

different music styles from classic to mode www.wardchurch.org

Our Saviour Apostolic Lutheran Church

Sunday Worship: 9:45 am Children's & Adult's Sunday Sch 10:30 am Fellowship/Coffee 11:00 am Worship Service Wednesday Bible Study at 7 pm

oursaviouralc.com

Novi

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

FAITH COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

44400 W. 10 Mile., Novi, 248-349-2345 1/2 mile west of Novi Rd.

www.faithcommunity-novi.org WORSHIP AND SUNDAY SCHOOL - 10 AM "Children, Youth and Adult Ministries"

MEADOWBROOK CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

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

ST. JAMES ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

Parish Office: 347-7778

www.umcnovi.com ring God, loving each other and living our core valu

South Lyon

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

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

The Church of Christ

9:30 a.m. Sunday School, 10:30 a.m. Praise and Worship

Wednesday Midweek Ministries 7 p.m

Troy Singleton, Minister

Fellowship Evangelical Presbyterian Church Sunday Worship @ 9:30 am Sunday School @ 11 am Wednesday mid-week programs

Rev. David Brown, Pastor 48-437-2222 • www.fellowshipepc.org

first united 640 S. Lafayette methodisi church south lyon, mi (248) 437-0760 Worship: 8:15 am, 10:45 am, 11 am & 6:30 pm Sunday School: 9:40 am Rev. Sondra Willobee, Lead Pasto. southlyonfirstumc.org

Shepherd's Way Lutheran Church, ÉLCA 59255 10 Mile Rd. South Lyon MI 48178 Sunday Worship 9:00 AM Education Hour 10:15 AM

Rev. Bart Muller, Pastor 248-573-7320 epherdswaysouthlyon.ord

SOLID ROCK BIBLE CHURCH Loving God and Loving People 22183 Pontiac Trail • 248-486-4400 (In Brookdale Shopping Center, behind Powerhouse Gvm)

SUNDAY WORSHIP: 10:00 A.M. Reed Heckmann, Pastor/Teacher www.solidrocksouthlyon.com

Sunday: 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. & 12:30 p.m.

HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Saturday: 4:30 p.m. (English) & 6:30 p.m. (Spanish Fr Boh LaCroix Pastor Fr. Beto Espinoza, Associate

rish Office: 349-8847 • www.holyfamilynov

HOLY CROSS EPISCOPAL 40700 W. Ten Mile Rd. • 248-427-1175

Sunday Worship 7:45 am & 10 am Healing Service Wednesday 11:45 am Rev. Ann Webber, Rector holycrossnovi@gmail.com

OAK POINTE CHURCH

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

NOVI UNITED METHODIST

CHURCH 41671 W Ten Mile Road • Novi MI 4837 Sunday Worship 9:45 a.m. Rev. June M. Smith, Pastor 248-349-2652

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

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

CROSS OF CHRIST LUTHERAN

Pastor Terry Nelson 437-8810 • 486-4335

Griswold Rd. at 10 Mile

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

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF **SOUTH LYON**

60820 Marjorie Ann St., South Lyon 48178 Phone: 248-437-2983 Sunday School 9:45 a.m. • Worship Service 11:00 a.m. Evening Service 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m. Genior Pastor: Rob Freshour / Assoc. Pastor: Randy Wea Website: www.fbcsouthlvon.com · Email: fbcsouthlyon@sbcglobal.net

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN

Wisconsin Synod . Reynold Sweet Pkwy at Liberty St.

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

CROSSROADS COMMUNITY CHURCH 28900 Pontiac Trail • South Lyon

248-486-0400 Service Times 8:45am, 10:00am & 11:30am **Christmas Eve Services** 5:30pm & 7pm

For more information regarding this Directory, please call Sue Sare at 248-926-2219 or e-mail: ssare@hometownlife.com

LETTERS

Continued from Page A14

Equal rights for all faiths

It is always interesting to me how hard it is to actually see and understand both sides of any proposition or argument. And it usually seems that the more adamant someone is in their position, the less they understand of the details or even the foundation of their own position, much less of

the opposition. I've been amazed by how often things I thought were so, or had been taught, turned out to be either completely different or my understanding significantly changed, when I really looked into them and tried to deepen my knowledge. With that in mind, I'd like to share some thoughts on the recent letter about "Attack on Christmas."

The author states that "secular minorities ramp up their assault on Judeo-Christian principles" this time of year. That is interesting, because I have never seen or heard any such thing, and it's actually a proverbial red herring. The only thing that any of these type groups have ever asked is that government be neutral when it comes to religion. That, in essence, my tax dollars and the laws are not used to support your religious position, and likewise - that your taxes and the laws do not go to support my

particular religion. When it comes to "separation of church and state," it's true that these exact words do not appear in the Constitution. But then again, neither do the words "Trinity" or "Rapture" actually appear in the Bible, but we all know about them and understand their sources in the Bible. However, James Madison (the "father of the Constitution") said "Strongly guarded ... is the separation between religion and government in the Constitution of the United States," and Thomas Jefferson wrote "Believing with you that religion is a matter that lies solely between man and his God, that he owes account for none other for his faith and worship, that the legislative powers of government reach actions only, and not opinions, I contemplate with solemn reverence that act of the whole American people which declared that their legislature should 'make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof' thus building a wall of separation between church and State.'

Thus, it is evidently clear that our Founding Fathers actually, and definitively, did mean to separate religion and government.

In this spirit, there is nothing wrong with having a nativity scene on government property, as long as the use of our common land, that we all pay for and support, is neutral to all faiths. This, however, means that it has to be open to every faith, even those with which we may disagree, and even those with none at all. Yes, the majority of our country may be Christian, but this does not mean that it's legally right to ignore or disregard other people's beliefs, and we should protect their rights as strongly as you would want your own rights protected. After all, that is certainly the

Christian thing to do. **Alex Grant** Highland **COMMUNITY VOICE**

What do you want for Christmas?

This question was asked at the Novi Public Library.



"My wife's continued good health."

Ken Bixby Novi



"She wants a new car and it looks like she's going to get it."

Leon Cote with Helen DiNardi



"A new Samsung phone." **Michael Hammond**



"For my granddaughter to have a nice Christmas. It's her second one."

Jack Gurney

'Pure Michigan?' Only if we act on climate

e treasure the spectacular beauty of our waterways and natural landscapes in Michigan. With one-fifth of the world's fresh surface water, it's a truly unique area. While our residents and visitors love our wonderful environment, it's something that must be guarded and protect-

We are under threat from climate change. We've seen toxic algae blooms, unprecedented flooding and severe storms. Climate disruption is here and it's affecting us now. It isn't a faraway concept affecting only our grandchildren. Regardless of political leanings, we must be smart and follow the science. A great way to start is to move away from coal and toward more renewable energy sources.

As our weather events become more intense, we will see more flash flooding. Our own climatologists warn of harder, faster rainstorms. This new type of torrential rain overwhelms our

Jim Nash **GUEST** COLUMNIST

storm water and sewage systems, resulting in partially treated sewage overflowing into our rivers and streams, lowering the quality of our water. Toxic algae blooms become far worse. Combined with fertilizer runoff from cities and farms, we then see crisis events such as the poisoning of drinking water in Toledo. The solution is to take action.

We need to dramatically reduce carbon pollution. The federal government already recognizes this priority. The Clean Power Plan, which sets statewide targets for reducing carbon emissions, will mandate that Michigan come up with new ways to generate power. It is a good beginning but Michigan needs leadership and vision to make this happen..

We need to hold ourselves accountable and

follow best practices. Other states have taken the lead and are reducing emissions by creating higher requirements for renewable energy use. Michigan now lags behind a majority of states in this field. We also need to retire and retrofit dirty, aging coal plants.

Transitioning away from coal would easily help us fulfill our share of reducing emissions. We in southeast Michigan live in a coal-burning land. Nationwide, burning coal produces 37 percent of electricity. But our own DTE Energy still gets 75 percent of its electricity from coal. This is a tremendous burden on our climate.

Coal is so last century. It is expensive, dirty and holds our economy back. It must be dug up and transported and produces toxic smoke and ash. Coal is rust-belt technology. Our electricity rates have also been trending upward because of our reliance on coal.

Michigan should show leadership and move more quickly to cleaner energy. Let's retire our

coal plants. We can create new jobs, reduce carbon pollution and all breathe easier.

Jim Nash is Oakland County



5.50 BARGAIN TWILIGHT DAILY 4:00-6: TITLES & TIMES SUBJECT TO CHANGE THE GAMBLER (R) 11:05, 1:45, 4:30, 7:10, 9:50

FRI/SAT LS 11:55 UNBROKEN (PG-13) 12:00, 3:15, 6:20, 9:30 ONIGHT AT THE MUSEUM: SECRET

11:10, 1:30, 4:20, 6:45, 9:00 CANNIE (PG) :00, 4:00, 6:40, 9:20 OTHE HOBBIT: THE BATTLE OF THE

OF THE TOMB (PG)

FIVE ARMIES (PG-13) 11:30, 12:15, 2:40, 3:25, 6:05, 6:35, 9:10, 9:40 FRI/SAT LS 11:15

Get a ^{\$}5 Concession Voucher when you buy a \$50 GC Get a ^{\$250} Concession Vouche when you buy a \$25 GC

FREQUENT MOVIEGOERS Sign up at www.gqti.com for the Frequent Moviegner Club arn points & see movies for a bargain price



Flu Season is here



Let us help you and your family stay healthy.

Flu season is as predictable as the falling leaves and dropping temperatures. St. Mary Mercy Medical Group is ready to help you make it through as healthy as possible.

Don't wait.

Start by getting your flu shot. And if you feel sick, St. Mary Mercy Medical Group not only offers quick treatment of seasonal flu, we also treat sore throats, ear infections, fractures and complex medical conditions. Sick today, seen today and on the road to good health.

Livonia 734-655-8200 • Farmington Hills 734-655-8220 • Livonia Campus 734-655-1618



Welcome Dr. Irby-Johnson

The St. Mary Mercy Medical Group would like to extend a warm welcome to NiJuanna Irby-Johnson, MD. She joins our medical group of over 25 primary care and specialty physicians as an internal medicine physician. She has more than 10 years of experience in adult primary care, preventative care and management of chronic disease.

Dr. Irby-Johnson received her medical degree from Wayne State University School of Medicine and is board certified by the American Board of Internal Medicine.

stmarymercy.org/smmmg





Holiday Bavings

THROUGHOUT THE STORE...

INCLUDING NAME BRANDS

Callaway • Taylor Made • Ping • Cleveland Mizuno • Tour Edge

Putters Starting \$1999 Wedges Starting \$2999

Shoes

Starting \$30

Full Sets Starting \$199

Hybrids Starting \$30

Drivers Starting \$50

Starting \$20

Shirts Starting \$1499 Ladies

Gloves Starting 3/\$15 Starting \$1099

Ladies Full Sets Starting \$129 including bag

248-888-9380



Family time can be stressful time; ways to cope

By Julie Brown Staff Writer

Families love each other, but can also get on each others' nerves.

"Absolutely. It's almost like a given that's going to occur," said Janet Terry, clinical manager for the Pontiac office of Oakland Family Services.

'We see everybody all at this time of year," said Terry, who holds a M.S.W. degree from Wayne State University as well as a bachelor's degree in social work from Madonna University. "It can bring up unresolved issues in the family. There's always stress. There's going to be stress when you have interaction with other people."

Talking over differences is key, said White Lake resident Terry. Families can outline their strengths and weaknesses. Changing traditions is often help-

"Maybe you're the one who hosts the party all

the time," she said. Someone else could host this year, prepared food could be used instead, or food tasks could be delegated. "It's really about the gathering," Terry

Michele Potter does therapy for Heron Ridge Associates of Plymouth and is a licensed master social worker. Potter holds bachelor's and master's degrees in social work from Michigan State University.

"We tend to put more pressure on ourselves because we have these unrealistic expectations," said Plymouth resident Potter, in the field since 1987. "We get angry, we get frustrated. You need to acknowledge your feelings both to yourself and the other people you may have a connection with."

In some cases, Potter said, you may need to take a breather and get away, "anything to restore an inner calm."

Unresolved grief can be an issue at the holidays, as it's readily apparent that person is no longer here. If grief hasn't been processed, Terry said, it can add to depression.

"Stress is just one of those symptoms," she said. Professional help may be needed if you have ongoing irritability, lack of energy, or sleep disturbances. Suicidal thoughts should immediately prompt an emergency room or Common Ground response, Terry emphasized.

Go out and take a walk. Literally take a big breath," she said of coping skills for everyday

Potter said it's good to set aside family differences, recognizing others also face stress, "even if they (family members) don't live up to your expectations. And understand that if mistakes happen it's not ruining the holiday. It's quite possibly making new memories for your fam-

Good health habits such as exercise all year long should continue

ILLUSTRATION BY RANDY MASTERS

Feeling the pressure of the holidays? You can learn ways to

through the holidays, the women agree. "You don't want to abandon your healthy habits just because it's the holiday season. That just adds to your stress and your guilt," said Potter.

Terry, who has 10 years of experience, is also a certified addiction counselor. She noted some people have relapses with alcoholism or drink more than normally during the holidays.

"It's not going to be good for your body or your mental health,"

Terry said. She also sees abuse of marijuana and prescription drugs. "We've definitely seen an increase in prescription pills, the abuse of those."

Coping skills can range from listening to music, taking a walk or reading a book. Some people do need professional help, she said.

Potter is seeing clients worried about another rough winter. "Last winter was so horrible,' she said. "They're just dreading another winter and the depression that

can set in with that. It may not be the horrible winter we had last year," added Potter, who also reminded clients to enjoy

Terry agreed unrealistic images of the holiday season in our heads are a problem. "We all have a picture in our mind. We need to step back and lower

those expectations.'

Laughter when something goes wrong, such as with food, can help, she said. "Just step back and enjoy the moment. This is not a time for rigidity in the way we think about things," Terry said.

Potter noted that sometimes "no" is the magic word. "There are so many demands on us in the season," she said. "Be willing to turn down some invitations if it's going to overwhelm you. And remember what's important, what the season is truly about. It can help you keep things in perspective.

jcbrown@hometownlife.com

St. Nicholas Institute founder: 'Everyone needs a Santa'

By Jill Halpin Correspondent

Forget about the North Pole: Santa — or St. Nick, that is - may be closer than you think.

In what may be the area's best-kept holiday secret, a local priest has opened a school aimed at educating Santas — and those who love them — on the truth about the man behind the myth: St. Nicholas of Myra, the model for modern-day Santa.

The Rev. Joseph Marquis is a Catholic priest

Moles

Acne

serving as pastor of Sacred Heart Byzantine Catholic Church in Livonia. He is also founder and executive director of the St. Nicholas Institute, which he began three years ago with the purpose of spreading the message of St. Nicholas, whom he calls "the first true philanthropist."

"Everyone needs a Santa," Marquis said. "Santa is based on St. Nicholas, who is known for spreading peace, joy and love — the fruits of the Holy Spirit — and for selfless giving."

Drawing people from across the country and even Canada, the St. Nicholas Institute conducts a four-day seminar each year at St. Paul of the Cross Retreat and Conference Center in Redford Township for would-be Santa Clauses even Mrs. Clauses have been known to at-

Designed to give would-be Santas the tools needed to convincingly portray both St. Nicholas and/or Santa Claus in a wide variety of venues either religious or secular — the seminar covers topics such as active listening, responding to common children's questions with ease and poise and the appropriate use of makeup and beard

"Voice, stage presence and much more — it is all taught in the context of the traditions and spirituality of Christmas quis said. "These are all important if you want to play the part accurately."

He should know: A 2011 inductee into the Santa Claus Hall of Fame in Santa Claus, Ind., Marquis has more than 40 years of professional

Santa Claus and St. Nicholas experience. If you are from the area and attended Detroit's Thanksgiving Day parade as a child, you may recognize him. From 1977-89, Marquis was the official Santa for the parade, waving to children along Woodward Avenue from atop his sleigh.

Marquis said that many people don't realize that our modern-day Santa Claus — and even his red suit and cap trimmed in snowy-white fur — has roots in history dating back to the third century.

'St. Nicholas was born to wealthy parents in what is present-day Turkey. His father was in textiles and he was educated, something that was rare in those days," Marquis said.

St. Nicholas had a strong desire to follow Christ, giving away his inheritance to focus on helping others and giving to those in need anonymously, Marquis added.

He became a bishop at age 19 and, after suffering persecution for his faith for seven years, his life was spared and he made his way to Holland,



The Rev. Joseph Marquis, pastor of Sacred Heart Byzantine Catholic Church in Livonia, founded the St. Nicholas Institute three years ago to teach those who portray Santa Claus about the original St. Nicholas, whom he calls "the first true philanthropist."

continuing his focus on self-effacing philanthropy, tossing money into the windows of those in need under the cover of darkness in order to remain an anonymous donor.

It is Marquis's personal experience that led to a lifelong devotion to St. Nicholas, known the world over as the patron saint of children.

Growing up in metro Detroit more than 65 years ago, he and his twin brother were struck with adversity. His father was losing a battle with tuberculosis in an area

sanitarium, leaving his mother, pregnant with a third child, struggling to find money to feed her young boys.

"It was Christmas Eve and both of our parents were very, very sick," he said. "We didn't know if my mother would make it through the night. Some of my father's co-workers knew our situation and brought us a tree, but we were so poor we didn't even have any decorations. I remember an aunt came to stay with us and took us down the street to the dime store to buy a cardboard Nativity so we could say a prayer for our mother and father.

Upon waking the next morning, he learned that not only had his mother survived the night, he also had a new baby brother. Soon after that, his father was healed one of only a few who escaped the fate of other TB patients — and made

His devotion to St. Nick, he explained, is his way of expressing his gratitude — and to show others the importance of trusting God.

"It is the child in each of us that brings him to life," he said.

Specializing in Diseases w the Skin, Hair & Nails Invites you to visit and receive the care you deserve. • Skin Cancer • Eczema Warts Psoriasis Hair Loss Botox • Much More Accepting New Patients • All Ages

GREAT LAKES DERMATOLOGY

MICHAEL R. COHEN, D.O.

Board Certified Dermatologist

Call for Appointment 248-324-2222 Evening appts. available Lewis Medical Office Centre, 39475 Lewis Drive, Suite 150, Novi, Michigan 48377

greatlakesderm@yahoo.com

PHYSICAL MEDICINE and REHABILITATION in Your Neighborhood

General | Spinal Cord Injury | Traumatic Brain Injury

University Physician Group is proud to announce the latest addition to the physical medicine and rehabilitation team.

Cassandra Johnson, ANP-BC Adult nurse practitioner specializing in spinal cord injury.

Appointments: 313-745-4600 **NEW PATIENTS WELCOME**



Rehabilitation Institute of Michigan Novi Center 42005 W. 12 Mile Road Novi, MI 48377

pmr-rim.med.wayne.edu upgdocs.org



Proud to be a part of this great community



FUNERALS, CREMATIONS, PREARRANGEMENTS

41555 Grand River Avenue Novi, Michigan 48375-1822 (248)348-1800

John J. O'Brien

John P. O'Brien

Bridget A. O'Brien

State Licensed-Board Certified Funeral Directors Family owned www.obriensullivanfuneralhome.com

Offering Prearrangements & Prefinancing





happy new year!

Dont be a crash dummy!

This page was sponsored by the following community business.

If you do drink, drink responsibly

ST. PATRICK CHURCH 711 Rickett Rd.

Brighton (810) 229-9863

REGGIE'S BARBER & BEAUTY SALON 127 N. Grand St.

Fowlerville (517) 223-8014

THE DOG'S BOW WOW

Precision Dog Grooming Veterinarian Recommended! 33497 Seven Mile, Livonia (248) 474-7974 or (248) 474-7975

RAINBOW TOWING WE BUY JUNK CARS

Free towing • Fast pick up (313) 258-2222

PIZZA CUTTER 340 N. Center

Northville, MI 48167 (248) 348-3333 www.pizzacutters.com

DUNCAN DISPOSAL

SYSTEMS, Inc. 23333 Griswold Road South Lyon, Michigan 48178 (248) 437-8600

www.mygarbageguy.com

MINER'S BARBERSHOP 56875 Grand River New Hudson, MI 48165

> (248) 486-3270 **EDWARD JONES**

INVESTMENTS Jeffery Stark 800 N. Milford Rd., Suite 400 Milford, MI 48381

(248) 685-1600

Omnowing & Economic hometownlife & com

By Julie Brown Staff Writer

When winter comes, Beth and Josh Haynes of Plymouth Township don't necessarily stay inside.

The couple, parents to Andrew, 6, Caleb, 3, and Joanna, 1, find fun stuff to do outdoors in winter. They go geocaching.

"Geocaching is just all over the place. There are geocaches in Miller Woods down the street," she said, as well as Plymouth Township Park and in downtown Plymouth. "We bundled up our kids over Thanksgiving and went out. We didn't do a lot last win-

In geocaching, a hidden container/box with contents is usually in a park, with GPS coordinates guiding geocachers. Beth Haynes has an app on her smart phone for that, which helps with number of feet away and what direction.

She comes by her love of the outdoors naturally, having grown up the daughter of Graham and Mary Martin of Plymouth Township. The Martins for years ran the Upper Peninsula Bible Camp, so a little snow and cold doesn't bother them.

"One thing we do is we go snowshoeing up in the Upper Peninsula," Graham Martin said. They enjoy seeing frozen waterfalls there and he

often photographs them. 'When the snow's on the ground, you can put on your snowshoes and go just about anywhere,' he said. They also enjoy dogsled races in the U.P., which cover great dis-

Retreat center

"There's downhill skiing, of course," he said. "The kids love to make snow forts." The Martins have four married children and 12 grandchildren ranging from 9 months to 9 years



Frozen waterfalls up north are a winter highlight for Graham and Mary Martin of Plymouth Township and their family.

of age.

There's now also a Woodlands of Upper Peninsula Bible Camp, which the family will sometimes rent the cabin on site. There had been another camp nearby UPBC which a man donated, complete with 60 acres with a dining hall and winterized lodge, as well as a 100-year-old church.

There's a retreat center that sleeps 38, too, and fundraising's underway to add on a sleeping wing.

Visitors can do tubing in the snow, including church youth groups that come up to visit. "That's a lot of fun," he said. "They play broom hockey on the ice. A lot of fun for kids to get involved with.'

Martin is a retired teacher from the Plymouth-Canton district who taught 38 years, including art. He does winter photography "around here, too, but up north as well. You can get into some areas because the lakes are frozen

over.' In addition to art, he taught Earth science,

physical science, computers, physical education and a junior high careers

The family hikes around Hogback Mountain and Sugarloaf Mountain in the Marquette area. "You can look out over Lake Superior," he

Sometimes indoors

They enjoy ice caves in the Leelanau Peninsula and seeing the ice balls formed and washed up on the beach. "And pulling the grandkids on sleds," he added.

The family's outdoorsy, but also enjoys time together inside, with Mary Martin saying, "I'd stay inside and read a book." Her husband agreed: "Sitting in front of a wood stove with a book is a good activity.

"It didn't slow us down much," he said of last winter and the infamous "polar vortex." "I snow-blowed a lot of snow."

Their extended family likes to play the Rook card games together, as well as board games, with the younger children going to bed and the older kids joining in the board game fun. "It's kind of a family tradition to play games," he said.

Daughter Beth agreed: "One indoor thing we like to do in the winter is play board games. Andrew is getting old enough."

The Haynes family -Josh is pastor of student ministries at Lake Pointe Bible Church – also has several bird feeders outside the kitchen window. "We see several different species of birds in one day," she said. "It really helped me enjoy the outdoors even when it was too cold to go out-

doors." Last winter was their first with suet feeders and they saw nuthatches and woodpeckers. In fact, little Joanna's first word was "bird."

Andrew, a first-grade home schooler, was able to do a science project on the birds, too.

"The hard part for me was that it was so cold," Beth Haynes said of last winter. She normally likes winter and the outdoors. "You just even didn't want to do those



Graham and Mary Martin of Plymouth Township explore ice caves up north in the winter with their family.

winter sports type of things.'

What helped her last year was the Mothers of Preschoolers group at the Plymouth Township church, as well as Bible Study Fellowship.

Ready for winter

"We put our snow stakes (for plow measuring) in our driveway this week," she said Dec. 2. "I guess so," she added, when asked if she's ready for another winter.

Bevis and Ralph Richardson of Canton are both retired, she as an Oakwood registered nurse, he from a Ford Motor subsidiary. "We used to cross country ski," Bevis Richardson said. "Since I got a new hip I'm afraid of falling.

They do snowblowing for themselves as a team as well as for a 93-yearold widow neighbor. "We sort of look out for her," Bevis Richardson said. "He plays volleyball with Canton Seniors. We both swim at the Summit in the winter. We do a sixmonth membership."

The Richardsons have four grown children and five grandkids. Bevis is ready for another winter: "We made sure the snowblower's in working condition," she said.

As a nurse, she knows the importance of year-

FUN CLOSE TO HOME

Maybury State Park, 20145 Beck Road, at Eight Mile, Northville, MI 48167, 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Jan. 3, 2015

Start off 2015 on the right foot with a healthy hike! Participants should meet at the Concession Building. Tom Griebe will lead a three-mile hike in two loops. This casual, fun, easy to moderate hike lasts about one hour. Hike will be on cleared paved trail through the central areas of the park. Light refreshments and fire in the Concession Building after the hike. Dress for the weather, Concession Building is only heated by a fireplace. Participants can get more information and regis-

www.friendsofmaybury.org. A Recreation Passport is required for entry into all Michigan state parks and recreation areas. Check "YES" when you renew your license plate.

round fitness. "I would say it's important to keep moving. The younger ones seem to know it,' but some seniors struggle with health.

"It's easier to sit than move," Richardson said. "You have to keep moving.'

jcbrown@hometownlife.com





Holiday Hours: Sun. 9am-6pm, Mon. & Tue. 9am-8pm, Wed. (New Year's Eve) 9am-6pm, Thur. (New Year's Day) 9am-5pm, Fri. & Sat. 9am-8pm

33152 W. SEVEN MILE RD • LIVONIA, MI Prices valid from 12-26-14 to 12-31-14 while Supplies Last.

This New Year arrives with a specially made hor docurre feast.

Select from an outstanding array of meats, seafood and pastas, or order something new for your New Year's Party • Sushi Appetizer Tray for your Guests! Everyone at Joe's Wishes you a Very Happy & Healthy New Year!

JOE'S PRODUCE **248.477.4333**

JOE'S MEAT & SEAFOOD 248.477.4323

Avocado

Baby Carrots

Collard Greens

Celerv

Joe's Fresh Squeezed Spanish California Squeezed Fresh Daily

Florida Darling Orange Juice Clementines Avocado

5 lb box

Haas

Dole Golden Ripe Whole or Cored

California Head Pineapple Lettuce

Fresh Tart & Juicy Limes

Entrees to Go Italian Chicken Cutlet \$399 loe's Meat & Seafood \$6⁹⁹ Fresh Cod

USDA Premium Choice Angus NY Strip, Porterhouse, or T-Bones

Fresh - Housemade Sausage Polish or Sweet Italian

Entrees to Go Premium Fresh - All Natural Bacon Muenster or Apple Cherry
Stuffed Chicken Save \$1.00

Breakfast Sale Breakfast Links or Bulk Jalapeno or Pecanwood Bacon

Country Bacon

Boneless Skinless Chicken Breast 49 Save 15 \$1.50 Whole Fryers

Entrees to Go Ltaliar eatball North American obster Tails Small 4 oz Large 9 oz \$2.00

EZ Peel Shrimp X-Large (26-30 ct) Jumbo (16-20 ct)

Alaskan Red King Crab Legs 20/24 ct 9/12 ct

Housemade Entrees to Go Seasoned Catfish Mesquite, Cajun or Bronzed \$1.00

Boar's Head Tavern Ham

1b Boars Head Save \$2.50

Boar's Head Ovengold Turkey 1b Boars Head

Save \$2.50

Boar's Head

Everroast Chicken Boar's Head Save \$3.00

Beemster BEEMSTER Gouda **All Varieties**

Dietz & Watson Homestyle Turkey Breast lb Save \$3.50

Dietz & Watson ndon Broil Roast Beef Save \$5.00

Dietz & Watson Buffalo Chicken Breast

Save \$4.00 Celebrity Goat Celebrity Cheese

All Flavors Dearborn Ham

Dearborn Thuringer Save \$2.00

Yancey's Fancy Artisan Cheese All Varieties

Sahlen's okehouse Ham lb

Save \$3.00

Sahlen's Roasted Turkey Save \$2.50

Denmarks

Creamy

Havarti lb Save \$2.00 **Old Tyme**

Monterey Jack Cheese lb Save \$2.00

Lays or **Doritos Chips Excludes Baked and Tortilla**

Chuck & Dave's Chips and Salsa

Sabra Hummus

Yoders Dips 16 oz

Yoders Shredded Cheeses

Everyday GOUR Chef's Feature

Chicken Tikka w/ Basmati Rice

Meatballs BBQ or Swedish Save \$1.00

Chicken Wings Buffalo, BBQ or Plain Save \$1.00

Joe's Party Dips Buffalo Chicken, Krab, **Spinach Bacon Ranch** lb Save \$1.00

Buffalo Chicken Pasta Salad Save \$1.00

lb

Save \$2.00

TRIPLE JOE'S CHOCOLATE FRESH BAKED 10" CHERRY CAKE PIE

Egg Nog CREME BRULEE

ZUCCHINI PINEAPPLE BREAD

large

Joe's Gourmet CATERING & EVENTS Happy New Year!

Just engaged? We specialize in catering the perfect reception for your special day! Fabulous cuisine, professional staff, customized wedding cakes and favors, the perfect floral centerpieces and bouquets. Call today to meet with our event planner and visit us on The Knot! www.joesgourmentcatering.com Joe's is the answer to all your wedding needs.

> Visit us at www.joesgourmentcatering.com or call Laura at 248-477-4333 x226

artox bread

Hours: Tues-Sun 8-6 • Closed Mon. 248-477-4311

DELICIOUS **BROWNIES** Plain & Walnut

CHOCOLATE CHERRY BREAD

HONEY ALMOND SCONES

CHALLAH BREAD **S**99

Joe's Fresh Roasted Coffee Flavor of the Week:

Mistletoe Mocha Mint Save \$1.00

Beautiful Starting At Gourmet Gift Baskets

Germack 👩 Motown Mix

Chocolove **Candy Bars**

Don't Forget to Pick Up Your Holiday Champagne!

Meiomi Pinot Noir

Wente Riva Ranch

Chardonnay Leelanau Select

Harvest Riesling

Menage A Trois Midnight

Stag's Leap Cabernet Sauvigno

BEMONS@HOMETOWNLIFE.COM 734-404-6044

Mustangs' brother act silences Churchill

By Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Teams have been geared to stop Northville's 6-foot-3 senior sharpshooter David Morrissey, but now they have to worry about his little brother Kevin, a 6-0 sophomore, too.

One shoots right-handed (David) and the other left-handed (Kevin). They combined for 31 points Dec. 18 in the Mustangs' 59-47 boys basketball victory over previously unbeaten Livonia Churchill.

"With Kevin, it's funny, he doesn't carry himself like a sophomore, either how he plays or mentally," Northville coach Todd Sander said. "He is much older mentally than a sophomore. He never really gets rattled. He does a lot of stuff that also doesn't get noticed. He makes big catches, he bails some of his teammates out."

David, meanwhile, finished with a game-high 18 points, including 10 in the first half, to stake Northville to a 21-19 lead. He added eight more in the third quarter as the Mustangs extended their advantage to 35-30.

The Mustangs then outscored Churchill 24-17 in the final quarter as Kevin came off the bench to tally six of his 13 points.

Northville connected on 18-of-20 free throws in the

fourth quarter to secure the win.

David Morrissey, the team's leading scorer this season, took one brief break while playing all but 18 seconds as Northville improved to 3-1 overall.

"He had a pretty good night shooting and he's going to draw a lot of attention, which should open up a lot of other opportunities for other guys on our team," Sander said. "David was very solid. I thought he carried us for much of the first half. We looked a little bit lethargic, everybody except him. He was rebounding the ball and real active on defense."

Junior guard Justin Zimbo added 14 points, while another

junior guard, Justin James, also made a contribution with 12 off the bench for the Mustangs.

Jon Hovermale, a 6-1 junior guard, paced Churchill (4-1) with 13 points, while Brett Bonarek and Jalen Davis added 10 and eight, respectively.

Kevin Morrissey was responsible for trying to contain Hovermale, a third-year varsity player.

"And he's who we stuck on Hovermale down the stretch to lock him down and he did a great job with that," Sander said.

Northville was outstanding from the free-throw line, going

See BROTHERS, Page B3



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Northville's Justin James (right) looks to get the wrap-around pass by Churchill's Robert Steward.



Northville's Kevin O'Connell (left) and Stevenson's Alec Allen vie for the puck along the boards.

N'ville's big line stymies Spartans

Morgan, Meacham each get five points in 5-2 win

By Brad Emons Staff Writer

Northville's boys hockey team is heading into the holiday break feeling pretty darn good about itself.

That's because the state-ranked Mustangs ventured Dec. 17 into Eddie Edgar Arena and walked out with a 5-2 victory over perennial state power Livonia Stevenson.

Northville rallied from a late 2-0 second-period deficit with five unanswered goals to improve to 8-1 overall and 3-1 in the KLAA's Central Division.

The last time the Mustangs beat Stevenson was in overtime during the 2011-12 season.

"The guys wanted it," said Northville coach Clint Robert, whose team is now off until Jan. 5. "It was a big one for the boys. We've had guys who have played here against Livonia Stevenson that were 0-for-2 and didn't want to graduate 0-for-3."

Senior forward Alec Morgan enjoyed a huge night, figuring in all five Northville goals while notching his second hat trick in three games to go along with two assists. Linemate Jack Meacham, also a senior, finished with a goal and four assists

See MIISTA

See MUSTANGS, Page B3

Six-peat: CC grapplers rule county

Shamrocks garner four individual crowns

By Brad Emons

Coming off finals week, Novi Detroit Catholic Central's wrestling team still had to take another exam over the weekend.

And the Shamrocks passed with flying colors by winning Oakland County tournament for the sixth consecutive year.

CC, boasting four individual champions and one runner-up finisher, was down 10 points heading into the final round Saturday at Lake Orion, but managed to score 293.5 points

and overhaul runner-up Walled Lake Central (280) for the team

The Shamrocks, who did it by winning 9-of-10 placements, highlighted by seven falls, now join select company as they match both Hazel Park and Clarkston for the most team titles in the history of the tournament.

"It's a great accomplishment for our school and program," CC coach Mitch Hancock said. "To me, Oakland County is a hotbed of wrestling in the state of Michigan and to win six straight crowns is im-

nnocciuo '

pressive."
The Shamrocks were led by senior co-captain Trevor
Zdebski, who pinned Kajuan
Caldwell of Bloomfield Hills in
3:30 in the 135-pound final to claim his third straight county

Not to be outdone was senior co-captain Myles Amine, who repeated as county champ, this time at 160 pounds when he pinned Thor Wardell of Ortonville Brandon in 5:40.

Senior co-captain Nick Giese won the 189 title with a 12-4 major decision over Alex Sovel of Walled Lake Central.

"Those guys (Amine, Giese, Zdebski) are expected to dominate like that," Hancock said.



SCOTT CONFER

Catholic Central 135-pounder Trevor Zdebski (right) pinned Kajuan Caldwell of Bloomfield Hills for his third straight Oakland County title.

"They are three of the best wrestlers in the state and they showed why this weekend." Catholic Central's fourth

MARK HICKS

champ was 112-pounder Aaron Rehfeldt, a junior, who pinned

See SIX-PEAT, Page B2







GM EMPLOYEE & ELIGIBLE FAMILY MEMBERS W/ LEASE LOYALTY



GM EMPLOYEE & ELIGIBLE FAMILY MEMBERS W/ LEASE LOYALTY



GM EMPLOYEE & ELIGIBLE FAMILY MEMBERS W/ LEASE LOYALTY

EXPERIENCE 📾 BUICK



SINGE 1976



39 SHELDON ROAD (between M-14.4.5 Mile Road) PLYMOUNN • 734-453-2500 • www.feannotte.com

M & Th. 9-9; Tue, W & F 9-6 out and lease loyalty. No security deposit required. Subject to credit approval. Sale ends 12/31/2014.

Northville runs into tidal wave

Defending champion **Brother Rice scores** big win vs. Mustangs

By Brad Emons

Birmingham Brother Rice isn't only know for its football prowess.

The Warriors have also emerged as a state swim power and that was never more evident than Dec. 18, when the defending MHSAA Division 1 state champions captured 10-of-12 events to defeat host Northville in a dual meet, 116-64.

'They are the best team in the state and they came into our place tonight and showed us why," said Northville coach Rich Bennetts, whose team is 1-1 overall. "We were trounced, plain and simple. Our guys had some good swims. The relays are a major concern at this

Rice (3-0 overall) has loads of state meet experience, led by senior Gust Kouvaris, who captured first in the 100and 200-yard freestyles with times of 48.99 and 1:47.11, respectively. He also teamed up with Riley Page, Rudy Aguilar and Bobby Powrie for a victory in the 200 freestyle relay (1:32.64).

Sophomore Patrick Olmsted captured the 200 individual medley (2:01.34) and 100 backstroke (56.28). He also teamed with Jack Kennedy, Chris Nodland and Drew Grady for first in the 400 freestyle relay

Other Rice individual winners included Powrie, 50 freestyle (22.84); Aguilar, 100 butterfly (54.9); and Mark Blinstraub, 500 freestyle

The Warriors, Divithree relay events a



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Northville's Larry Zhao swims the backstroke leg as part of the 200-yard medley in the loss to **Brother Rice.**

200 medley relay as Blinstraub, Grady, Aguilar and Dylan Page were clocked in 1:39.78.

Able to break the Rice domination was Northville junior Chris Geng, who captured the 100 breaststroke in 1:02.66. Junior Christain Field won the 1-meter diving with 164.39 points.

Adding second for the Mustangs were Kirk Maibach, 50 freestyle (22.93); Thomas Rys, diving (130.96); and Mat-thew Schafter, 500 freestyle (5:03.99)

The Mustangs' 200 freestyle relay team of Maibach, James Xue, Yash Bajaj and Mark Kaminski was runner-up some of Kaminski, Maibach, Xue and Fred

Schulz earned second in the 400 freestyle relay

"We have to continue to work hard and, as long as the kids are seeing progress, we should continue to improve from week to week,' said Bennetts, who guided the Mustangs to a 14th-place finish in Division I last year.

DUAL MEET RESULT BIRMINGHAM BROTHER RICE 116 NORTHVILLE 64 Dec. 18 at Northville

200-yard medley relay: 1. Rice (Mark Blinstraub, Drew Gray, Rudy Aguilar, Dylan Page), 1:39.78; 2. Rice (Mason Dylan Page), 1:39, 78; 2. Rice (Mason Wildczewski, John Luttman, Patrick Olmsted, Joe Edwards), 1:47.13; 3. Northville (Larry Zhao, Chris Gen, John Duan, Yash Bajaj), 1:47.22. 200 freestyle: 1. Gust Kouvaris (Rice), 1:47.11; 23. Jake Zalinski (Rice), 1:52.70; 3. Matthew Schafer (N), 1:54.126; 5. Mark Kaminski (N), 1:56.54. 200 individual medley: 1. Olmested (Rice), 2:01.34; 2. Aquilar (Rice).

50 freestyle: 1. Bobby Powrie (Rice), 22.84; 2. Kirk Maibach (N), 22.93; 3. Alex Margherio (Rice), 23.7; 4. D. Page (Rice), 23.8; 5. Tom Davis (Rice), 24.34. 1-meter diving: 1. Christain Field (N), 164.39 points; 2. Thomas Rys (N), 130.96. 100 butterfly: 1. Aguilar (Rice), 54.90; 2. Powrie (Rice), 55.3; 3. Xue (N), 57.32; 4. Duan (N), 58.88; 5. Davis (Rice), 58.91.

58.91.

100 freestyle: 1. Kouvaris (Rice),
48.99; 2. Grady (Rice), 50.47; 3. Maibach
(N), 50.79; 4. Kaminski (N), 52.93; 5. Riley
Page (Rice), 53.28.

500 freestyle: 1. Blinstraub (Rice),
45.40.3; 2. Schafter (N), 5:03.99; 3. D. Page
(Rice), 5:11.1; 4. Jack Kennedy (Rice),
5:15.19; 5. Blake Segel (Rice), 5:15.52.

200 freestyle relay: 1. Rice
(Kouvaris, R. Page, Auilar, Powrie), 1:32.64;
2. Northville (Maibach, Xue, Bajaj,
Kaminski), 1:34.76; 3. Northville (Nirek
Sharma, Geng, Fred Schulz, Schafer),
1:38.66.

1:38.66.

100 backstroke: 1. Olmsted (Rice), 56.28; 2. Margherio (Rice), 56.65; 3. Zhao (N), 59.64; 4. Trevor DeGroot (N), 1:01.48; 5. Timmy Page (Rice), 1:02.12.

100 breaststroke: 1. Geng (N), 1:02.65; 2. Zalinski (Rice), 1:03.59; 3. Bajaj (N), 1:06.35; 4. Roman Grossi (N), 1:08.89; 5. Andrew Biskup (Rice), 1:09.4.

400 freestyle relay: 1. Rice (Kennedy, Chris Nodland, Grady, Olmsted), 3:25.39; 2. Northville (Kaminski, Maibach, Xue, Schulz), 3:30.56; 3. Rice (D. Page, Segel, Luttmann, T. Page), 3:37.19.

Segel, Luttmann, T. Page), 3:37.19. **Dual meet records:** Brother Rice,

Wildcat bowlers still searching for first win

The Novi boys and girls bowling squads go into the holiday break in search of their first victory of the season.

Waterford Kettering swept the boys (25-5) and the girls (30-0) matches Dec. 18 at Vision Lanes to drop the Wildcats to 0-4 overall.

Kettering's boys cap-tured both Baker sets (alternating shots), 187-142 and 255-150, along with both regular games, 1,021-881 and 945-842.

Scott Pryson scored two points for the Novi boys with games of 216 and 236, while DiAndre Moreland and Ryan Rush each added a point with a 222 and 182, respectively.

The Kettering girls, who improved to 5-0 overall, took both Bakers, 160-132 and 147-134, along with both regular games, 919-653 and 864-

Megan Hartmus paced Novi with a high game of 160.

Chiefs trips Novi

In the KLAA Central Division opener Dec. 17 at Super Bowl, host Canton defeated the Novi boys (0-3, 0-1) and girls (0-3, 0-1) by identical scores of 29-1.

Moreland scored the lone point for the boys with a 198 game as Novi fell in the Bakers, 174-127 and 143-139, along with both regular games, 1,033-603 and 802-679.

The Canton boys improved to 4-0 overall and 1-0 in the Central.

Emily Jennings shot a 155 for Novi's only point as the Wildcats dropped both Bakers, 114-109 and 159-80, along with both regular games, 809-640, $64\bar{3}$ -530.

The Canton girls improved to 3-1 overall and 1-0 in the division.

Novi returns KLAA action at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 6, at Novi Bowl when it faces rival Northville in a Central Division match.

Mustang girls second



Northville's Maddie DeGroff (pictured) scored 8.525 on floor exercise Dec. 18 as the Mustangs posted a team total of 129.20 to place second behind host Plymouth (138.70) in a tri-meet which also included Waterford United (126.90). Northville teammate Erin McCallum added a second on balance beam with 9.0 and a 8.075 on the uneven bars. Freshman Maddie Dragon scored 8.65 on yault. Northyille returns to action at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 6, vs. host Livonia Red at Churchill H.S.



SIX-PEAT

Continued from Page B1

Oxford's Sergio Borg in the finals (5:51).

"Aaron did an incredible job of managing his weight and the task of taking exams this week, which isn't easy at CC, Hancock said. "He is really starting to turn the corner and show that he's one of the best 112-pounders in the state."

Meanwhile, unseeded Nick Joseph (145) of CC made it all the way to the finals before falling to Waterford Kettering's Tim Hagelin, 1-0. Joseph, a junior, is a nationallyranked judo competitor.

Nick is an incredible athlete who is starting to become a solid wrestler," Hancock said. 'For him to make the finals of this tournament, as an unseeded wrestler, is a testimony of how dangerous he is from any position. We're proud of him."

Other top finishers for CC included Conor Cox (171) and Tommy Herrmann (125), third; Stone

Moscovic (103) and Blake Bueter (215); fifth; and Aidan Wagh (130), sev-

Rounding out the top 10 teams in the 39-school field were Oxford (200), Ortonville Brandon (193), White Lake Lakeland

(166.5), Rochester Adams (157), Kettering (135), West Bloomfield (128.5), Birmingham Seaholm (122) and Novi and Lake Orion (121 each).

Wildcats place 4

Novi, led by fifthplace finishers Willy Jackson (125) and Kyle Benkarski (152), had eight wrestlers make it to the second day of the tournament, which started Friday at both Southfield and Lake Orion high schools.

Benkarski, a senior, defeated Cody Blackburn of Lakeland, 5-2, while Jackson, a junior, scored a 9-1 major decision of Kyle Gray of Auburn Hills Avondale.

Also placing for the Wildcats was junior Cooper Smith (215), who took seventh after winning on a injury default over Stephan Jackson of Avondale. Sophomore Travis Davis (112) added an eighth after falling to Carsen Cuthbert of Holly,

kson went 6-2 over two-day tourney, while Smith and Benkarski both finished 4-2. Davis was 3-3 and senior Jared Engebretson (285) went 3-2. Chase Sparling (140) went 2-2.

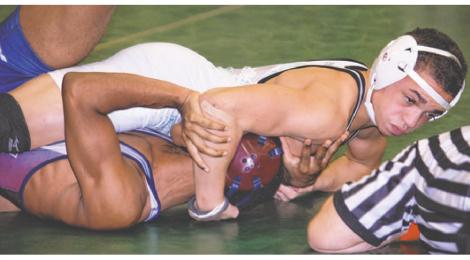
Mustangs place 3

Southgate Anderson edged Plymouth, 156-150, to win Saturday's 29team Wayne County Invitational held at Wyandotte Roosevelt.

Rounding out the top 10 were Woodhaven (119), Dearborn Heights Annapolis (111.5), Riverview (102), Dearborn Edsel Ford (101), Westland John Glenn (97.5), Belleville (90) and Dearborn Heights Crestwood (77).

Northville, 22nd in the team standings with 22.5 points, received sixthplace finishes from Conrad Landis (112) and Shunhe Wang (125), while Chris Koumariotis (152) added an eighth.

bemons@hometownlife.com



CATHERINE WRIGHT

Novi's Willie Jackson (top) took fifth place at the Oakland County tournament.

COMPLETE CARE

L0-0000225138

24 MONTHS \$1,499 DOWN

*Cruze 4C7773, Volt 5C4066, and Equinox 572263 requires GM Employee discount; Silverado 572188 requires GM Employee discount and trade in of 1999 or newer vehicle. All require a qualifying lease vehicle in household. **20% Cash Back Sale includes oldest 15°/o of Cruze, Sonic, Camara, and Impala inventory, See dealer for details. Offers expire 1/2/15 Due to print deadline offers may change without notice subject to factory incentives, contact dealer for current incentives. Photos may not represent actual vehicle

HURRY, OFFER ENDS 1/3/15

40875 Plymouth Road
3.5 MILES NORTH OF IKEA, AT HAGGERTY & PLYMOUTH ROADS

1.866.385.8000

OPEN SATURDAY SALES 9-3, SERVICE 9-2 MONDAY, THURSDAY 8:30am-9pm; TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY 8:30am-6pm On the Web: www.switchtolariche.com



CHEVROLET

BOYS BASKETBALL Saturday, Dec. 27 (Country Day Roundball Classic) Detroit CC vs. S'field Bradford, TBA. (Northville Holiday Tourney) Warren Cousino vs. G.P. South, 1 p.m. Northville vs. Saline, 7 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 28
Northville Tourney, 3 & 7 p.m.
GIRLS BASKETBALL Saturday, Dec. 27 (Northville Holiday Tourney)

THE WEEK AHEAD

Northville vs. Troy Athens, 5 p.m. **Sunday, Dec. 28** Northville Tourney, 1 & 5 p.m. **PREP WRESTLING** Saturday-Sunday, Dec. 27-28 Detroit CC at Medina (Ohio), 8 a.m. TBA - time to be announced.

Goal binge: Novi rolls to Holiday crown

Hofelich scores 4 in 7-1 win vs. Clarkston

> **By Brad Emons** Staff Writer

Novi put together another dominating performance Saturday at the Detroit Skating Club in Bloomfield Hills to capture the Clarkston Holiday Hockey Tournament with a 7-1 victory over the host Wolves.

Senior Brad Hofelich, coming off a hat trick in Friday's 8-0 semifinal victory over Davison, notched four more goals to raise his season total to 16 as the Wildcats won their fourth straight and improved to 7-4 overall.

Ryan Baxter, Alec Wells and Bryan Fegert added the other

goals for the Wildcats, who outshot the Wolves 33-9.

"The Baxter line has stepped up for us, they are becoming Novi's production line," Wildcats coach Mark Vellucci said. "Our team defense is getting better and our special teams are clicking. Everyone is accepting their roles now and you are seeing the result."

Danny Grohs' power-play goal at 2:34 of the final period spoiled the shutout bid by Novi goaltender Josh Richardson (eight saves).

Clarkston (3-7) got 27 saves from goaltender Justin Selke.

Novi, which has scored three 23 goals in its last three games, doesn't return to action until Friday, Jan. 9, at Calumet.

We have a tough secondhalf schedule that will take us into a tough state playoff,"
Vellucci said. "We'll be ready."
DETROIT CC 5, P.H. NORTHERN 1: Ryan
Burnett tallied a goal and two assists Saturday as
Novi Detroit Catholic Central (9-0, 6-0) downed Port
Huron Northern (5-4, 1-4) in a Michigan Interscholastic Hockey League North Division game at Plymouth's
Compuware Arena.
CC, ranked No. 1 and the defending MHSAA
Division 1 state champion tallied three powernlay

Division 1 state champion, tallied three power-play goals on the night while outshooting the Huskies 33-7.

33-7.
Catholic Central led 2-0 after one period on goals by Nic Macari (from Owen Kipke and Evan Rochowiak) at 12:32 and Eric Marson on a power play (from Burnett and Andrew Lane) at 16:59.
The Shamrocks went up 3-0 on Kyle Mulka's goal from Andrew Spiegel at 4:19 of the second period, but Northern's Joey Zappa answered with a power-play goal at 6:57.
CC's Mitch Ossowski made it 4-1 with a power-play goal from Burnett and Marson at 11:49 of the second

goal from Burnett and Marson at 11:49 of the second and Burnett capped the scoring with 9:04 remaining in the third on a power-play effort from Ossowski and

Luck Krasicky.

Port Huron goalie Andrew Adolph made 28 saves, while CC's Alec Calvaruso had to make just six stops. **NOVI 8, DAVISON 0:** Brad Hofelich notched a hat trick and added three assists Friday as the Wildcats (6-4) took just two periods to mercy the Cardinals in the Clarkston Holiday Hockey Tourna-ment at the Detroit Skating Club in Bloomfield Hills.

The Wildcats also got a pair of goals and one assist from Bryan Fegert, while Ryan Baxter and Brendan

Wexler each chipped in with a goal and two assists. Nik Tewilliager also added a goal, while Jimmy Hole collected two assists. Other assists went to Alec Wells, Ryan Turner and Brennan Martin as the Wildcats scored five times in the second period after getting three goals in the first.

The Wildcats outshot Davison 33-9 as Novi goaltender Ryuta King notched his second straight

NOVI 8, CHURCHILL 0: Goals came fast and

furious – all by the Wildcats (5-4, 3-3) – in a rout Dec. 17 against host Livonia Churchill (3-4-1, 2-3) at Edgar Arena. The Wildcats ended the game with 10:49 left in the final period on Nik Tewilliager's goal from Erick Czekaj and Alec Wells.

Bryan Fegert finished the night with a hat trick and one assist, while Brad Hofelich chipped in with pair of goals and two assists. Bryan Baxter also had a four-point night with four assists.

Novi led only 1-0 after one period on Hofelich's goal from Baxter and Patrick Wojtylo. goal from baxter and Patrick Wojtylo.

"The first period I wouldn't say we let up, but we just didn't play like we could," Novi coach Mark Velucci said. "I didn't say much between periods. I just said let's keep working hard and we did. Our top lines stepped up, especially the (Ryan) Baxter line. We took control of the game in the second and finished it off in the third"

The Wildcats added four more goals in the second period and scored three more in the third.

Other top performers offensively for Novi included Tewilliager (one goal, two assists) and Wells (one

Goalie Ryuta King posted the shutout for Novi.

off in the third."

Warriors' late hoop by Hearns earns win

Catholic Central, Novi boys secure victories

Austin Hearns' old-fashi-ioned three-point play with only 12 seconds remaining lifted Novi Franklin Road Christian to a 58-56 boys basketball victory Friday at Clarkston Everest Colle-

The junior guard, who led all scorers with 21 points, made the go-ahead layup and added a free throw to provide the final margin of victory as the Warriors evened their record at 2-2.

Hearns also had four steals and two blocks, while 6-foot-5 junior Joshua Bause contributed 13 points, 17 rebounds and five blocks. Junior Joshua Betcher chipped in 13 points, 14 rebounds and two blocks, while Gavin Harris scored 11 points.

Luke Allen and Danny McMahon paced the Mountaineers (0-2) with 16 and 13 points, respectively. The two combined for seven 3-pointers.

Franklin Road led 34-28 at the half and by double digits in the second half before Everest took the lead with a minute to go.

'We're happy with the win. We needed that," Franklin Road coach Renar-do Brown said. "Our team showed a lot of passion and hung in there down the stretch."

Both teams struggled at the foul line, with Franklin Road going 8-of-18 (44.4 percent) and Everest Collegiate only 4-of-13 (30.7

percent).
windsor cc 62, detroit cc 40: Eriq Jenkins scored 18 points and Najee Brown Henderson added 17 Saturday to spur host Windsor-Essex Catholic Central (12-3) past Novi Detroit Catholic Central (1-2) in a cross-border

clash.
Malique Calloo added 13 points for the Comets, who jumped out to a 20-2 first-quarter advantage and led 33-10 at halftime.

Sophomore forward C.J. Baird scored 15 for the Shamrocks, while sophomore guard Gio Genrich

aded six.

DETROIT CC 61, LINCOLN PARK 46: The little hustle plays made all the difference Dec. 18 as host Novi Detroit Catholic Central (1-1) was concerned as the Shamrocks notched their first

victory of the season. Sophomore guard Gio Genrich paced CC with 13 points, while sophomore forward C.J. Baird der Laurentius each added 10 enior forward Ike Marchie also contributed nine (all on 3-pointers)

CC was tied 22-22 at halftime before outscoring the Railsplitters 18-14 in the third quarter and 21-10 in the decisive fourth.

"It was the first time this year where we got the 50-50 balls," CC coach Bill Dyer said. "We beat them to some loose balls and did a pretty good job off the glass. It kind of gave us some added possessions, which helped us out a lot. We have a senior role player, Danny Diederich,

We have a senior role player, Danny Diederich, who got three loose balls in a row off the glass. Once he got those free balls, that kind of separated the game for us."

Lincoln Park (2-1) got a team-high 13 points from Derrick Fields, while Chris Cornett and Steven Glenn added 11 and 10, respectively. The Railsplitters made only 4-of-14 free throws (28.5 percent).

percent).
Catholic Central made 14-of-22 free throws (63.6 percent) and connected on six 3-pointers.

NOVI 75, FRANKLIN 48: Senior Max Yanke paced a balanced scoring attack with 17 points Dec. 18 as the host Wildcats (2-2) downed winless Livonia Franklin (0-4).

Junior forward Kam Hankerson added nine for

Novi, which led 37-17 at halftime and 59-31 after three quarters.
Charles Keith and Nick Curtis each tallied eight

for the Patriots, who made just 13-of-28 foul shots (53.5 percent).
"Our pressure was exceptional," said Novi coach Brandon Sinawi, whose team was 14-of-25 from the free-throw line (64 percent). "We got some turnovers, which led to some easy baskets.

I wished we had used the size we had on them a little bit more to our advantage, but it was a good win before the break." NORTHVILLE 62, FRANKLIN 40: The visiting Mustangs (2-1) got out of the gate quickly Dec. 16 and never looked back.

Northville got a game-high 26 points in only three quarters from 6-foot-3 senior guard David Morrissey, who connected on four 3-pointers. Junior guard Justin Zimbo chipped in with 16, including four triples, as well as the Mustangs led 32-18 at halftime and 52-24 after three

Senior forward Charles Keith paced the Patriots (0-3) with 12 points.
OUR LADY 59, FRANKLIN ROAD 46:

Senior forward Nick Robak poured in a game-high 27 points Dec. 16 to spark Waterford Our Lady of the Lakes (3-0) to a non-league victory at Novi Franklin Road Christian (1-2).

Cliff Curtis added 10 for the Lakers, who led 32-22 at halftime and 45-29 after three guarters Junior guard Austin Hearns paced the Warriors with 15 points, four assists and two blocks.

Joshua Bause added 11 points and 10 rebounds, while Gavis Harris also tallied 11 points.
"For a good team like Lakes, I thought we played them well," Franklin Road coach Renardo Brown said. "We played man-to-man (defense) in order to get them to buy in and to get in other tables. The will teach us coint forward and I shape. That will teach us going forward and I thought we did pretty well." Our Lady of the Lakes made 5-of-8 foul shots,

while Franklin Road was 1-for-1.

N'ville girls put clamps defensively on Churchill

Novi pounds winless Livonia Franklin, 68-47

Northville's girls basket-ball team stayed unbeaten Dec. 18, holding host Livonia Churchill scoreless from the field over the final 12 minutes on its way to a 44-22 triumph.

The Mustangs, who improved to 4-0, got a game-high 15 points from senior center Emily Maresh. Freshman point guard Mariah Modkins added 11 points.

Northville led Churchill 22-13 at intermission, but the Chargers (4-1) came out to start the third quarter with a 6-0 run to cut the deficit to 24-19.

"They're probably the biggest team we'll face this season and we knew we had to play a physical game and battle their post players," Northville coach Todd Gu-

Senior guard Natalie Spala paced the Chargers, who made 5-of-12 free throws, with eight points.

The Mustangs, who outscored Churchill in the final quarter 8-1, made 8-of-12 from the line.
NOVI 68, FRANKLIN 47: Ellie Mackay

scored 16 points and Allie Lipson had a double-double with 14 points and 12 rebounds to propel the Wildcats (4-1) to a win Dec. 18 over host

Novi, which led 45-27 at intermission, also got 14 points from Jenna Lowney, while Kelsey Mille contributed eight. The Wildcats made 22-of-46 field goal attempts (47.8 percent) and hit 19-of-28 free throws (67.8 percent).
Senior Sarah Cramton led the Patriots with 13

points, while Tyonna Tate recorded a double-double with 12 points and 10 boards. NORTHVILE 56, FRANKLIN 24: After

leading 23-11 at halftime, the host Mustangs (3-0) got things cranked up in the third quarter and rolled Dec. 16 as freshman point guard Mariah Modkins scored a game-high 16 points. Sophomore forward Jessica Moorman added 10 as Northville went on a 26-5 third-quarter run to put the game out of reach.

Senior Sarah Cramton paced the Patriots (0-3)

CANTON 39, NOVI 26: On Dec. 16, senior Alana Brown scored 14 points and sophomore Erin Hult added 13 to lead the Chiefs (1-2) past the Wildcats (3-1) KLAA crossover. Junior guard Natalie Winters also chipped in

with eight points for Canton.

"The girls payed really well, really cleaned up the turnovers on the offensive end, we really

the turnovers on the offensive end, we really tightened up on defense," Canton first-year coach Kevin Palmer said. "We had a really strong defensive showing."

Allie Lipson, a 5-foot-11 junior center, paced Novi with 10 points. Ellie Mackay added six points as the Wildcats shot only 9-of-40 from the floor (22.5 percent) and 5-of-12 from the foul line (41.6 percent).



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Northville's Emily Maresh (left) tallied a game-high 15 points in a 44-22 win over Livonia Churchill.

Canton's 1-2 punch wards off Novi

By Tim Smith Staff Writer

Canton's big guns had a little extra firepower Dec. 16 than Novi's did and the host Chiefs eked out a 56-50 boys basketball victory.

Leading the way for Canton, off to a 3-0 start, was senior guard Greg Williams, who poured in 26 points. Contributing 20 points was junior forward Logan Ryan.

Novi (1-2) was sparked by 6-foot-6 junior forward Naji Ozeir, who scored 20 points while being a thorn in Canton's collective side throughout the Kensington Conference cross-

"I think we found a way to win in the second half," Canton coach Jimmy Reddy said. "I don't think by any means we played our best basketball. We talked about giving a great effort and having great concentration."

Novi coach Brandon Sinawi gave kudos to Canton's hardnosed defensive effort, noting that his team is still trying to find itself offensively.

'We're struggling offensively, we're trying to get guys going," Sinawi said. "We have a new system, we got a couple new players and just trying to figure each other out. I thought we made a couple nice inside plays, we got the ball to the basket with our two bigs (Naji Ozeir, Jay Duarte), but just too many turnovers, too many bad mistakes on our part on the offensive end led to some ea

baskets for them.' Duarte and Nick Hankerson tallied eight points apiece for

the Wildcats. The Chiefs led 12-11 after



JOHN KEMSKI | EXPRESS PHOTO

Vying for a rebound Tuesday night are Canton's Greg Williams (front) and Novi's Naji Ozeir.

one quarter and did not relinquish the advantage until Ozeir connected on a trey with 40 seconds to go in the first half, putting the Wildcats up 23-22

at the intermission. Ozeir's put-back in the first minute of the fourth quarter made it 33-33, after which Reddy called a timeout. The Chiefs came out of that break and Williams immediately was fouled on a triple try. He canned all three free throws to put Canton up 36-33 and the Chiefs maintained their lead the rest of the contest

The closest Novi would get after that was 49-44 with 1:45

to go, on a trey by Ozeir. We didn't get the bounces tonight," Sinawi said. "Loose

balls definitely didn't go to us. Hard-fought game, but I give Canton all the credit.'

Ozeir, a third-year varsity player, continued his strong play despite the loss.

"To his credit he's worked hard, we just got to get other guys going around him," Sinawi said. "We're not connecting the dots just yet. Hey, we're going to be all right. This is a tough non-conference schedule. We had Walled Lake Western that first game and a tough game tonight against a good Canton team. They only had two big scorers, but they made the plays when they had to. We didn't."

tsmith@hometownlife.com

MUSTANGS

Continued from Page B1

to also get five points. But it was Stevenson (5-3-1, 2-1-1) that enjoyed an early 1-0 lead thanks to Vince Glenn's goal assisted by Joe Alcantara just 1:31 into the opening peri-

The Spartans then went up 2-0 at 11:39 of the second on Ben Kowalske's power-play goal from Michael Sinclair and Adam Olson.

But despite being down, there was no panic on the Northville bench.

"We really liked how we were playing," Robert said. "We thought the first period was a pretty even-up period. I thought both teams had some chances. We liked our forecheck. We thought if we kept pressure on them, we could kind of wear them down a little bit. I thought in the second period that we were really wearing them down. We were spending a lot of time in the offensive zone, just not getting a lot of quality scoring chances because there was a lot of perimeter play."

The tide eventually turned when Northville struck for pair of late second-period goals. Meacham scored from

Morgan with just 1:12 left to cut the deficit in half, then Morgan's wrister just off the left circle with only 10.6 seconds left from Meacham and Alec Melucci evened the game

"Just stay out of the box," Morgan said of his team's mind-set going into the third. "We knew we were taking it to them because we had a huge momentum shift off of those two late goals in the second period and we thought we could bury them in the third."

The Mustangs did just that, scoring the go-ahead goal with 11:37 to go on Morgan's second of the game, assisted by Meacham. The other assist went to the unheralded third member of that line, senior Kevin O'Connell.

We knew when we were down 2-0 that we were really taking it to them, just a couple of bad bounces and we knew that just if we got one it was all going to come in," Morgan said. "Huge momentum shift in the game. Going into the third period 2-2 instead of 2-0 was huge. We just took it to them off the first shift of the third period, which pretty much sealed the game.

There was at least one dicey moment during the final period after Northville defenseman P.J. Schnepp was whistled for a five-minute major penalty for boarding with only 8:37

But the Mustangs weathered the storm, as they were aided by a holding penalty to Stevenson's Alex DeFlorio just 67 seconds later and were able to kill off three of the five minutes.

Stevenson pulled goaltender Andrew Rozenbaum (25 saves) with under two minutes remaining to try to score the equalizer against Northville senior Chance Boutin (30 saves).

But the Mustangs responded with a pair of empty-net goals, the first coming from Brett Ridener with 49.5 seconds left (assisted by Morgan and Meacham) followed by Morgan's third of the night with only six seconds remaining (assisted by Meacham and O'Connell).

Although Stevenson outshot the Mustangs 32-28, it came up on the short end of the score-

"They didn't quit," Stevenson coach David Mitchell said of Northville. "We got up two and they kept going and kept battling and that's what good teams do. They have a couple of high-end players over there and they showed it tonight.'

bemons@hometownlife.com

JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Northville's Kevin Morrissey (left) tries to keep possession of the ball against Churchill's Jalen Davis.

BROTHERS

Continued from Page B1

23-of-26 (88.4 percent). The Mustangs made 16-of-34 from the floor (47 percent).

Churchill, meanwhile, hit just 18-of-49 from the field (36.7 percent) and 4-of-7 from the

"We've been making shots in our four wins," Churchill coach Jim Solak said. "We were shooting the ball really well. We were making timely shots to

stop runs to extend the lead, but we weren't making the big shot tonight. We weren't executing on the adjustments to the defense they were playing and it's disappointing.'

Northville committed 20 turnovers (13 in the first half), while Churchill had just nine, but the free-throw differential told the tale.

Our guys really did a nice job finishing the game and winning the game down the stretch," Sander said. "It's not something we can hang our hat on or expect (23-of-26), but I

was proud, especially with our junior Justin James, a guard, who showed up tonight. He's continued to better and better, but he showed a lot of poise down the stretch."

Kevin Morrissey made 4of-4 from the foul line in the final quarter.

"I think he stepped up big, he did pretty good for just being a sophomore," David Morrissey said of younger brother. "He played his role very well, made all the shots he needed to and made free throws down the stretch. He learned everything

from me (laughing), but the key to the win was everybody making their free throws, both in the first half and down the stretch, to seal the game off."

Kevin Morrissey admits he leans on his older brother's advice ... for the most part. "I usually take his lead," the

sophomore said. "He's my older brother, so I got to follow him. In basketball he does (give advice), but not so much in life (laughing). But I like talking to

bemons@hometownlife.com

Huge sale going on now at Varsity Lincoln of Novi

By Greg Mullin

Varsity Lincoln of Novi is clearing the lot with a huge year-end sale going on now. More than 150 Certified Pre-Owned Lincolns are on-site, ready to drive off the lot for as low as \$12,995.

Varsity Lincoln is the highest volume dealer in the nation.* The dealership has held this honor for 17 consecutive years. It offers a newly remodeled showroom, indoor delivery area and service reception aisle.

This year, Varsity Lincoln celebrated its 20th anniversary and won six prestigious automotive awards: the Triple Crown Award, Lincoln Leaders of Excellence, President's Award, Ford One Hundred Club, CPO Sales Leadership and Premier Club.

Hurry over to Varsity Lincoln these next three days to catch the deals:

» Friday, Dec. 26, 8:30 a.m.

» Saturday, Dec. 27, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

» Monday, Dec. 29, 8:30 a.m. to 9 p.m.

"I have the MKS and I love, love, love the technology in it, said Lincoln MKS owner Latanya Tarleton, a Varsity Lincoln customer for 16 years. "I get the best service here. I never have to worry about anything.'

Certified Pre-Owned Lincoln vehicles come with many benefits, including:

» A meticulous 200-point inspection by factory-trained technicians

» A 6-year/100,000-mile comprehensive warranty cov-

» Complimentary 24/7 roadside assistance

'The warranty is key. With Certified Pre-Owned, you get the best from Varsity Lincoln." Law said. Certified Pre-Owned financing is available for as low as 0.9% APR.**

"Leasing or buying from the number one dealer in the country gives you the best selection, price and service," said Jere Law, Varsity Lincoln's General Sales Manager and Pre-Owned Director. "Our dealership is ready to assist customers with anything,



COURTESY OF VARSITY LINCOLN

A 2009 Lincoln MKS Ultimate FWD is one of more than 150 Certified Pre-Owned Lincolns on-site at Varsity Lincoln of Novi.

whether it is special financing or a specific request. We can handle every unique situation."

This dealership provides The Varsity Lincoln Advantage. Varsity Lincoln team members are selected based upon their unwavering focus on customer care and satisfaction.

"I have an MKZ from Varsity Lincoln; I've had it for about a year now. It's a beautiful interior, a beautiful exterior, it handles well on the road and gives me good gas mileage!' Lincoln MKZ owner Gary Trudeau said. "I love this place. I wouldn't even consider buying a car from anybody else!"

Jason Towe told us why he got a Lincoln: "I definitely love the comfort and the sportiness of the Lincoln. The cost was a big factor for me — it was actually cheaper than my last car I owned — and I feel I'm getting a better quality car for what I'm paying!

"There are numerous benefits of purchasing a Certified Pre-Owned, including the outstanding warranty that comes with the vehicles," Law said. "The 100,000-mile, free bumper-to-bumper warranty that comes alongside all Certified Pre-Owned purchases is better than a new car warranty! Additionally, any time the vehicle is in for a service visit, you can receive a loaner for no

cost, exclusively at Varsity Lincoln!'

"Loaded with features, a Lincoln will satisfy any customer," Law said. "Certified Pre-Owned vehicles not only provide peace of mind on the road, but also provide a combination of sportiness and luxury. Benefits include FWD or AWD, EcoBoost, Navigation, Bluetooth, SYNC, an adaptive suspension, a panoramic roof, and heated and cooled seats for comfort, just to name a

"Drivers will also enjoy peace of mind from knowing that Lincoln vehicles will hold their value. Any depreciation has already been taken on by the previous owner. Plus, ad-

vanced styling and dependability add to a Lincoln vehicle's

"Our customers speak for themselves and how their experience is. When you read the reviews our customers write online, you can see how happy they are, before, during and after the sale."

*Based on 11/2014 Total New Retail Sales, Pre-Owned Sales and Service Customer Satisfaction per Lincoln Sales Report.

**As low as 0.9% APR for up to 36 months on select vehicles for qualified customers with Tier 0-1 approval through preferred finance source. Offer subject to change at any time. See Varsity Lincoln for details.



A GANNETT COMPANY

Detroit Free Dress **The Detroit News**

M BattleCreek Enquirer

Lansing State Journal

The Times Herald

Livingston Daily Press Argus

OBSERVER & ECCENTRIC



careerbuilder.com

HomeFinder

DealChicken.com

You know our names. Now we've added a new one.

Introducing Michigan.com, the state's largest media and marketing company. We deliver the trusted brands of Michigan's largest audience, combined with proven research, creative, strategy and marketing expertise.

It's time to put the full power of Michigan's largest local media and marketing company to work for you. We are your one partner, with one purpose—to help your business grow.

No one knows Michigan like we do. We're Michigan.com

Interested in how we can help you grow your business? Give us a call (248-926-2219) or visit our new website at Michigan.com. We'd like to hear from you!

Available on the App Store

Google play

DOWNLOAD

hometownlife.com



Using an iPHONE

From your i-Phone search for or click on the **Apple APP Store** icon. Type the keyword "hometownlife" to search for the APP. When prompted click install to experience the new hometownlife.com



From your smart phone search for or click on the Google Play icon. Type the keyword "hometownlife" to search for the APP. When prompted click install to experience the new hometownlife.com

49251 Grand River at Wixom Rd. • Novi, MI 48393 (800) 240-8730 | VarsityLincoln.com

> Huge Lincoln Certified Pre-Owned Sale! Incredible Savings.

#1 Certified Pre-Owned Lincoln Dealer in the Nation. Find Out Why!

LINCOLN CERTIFIED PRE-OWNED

- Meticulous 200-point inspection by factory trained technicians
- 6-year / 100,000-mile comprehensive warranty coverage
- Complimentary 24/7 roadside assistance

2013 Lincoln MKS FWD



Certified!

 Heated Mirrors • Only 22,531 miles **NOW ONLY**





Premium Sound Systen • Heated Seats • Only 15,538 miles **NOW ONLY**

Certified!

2013 Lincoln MKS FWD



Heated/Cooled Seats Security System

Certified!

Only 32,825 miles **NOW ONLY**

2010 Lincoln MKS AWD



Certified! Navigation

 Leather Seating • Only 55,760 miles **NOW ONLY** *\$18.995*

2012 Lincoln MKT EcoBoost AWD



Certified! Heated Front Seats • Back-Up Camera • Only 29,597 miles **NOW ONLY**

\$31,995





 Navigation Heated/Cooled Seats Only 24,755 miles **NOW ONLY** *\$24.995*

Financing as low as

APR!





Certified!

Rear Parking Aid Heated Mirrors Only 9,975 miles **NOW ONLY**

2013 Lincoln MKX FWD



Certified!

Heated Mirrors Premium Sound System • Only 14,901 miles **NOW ONLY**

2011 Lincoln MKS AWD



Certified! Navigation

 Heated Mirrors Only 34,036 miles **NOW ONLY** *\$21.995*

Varsity Lincoln's

Pre-Owned Sale Continues!

No Santa. No Presents. JUST GREAT DEALS.

2012 Lincoln MKZ Ultimate FWD



Certified!

 Navigation Heated/Cooled Seats • Only 43,779 miles NOW ONLY *\$16,995*

2010 Lincoln MKZ Ultimate AWD



Certified! Mirror Memory

 Heated/Cooled Seats • Only 51,400 miles NOW ONLY \$15,995

2012 Lincoln Navigator L Ultimate 4WD Certified!



· Leather Seating Navigation Only 39,021 miles NOW ONLY

Complimentary

6-year/ 100,000-mile comprehensive warranty on every Certified **Pre-Owned** Lincoln at Varsity Lincoln.

2012 Lincoln MKZ Ultimate FWD



Certified!

NOW ONLY

\$21,995

Navigation Heated/Cooled Seats • Only 15,025 miles

2012 Lincoln MKT EcoBoost AWD



E Certified! Leather Seating

Rear Parking Aid • Only 53,957 miles **NOW ONLY** *\$27.995*

2011 Lincoln Navigator L Ultimate 4WD Certified!

2012 Lincoln MKS Ultimate AWI



 Navigation Seat Memory • Only 45,361 miles **NOW ONLY**

2013 Lincoln MKX Ultimate AWD



Certified! · Heated/Cooled Seats Heated Mirrors Only 11,890 miles NOW ONLY

2012 Lincoln MKZ Ultimate FWD



 Heated/Cooled Seats Navigation •Only 44,778 miles **NOW ONLY**

· Heated Mirrors Heated/Cooled Seats Only 36,993 miles

> **NOW ONLY** \$21,995



Friday 12/26/14 8:30am-6pm • Saturday 12/27/14 8:30am-5pm Monday 12/29/14 8:30am-9pm



Car Report

For Now, Jeep and Ram Carry Heaviest Weight as Fiat Chrysler Creates New Brand Expectations



By Dale Buss

three-part series.

As Fiat Chrysler heads into a new vear full of anticipation, after knocking

a home run in the sales department in 2014, company executives are hoping that future success is fueled by the best combination of sterling products and attractive brands that the auto

maker ever has presented.

At first after the 2009 bailout of Chrysler and takeover by Fiat, the new company had no choice but to rely on the marketing and branding wizardry of CMO Olivier Francois and his associates, and on the wherewithal of what was left of its dealer network, to sell sheet metal that mostly wasn't competitive.

That worked, to a stunning extent.



Fiat Chrysler CMO **Olivier Francois.**

so, Fiat Chrysler has been able to bring out a series of truly worthy vehicles that have begun to match the strength of its brands. Now it's up to the entire management team to wring new synergies out of this winning equation.

Over the last week or so, we've been reviewing how Francois has set up a new brand architecture for the stable of Fiat Chrysler margues. We've saved the two that arguably are most important, for last:

Jeep: "Global"

This brand is performing gangbusters for Fiat Chrysler, with sales up a whopping 44 percent through November compared with 2013. In fact, Automotive News calculated that Jeep's sales increase alone is responsible for about 25 percent of the total improved 2014 sales performance of the entire U.S. market.

To a great degree, this boom reflects the huge success of the first-year entry of the new Jeep Cherokee into the crucial compact segment of the SUV market. Cherokee sales in November were up 67 percent over early in its launch a year ago.

But just as clearly, the Jeep brand per se is benefiting from a huge downhill roll. All of its older nameplates — Compass, Patriot and Wrangler — also are posting strong double-digitpercentage sales increases for the that Francois and his team are connecting heavily on the make as well as the model level.

"We're not fixing anything with the Jeep brand, just seizing an opportunity," François said. That includes not only coming out with great new products and consistent advertising but also better leveraging Jeep's "CRM," or existing customer base, as the object of marketing initiatives.

And the brand is likely to get another boost in early 2015 when Jeep begins selling the all-new Renegade, an even more compact crossover that will be made in Italy along with Fiat 500 X. In this way will Fiat Chrysler finally begin honing the brand for the increasingly important, and even definitional, global role that the company has assigned to Jeep.

"We're thinking out everything globally for Jeep now," Francois said. "The DNA of Jeep is totally American, of course. Now we want to sell America to the world. And the fact that it's American means



Ram's heavy-duty models are competitive with any.

that this role won't hurt Jeep's performance in the U.S. market."

Ram: "Challenger"

Fiat Chrysler did a good job of quickly putting together an enhanced new version of its Ram pickups a couple of years ago so that the new ones would be in sync with recently introduced overhauls of the Chevrolet Silverado and GMC Sierra and would still be credibly fresh as Ford now introduces its new aluminumbodied version of the segmentleading F-150.

So far through November, Ram

has proven up to this task, one that is being made easier because of a surge in business purchases of pickups and because of a lull as the market awaits volume production of the new F-150. Ram sales were up by 27 percent for the year to

Also easily forgotten in this arc of success is that Fiat Chrysler took somewhat of a risk by almost immediately separating the Ram brand and product line from Dodge five years ago.

"The first chapter is over for Ram," Francois said. "We said, 'Let's make a name for this brand.' And we did. It was all about creating and emotional connection for the brand. Now what we need to do is climb the mountain, conquest, challenge the leadership in the segment."

And the way to do that, he said, is to build a rational case for the superiority of Ram vehicles on a rational basis with product comparisons.



The all-new Jeep Cherokee has been a huge winner for the brand.

hometownlife.com

Basement Waterproofing

DRY BASEMENTS LLC

We Repair:
• Cracked Poured Walls

Cracked/Bowed Block Walls

Waterproofing

Local • Licensed • Insured

(248) 420-0116 Ron

CC 🗷 💵 🌌

Drywall

COMPLETE DRYWALL SRV.

Errand Services

Holiday Helper Local Responsible Female College Grad. Available for home

family and pet services.

24/7 \$15 an hour

Yvonne (269) 612-0644

Paint Decorating Paper

Wallpaper Removal •Int
 Ext • Plaster/Drywall Repair

248-349-7499, 734-464-8147

Roofing

RPROOFING.com
ALL ROOFING SIDING &
GARAGE DOORS.

517.546.7739 810-210-0483

with O&E Media's CLASSIFIEDS

800-579-SELL



Are you looking to sell you used vehicle and would like o reach over 140,000 pe nationwide website to eve widen the opportunity of

Observer Eccentric/Hometown Newspapers is the place

Package Includes: Ad in all 13 communit newspapers for 2 weeks Extra \$5 add a photo

4 line minimum (\$2.00 fo each additional line).

Snawmobiles

Z L Arctic Cat Snowmobile 1999:

\$1600 c.c., water cooled, \$1600. 1-248- 851-7129 Trucks for Sale

14 FORD F-250 XLT S-CAB 4X4 Diesel, snow plow, \$43.995 **Brighton Ford** 800-836-7697

'14 FORD FUSION Certified, moonroof \$25.995 **Brighton Ford**

Sports Utility

800-836-7697

'05 HUMMER H/2 SUT **LUXURY 4X4** Moonroof, great car fax only 66,000 miles. S24.995 **Brighton Ford** 800-836-7697



Cadillac

14 CADILLAC CTS 3.6 PERFORMANCE AWD Moonroof, navigation, only 7,000 miles. \$41,995 800-836-7697

13 CHEVY MALIBU Moonroof, navigation \$16,995 Brighton Ford 800-836-7697

'13 CHEVY SILVERADO 2500 HD CREW CAB LTZ 4X4 diesel, only 12 000 miles

Brighton Ford 800-836-7697 SEDAN Full pwr, one owner, only 27,000 m \$19,995

800-836-7697 Dodge

Brighton Ford

'07 DODGE DAKOTA SLT QUAD CAB 4X4 V8, one owner, only 48,000 miles **Brighton Ford**

800-836-7697

'10 FORD EDGE **SPORT AWD** Certified one owner only 42,000 miles.

\$23,995 Brighton Ford 800-836-7697 '11 FORD E-250

CARGO VAN Full power, great car fax only 42,000 miles. \$17.995 **Brighton Ford** 800-836-7697

'11 FORD EDGE **SEL AWD** Certified, one owner only 38,000 miles. \$21,995

Brightón Ford 800-836-7697 12 FORD EXPLORER LIMITED Eco-Boost

navigation. **Brighton Ford** 800-836-7697

'13 FORD C-MAX **SE HYBRID** Certified, full power,only 24,000 miles. \$19,995 **Brighton Ford** 800-836-7697

'13 FORD EDGE SEL

Certified, leather, only 21,000 miles \$25,995 **Brighton Ford** 800-836-7697

13 FORD FOCUS ST HATCHBACK Certified, moonroof

navagation. \$22,995 Brighton Ford 800-836-7697

'14 FORD **ESCAPE S** Certified, one owner only 14,000 miles. \$18,995

FORD 2002 TAURUS Runs ires. 105k mi. \$2,100 313-937-8378

'10 LINCOLN MKT \$18,995

'11 LINCOLN NAVIGATOR L 4X4 \$33,995

Moonroof, navigation priced to move. \$26,995

'12 LINCOLN **MKZ AWD** Alloy wheels, one owner, only 18,000 miles. \$18,995

13 LINCOLN MKS Moonroof, Great car fax Priced to move.

'13 LINCOLN

Moonroof, navigation, only 22.00 miles. \$41,995 800-836-7697

'10 MERCURY MILAN HYBRID Certified, leather, moonroof, only \$16,995

'09 VOLVO XC90 **3.2 AWD** Moonroof, premium sound, priced to move

Autos Under \$2000 1995 BUS 18 Pass. 1995 BUS 18 Pass, Body in Exc. Cond., Needs some work TLC. Ideal for Machanic \$2000.

Looking to Buy A New Car?

Need to sell the old one

first? Place an ad with Observer & Eccentric Media. and let the Classifieds Sell it For You!

800-579-7355

apartments.com

HomeFinder

South Lyon- Quail Run Circle. 2 br condo. New crpt

New paint. \$149,000.

Cemetery Lots

Oakland Hills Memorial

Buriel sites for Sale. \$1800 each- Buy One Get One Free. Must pay title transfer Approx.

248-674-1245

apartments.com.

HomeFinder

Apartments For Rent

Move in for as

until February

2015!*

Rentals

starting

at \$799

for

3 bed,

2 bath

248-573-7104

Brighton Ford 800-836-7697

Brighton Ford 800-836-7697

12 LINCOLN MKT **ECOBOOST AWD**

Brighton Ford 800-836-7697

\$23,995

Brighton Ford 800-836-7697 **NAVIGATOR 4X4**

Brighton Ford 800-836-7697

\$17,995

low as \$399 PLUS FREE RENT

Serious Only 248-820-1768

ESTATES homes. All appliances including

4377 Old Plank Road Milford 248-313-6245 www.childslake.com *WAC. 15 mo lease. Community owned homes. Offer expires 12-31-14. FARMINGTON HILLS

washer & dryer.

Spacious 1 & 2 bdrms, 2 baths, c/a, \$570-\$660, w. special, 50% off 1st 3 mos 248.473.5180 Hartland 2 BR. Ranch Units

MAPLE RIDGE APTS

Apartments For Rent

SOUTH LYON: fridge, no smoking/pets. \$400/mo. 734-455-1487

Condos & Townhouses

Farmington Hills -very woods & stream view \$865. 248-418-1729

Homes For Rent

CANTON: Newly remodeled 4 br/2.5 ba, all appliances, \$1700/mo. + sec. dep. Includes water. **734-455-0391** Move in for as





for 3 bed, CHILDS 2 bath LAKE **ESTATES** homes. All appliances including

washer & dryer. 4377 Old Plank Road Milford 248-778-4009

www.childslake.com *WAC. 15 mo lease. Community owned homes. Ofter expires 12-31-14.

NORTHVILLE: Spacious 3 bdrm, 2 bath. Great location. 6 Mile/275/M14. Patio, yard, garage, W/D hookup. No Pets. \$1095/mo. (330) 875-2231

Rooms For Rend

NOVI - FAIRLANE MOTEL Clean rooms, HBO, fridge, microwave, in-room coffee makers. Free local calls & wireless internet. Weekly rates. (248) 347-9999 Office Retail Space

Northville Offices to Rent quote and showing 248-344-4800 www.suitesonthelake.net Commercial - Industrial

SOUTH LYON - INDUSTRIAL 3 - 12x12 OHD 220-3

\$4500/mo 248-756-3939

Need to Rent That House or **Apartment?**



Place an ad with Observer & Eccentric Media newspapers, and have it

rented in no time! 800-579-7355 Now is the BEST time to buy a new car



Best of all, credit is available. Look to your local dealer to find a high quality, fuel efficient vehicle. Your dealer knows your market and can help you get financing to meet your needs. If you need a

new car, now is the time. Visit your local dealership or cars.com to find a car today.



OBSERVER & ECCENTRIC



3 bedroom, 2 bath, all appliances including washer/dryer & central AC 4 bedroom, 2 bath homes also available HURRY these homes are going fast! Call Sun Homes today, (888) 448-3061 Or apply on line at www.4northville.com

South Lyon Schools! Office hours M-F 8a-5p Sat 9a-1p Offer expires 12/31/2014 EHO *On Select Homes

NOTICE TO BRIGHT HOUSE NETWORKS CABLE CUSTOMERS

On or after January 27, 2015, WGN America will be removed from analog channel 18. WGN America will remain on channel 18 in digital format. Customers may contact Bright House Networks to obtain a digital device. WGN America, channel 118, and WGN America HD, channel 218 will also change tiers from Basic to

These services will not be available on uni-directional retail devices as of the date(s) noted above. If you want to subscribe to these services, you will need a digital set-top box or tuning adaptor from Bright Housi Networks. Customers may continue to use their uni-directional retail device and CableCARD to receive videor programming other than the programming delivered on the SDV system. Customers who also utilize a digital set-top box or tuning adaptor will be able to receive video programming delivered on the SDV system Customers will be notified in advance of any other programming changes.

On or after February 5, 2015, the following services will be added to the SDV system:

bright house



quick call away... 0&E Media Classifieds 800-579-7355

Oeserher & Eggentric

OBSERVER & ECCENTRIC MEDIA

NEWSPAPER POLICY All advertising published in this Newspaper is subject to the condition:

stated in the applicable rate card. (Copies are evaluable from the advertising department: Observer & Eccentric Media 615 W. Lafavette Blvd... Detroit, MI 48228 865-887-2737.

We reserve the right not to accept an advantage's order Our salet repretentatives have no authority to bind this newspaper & only publication of an advertisement shall constitute final acceptance of the advertiser's order.

Advertisers are responsible for reading then edge) the first time is appears 8 reporting amy errors immediately. The Newspaper will not issue credit for errors in eds. after the FIRST INCORRECT INSERTION When more than one insertion of the same advertisement is ordered

only the first insertion. will be credited. ealate advertising in this newspaper is subject to the Federal Fair Housing Act of 1966 which states that it is flegal to

advertise "any preference limitation, ce discrimination." This newspaper will not knowingly accept any activertising for real estate which is in violation of the law. Our roadors are hereby informed that all dwellings advantsed in housing opportunity basis (FR Doc. 724963 3-31-72).

Equal Housing Opportunity Statement: We are pledged to the letter & spirit of U.S. policy for the schlevsmer of equal housing

opportunity, throughout the nation. We encourage & support an affirmative advertising & marketing program in which there are no barners. DISCLAIMER: All classifie

ads am subject to the ap-plicable rate card, copies of which are available from our Advertising Dept. All ads are subject to approve before publication. Observer & Eccentric Media reserves the right to edit refuse, reject, classify or cancel any ed at any time Errors must be reported in the first day of publication Observer & Eccentric Medie shall not be liable for any loss or expense that o nii yone na mort afluger omission of an advertise cancelation of order.

or visit our website at brighthouse.com

For more information, please call 1-877-885-8318



hometownlife.com

Absolutely Free

Complete - California King Air Mattress Bed kit. needs Cal king frame. 734-645-1327

Lge Collection of mostly Jazz/Swing cassettes. take all. 517-546-4682

Auction Sales

BEST SELF STORAGE OF NEW HUDSON, 53600 Grand River Ave. will hold a lien sale on December 30, 2014 at 3pm on Units: #404 Thomas Brake

#367 Tony Saba #390 Amber Taylor #358 Derek Nuhn #231 Sean Manyen #284 Kelli Manyen #341 Roger Minton #251 Karen Ellender #276 Clarence Whitehead

AUCTION Pinckney, MI Tuesday, Dec. 30, 2014 @ 10:00am

Cardinal Travel Trailer, Wood Working Tools, Antique Barber Chair, Old Toys and More. Preview & Inspection @ 9:00am Cash or check with I.D. 10% Buyers Premium Ouestions Call:

BRAUN & HELMER AUCTION Garage/Moving Sales

Novi: Antique to Vintage Bag Sale. 1000+ items \$5 per bag (bags provided)! Christmas, costume jewelry, cast iron, brass, glass, trinkets, knacks. household. books, records, audio, comics, automotive, furniture, much more! 9-5 Fri-Sun. 24404 Catherine Industrial Suite 310, Novi, 48375.

Roman Forum Restaurant 41601 Ford Road, Canton CLOSING DEC 31. Selling mallwares, dishes, glasse tables, chairs, Christmas decorations, and more.

Photos at Call for showings 734-981-2030.

Clothing

2 MINK COATS stored & cleaned by Macy's. Excellent condition 248-996-7419

Household Goods

2 - FRIGIDAILE LARGE FREEZERS NICE WHITE LIKE NEW. VERY CLEAN MUST GO

Kirby Vacuum Sentria 2 Latest 2014 with all attach ments. Also floor shampooer. Great Holiday gift. Like New Condition. Lis price \$2,500 Sell \$750 313.515.3330, or 313.543.3336

STICKLEY QUEEN BED, LFB, Quartersong white oak. Quartersong white oak. color 54. Harvey Ellis Denever used still in hox \$2600 586-232-4165

Appliances

Whirlpool washer & dryer. Cabrlo models, electric dryer and top load washer. Runs perfect, extra clean, tons of options, like new condition nly 2 years old! \$750 fo

Bicycles

\$125. White Kitchenaid H.D. mixer \$225. Nikon Still film Canon Rehel camera \$100

Firewood-Merchandise

MIXED HARDWOOD APPLEWOOD \$90 a co

Hospital Medical Equip

ELECTRIC WHEELCHAIR: Alanta JR. Compact, 3 pcs take apart, portable, new battery, late model. excel-ent condition, **Holiday Spe** cial reduced to \$450/obo Hank: 313.543.3336 313.515.3330

Misc. For Sale

Good Condition. Call 248-896-2119

Season firewood For sale \$65.00 a cord, plus deliver can be set up (586)907-8025 paulcarey260@gmail.com

Wanted to Buy



CASH PAID or CONSIGNMENT for Vintage, Antique and Other for Vintage, Antique and Other Valuable Items. Single Items to storage units to entire estates and estate sales. Professional, courteous, fair, honest, discreet older gentleman. I drive to you. Coins, costume and fine jewelry, knick knacks, military, collections, books, toys, stereos, instruments, ephemera, clothing, Christmas,

richard.preston48@yahoo.com WANTED TO BUY: Older Motorcycles Snowmobiles & ATVs. Running & Non-Running

more. References. Rich BSE, MBA: (248)795-0362

Richard,

WANTED WAR RELICS Highest prices paid. I will co to you. Call: 313-671-8667

810-394-2577



hometownlife.com

Pet Supplies/Services

LOW COST VACCINE WELLNESS CLINIC TSC ~ New Hudson Sun., Jan. 4th, 2-5PM 3 year Rabies, \$16 Heartworm test, \$19

LOW COST VET VACCINE TSC ~ (HOWELL)
Sun., Jan. 11th, 10AM-2PM
TSC ~ (WHITMORE LAKE)
6850 Whitmore Lake Rd. .

Your **Christmas**



Homes from

白

Now through January 10! Get a \$1,000 VISA gift card with the purchase of select AJR homes PLUS no site rent until February 1, 2015!*

\$17,900 to \$75,900 COVENTRY****\/@DS AMBURG**I, TI**ELS

Call Diane in Whitmore Lake at 810.231.4100

Homes from \$25,000 to \$75,900

HARTLA U**M**EADOWS Call Nicole or Maggie in Hartland at

248.887.1223 RIIGEWOO

Homes from \$34,900 to \$75,900 Call Bonnie in Milford at

www.ajrhomesales.com

No matter We Know our Classi hometownlife.com MEDIA 800-579-7355

Local news.

248.676.9755



You don't have to fish for it. It's right here, from the front to the back of your Observer &



Find professional home improvement service providers in O&E Media's Classified Services section every week!

To advertise your home improvement services, contact us at: 800-579-7355

OBSERVER & ECCENTRIC

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES:

ATTN: COMPUTER WORK.

Up to \$1.500 Part Time s7,500/mo. Full Time. Training provided, www WorkServices3.com (MICH)

FOR SALE-MISCELLANEOUS:

SAWMILLS from only 4397.00- MAKE & SAVF bandmili- Cut iumber anv dimension. In Stock, ready to ship! FREE Info/DVD: www.NorwoodSawmills.com -800-578-1363 Ext.300N MICH)

HELP WANTED-GOVERNMENT:

U.S. NAVY Launch a reer today. Advanced vacation, \$ for school. HS

paid training, medical/dental, arads ages 17-34. Call Mon ri (800) 922-1703 (MICH)

HELP WANTED-TRUCK DRIVER: ATTN: TRUCK DRIVER RECRUITERS. We can print & online for as low as \$1.18 per paper. C.N.A is our trusted source for finding more details. Www.cnaads com (MICH)25 DRIVER **TRAINEES NEEDED!**

Become a driver for Steven Fransport! NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED! New drivers earn \$800+ per week! PAID CDL TRAININGI Stevens covers all costs! 1-888-528-8864 drive4stevens.com (MICH)

\$3000 SIGN ON

istomer Freight, Excellent Benefits and We Get You Home Every Week! Call Online www.DriveJacobson. com (MICH)

Drivers Flatbed Owner Operators or **Company Drivers with** steel experience,

(MICH) WALKER, MI TO ARLINGTON, TX ROUTE AND WAYNE, MI TO LOUISVILLE, **KY ROUTES FOR**

AND OWNER qualified drivers statewidel

pamiobs.com (MICH)

Drywall

Gutters Roofing

Plumbing

Siding...

BONUS, \$65K-\$75K

Today 888-409-6033, Apply

LEADING Pay/Benefits! RONUSI Call 855-400-6939 www.adslogistics.com/

COMPANY DRIVER

OPERATORS. Off 2 days er week. Ideal candidate . will live 50 miles along route.

WALKER, MI TO ARLINGTON, TX ROUTE AND WAYNE. MI TO LOUISVILLE, KY ROUTE, LAREDO. TX TO DETROIT, MI. FOR COMPANY DRIVER AND OWNER **OPERATORS -SOLOS**

AND TEAMS, Off 2 days per week, Ideal candidate Call PAM 877-999-1464 or pamjobs.com (MICH)

FLATBED OWNER **OPERATORS & DRIVERS WANTED** IMMEDIATELY FOR REGIONAL FLATBED **OPERATION.** Home Weekends, Call 888-888

7996 Today (MICH) Tractor Owner/Operators & Drivers Wanted, \$2000 Sign-on Bonus. Tupelo, MS to Detroit, MI Reimhursement Tools. Scales, 2500-3000 miles (MICH)

SCHOOLS: **MEDICAL BILLING**

TRAINEES NEEDED! Assistantl NO EXPERIENCE

NEEDED! Online training

Diploma/GED & PC/Interne (MICH)

MISCELLANEOUS Canada Drug Center is your choice for safe and affordable medications. Our

licensed Canadian mail orde. pharmacy will provide you with savings of up to 75 percent on all your medication needs, Call today 1-800-259-4150 for \$10.00 off your first prescription and free shipping. (MICH)

Order DIRECTV service today. Enjoy the ultimate TV experience tomorrow. Cal. (888) 710-7564, (MICH)

ACORN STAIRLIFTS. THE AFFORDABLE **SOLUTION TO YOUR** STAIRS! **Limited time

\$250 Off Your Stairlift Purchase!**Buy Direct & 311-1195 for FREE DVD an brochure. (MICH)

Advertise your product or recruit an applicant in this paper plus 65 other papers in Eastern Michigan for only \$250/week! Call 800-22. 7636 www.cnaads.com (MICH)

LO-2464898-0

Crossword Puzzle

Masked Destruction

14 Actor Nolte

(gradly)

16 Quick glance

15 Viva --

17 Sofs

org.

27 Fmail

104 Orangutan.

for ane

answer

dancer Free

119 Up-and-down

park fixture.

monguose

122 Abdominal

injury

123 Surling the

Net, say

working oil.

124 Pale colors

105 Ridde's

117 Classic

120 Awful

ACROSS 1 Hair grows cut o' them 7 Flip out 13 Engraaches upon.

61 Do a post 20 He served office job with Hill 62 Peace-Clinter keeping gp. 21 Charm 63 Airplane seat 121 Small African 22 Life stories restrain.

59 Suffix with

Caesar

60 Long of

67 Letter

between vee

and ax

71 "The Sun

Rises:

74 Bollam part

the stranded

76 Org. that airls 126 Brann of

icí a hair

77 Raises, as

89 — big girl

locale).

91 Make fun of

92 Jillian o' TV

93 Tetra, e.g.

95 Nick Jr.'s "-

new"

90 New-

"A fie"

Equador or

on film. 23 Persist in 24 Sneezer's sheet 25 Takes

26 Start of a riddle 29 Howard or Paul 30 Liquor option

31 Cornedienne Imogene 34 Riddle, part 2 45 Acts theatrically

46 Relieverl sinha 47 Any time at 48 Pal, in Brest

metabolic 50 Allinna, with 'to' 53 Zany comio

Philips

tha Explorar 96 Mistreat 97 Fort of the riddle Utahir

DOWN 60 Hiddle, part 4 1 H.H. Munro's **86** '— have to?" pseudonym 2 Steff symbol. 3 Grow mature: 4 Bound along (Mardi Gras 5 Galation

grads 6 Bilbac brides 7 Arrive on the redeye, e.g.

8 Tending to the matter 9 What to rto?? 10 1 -sorry!"

curves **49** See 28-Down

39 Like Cheerius 40 °Boy, that was dosel" 41 Twisty road

Road 44, 1982 film and

cravings Profix 18 Outer: Frefix 56 Advice bit 19 Military draft 57 Abbr. on an A/C 58 Lionei quarry 63 Harror İlmi

50 "Meby-Dick"

51 Stamped

52 Blood fluid:

(CC)

nelmaman

83 Pulpy mixture

84 Author Uris

85 Taser missile

86 Doing terribly

87 In fine falle

94 V ami team

spestade

Tasmania

99 '24' adress

Cutthport.

100 Shiny wood.

overlay

center

105 36 lond of

107 With 118-

Down,

shrinking

body of water

Inc. At rights

\$504×

96 Skating

9B Capital of

giggla 28 With 42star Chancy Dawn, quick 64 Refore, in inspection versas 65 Western wolf 101 Profix with **32** Bonding striff 66 Group of

33 Hard Italian 125 Storage site for weapons. chdese 34 "What a langled -

weave? 35 City in Nabraska **96** Violin bow application 37 And others.

for short 38 Menlana's capital

73 Fence

*c*oin . "doors" that dosed

gigs **68** Embargoes

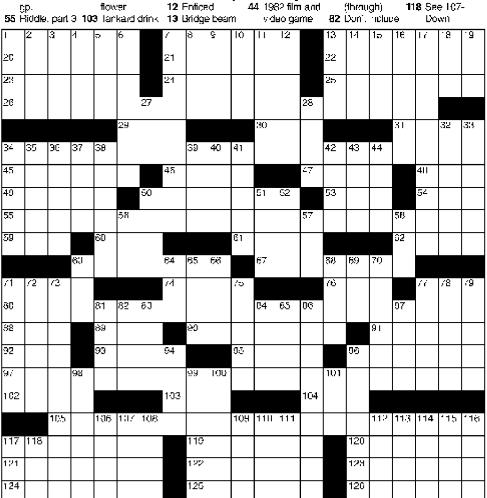
69 Fall debind

70 Calif, barrio

ocale

positions 75 "Niña" mark 77 Meving van **78** Outmoded **79** Spirted. TURSE

71 Last name of in Asia Uncle Laster 108 Gelatinizes **72** Canadian **109** "Coptie" are-dollar 110 'This. joke!" 111 Hair remover brand automatically 112 Absort return to their 113 Addresses Icr tachies 114 Purple bkom 115 — -Tuelan **116** lecal. garden 117 Électrical unit 118 See 107-(through) Down



Answer to Last Week's **Puzzle**

SHAD T A S T I ΕR Н URE IRABLE NANO O|S|C A|R|H A|M|M E|R|S T E|T N| REATABOSC GEOLOGIC M|O|L|L|Y|R|I|N|G|W|A|L|D|NOES A|S|E C OMERTA S A L M O N P C H A S E E E L OATEEOER A S H Y T D ARR ZEBULONPIKE TAW R|E|L A|P|S E EURO RINA LANCEBASS SONGS CORD S C O T T I E JULIANBREAM CIV Y O O MAGNON M T G|S M|A|Z D|A|S| E I R E A|T|W|A|R|SYDNEYPOLLACK S|W|A P|S|H O|P| ATOE T H E O D O R E S T U R G E O N |T|A N|I|C∎ V E N ΤI HUME P O |R|S

also inside... Homes • Wheels • Pets • Services

JOBS



15 jobs that pay 30 an hour

By Debra Auerbach CareerBuilder writer

Want to know some fun facts about the number 30? Four months of the year have 30 days. A U.S. senator must be 30 years or older in order to serve in the position. Thirty is the number of minutes in a half hour, and it's a common length for TV programs. The standard size of a basketball in the NBA is about 30 inches in circumference.

You may or may not find those facts interesting, but here's a fact about 30 that will surely get your attention.

The following 15 jobs pay around \$30 an hour:

1. Accountants and auditors

...prepare and examine financial records. They ensure that financial records are accurate and that taxes are paid properly and on time. They also assess financial operations and work to help ensure that organizations run efficiently.*

> Typical education level: Bachelor's degree

Median hourly pay: \$30.55

2. Aerospace engineering and operations technicians

...operate and maintain equipment used in developing, testing and producing new aircraft and spacecraft. Increasingly, these workers are using computer-based modeling and simulation tools and processes in their work.

> Typical education level; Associate degree

Median hourly pay: \$29.58



3. Arbitrators, mediators and conciliators

...help resolve conflicts outside of the court system by facilitating negotiation and dialogue between disputing parties.

Typical education level

Median hourly pay: \$29.46

4. Chiropractors

...treat patients with health problems related to their nerves, bones, muscles, ligaments and tendons. They use spinal adjustments, manipulation and other techniques to manage patients' health concerns, such as back and neck pain.

Typical education level Doctoral/professional degree

Median hourly pay: \$31.81

5. Diagnostic medical sonographers and cardiovascular technologists and technicians.

...including vascular technologists, operate special imaging equipment to create images or conduct tests. The images and test results help physicians assess and diagnose medical conditions. Some technologists assist physicians and surgeons during surgical procedures.

Typical education level

Median hourly pay: \$29.02

6. Environmental scientists and specialists

...use their knowledge of the natural sciences to protect the environment and human health. They may clean up polluted areas, advise policy makers or work with industry to reduce waste.

Typical education level

Median hourly pay: \$30.56

7. Fashion designers

...create original clothing, accessories and footwear. They sketch designs, select fabrics and patterns, and give instructions on how to make the products they designed.

> Typical education level: Bachelor's degree

Median hourly pay: \$30.22

8. Insurance underwriters

...decide whether to provide insurance and under what terms. They evaluate insurance applications and determine coverage amounts and premiums.

> Typical education level: Bachelor's degree

Median hourly pay: \$30.22

9. Landscape architects

...plan and design land areas for parks, recreational facilities, private homes, campuses and other open spaces.

> Typical education level: Bachelor's degree

Median hourly pay: \$30.86

10. Microbiologists

...study microorganisms such as bacteria, viruses, algae, fungi and some types of parasites. They try to understand how these organisms live, grow and interact with their environments.

> Typical education level:: Bachelor's degree

Median hourly pay: \$31.86

11. Multimedia artists and animators

...create animation and visual effects for television, movies, video games and other forms of media.

> Typical education level: Bachelor's degree

Median hourly pay: \$29.50

12. Registered nurses

...provide and coordinate patient care, educate patients and the public about various health conditions and provide advice and emotional support to patients and their family members.

> Typical education level: Associate degree

Median hourly pay: \$31.48

13. Technical writers,

...also known as technical communicators, prepare instruction manuals, journal articles and other supporting documents to communicate complex and technical information more easily. They also develop, gather and disseminate technical information among customers, designers and manufacturers.

Typical education level: Bachelor's degree Median hourly pay: \$31.49

regional planners

14. Urban and

...develop plans and programs for the use of land. Their plans help create communities, accommodate population growth and revitalize physical facilities in towns, cities, counties and metropolitan areas.

> Typical education level: Master's degree

Median hourly pay: \$31.36

15. Web developers

...design and create websites. They are responsible for the overall look of the site. They are also responsible for the site's technical aspects, such as performance and capacity, which are measures of a website's speed and how much traffic the site can handle.

Typical education level:

Associate degree Median hourly pay: \$30.05

*Job descriptions, education level and pay from the Bureau of Labor Statistics, Debra Auerbach is a writer and blogger for CareerBuilder.com and its job blog, The Work Buzz. She researches and writes about job search strategy, career management, hiring trends and workplace issues.

careerbuilder.com

Help Wanted - General

APPLICANTS for Residential Cleaning Co. \$10/hr. + mileage & travel time. No nights/weekends. 734-812-5683

AUTO BODY TECH Full-Time to work on rare vehicles. Looking forward to work ing with you. Kiefer Automotiv Group call: 517-202-1096

AUTO PAINTER OR AUTO BODY MAN WITH PAINT EXP Full-Time for Milford area shop. Some light body work. Pay based on exp. Valid driver's license, clean record Drug free, EOE 313-995-2519

SORTING & INSPECT ING

\$10/hr. No exp. needed. Paid training provided. all Mon-Fri. btwn. 9-3pm.

COMMUNITY

ASSISTANT part time evening and week ends, \$8.20/hr to start. To clean & monitor clubhous & enforce community rules
Fax resume:
248-437-8651

Email resumes to comments@ mi-apartments.com

CUSTODIAN eeded Part-Time in Northville 3 afternoons/wk. You must pass a criminal background check. Must be reliable & For application: 313-886-7797

DAYTIME CLEANER **NOVI AREA** CORPORATE CLEANING

248-313-9465

Help Wanted - General

Drivers: Carter Express Now Hiring CDL-A Solos up to 38 cpm to start. Dedicated Daily Routes within Ml. Daily Canadian Routes avail. Exc Benefits; No Silp Seat; Newer Equipment. (855) 219-4838

HOUSEKEEPERS WANTED EXPERIENCE PREFERRED NO NIGHTS • NO WEEKENDS We're looking for high energy people to clean houses. All you need is a reliable car & valid driver's license. Great benefits Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm. Call: 810-220-0229



We are currently taking oplications for a energetic Cake Decorator:

 Perishable Foods Receiver • Deli Manager

Please apply in person at: 33152 W. 7 Mile Rd., Livonia livoniamarket@yahoo.com

> OFFICE CLEANING CORPORATE CLEANING GROUP Is expanding in the Novi, Farmington Hills & West Bloomfield areas. Evening cleaning positions available

PERSONAL ASSISTANT

248-313-9465

Brighton, Milford, Novi, Walled Lake, Wixom, Ann Arbor, Ypsilanti, Northville areas. warding positions serving persons with special needs in their homes or in group homes. Must be 18. Paid training.

JüESTinc Email resume:

trelawney@questserv.org Or call New Hudson: 248-437-7535 South Lyon: 248-573-5023

PLUMBER or APPRENTICE construction. Pay according to experience. Resume: generpc@sbcglobal.net or Call 810-229-4888

IT'S ALL ABOUT RESULTS!

Every week, we bring buyers & sellers, employers & employées, and landlords & tenants together. You can rely on ORE Media Classifieds to deliver results. 200-579-7355

Help Wanted - General

REAL ESTATE SALES OPPORTUNITY

Michigan's #1 REALTOR Real Estate One Earn High Commission Income Rapidly Expanding Real Estate Market

Start Earning
Commissions Right Away
Own Your Own Practice Be Your Own Boss Work Your Schedule You Determine Your Incom Bonus Programs
 Health/Life/Disability/ Retirement



PatRvan@ RealEstateOne.com

Help Wanted -Office Clerical

MECHANIC

Full time, With truck epair exp. Certifications a plus. New Hudson area. To apply call: 248-596-0045 Fleet Service

Maybe the Grass IS Greener...

You'll never know if you don't look. Take a peek today, and browse hundreds of local job opportunities from a variety of exciting employ

O&E Media's Jobs Section

OBSERVER & ECCENTRIC
MEDIA



GET COOKING WITH THE EMPLOYMENT CLASSIFIEDS!

Whether you're looking for a job in the food industry or another field, we've got the recipe for success!

- Generous portions of regional listings
- A blend of employers and employment agencies

SPICE UP YOUR CAREER -PUT OUR CLASSIFIEDS TO WORK FOR YOU!



1-800-579-7355 www.hometownlife.com



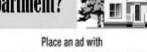
Full time with benefits. Clean driving record and good work ethics required. Mechanical experience a plus Email resume: shardest@morrison-ind.com Fax: 810-227-6868



Sfind Having a choice... can make a difference. le receive our JOBS listings tom some at the best

businesses in the area. Offering a position? Call 800-579-7355 immediately

Need to Rent That House or Apartment?



Observer & Eccentric Media newspapers, and have it rented in no time!

800-579-7355

SEEKING: Multi-Media Sales Representative michigon

The Observer & Eccentric, part of michigan.com, a Gannett Company, is seeking a Multi-Media Sales Representative for our Milford/Highland/ White Lake territory, and Westland-Wayne/Garden City territory who will be responsible for developing relationships and consulting with clients while providing an opportunity to contribute to the long-term success of a high growth and progressive company. Our ideal candidate will be an innovative, result driven, high energy, creative sales representative with the ability to think strategically and to assist clients by developing strategic, multi-media advertising campaigns.

Must be able to manage multiple priorities, requests, programs and be dedicated to exceptional customer service. Develop new business and grow market share by using a variety of customer centric sales programs and audience solutions. Make solid marketing presentations that sell the value, provide customer centric audience solutions and close the sale.

If you are seeking a position that will allow you to be a strategic seller working with a multi-platform, market leading team in a culture that thrives on creating and executing big ideas that provide solutions to benefit the prosperity of customers, then we encourage you to apply today to join our team!

Requirements:

- Bachelor's Degree in marketing, advertising or equivalent combination of education and experience.
- 3+ years of related experience is required.
- A strong understanding of digital media platforms to include search engine marketing, social media, online display, mobile & other digital solutions.
- Documented record of success in a goal-oriented, highly accountable environment. Ability to conduct a needs assessment, identify marketing and advertising
- solutions for clients, develop proposals and experience in delivering sales
- Technical proficiency in Microsoft Office especially PowerPoint and Excel. • Experience with CRM technology, Salesforce.com preferred

This opportunity offers competitive compensation and benefits package including 401(k), health, dental, three weeks paid vacation, and more. If you meet the above criteria, we encourage you to apply for this position at: http://bit.ly/1vmiEhu. EOE

