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The VFW Post 4012 (438 S. Main Street, Northville) invites the community to an Open Mic Comedy Special, Saturday, Jan. 17. Doors open at 7 p.m.; show starts at 8. There will be 10 aspiring comedians doing a 10-minute set each, plus an open mic for those who preregister by Jan. 15. One prize of \$100 will be awarded to the top place comedian.

The price is \$5 per person plus a two-drink minimum. Profits will go to the Veterans in the V.A. Hospitals in Ann Arbor and Detroit.

Please RSVP, as seating is limited. For reservations to attend the show and registration for the open mic, call Karen Westphal at 313-535-1445. For those unable to attend, donations for the V.A. Hospital may be sent to the VFW c/o Scott Van De Ven.

TOWNSHIP FIXED WATER, SEWER RATES RISING

By Lonnie Huhman
Staff Writer

The fixed monthly rates for water and sewer in Northville Township are expected to go up as the township passes along cost increases from the Detroit Water and Sewer Department to its residential and business users.

According to Northville

Township Public Services Director Tom Casari, the only portion of the rates that changed was the fixed portion, which is due to changes in the DWSD fixed rate.

In 2014, Northville Township instituted a fixed rate component to the water and sewer billing structure and will pass through 100 percent of DWSD fixed charges for all bills ren-

dered after Jan. 15.

"We are simply passing those charges through to the end user," Casari said. "The rates will become effective with the first full cycle of 2015, which the reads will occur between March 18-27 and mailed on April 17, 2015."

As an example, for a one-inch meter, this past year the monthly fixed sewer cost was \$2.78

and the monthly fixed water cost was \$10.14. However, for the upcoming year those costs will go up to \$12.45 and \$28.07, respectively.

The current usage rates will stay the same: water \$5.19 per 1,000 gal and sewer - metered \$4.82 / 1,000 gal.

According to Northville

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JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

A quintet of Hillside Middle School students work on some Chromebooks on Dec. 15. Both Northville middle schools have 40 Chromebooks to loan out to classrooms. Clockwise from left are Hannah Laurin, Katie Krikorian, Grace Willis, Olivia Ignash and Nina Chimienti.

NPS purchases iPads to enhance learning

By Lonnie Huhman
Staff Writer

Northville Public Schools are adding another useful technology tool in its classrooms.

NPS students will now get the opportunity to learn with the help of an iPad after the district purchased 160 of them to be used alongside the Chromebooks it already has in the classrooms.

The Northville Board of Education authorized district administration to purchase 160 iPads from Apple, through the Regional Educational Media Center Association of Michi-

gan, as part of the 2012 Technology Bond in the amount of \$95,039. The district expects to follow this purchase with another one this spring.

"Right now the district only has a handful of iPads across the district," said Andrew Piazza, director of Technology and Instructional Integration, late last month.

He said they will also be doing a purchase of iPad carts for every building in the spring totaling 336 devices by using Technology Readiness Infrastructure Grant (TRIG) grant and bond funds.

"The iPads we will be pur-

chasing are a second set of purchases we did with TRIG and bond funds," Piazza said. "We also purchased a classroom set of Chromebooks for each building last summer and additional set of Chromebooks for every elementary building."

According to Piazza, the district has many classrooms across the district using the technology to enhance instruction. He cited for example, several classrooms have created Google Classrooms and Moodle sites for their students. These interactive sites have links to pertinent videos, op-

portunities to blog and podcasts of instruction for students to use at home. Students also have access to a variety of applications that reinforce classroom instruction.

To get a better handle on the potential of using such technology, Piazza said NPS staff members have participated in several professional development sessions focused on the use of technology in the classroom; "many have developed incredible blended learning lessons and units for our students."

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Northville students enjoy wide success in robotics

By Lonnie Huhman
Staff Writer

Northville students have had some great success in robotics, most recently with teams from Amerman Elementary and Hillside Middle schools winning high honors at state and international competitions.

The Robocruisers E team, which includes two Hillside seventh-graders Brian Ding and Justin Chang as well as Eric Liu

12, of Canton, recently represented team USA to compete and win third place in the elementary open category in Sochi, Russia at the World Robot Olympiad. Among nine teams from Team USA, Robocruisers E received the highest ranking. There were over 1,000 participants from 47 countries to compete at WRO this past month.

"We were really happy and a

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LONNIE HUHMAN

The Omegabots, representing Amerman Elementary, are made up of Arya Gowda, Ania Szczepanski, Ava Fox, Marissa Malleck, Jonathon Barringer, Joshua Chacko, Rahul Dalvi and Mehmet Tasioglu.



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Memory Arts



Northville residents Barbara Roden, of event corporate sponsor Senior Helpers in Farmington Hills (left), and Margaret Lightener, CEO of Botsford Commons Senior Community in Farmington Hills, are both sponsors of the Memory Arts Program that the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center (BBAC) conducts for seniors.

Second-term senator



With his wife, Angie, by his side, state Senator Patrick Colbeck was sworn in for a second term on Dec. 8 by Court of Appeals Judge Kurtis Wilder in a ceremony before district residents. The event, hosted by Rattle with Us, was held at the Plymouth Cultural Center and attended by residents from across the new and old state Senate 7th District. “For the past four years, it has been my honor and privilege to serve the people of Michigan’s 7th District in the state Senate,” Colbeck said. “In that time, we have made great strides in restoring opportunity to the people of our state. I am humbled that those I represent have chosen to return me to the Senate for a final term and I pledge to continue to work hard every day to make our state a better place to live while protecting the Constitutional rights of all.” During his first term Senator Colbeck co-founded the Freedom Center hospitality center at Metro Airport and the Troy Military Entrance Processing Station and currently serves as one of the Freedom Center’s board members. He has received numerous awards including the Police Officers Association of Michigan Legislator of the Year Award, the Senior Alliance Legislator of the Year Award and the Golden Apple Award for his work on education reform.

ROBOTICS

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little surprised to get third place,” said Brian Ding, 12. Their project had a mission/goal statement to explore the Saturn moon of Titan for the possibility of living on Titan by designing an automated exploration system, which included a hovercraft (capable of maneuvering across different terrains like sand dunes and methane lakes), a communication system, a data processing system, and a logistical support system.

The three teammates said they went before judges from all around the world. They said the judges were impressed by what they were able to create at such a young age.

Only in its first year, the Amerman Elementary Robotics Team the Omegabots competed on Dec. 6 in Sterling Heights at the Thunder-



Lonnie Huhman

The Robocruisers E team, which includes two Hillside seventh-graders Brian Ding and Justin Chang as well as Eric Liu 12, of Canton (middle), recently represented team USA to compete and win third place in the elementary open category in Sochi, Russia at the World Robot Olympiad.

quest Tournament. There were 55 teams, the biggest tournament in the state, and the Omegabots came in third place overall and received a third place award for programming. This qualified them for a state Championship tournament in Flint on Dec. 13, which they finished in the top 20.

“They (group of eight fifth-graders) really stepped up and worked hard, which helped them

to do so well for their first time competing,” said Coach Cheri Szczepanski, who oversees and helps the team along with other coaches/parents.

The Omegabots competition project was split up into four categories that included them building a robot while also competing in team presentations. Szczepanski’s daughter Ania said being on the team was both fun and educational.

“It’s interesting and fun,” she said. “We’ve worked hard and put in a lot of time, so it was great to see it pay off.”

To see more of the Omegabots, visit <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3fNIUJIR-q-g&sns=em> or <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SqBtJQjot54&sns=em>.

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WATER

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Township Finance Director Marina Neumaier, the Township of Northville is a wholesale water customer community of the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department (DWSD) and distributes water to approximately 8,300 service connections.

In the fall of 2013, DWSD approved a new rate simplification methodology that incorporates a monthly “fixed charge” to recover revenue requirements to fund sewer operations, according to Neumaier.

“The new approach assigns a percentage share to each community

based on a five year historical average that will be used to allocate costs for the next three years,” she said.

She said seasonal usage of water has a dramatic impact on the overall cost of service.

“There are certain services that must be provided regardless of the amount of water used. To recover these costs, DWSD changed their water rate structure back in 2010 from solely a consumption charge (also called usage rate or commodity charge), to a two-part rate structure which included a fixed component to also provide for capital costs and improvements associated with water treatment

plants and transmission mains,” Neumaier said.

Township sewage flow is discharged to the Western Townships Utilities Authority (WTUA), who also manages flow from the townships of Plymouth and Canton. WTUA then transports Northville Township’s flow to both the Ypsilanti Communities Utilities Authority and the Wayne County Rouge Valley Sewage Disposal System that sends flows on to DWSD for treatment.

The help of WTUA has saved the township some money over the years by not having it all go to Detroit.

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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 & Spring 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 January 12! The Art House will be open January 2 from 6-9 p.m. for the first artist exhibit of the new year. New hours are noon-5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday; noon-4 p.m. Saturdays; and 1-9 p.m. on First Fridays. Phone 248-344-0497 for more information.

comparison.

Store

Visit the Art House Store to find unique and affordable quality art and contemporary fine crafts by local artists ranging from jewelry to decorative art for the home.

Art Classes & Workshops

Sign up now for our classes and workshops for children, teens and adults. New classes begin the week of Jan. 12. www.northvillearthouse.org.

Upcoming Events

Between Landscape and Place: A solo show by John Dempsey through Jan. 31. John's paintings are composed in order to confront a variety of environments and perspectives at once. They bring together a number of complex contemporary spaces for the purpose of an immediate

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 which supports Art House activities and gives members a discount on store items and classes. Be a part of it!

Between Landscape and Place



COURTESY

The Northville Art House presents *Between Landscape and Place*, an exhibition of paintings by John Dempsey which are composed in order to confront a variety of environments and perspectives at once. They bring together a number of complex contemporary spaces for the purpose of an immediate comparison. The exhibit runs through Jan. 31 during Art House hours (noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and noon to 4 p.m. Saturday. Shown is Dempsey's "Glare #12 Moby Dick."

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

Book Discussion: Between the Lines

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 12

Details: Enjoy an interesting discussion of Kazuo Ishiguro's

NORTHVILLE LIBRARY LINES

Never Let Me Go. Just drop in.

Night Creatures: Meet Live Owls, Bats and More!

Time/Date: 4:15-5:15 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 13

Details: Kids, discover the fascinating features and survival tools of Michigan's native nocturnal animals in this exciting presentation with live creatures by the Organization for Bat Conservation. All ages welcome. 100 free tickets available at the Information Desk five minutes prior to the program. Tickets not available in advance. Due to space limitations, we cannot accommodate special groups.

Drop-In Little Me Storytime

Time/Date: 10:30-11:15 a.m. Friday, Jan. 16

Details: Simple stories, music and playtime for babies to 2-year-olds, along with caregivers. Just drop in.

KIDZ Time for 1st, 2nd & 3rd Graders

Time/Date: 4:30-5:15 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 22

Details: Fun after school program featuring stories, games and crafts. Call to register 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.

Winter Storytimes

Date/Time: Varied times in January

Details: For details about Winter storytimes, including TOT Storytime for 2s and 3s with Caregiver; Storytime for 4s, 5s, and kindergarteners, and Kidz Time for first-, second- and third-graders, visit www.northvillelibrary.org or call 248-349-3020. Registration for some storytimes begins in January.

MILL RACE MATTERS

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

Upcoming events

2015 Members Only Annual Dinner: 6:30 p.m. Jan. 15 at the Northville Senior Center; all members please RSVP if you'll be attending.

General info

Website: www.millracenorthville.org

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

Donations: Accepted only from 9 a.m. to noon Tuesdays.

Archives: NEW DAYS -- The archives are now open Monday and Tuesday, they are no longer open on Thursday and Friday. archivist.nhs@gmail.com

Office: New days -- The office is now open 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday-Wednesday. All other times by appointment only. Call 248-348-1845 or email mrv1845@yahoo.com.

Crafty



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Priya Sastry, 4, takes a look at her accordion snowman she created during a Dec. 16 crafts session at the Northville District Library.

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SCHOOL BRIEFS

Bookstore celebrating Educator Appreciation Days

To recognize the company's commitment to pre-k-12 educators and administrators, Barnes & Noble will celebrate Educator Appreciation Days, Jan. 10-18.

Public, private and homeschool educators who shop at the Northville store (17111 Haggerty Road) or online at BN.com will receive special discounts on merchandise. These special offers are available to pre-K-12 teachers and administrators enrolled in the free Barnes & Noble Educator Discount program. To take advantage of these offers, educators can apply for their Barnes & Noble Educator Discount Card in their local stores. The application form is available in stores or can be downloaded at BN.com.

Additionally, as part of Educator Appreciation Days, Barnes & Noble Northville will host an open house during the entire week starting at 9 a.m. Jan 10, featuring café samples and an enter-to-win store prize valued at \$100. Robert Omilian, author of *No Fear No Doubt No Regret*, will discuss parenting and lessons learned at 4 p.m.

Educators visiting Barnes & Noble Northville during Educator Appreciation Days can also receive information about Barnes & Noble's 2015 My Favorite Teacher Contest, which provides middle and high school students the opportunity to tell their communities how much they appreciate their teachers by writing an essay, poem or letter about them.

Local winning teachers are recognized at an in-store event in the spring and are eligible to win prizes at the regional level. One regional winner will be named the Barnes & Noble National Teacher of the Year and receive a cash prize of \$5,000, with their school also receiving \$5,000. The My Favorite Teacher Contest runs until

March 1.

Northville Dance Showcase this Friday

The Northville High School Dance Team invites you to its annual Showcase at 6:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 9 in the Northville High School Auditorium.

The NHS varsity and JV Dance Teams will perform their award-winning competition dances. The varsity team will also present individual pieces choreographed by each class and solos performed by graduating seniors, and the JV team will perform a dance choreographed by team members.

Additional highlights of the Showcase are a special dance featuring dance clinic participants and guest performances by the NHS BackBeat vocal group, the NHS varsity Pom Pon team, and local dance studios.

Tickets are \$7 and can be purchased at the NHS box office starting one hour before the performance.

Local military academy nominations

U.S. Rep.erry Bentivolio, Milford, announced the names of the 25 Michigan residents who will receive a nomination for admission to one of the United States service academies for the class of 2019.

Michigan's 11th Congressional District Service Academy's local nominations include Kyle Abraham of Northville, Air Force; Ryan Brand of Novi, Air Force; Benjamin George of Wixom, Navy; Matthew Holub of Novi, Navy; and Sean McCullough of Northville, Army and Navy;

"As a veteran, it's an honor to nominate these exceptional Michigan residents to the U.S. Service Academies," said Rep. Bentivolio. "Every single one of these applicants has excelled in the classroom and in their communities. I offer my sincere gratitude for their willingness to serve this great nation."

Peer-2-Peer builds strong culture

By Lonnie Huhman
Staff Writer

Meads Mill eighth-graders are volunteering their time after school to help their younger peers get accustomed to and succeed at the middle school level.

This is the first year for a new program at the school called Peer-2-Peer, which began last month. The program is an after-school program for sixth-grade students to seek help from an eighth-grade student volunteering his or her skills and helping their younger peers be more successful in middle school.

"It's going really well. The eighth-graders were really excited to help out," said Meads Mill counselor and program creator Kristy Bilbie-Bekius. "They've demonstrated a lot of leadership."

Around 60 eighth-graders volunteered. After a process that had them submitting an application and getting a teacher recommendation, that number was cut in half. Now the group meets with sixth-graders each week.

Bilbie-Bekius said the objectives are to provide an opportunity for students to receive one-on-one or small group



LONNIE HUHMAN

Peer-2-Peer is a new program at Meads Mill Middle School connecting eighth- and sixth-graders. They meet each week after school and work one-on-one in a group setting with school counselor Kristy Bilbie-Bekius (far left) helping out.

assistance on organization, an academic skill, or homework assignment from a peer helper.

The goals are to improve a student's understanding of academic responsibility and work/study habits, and to develop student communication skills and social development.

"The eighth-graders have a lot of wisdom to pass on through their own experiences, so it's very beneficial for the sixth-graders who are participating," she said.

It's the hope that students will learn and develop organizational skills, completion of homework assignments will increase, and the sixth graders will develop greater self-confidence and self-efficacy when

completing assigned work.

Bilbie-Bekius also said it's their hope that a school culture will develop where students feel supported by their peers and eighth-grade student helpers will gain experience as leaders among their peers.

Early on, it looks like it's working.

"I like helping them," said eighth-grader Kayli Vu, who volunteered for the program because she felt she wasn't contributing enough at school.

"We are trying to help them with their organizational skills. That's something I learned was very important. I hope to pass on to them," Kayli said.

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Your move



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STAFF

PHOTOGRAPHER

Spencer Lent, 11, stares down his opponent during a game at the Nov. 11 Chess Club meeting at Thornton Creek Elementary. The school's chess club meets every Tuesday after school and is open to all players, including those just starting the game.

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Oakland CC professor honored for excellence

Oakland Community College business administration professor Anthony Racka received the Keith A. Pretty 2014 Distinguished Online Faculty Member of the Year Award from the Alliance for Excellence in Online Education. This award was presented during the alliance's 12th annual Symposium in November at Meadow Brook Hall at Oakland University.

Racka, of South Lyon, received this year's award for his innovative use of technology to develop and facilitate online courses, serving as an online faculty role model, champion



Racka

and mentor for colleagues who teach in the virtual classroom.

"He reminds me of the beloved Notre Dame football coach Lou Holtz, who surrounds himself with people who are trustworthy, dedicated and caring. Tony Racka exudes these qualities and really connects with his students," said Evelyn Chan, professor of business administration at OCC's Auburn Hills campus.

Racka earned his bachelor's degree in business administration from Siena Heights University and his master's degree, also in business administration, from Lawrence Technological University. He is a full-time faculty member at OCC, an adjunct profes-

sor of marketing at Walsh College and an instructor of the Goldman Sachs 10,000 Small Businesses Program.

"This award annually recognizes a faculty member from a member institution who has enthusiastically demonstrated excellence in transitioning their discipline into the medium of online education," said Patrick Callaghan, president of the Alliance for Excellence in Online Education. "The award recognizes innovative teaching strategies involving technology, rather than the use of technology for its own sake. We are delighted to be able to recognize the contributions of our highly valued colleague, professor Tony Racka."

Caroling



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

A trio of Village Oaks Elementary School teachers joins musician Jim Dufford on stage Dec. 19 for Christmas caroling: Melissa Cyrus, Lisa Rice and Diana Malczewski. The musical fun took place on the school's last day of classes before the holiday break.



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Village Oaks Elementary School students applaud a holiday tune during a mini concert Dec. 19 with musician Jim Dufford.

Oakland CC receives high marks on audit

Auditors at Plante Moran recently gave Oakland Community College the highest level of assurance — and unmodified opinion — on its 2014 annual financial audit.

"The staff was well prepared and the quality of the financial records was in very good shape," Plante Moran partner Paul Edwards, C.P.A., said in a presentation to the Board of Trustees.

Prior to the audit presentation, Vice Chancellor of Administrative Services Peter Provezano, C.P.A., provided a financial update. In the last five years, OCC experienced a loss in revenues linked to declining property taxes, the college's largest revenue stream, Provezano said.

In 2014, OCC collected nearly \$76 million in property taxes, compared to \$94 million in 2010. Taxes fell sharply in 2011 and have remained around \$76 million a year since 2012, about a \$20 million loss in each of those years.

State appropriations and tuition revenues remained flat in the last five years, further impacting college revenues. Declining enrollment offset any gains from tuition increases.

Conversely, pension and health care expenses jumped in the last five years and will continue to rise. Early retirement incentives offered to faculty and administrators caused an increase in expenses for the period. Those expenses will be offset in the coming years through attrition and lower level salary levels of new hires.

The college is also carrying \$3 to \$4 million in bad debt expenses related to unpaid student loans and Pell grants, a phenomenon plaguing all community colleges.

"All community colleges, including OCC, are looking at ways to reduce bad debt expense, including improving our collections process," Provezano said. Expenditures outpace revenues and the college is focusing on reversing that trend. The college is developing a five-year forecast focused on lowering expenses and generating more revenues.

The college is also putting together a long-term plan to fund retiree pensions and health care costs. Future pension costs are estimated at \$178 million. Health care costs have yet to be determined by the state. To continue to fund this liability, the college has set aside \$43 million for retiree pensions and \$4 million for health care costs.

Host virtual blood drives with new SleevesUp website

January is National Blood Donor Month and, this year, American Red Cross supporters have a new way to help save lives through blood and platelet donation with SleevesUp virtual blood drives.

SleevesUp is a first-of-its-kind website that lets those who feel passionate about blood donation create a virtual blood drive and encourage colleagues, friends and family members to give blood or platelets or make a financial donation to support their campaign. SleevesUp campaigns allow people to honor someone's life, celebrate a special occasion or simply bring others together to help save lives — any time of the year, regardless of location.

"SleevesUp is a new way to empower people to help ensure blood is available for patients this winter and throughout the year," said Jim Flickema, chief executive officer for the Southeastern Michigan Blood Services Region.

"It gives those who feel passionate about blood and platelet donation and want to make a difference in people's lives a chance to multiply their impact many times over."

A SleevesUp virtual blood drive can be created at redcrossblood.org/SleevesUp in just a few minutes. Once a campaign is created, others can pledge their support immediately by making an appointment to donate blood or platelets at a blood drive or donation center convenient for them.

Those who are not eligible to give blood, do not have a Red Cross blood donation opportunity near them or simply want to do more can also support a SleevesUp campaign by making a financial donation to the Red Cross Blood Services.

SleevesUp is one of many ways individuals

and groups can celebrate National Blood Donor Month, which has been observed in January since 1970 and recognizes the importance of giving blood and platelets while honoring those who roll up a sleeve to help patients in need.

The winter months can be especially difficult to collect enough blood and platelets to meet patient needs. Inclement weather can result in blood drive cancellations and seasonal illnesses, like the flu, can prevent some donors from making or keeping appointments to give.

Blood donors with all blood types, particularly O negative, A negative and B negative, and platelet donors are encouraged to make an appointment to give.

In addition, individuals are encouraged to check out SleevesUp and invite others to join them in making a life-saving donation. More information about SleevesUp is available at redcrossblood.org/SleevesUp.

How to donate blood

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Novi-based Srinergy completes first privately financed PACE project in Michigan

Until recently, owners of commercial buildings had difficulty financing comprehensive renewable energy savings projects that required a large amount of up-front capital and many years to achieve profitability. It was a problem well understood by Prasad Gullapalli, president of Novi-based Srinergy, a global solar project development company.

That has changed with the recent completion of Srinergy's solar and wind installation at the 1-800-LAW-FIRM building in Southfield. It is the first privately financed Property Assessed Clean Energy project in Michigan.

The PACE program enables property owners to finance energy efficiency and renewable projects through a special property tax assessment with local governments and lenders that provide fixed interest loans with terms of up to 20 years. The result is a positive cash flow for property owners, since the monthly energy savings generated are greater than the PACE loan repayment.



Todd O'Grady (center), president of the Great Lakes Renewable Energy Association, presented the Exemplary Project for 2014 for 1-800-LAW-FIRM to Prasad Gullapalli (left) of Srinergy and Andy Levin of Lean & Green Michigan.

Srinergy worked with Levin Energy Partners and Petros PACE Finance to develop a comprehensive renewable energy project that would meet the vision of Ari Kresch, CEO of 1-800-LAW-FIRM, to set an example of sustainability within the community and leave a highly visible impression and lighter footprint in the region.

"Srinergy was one of the first companies to grasp the opportunity that PACE presents," said Andy Levin, founder of Levin Energy Partners and creator of Lean & Green Michigan, which

helps commercial, industrial and multi-family property owners finance energy projects. "With 1-800-LAW-FIRM, Prasad looked at the building and all its systems holistically, seeking different ways to save energy. He put the entire project together from soup to nuts."

The 150 kW showcase project at 1-800-LAW-FIRM incorporates roof-mounted solar panels, along with four 1 kW vertical, roof-mounted micro-wind turbines, solar carports, two electric vehicle charging stations located under



Roof-mounted solar panels and wind turbines at the 1-800-LAW-FIRM building in Southfield.

the carports and parking lot induction lighting.

"This installation is a tremendous testimonial for the PACE program, giving Michigan its first actual commercial example of going through the process with this type of financing," said Mark Ferda, renewable energy account manager for Michigan-based McNaughton-McKay, which supplied the project's U.S. manufactured solar panels, inverters, solar racking and EV charging stations.

It is estimated that 1-800-LAW-Firm's renew-

able energy systems will generate more than \$1 million in savings during the 20-year PACE financing term. Today, visitors can view real-time solar energy production and environmental contributions associated with the system on monitors in the building lobby.

In December, the Great Lakes Renewal Energy Association honored Srinergy and the project with the Exemplary Project of 2014 award, presented to Srinergy, 1-800-LAW-FIRM and Lean & Green Michigan. The showcase pro-

ject was unique in that it incorporated multiple renewable technologies – as well as various solar applications – at one location, setting an example for other commercial business owners and developers to follow.

"We are confident that moving forward, other commercial property owners will take the baton from Ari Kresch and help move Michigan forward in developing and creating sustainable businesses and a cleaner environment in Michigan and beyond," Gullapalli said.

How to teach investors about investing money the wise way

A few weeks ago, I received a call from someone I know in the financial world asking me if I would participate in a contest. The prizes were nice, but nothing to write home about.

My initial reaction was, why not? It would be fun. But then I heard what the contest entailed. They were giving 10 advisers \$250,000 in play money to see which adviser made the most money over a six-month period.

The rules stated that trading would be allowed in any listed security. The trades would be done online so others could see how the money was being invested.

The company stated the goal was to try to get more people involved in investing and teach people the fundamentals. These are wonderful goals and ones that I support, but I told the company that I would not participate.

My reason was not that I was worried whether I would win or lose. Rather, I thought it



Rick Bloom
MONEY MATTERS

sent the wrong message to investors. If one of the goals is to teach people about investing, having a contest where the goal is to make as much money as possible over a six-month period doesn't teach the right lesson. If someone had a six-month goal for his/her money, I would tell them to avoid the stock market and to invest in such things as CDs. I recognize that this is not a very sexy investment, but it is the prudent one.

Had I entered the contest, I would have tried to win, which means I would have thrown out pretty much all the rules of investing and taken on more of a gambler's mentality.

I would have rejected the proven principal that it is time in the market that's important, not timing the market. If I had entered the contest, considering the goal was

only six months, timing the market would have been much more important than time in the market. That is the exact opposite of what an investor ought to be thinking.

There's no doubt these types of contests are fun, but they should not be used to teach people about investing. Investors need to learn that investing is not gambling and that six months is a relatively immaterial time frame for investors to judge whether an investment is worthwhile.

Contests, such as the one I was offered, encourage unnecessary risk taking. If you lose half your money in any given day in a contest, no big deal. However, if you're talking about someone's portfolio and someone's retirement, losing 50 percent of their money is a big deal.

I love the idea of teaching investors about investing and encouraging more people to get involved. However, I do not believe that investment contests, although fun, accomplish that goal.

Good luck.

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

Bulger appointed to lead foundation

The Board of Trustees of the Luella Hannan Memorial Foundation announced that Sandra A. Bulger, formerly vice president of the board, will serve as its executive director while an active search continues for a permanent executive director.

Tim Wintermute retired Dec. 31 after 21 years of service to the foundation. Bulger, a 17-year resident of Northville, has served on the board for 10 years.

"Hannan is very fortunate to have someone as qualified and as committed to the Hannan mission as Ms. Bulger to take over the leadership of the foundation during this critical period of transition," said Dr. Ruth Dunkle, board president.

Bulger is an attorney whose career included many years as a senior executive at General

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Motors, where she held the position of tax counsel for GM North America and was also the



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executive director of GM's Government Relations office in Washington D.C. Bulger is also a certified public accountant who worked for the CPA firm of Arthur Andersen & Co. She is a native of Detroit who graduated from Cass Technical High School and earned her law degree from the University of Michigan Law School and her undergraduate accounting degree from Michigan State University.

"At the Luella Hannan Foundation, we are committed to increasing the quality of life for seniors, not only in the Detroit metropolitan area, but the entire state of Michigan," Bulger said. "Our programs and services

assist seniors to live fuller healthier lives by providing access to a menu of supportive social services, cultural and activity-based program options to enhance everyday living. Our goal is to increase the opportunity for seniors to age in place in their homes or senior buildings within communities that are age friendly and walkable."

The Luella Hannan Memorial Foundation is unique in that it is an endowed "operating" foundation that provides programs and services, as well as funding. It was established with endowments from the estates of Detroit philanthropists Luella and William Hannan and the John Scudder Foundation. The foundation has been located in the Hannan House building in Midtown since 1993, providing programs and services for senior citizens in the Detroit area since it was established in 1925.

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Jan. 5.

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Yankee Air Museum adds Fly Zone to educational activities

The Yankee Air Museum is dismantling its Mars Rover Exploration Station making way for its next big attraction: Fly Zone. The Exploration Station is the museum's area for providing kids with interesting and challenging hands-on educational activities.

In 2014, nearly 6,000 students visited the museum and had the opportunity to operate small robotic rovers on artificial landscape simulating the rigors of maneuvering on rugged Martian terrain and grasping objects by remote control.

Coming Feb. 28, Fly Zone promises more excitement than ever. "It's the Exploration Station transformation and Fly Zone is the next dimension," said Kevin Walsh, YAM executive director. "We're building an aerial challenge course for unmanned aircraft systems. Wait until the kids get a load of this. They thought our rover experience was exciting; they'll find this truly amazing."



Kevin Walsh, executive director of the Yankee Air Museum, holds an unmanned aircraft system of the type that kids will be able to operate in Fly Zone.

Walsh said the Exploration Station is an important feature of the Yankee Air Museum because it's where young imaginations are captured and real learning begins. Kids like to be immersed in technical subjects in ways they can understand.

"It's absolutely essential for us to keep our interactive displays in sync with advances in aviation," Walsh said. "Unmanned aircraft

systems are frequently in the news and now we are applying our skills to give people practical understanding of the technology."

Walsh said the museum has invested in special padded flooring and netting to confine the aircraft within the safe Fly Zone. Up to four aircraft will be able to operate in Fly Zone and the occasional crash is expected, but the design of the airspace will keep

the UAS pilot safe and any damage to the vehicle minimal.

"Fly Zone is our logical next step," said Rachel Krumwiede, Yankee Air Museum's director of education. "In fact, we started talking about this exhibit virtually the day after we opened the Mars program. There has been a lot of planning involved over the past year, including consultations with the Detroit Aircraft Corp., which manufactures unmanned aircraft systems. Fly Zone will be engaging, stimulating and certainly fun. The goal is to pique a child's interest, then get them to go further, inquire more and talk about what they're learning."

Krumwiede stressed the importance of having the right mix of sophistication and fun to blend into a meaningful educational experience. She said "it'll never get old" because Fly Zone is designed to have myriad missions for the kids to fly at different levels.

Krumwiede, who has been test-piloting UAS

for weeks to determine the best ones to procure for Fly Zone, is mindful that remote controlled aircraft of all shapes and sizes were popular gifts this holiday season. She added that there are employment opportunities in the UAS industry and a primary goal of Exploration Station is to expose kids to emerging career paths.

"Unmanned aircraft systems are the future of aviation," said Jon Rimanelli, chairman of Detroit Aircraft Corp. "The practical applications of this technology to solve problems and keep people safe are endless. DAC is always working with students, their fresh minds and innovative approaches. Collaborating with Yankee Air Museum on Fly Zone is a great extension of our motto, 'Aerial assets for all.'"

Rimanelli said his unmanned aircraft systems are being reviewed by first responders who need ways of safely assessing dangerous situations before sending in

police officers or firefighters. He is planning a UAS demonstration for the grand opening of Fly Zone.

Based in Detroit at Coleman A. Young International Airport, Detroit Aircraft provides unmanned aerial vehicle designs, integration, testing and training services for public and commercial purposes pending FAA authorization. Detroit Aircraft has established partnerships with some of the biggest names in the industry including Lockheed Martin Corp.

Once the Mars rover display is dismantled, work will begin on preparing the floor and wall subsurface for the construction of the thickly padded UAS confinement area. The Fly Zone will open Feb. 28 and will be in the Yankee Air Museum's high bay area at 47884 D St., Belleville. The museum remains open while this construction is underway.

For more information, go to www.yankeearmuseum.org.

YAM invites veterans to celebrate VE Day at bomber plant

The Yankee Air Museum is inviting World War II veterans to be its special guests for a visit to the site of its next home Friday, May 8, the 70th anniversary of Victory in Europe Day.

The museum has acquired the final assembly portion of the historic World War II B-24 bomber plant and is giving everyone the opportunity to share in its rebirth. The structure at Willow Run will be undergoing restoration and outfitting in the coming years.

Museum officials want everyone to share the excitement in the next chapter of this storied place and are extending a special welcome to World

War II service and home front veterans.

"Yankee Air Museum is known for making history accessible in a very big way," said Kevin Walsh, executive director. "Each year we have several big events open and at no cost to the public. This is colossal and we want everyone to bond with the building and be part of shaping the next great destination in the region."

Walsh said the expanse of the bomber plant gives rise to the imagination and amazement of the accomplishments of the Greatest Generation. While the museum is just entering the next phase of fundraising to restore

and furnish the building, Walsh said the experience of being inside the cavernous space while under construction helps people visualize the possibilities and then become part of something fundamentally important to America.

"The 70th anniversary of VE Day is the perfect opportunity for the public to visit, for the first time, the future home of the museum," said Ray Hunter, chairman of the board of the Yankee Air Museum. "The building is an historical artifact of the war that was waged on the home front. The planes that rolled off the assembly line here were Ford Motor Co. products.

These Liberators became the largest part of the vast air armada that claimed supremacy over the skies of Europe leading to the demise of the enemy."

Beatty, Hunter and Walsh are encouraging the public to turn out May 8 for World War II veterans.

"Mark your calendar, we've invited the world and as big as this place is, we hope space will be limited for this very important recognition," Walsh said.

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Village Workshop co-owners (from left) Dennis Engerer, Chris McDonald and Brian Donovan check out a 3D printer they’ve installed in the second floor of their venture. The printer, which created the impeller blade Engerer is holding, is one of the dozens of production machines that will be available in the workshop.

Village Workshop opening soon in downtown Northville

By Lonnie Huhman
Staff Writer

The Village Workshop in downtown Northville is close to opening its doors.

With the state-of-the-art equipment in place and the final touches being done, the old building has been brought back to life over the last year and made into a cool maker space. Its founders – Dennis Engerer, Chris McDonald and Brian Donovan – are anxious to unveil the shop.

“It’s been a lot of work and taken more time than we had hoped, but we’re excited and looking forward to opening our doors to the community and others looking for a place to make an idea come to life,” Donovan said.

The key word for the Village Workshop is “community.” It’s open to anyone who has an idea and desires a place with tools, equipment, materials and space on hand to make it happen. It’s dedicated to creativity, learning, entrepreneurship and prototype service.

Both members and non-members can use the facility and take classes, which are a major part of the endeavor because they will teach how to use the tools and equipment properly. The workshop will have projects and classes for beginners to advanced skill levels, with professional instructors helping.

“We’ve had a lot of knowledgeable people want to help us with this project, so we’re excited to have a high level of experience available to instruct and help,” McDonald said.

An open house will be a big unveiling for the totally renovated historical building.

A multimillion-dollar project, the 26,000-square-foot space, which was built in 1875 and once the home of Belanger, Inc., has been updated to have new work, office and creation spaces. In addition, it will have a café and meeting areas to foster a community feeling.

The new equipment includes things like a 3D printer, long-arm quilting machine, an auto lift,



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Village Workshop co-owners Brian Donovan (left) Dennis Engerer (center) and Chris McDonald (rear) show Northville Record staff writer Lonnie Huhman a metal lathe machine during a Dec. 10 visit to the soon-to-open facility.

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To learn more, go to <http://www.thevillageworkshop.com/> or call 855-777-3836. The Village Workshop is located at 455 E. Cady Street.

milling machines and lots of other items to assist in the creation and building process. Anything from a building a kayak, creating a sculpture, making a robot to refinishing a chair will be possible.

Memberships are now available for those wanting to get in on the ground floor.

“This will be a whole experience with a lot of energy and different people here thinking, creating and making ideas happen,” Engerer said.

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- 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.

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Great time to adopt a pet from Humane Society

By Julie Brown
Staff Writer

Brian Prebus and girlfriend Carolyn George of Dearborn were eager to welcome home a new dog.

“We named her Bonnie,” Prebus said, in the hallway of the Michigan Humane Society Berman Center for Animal Care in Westland.

George added, “I’m very excited. I love animals.” She’s at home and can care for a pet and noted Bonnie is a great yule gift.

“We’re very excited,” George said. “This one just tops it,” she added of her gift list.

“We’ve been wanting to find the right time to adopt,” Prebus said.

“We really want to get to know what the families are looking for,” said Ryan McTigue, public relations coordinator for the MHS. “We’re always trying to make that perfect match. Some animals can be a little more of a challenge.”

The folks at the Michigan Humane Society generally don’t encourage pet adoptions right before Christmas. Dec. 25 yule celebrations have plenty of hubbub and pets new to a home can get stressed out.

“Each person, like each animal, is a little bit different,” McTigue said, noting some pre-holiday adoptions do work out.

Humane Society officials and volunteers are eager to showcase pets up for adoption. The MHS Berman Center for Animal Care is at 900 N. Newburgh, just south of Marquette (south of Ford Road), in Westland.

Its Adoption Center hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday and Tuesday, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday. It is closed Sunday. The phone is



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER
Lionel only has three legs, but that doesn’t seem to slow him down.



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Benji says hello.

734-721-7300, the website www.michiganhumane.org.

A couple of days before Christmas, Sarah Pustulka of Wyandotte, behavior program manager for the Berman Center and the MHS in Rochester Hills, showed off some adoptable dogs and cats with pride. She’s worked for the MHS about five years.

Benji, a terrier mix, mugged for the cameras as he explored Pustulka’s shoes. A Jack Russell terrier female, Eclair, also showed stage presence when photographed.

Yorkie Lionel is missing a leg due to an injury

and recently came out of fostering. The Westland facility has a number of dogs as well as cats, such as playful Evergreen, a male, and female feline Dee, who peered out from her cardboard box inside her cage.

The MHS in Westland has “get acquainted” rooms for those mulling adoptions and has one room with more unusual pets like rabbits.

Susan Scheffer of Belleville said Dec. 23, “I come here all the time just looking. I like to see what they’ve got.” She has one cat at home and another died last winter.

Scheffer brings her



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER
Eclair is a friendly Jack Russell terrier.



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Evergreen plays in his cage.

granddaughter from Westland to the Berman Center. Scheffer was looking at cats recently at a facility in Romulus and there weren’t many.

“I’m glad. That means somebody took them home,” she said.

She’s more of a cat person. “Cats take care of themselves a little bit more,” Scheffer said.

The Humane Society’s McTigue explained those adopting a pet must have the interest and the financial means to care for the pet throughout life. Some parents pick a pet with children who later leave for college. “You’re ultimately going to be the one providing that care,”

said McTigue, a Royal Oak resident.

The MHS is the state’s oldest and largest animal welfare organization. It’s a private, nonprofit organization serving the animals and people of metro Detroit and beyond since 1877. It provides care for tens of thousands of animals each year in southeast Michigan, with a focus on finding homes for thousands of pets. Education of children, a cruelty hotline, emergency rescue, low-cost spaying/neutering and legislative advocacy are on the MHS agenda.

“It’s definitely extremely important,”

McTigue said of the Westland facility. “It’s important to be able to serve as many people as possible.”

The MHS operates centers for animal care in Detroit and Rochester Hills as well as Westland. You can get information by calling 866-MHUMANE or the general administrative number at 248-283-1000.

McTigue said the MHS also welcomes help with volunteering, fostering or financial donations, noting no government money is received.

“We’re just thankful for the wonderful support of our community,” he said.

He and colleagues love to match visitors to MHS centers with pets who’ll love them back for years to come. “It’s the reason for everyone doing what we do,” he said. “It makes it all worthwhile.”

Some animals come back to the MHS for financial reasons or for difficulty in getting along with other pets in a home, he said. Some animals stay with the MHS a number of months.

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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. 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:
 - Trouble breathing
 - Dizziness or fainting
 - 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:
 - beta blockers and alpha-blockers (prescribed for high blood pressure)
 - cardiac glycosides (prescribed for heart failure or problems with heart rhythm)
 - diuretics (prescribed for heart conditions and high blood pressure)
 - ergot alkaloids (prescribed for migraine headache)
 - monoamine oxidase inhibitors or tricyclic antidepressants (prescribed for depression)
 - 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.

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Exhibit debuts Jan. 11 at Holocaust Memorial Center

The Holocaust Memorial Center Zekelman Family Campus will host the exhibit Never Let It Rest: Sojourns in the Shadowlands from Jan. 11 through May 3.

The exhibit is a mixed-media installation that features sculpture, ceramics, photography, video and found objects relating to the small town of Salzwedel in the Saxony-Anhalt region of Germany during the time of Nazi control.

The artists, Hans Molzberger and Michael Roque Collins, will speak at the 7 p.m. opening, which is free with paid admission or membership, and is generously

supported by the PNC Foundation. Both artists have independently and collaboratively created art concerned with the Holocaust in Germany and Poland. Their artworks combine to create a powerful reminder of man's inhumanity to man during the Holocaust.

"We have found the exhibits using multiple mediums like art and video allows it to reach a much broader audience," Holocaust Memorial Center Executive Director Stephen M. Goldman said. "Never Let It Rest fulfills this goal and we look forward to its display and the visit from the artists themselves."



AILEEN WINGBLAD

The Holocaust Memorial Center debuts a new exhibit Jan. 11.

The exhibit is supported by Susan Malinowski, Gary Shapiro and Nancy and James Grosfeld.

The Holocaust Memorial Center is located at

28123 Orchard Lake Road in Farmington Hills. For more information, got to www.holocaustcenter.org or call 248-553-2400.



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The sculpture, "Broken Walls," pictured here as a photo, is one of the items featured in the exhibit.

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NORTHVILLE

Crawford to speak to Woman's Club

The adventures and escapades of two long-time friends traveling throughout England, Scotland and Ireland will be the topic of the Northville Woman's Club's meeting



Kathy Crawford

Friday, Jan. 9, at First Presbyterian Church of Northville.

Former Oakland County Commissioner Kathy Crawford, who was elected to the Michigan House of Representatives in November, will discuss her book, *Two Broads Abroad*, at the club's 1:30 p.m. meeting

The bucket list adventure with the late

Karen Schwarck took the two chums on a more than month-long trip to the land of their ancestors. With no itinerary and only a plane ticket there and back, Crawford and Schwarck encountered engaging characters and unforgettable experiences.

For more information about the Northville Woman's Club and its programs, contact club president Lorraine Andaray at 248-349-9463.

Meet with Rep. Heise

State Rep. Kurt Heise invites local residents to meet with him to share their perspectives and ask questions from noon to 1 p.m. at the Northville District Library, 212 W. Cady Street.

Beginning this month, Heise's office hours will be the second Monday every other month rather than each month; however, he will continue to

hold coffee hours the third Friday of each month.

Heise is also available to meet with constituents by appointment either in the district or at his Lansing office. Residents are invited to call toll free 855-REPKURT or email KurtHeise@house.mi.gov to schedule an appointment.

Big bucks in 48168

The website nerd-wallet.com recently listed the highest-paying ZIP codes in Michigan and one in Northville ranked fifth with an average annual salary of \$96,119. According to the site:

"Located between Seven Mile Road and Five Mile Road, 48168 is a ZIP code in Northville that runs east of Haggerty Road to Tower Road. This section of Northville is quite wealthy — with the area in the top 10 statewide for residents'

income and local salaries. While there are a variety of industries in 48168, the largest business sector includes businesses in the professional, scientific and technical services, with companies such as Aims DataCom, Algal Scientific Corp. and Aisin World Corp. of America contributing to the \$96,119 salary in the area."

All data in the study is from the 2012 CBI200CZ11, a survey on business patterns conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau. The annual total payroll of the ZIP code was divided by the number of workers in that area to generate the highest-paying ZIP codes. Some ZIP codes were excluded because they are exempt from requirements to provide payroll data.

Northville Garden Club meeting

The Northville Garden Club will meet Jan. 12 at the Cady Inn. The light luncheon begins at noon with the general meeting at 12:30 p.m. The program begins at 1:30 p.m.

This month's program is Homeowners Tree Care, presented by Jim Porterfield, a certified arborist and nurseryman, a member of the American Society of Consulting Arborists and owner of Porterfield Tree Care Consulting, Inc.

Guests are always welcome. For further information, call Inge Knoth at 248-348-1835.

Barnes & Noble presenting author Mininni

Lisa Mininni will be the featured guest for a kickoff display of books written by and for strong female leaders at 4 p.m. Jan. 15 at Barnes & Noble (1711 Haggerty, Northville). Mininni will also be available for Q&A until 7 p.m.

Mininni is the best selling author of *Me, Myself, and Why? The Secrets to Navigating Change*, president of *ExcellerateAssociates.com* and founder of the *Excellerate Success Institute* for entrepreneurial and leadership development. A prominent business and systems expert, her expertise is sought out and featured on radio shows across the globe. Her articles on hard-wiring and lead generation have been published on sites such as *Huffington Post*, *Career Builder* and *Rain Today* and have achieved the *Reader's Choice Award*.

Books will be available at the store prior to the event. RSVP is not necessary. For more information, contact Gayle Townsend at 248-348-1274.

Meet Your Legislators Breakfast

The Northville Chamber of Commerce is hosting a Meet Your Legislators Breakfast 7:30-9 a.m. Friday, Feb. 6, at Geniti's Hole in the Wall (108

E. Main, Northville). The event sponsors are Robert Law, Strategic Communications Solutions and the Detroit Regional Chamber. The event includes a buffet breakfast, provided by Geniti's. Cost is \$12 for chamber members, \$15 for non-members.

"The Meet Your Legislators Breakfast provides an opportunity for residents and the business community to meet their state officials, hear about committee work and future legislation that may affect the Northville community," said Traci Sincok, associate director of the chamber.

Presenters include state Sens. Patrick Colbeck, 7th District, and Mike Kowall, 15th District, and state Reps. Kathy Crawford, 38th District, and Kurt Heise, 20th District.

Reservations and payment may be made by contacting the Northville Chamber of Commerce at 248-349-7640 or tracisincok@northville.org.

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 go to www.plymouthelks1780.com.

Rotary's Little Libraries

Northville Rotary is initiating the installation of Little Libraries, small book depositories where community members can exchange books. The Rotarians would like to establish six locations throughout the Northville community and seeking suggestions as to where the locations

might be. Rotarians are encouraging other organizations to volunteer and assist in this effort as well.

For more information, contact John Kelly at john@kellykellylaw.com or 248-348-0496.

Film fest deadlines

The deadlines for the 2015 Rock Hard Film Fest all-ages competition are approaching — Feb. 1 (musicians' deadline was Jan. 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. The finished music videos will then be screened at a Detroit theater and a \$500 first-place cash prize will be given for Best Music Video. Also awarded will be the Audience Choice award for Best Song.

The entry cost is \$100 for filmmakers; \$80 for student filmmakers; and \$50 for musicians. Mail payments to P.O. Box 5290, Northville, MI 48167.

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

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

No-No's host naturalist

The Gardeners of Northville & Novi (a.k.a. The No-No's) on Monday, Jan. 12, will present Gerald Wykes, a Monroe naturalist who will give a talk on how a lowly weed was used to save lives in World War II. Social mixer begins at 6:30 p.m., speaker is at 7 p.m., in the Novi High School's (24062 Taft Road) Media Forum Room 198C.

Park in the staff parking lot, first driveway on Taft Road south of 10 Mile and enter via door 43. Pen and paper may be helpful for notes. Cost is \$5 for non-members.

John Dempsey exhibit at Art House exhibit

The Northville Art House presents Between Landscape and Place, an exhibition of paintings by John Dempsey which are composed in order to confront a variety of environments and perspectives at once. They bring together a number of complex contemporary spaces for the pur-

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Passages

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

BERRY, DANIEL T.
Of West Palm Beach, Florida died on October 8th, 2014. He is survived by his wife, Lupi Berry; son, David (Carol) Berry; step-children, Amadore, Andy and Norma Rincones, Diane Daniels, Linda Sherer; grandchildren, Brian (Stacey) Berry, Stephanie (John) DeMarco, Christopher Rincones; great-grandchildren, Kasey and Madelynn; siblings, Jim, Mary Gesch, Dennis and extended family. He was preceded in death by his parents, Joseph and Cathryn Berry and brother, Neil Berry. A Memorial Service will be held at Lynch & Sons Funeral Home, 404 E. Liberty St., Milford Michigan on Sunday, January 18th, 2015 at Noon with gathering beginning at 11 a.m. For further information phone Lynch & Sons, Milford at 248-684-6645.

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CALCUT, DAVID E.
67, December 28, 2014. Funeral was December 30, 2014. Lynch & Sons, Milford. www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com

GARDNER, GLADYS M.
Gladys M. Gardner, age 95, former longtime Brighton resident, passed away December 26, 2014. She was born on August 21, 1919 in Evert, Michigan, daughter of the late Elisha and Grace Marlatt. Gladys was a very hard-working, devoted mother. She was an excellent provider to her children and was employed with Refrigeration Research in Brighton for 30+ years. She is survived by her daughter, Diana Leatherman; four grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren and one great-great grandchild with another expected in March. Gladys was preceded in death by her son, Phillip in 1973; her daughter Angela in 1997; two grandchildren; her sister, Clara Gardner and her brothers: Keith, Glenn and Richard Marlatt and her son-in-law, Russell Leatherman. A Funeral Service was held on Wednesday, December 31 at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, 122 W. Lake St., South Lyon. She will be laid to rest in South Lyon Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to the charity of ones choice. www.phillipsfuneral.com

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GARDY, MICHAEL ALLEN
Age 32, passed away December 31, 2014. He was born on June 11, 1982 in Royal Oak, son of Al and Janet Gardy. Michael was a kind, compassionate, patient and understanding individual who loved his family and friends. He had such a huge heart and always put the needs of others before his own. Michael always knew how to keep everyone laughing with his sense of humor. He was passionate about sharing his vast knowledge with those around him. Michael was very intelligent; he was a straight 'A' student and tutored at Oakland Community College while working on three degrees. He passed his knowledge and love of learning on to his cousins and friends. He will always be remembered for his tender, loving soul and his sensitive nature. He is survived by his loving parents, Al and Janet Gardy; many aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends that were like brothers to Michael and were like sons to his parents. Visitation was held on Tuesday, and a Funeral Service was held on Wednesday at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, 122 W. Lake St. www.phillipsfuneral.com



JOHNSON, CARL ROBERT
A long time resident of Milford and former owner of the Huron River Inn, died at home in the care of his family on December 29, 2014 at the age of 88. He is survived by his wife, Marie, his son, Mark (Cindy) Johnson, and grandchildren, Joseph, Jessica and Jamie Lee Johnson. Interment and Military Honors were held at Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holly on Wednesday, December 31. For further information please phone Lynch & Sons Funeral Directors, Brighton, at 810-229-2905 or visit www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com

KALAS, DR. GEORGE P.
Age 85, of Northville, passed away January 3, 2015. Please share condolences at casterlinefuneralhome.com



KRUEGER, ROBERT W.
Age 89, a longtime resident of Northville, passed away on January 2, 2015. He was born February 11, 1925 in Knoxville, Tennessee; son of Wabun and Gertrude (nee Caldwell) Krueger. Bob was drafted into the United States Army on June 21, 1943 and served on active duty during World War II and the Korean War. He was honorably discharged as a Master Sergeant after 20 years in the service; 11 of those years were in the Army Reserves. He received his Master's Degree from St. Louis University in 1971. Bob was a teacher for 34 years; he began his career in New Jersey then taught in St. Louis, Missouri for a few years. A majority of his career was teaching at Riley Middle School in Livonia, Michigan. Believing in continuing education and serving his country, at the age of 56, Bob attended US Army Sergeant Majors Academy and graduated in the top 1/3rd of his class. He loved to read, tell stories, and make jokes. He always knew how to deliver the joke and make any situation better. He taught his children to be independent and analytical. He was their biggest fan and always supported them. Bob was a caring, loving, and affectionate husband. Bob is survived by his wife of 49 years Judith (nee Sturm) Krueger; his children, Judy (Michael) Fraley, Kitty Krueger, Rob (Betsy) Krueger, and Carol (Tim Wilson) Krueger; his brother Donald (Annaliese) Krueger; his grandchildren, Stephanie Witechowski, Zachary Price, Tara Price, Adam Allison, Sammi Allison, and Brenden Draper; his great-granddaughter Emma; his nephew Paul Krueger; his niece Marla Sturm; and his extended family Tina York, Erci Stern, Heidi Drahos, Kelly Hendrickson, Amy Claeys, Beth Ann LaManna, and Bob Tawse. He was preceded in death by his parents; his daughter Karen Krueger Bonnaville; his brothers, Richard Krueger and William Krueger; and his niece Kathy Krueger. A Memorial service was held Wednesday, January 7, 2015 at Casterline Funeral Home of Northville. Deacon Glenn Melenyk from St. James Catholic Church officiated the service. Memorial Contributions would be appreciated to the Northville City Fire Department, 215 West Main Street, Northville, MI 48167 or Guest House, Development Office, 1601 Joslyn Road, Lake Orion, MI 48360. Please share condolences at casterlinefuneralhome.com

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LIPPS, DELPHINE R.
December 30, 2014, Age 84 of Northville. Care & services were entrusted to L.J. Griffin Funeral Home-Northrop-Sassaman Chapel, 248-348-1233



McNEELY, PAULA JANE
Age 54, of Grand Rapids. Mother of Connor, Molly, and Shannon, went to be with her Lord Saturday, December 13, 2014. Memorial services will be held Saturday, January 10, 2015, 10:30 a.m. at St. Thomas the Apostle Church, 1449 Wilcox Park Dr. SE, with Rev. James A. Chelich officiating. Visitation will be Friday, January 9, 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at Zaagman Memorial Chapel, 2800 Burton St. SE, Grand Rapids. Memorial contributions may be given to Gilda's Club of Grand Rapids.

PAYNE, JAMES P.
Age 66, July 1, 1948 - January 4, 2015. www.phillipsfuneral.com



SOMMER, CLAIRE ELIZABETH
Spread her wings and flew away on Friday, January 2nd, 2015 at 9 PM. Claire is at peace now after a valiant three year battle with ovarian cancer. She will be cherished and the joy she brought to many lives will be celebrated now and always. She was a longtime resident of Milford, MI and helped children with speech impediments for 30 years in the South Redford School District. She was a devoted mother, wife, grandmother and friend to many. To all that had the pleasure to know her, she touched hearts and minds like no other. She will be especially missed by her husband, Robert Dunlap; her sons, Colin and Travis Sommer; her granddaughter, Madison; her step-daughter, Kim Dunlap and many dear friends. A celebration of her life will be held the weekend of January 17-18th at a facility yet to be determined. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Karmanos Cancer Institute. For further information phone Lynch & Sons, 248-684-6645 or visit LynchFuneralDirectors.com

TULLIUS, KAY
Of Hartland, died Dec. 30, 2014. For info, phone Lynch & Sons, Milford, 248-684-6645 or visit www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com

WOUGHTER, Gerald
July 20, 1922-January 2, 2015
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Chilly ride



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On a day with well below freezing temperatures, Dec. 30, Grant Nelson takes off on a bike ride at Novi's Lakeshore Park. The Grosse Pointe Park native said that he biked the miles of Lakeshore about 50 times in 2014.

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pose of an immediate comparison. “We move through a variety of industrial, post-industrial, modern and post-modern environments and then work to resolve landscape and nature within this cacophony of place,” Dempsey said. “These compositions are offered to the viewer to visually explore and chronicle that complex relationship.” The exhibit runs through Jan. 31 during Art House hours (from noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and noon to 4 p.m. Saturday) at 215 W. Cady. Admission is free. For more information, call 248-344-0497 or go to www.northvillearthouse.org.

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Crawford swore in, again, Jan. 14

The Oakland County Board of Commissioners’ inaugural swearing-in ceremony will begin at 5:30 p.m. Jan. 14 in the board of auditorium (1200 N. Telegraph, Pontiac). Oakland County Chief Circuit Judge Nanci J. Grant, Oakland County Sheriff Michael J. Bouchard, Oakland County Clerk/ Register of Deeds Lisa Brown and the Oakland County Sheriff’s Honor Guard will participate in the ceremony. Joining the 21-member Oakland County Board of Commissioners for two-year terms will be first-term elected members David Bowman and Wade Fleming. The board will welcome back Hugh D. Crawford, who served in the state House of Representatives. Crawford is a Republican who represents the city of Novi, Novi Township, and the city of Northville.

Providence studies effects of energy-boosting drinks

Even healthy people that consume energy drinks may be putting themselves at risk for high blood pressure and other heart problems, according to a study at the Providence Hospital Heart Institute. Doctors at Providence, led by Christian Machado, M.D., director of electrophysiology at the Providence Hospital Heart Institute, evaluated 30 health care workers from Providence who were in relatively good health to determine if consuming an energy drink

would cause a spike in blood pressure and lead to changes in EKG readings. The study showed that all 30 people experienced a significant increase in blood pressure. In addition, EKGs showed that after drinking the energy drink it took longer for the heart’s electrical system to recharge itself in preparation for the next heartbeat. That recharging process is known as QT interval. If that process is prolonged it can throw the heart out of rhythm, triggering potentially dangerous irregular heart rhythms. “The results of this study should send a clear message that we all need to be cautious when consuming energy drinks, especially those people with known high blood pressure or existing heart disease,” said Machado, one of the study’s authors. Machado says if this data was extrapolated and used to evaluate patients with uncontrolled hypertension, coronary artery disease, or on medications that prolong QT interval, there may be adverse events. He says this is especially true for patients suffering from a rare inheritable disease known as long QT syndrome, a heart rhythm disorder that can potentially cause fast, chaotic heartbeats. He says those patients should avoid these types of drinks since they cannot afford any further prolongation of the QT, which could lead to life threatening arrhythmias. Those in the study went caffeine free for 24 hours. They then had a baseline EKG and then an EKG where their heart rate was raised to 85 percent of their target heart rate. They were then placed on a small mobile heart monitor for 5 hours and their blood pressure was checked. The following day they consumed an energy drink and were placed back on the heart monitor. Two hours later they again had an EKG where their heart rate was raised to 85 percent of their target rate and their blood pressure was taken. Long-Term Care Planning seminar A free seminar, Long-Term Care Planning, for senior citizens and their families will be presented by Lisa Beatty 6:30-8 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 13, and 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 14, at the Novi Public Library (45255 W. 10 Mile). Persons attending are encouraged to register online at www.nawrockilaw.com or by calling 866-737-5007. Beatty, of Nawrocki Elder Law, Special Needs & Disability Plan-

ning, PLLC of Brighton, is a 15-year veteran attorney who previously served with United Auto-workers Legal Services. The seminar is designed to educate and enlighten seniors and their families about their options for Long Term Care such as remaining independent in their homes, maintaining and receiving good health care, not outliving your assets. 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 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 check. After lunch, participants 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.

Special performance



Northville residents Mary Ann and Robert Gorlin enjoyed a special cabaret performance that featured Stratford Festival actress Robin Hutton (center) at a fundraiser for the Woman’s National Farm & Garden Association Bloomfield Hills Branch that raised \$35,000. Robert Gorlin is the incoming chair of Michigan Members of Stratford Festival.

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OUR VIEW

Updating DDA’s overall plan logical, timely

The city of Northville is exploring a proposal to update its overall plan for the Downtown Development Authority area, and we think that it’s a logical step whose time has come.

According to DDA Director Lori Ward, the DDA is proposing to amend and restate the Development and Tax Increment Financing Plan. The Amended and Restated Plan would accomplish the following objectives:

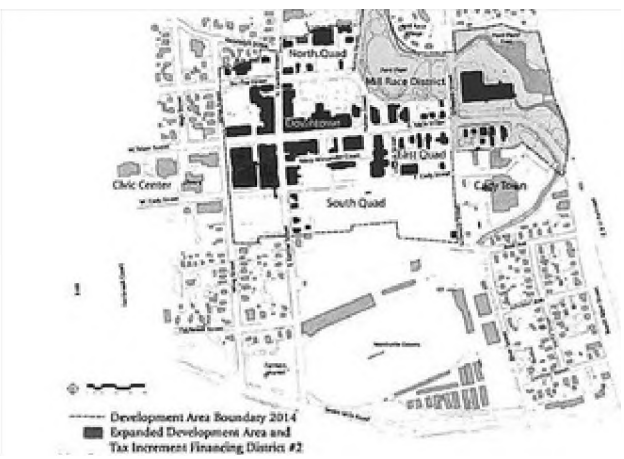
- » organize and consolidate the original plan and the six subsequent amendments to the plan into one clear and concise document;
- » extend the plan until the year 2040;
- » include a list of future DDA projects and provide estimates and prioritization to these projects; and;
- » adjust the Development Area boundaries so that they would be the same as the Downtown District boundaries.

In 1978, the city of Northville created, by ordinance, the Downtown Development Authority (DDA) for the purpose of revitalizing Northville’s declining downtown business district. Following the establishment of the DDA, city council approved and adopted the original Development and Tax Increment Financing Plan to serve as the framework for the revitalization initiative.

In subsequent years the Development Area described in the original plan was expanded, and several times the plan was amended in scope.

Public Act 197 of 1975, the DDA enabling legislation, requires the establishment of a “development area citizens’ council” if the development area has 100 or more residents residing within the district.

The City Council appointed nine members to the Citizens District Council at the Nov. 17 council meeting. The committee is made up of Jon McClory, Kyle Mattson, Chris Van Dam, Kirsten Hardy, Faith McClory, Margene Buck-



COURTESY

One goal in updating the plan is to adjust the Development Area boundaries so that they would be the same as the Downtown District boundaries.

have, Toni Genitti and Michael Brocovich. The CDC met last

month to review and discuss the proposed draft Amended and Re-

stated Development and Tax Increment Financing Plan, and voted unanimously to approve the plan.

Ward went before the Northville City Council on Monday and requested they call a public hearing for the purpose of considering the proposed Amended and Restated Development and Tax Increment Financing Plan for the City of Northville. That public hearing is now set for Feb. 2 during the city council meeting, which begins at 7:30 p.m. and is at city hall. If you have time to offer your input, we suggest attendance.

GUEST COLUMNN

Thank you – Northville Board of Education for dedication, service

January is School Board Recognition Month — a time to salute the work of our volunteer school board members and celebrate public education. School board members are alternately described as having the most important volunteer job in the country and facing some of the toughest challenges in elected American government. Yet, the truth is, school board members are just ordinary citizens with extraordinary dedication to our public schools. This is especially true of the individuals serving on the Northville Board of Education.

Public education is the backbone of American society, and our local school boards are deeply rooted in this tradition. It is the foundation on which our democracy was built. Today, our school boards continue to do the most important work in our communities — that of educating our young

people. Their job is to establish our district’s vision, mission and goals and develop policies to achieve them; to strongly encourage continuous improvement in student learning; and to advocate at the local, state and national levels in support of public education. Most importantly, our school boards make decisions which affect our children — what they learn; who teaches them; who supports their learning; and the safety and function of the buildings that house their class-



Mary K. Gallagher

GUEST COLUMNIST

rooms.

These are challenging and exciting times in public education. Working together with our district’s leadership team, the members of the Northville Board of Education develop policies, and make tough decisions that help shape the future of our educational system. They bear the responsibility and oversight for an annual budget of nearly \$70 million, more than 7,000 students, 800 employees and 12 buildings.

We often forget about the personal sacrifices our Board of Education members make day-in and day-out. They dedicate countless hours to attending meetings, as well as school and community functions, and hours of preparation and study for the important decisions they make. On top of this, many of our Board members pursue professional development opportunities to stay abreast of the ever-changing education landscape.

This January, I invite you to join me in thanking the members of the Northville Board of Education for their dedicated service to Northville’s schoolchildren. It only takes a moment to express gratitude — write a note, send an e-mail, make a phone call, or simply say thank you when you see a board member out in the community.

The men and women serving Northville Public Schools and their years of service are: James Mazurek, president, four years; Cynthia Jankowski, secretary, three; Matthew Wilk, treasurer, two and a half; trustees Scott Craig, three; Adam Phelps, two; Ann Kalass, one; and trustee-elect Roland Hwang, January 2015.

I also want to take this opportunity to express a special thanks on behalf of the entire Northville community to Ken Roth — who stepped down from the Board at the end of December — for his wisdom, compassion and ongoing dedication to Northville’s young people over his more than 12 years of service on the Board. We wish him well in whatever the future holds, and know that he will continue to be a strong advocate for our schools and our community.

Mary K. Gallagher is superintendent of Northville Public Schools. She can be reached at 248-344-3500 or gallagma@northvilleschools.org.

COMMUNITY VOICE

What is your favorite thing(s) to do on a cold, winter’s day?

This question was asked in downtown Northville.



“To sit in my basement and watch the NFL playoffs, and the Buckeyes next week.”

Dennis Lauderback
Northville (Spinergy)



“Spend a day at the spa and a night eating dinner at a place like Tirami Su.”

Basma Shamoun-Miscovich
Northville (Bailey and Shamoun Interiors)



“I like to stay inside and watch old movies.”

Carole Urban
Northville’s Orin Jewelers



“Going outside to play with the kids, and going sledding or skiing.”

Jeff Bry
Northville

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Keep religion out of government

Mr. Tom Hickson gives us some extremely rare examples of “how citizens are witnessing their First Amendment civil-liberty rights eroded by sectors of society and government,” and conveniently ignores the long past and very recent history of how right wing sectors of religious society continually work to erode the protections of individuals that engage in 100% legal activities. We see their daily and underhanded attempts to undermine a woman’s right to choose, or use birth control. The right wing religious United States Supreme Court has allowed an employer the option of not paying for a prescription medicine because they claim a “belief” against it. Next, will it be cholesterol medicine or insulin because your employer’s religion includes a “fervent belief” that you only need a better diet and exercise? Should we allow a parent not to send their girls to school because they have a “deeply held” religious belief against girls being educated? What constitutes a religion, and who is to decide the legitimacy of anyone claiming a religious belief?

What they are looking for in a Religious Freedom Restoration Act is a license to discriminate, regardless of the current legality of something, because you claim some “deeply held” religious belief. You want a special exemption for you, because you think you deserve to have dominion over others because of your religious beliefs. You don’t want them to marry, or you think you shouldn’t have to bake them a wedding cake, are only a couple examples in an endless list of possibilities.

This isn’t about your not being able to perform acts of charity or follow your own beliefs for yourself. We have seen too often when religious zealots will stop at nothing, even murder of doctors performing legal procedures, when they believe their “deeply held” religious beliefs have been trampled on. The list of horrible events throughout history is endless when religions have used their beliefs to inflict death, suffering, and the subjugation of others.

The bottom line, Mr. Hickson — keep your religion out of my government!

Steve Lawrence
Northville Township

Four-legged help

The weather is getting pretty doggone “ruff” out there.

If you’re an animal lover (or liker) please read on: Homeward Bound Rescue League is an animal foster organization based in Canton. HBRL has many dedicated volunteers, who foster dogs and cats until good homes and loving families can be found for these four-legged friends. They accept animals of all ages.

Many pups come from filthy puppy mills, some are taken in after they have been abused or neglected and sometimes the previous owner simply had to give up their pet.

Our own experience was to adopt two little pups a few years ago, who we love, and who aren’t so little now. The good folks at Canton’s Pet Supplies Plus allow Carrie Marsh, the director of HBRL, to use their store on select weekends so that the public can come in and see all of the adorable creatures who need homes. (HBRL has a collection box right inside of Pet Supplies Plus’ front door and would greatly appreciate bags of food, used or outgrown collars, leashes, etc.)

Unfortunately, Carrie’s van was broken into recently and all of the supplies that she carts around in her van to support these animals were stolen. Not to mention, this organization operates on a shoe string, with a few nearby vets offering services and then patiently await payment.

HBRL could really use an infusion of money to replace what was stolen and to help with operations. If you’re thinking about getting a dog or cat, please consider checking out its website: www.hbrlmi.org. If you’d like to help, its address is HBRL, P.O. Box 87591, Canton, MI 48187.

Wishing you a purr-fect holiday season.

Karl and Mary Halewicz
Canton

A kinder world

It’s that time of year, for most of us it the favorite time of all. Well, I have had a lot of thoughts lately that make me nervous. It is our world and the people in it. We are so many different types and we all seem to think what others should do or be like. Why? That question only you can answer.

What I have come up with is this: I myself do not have to change, but if the changes make me a better person and the world around me better, then I do need to change.

I believe it starts with understanding that we are all different and wish for the best for each other. This makes nothing impossible, if we work together to make the best of everything. We have to trust that something new may make the other happy, that forgiving others without asking why is good. This brings compassion, love and change.

This is what most of the story we see on TV or read books about people changing for the better, making others happy and bringing change to the world. We do this by speaking to each other, by listening to each other, by saying “let’s give it a try for the outcome is greater than myself.”

We can’t always think it’s about us.

Growing up, I heard many people say it’s for the future, it’s for the children, it’s for others. Now I hear people say what am I going to get, how will I benefit or what about me. As one friend has called it, it’s the “Me Box” complex.

I am not saying we lower our standards, but maybe help others to see through different eyes. I know I have seen many different lives and try to respect other people and their ways without losing sight of who I am and where I have come from.

I am not always right and I have a lot to learn, like asking for help, saying no. At less I will try to make the change by doing what I have said. We can’t always believe what we hear, but facts are what we have to go by.

So please from here on stop and say hello to a stranger, hold a door open, tell someone what a great job they are doing or did, help someone up or with packages. Pass on a good deed to someone else and the person who has helped you. Pay it back to others twice for what you receive. Listen to someone else without telling them what to do or how to do it. Take a chance and be different.

Life is too short and we can only do the small things as one person, but together we can do so much more.

Sharon A. Strebbling
Westland

Gov. Rick Snyder sworn in again at state Capitol

By Paul Egan and Kathleen Gray
Michigan.com

Michigan needs to build on the budding turnaround of Detroit and confront and solve other decades-old problems, Gov. Rick Snyder said in his second inaugural address on New Year's Day.

The governor, who under Michigan's term limits law began his second and final four-year term last Thursday, said that more important than changing laws or policies is retooling the culture of a state he said fell into a "lost decade" because it became so successful at manufacturing "we took our eyes off the ball."

Now, "the old unbelievable needs to be the new achievable," Snyder said from the Capitol steps as about 600 attendees shivered on a windy day with temperatures in the low 20s.

"We can do incredible things when we work together," Snyder said. "Look at what we've done in Detroit through the grand bargain."

Snyder was referring to a deal that helped Detroit emerge from the largest Chapter 9 bankruptcy in the nation's history in December, while minimizing cuts to the pensions of city retirees and preventing a sell-off of the priceless art collection of the Detroit Institute of Arts. A key part of the deal was a \$195 million contribution from the Legislature, which many thought would not be approved because of



Michigan Gov. Rick Snyder (center) and his family share a laugh with Michigan Supreme Court Chief Justice Robert Young Jr., as he is sworn into office for his second term. Snyder's wife Sue, is at his right, and behind him are their children Kelsey, Melissa and Jeff.

historic tensions between Detroit and outstate Michigan.

Snyder received a 19-cannon salute from the Michigan Army National Guard, but the sun peeking out briefly just after the Pledge of Allegiance brought a burst of applause that rivaled the booms of the guns.

Detroit Mayor Mike Duggan, a Democrat, introduced Republican Snyder before Michigan Supreme Court Justice Robert Young Jr. administered the oath of office.

"This is the time we come together as a state," Duggan told the crowd.

Also sworn in Thursday were Lt. Gov. Brian Calley, Attorney General Bill Schuette, Secretary of State Ruth Johnson and justices of the Michigan Supreme Court.

Snyder, who spoke for 18 minutes, cited highlights of his first four

years, including the addition of 300,000 private-sector jobs in Michigan and a 40-percent drop in the state unemployment rate, to 6.7 percent.

The governor, who backed controversial business tax cuts he said has significantly improved Michigan's ranking as a state in which to do business, said he won't let up as a lame duck governor but wants to "step on the accelerator" and push for more changes.

Specifically, he called for a wholesale revamp of the myriad of services designed to help people through social services and job assistance, saying a more holistic and less "slicing and dicing" of programs is needed to steer people into the mainstream of opportunities.

"It's about getting better services to Michiganders," said Snyder,

who is expected to flesh out his second-term plans in the Jan. 20 State of the State address.

Snyder said fixing Michigan's crumbling roads is a problem that remains to be solved, with a proposed tax hike to fix roads going to voters in May.

He spoke before a mostly friendly crowd, with many of those in attendance having ties to state government or the Republican Party.

But Bob Fluke of Lansing, a retired GM line worker who stood at the inaugural hoisting the rainbow flag of the gay rights movement, said he's disappointed Snyder has refused to state a position on gay marriage. He said he was demonstrating to urge the governor not to sign a bill some Republicans are pushing that he said would allow discrimination in the name of religious freedom.

And the Michigan Democratic Party, which points out that Michigan's unemployment rate is still high relative to the rest of the nation, issued a statement that said "under Snyder, Michigan only leads the nation in crumbling roads, bigotry against citizens and families because of who they are, schools in deficit, and outbound migration."

After the speeches, Snyder and his wife Sue, Michigan's first lady, greeted attendees in a receiving line inside the Capitol.


Later, the Snyders

were to join about 1,000 people who paid \$150 each to attend an inaugural gala at the Lansing Center. The menu included beef tenderloin, steamed asparagus and Michigan cherry cake.

Among those who attended the event at the Capitol were Nancy Spaulding and her daughter Melody, 21, of Grand Rapids.


Spaulding, who describes herself as a moderate Republican, said Snyder inspired her to become a precinct delegate in 2010 because he did not place a heavy emphasis on partisanship.

"I'm very proud of being part of the team," said Spaulding, a writer who works as a restaurant cashier.




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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON AMENDMENT TO AND
RESTATEMENT OF THE DEVELOPMENT AND TAX INCREMENT
FINANCING PLAN OF THE NORTHVILLE DOWNTOWN
DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS IN THE CITY OF NORTHVILLE:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the City Council of the City of Northville, Michigan, will hold a public hearing on Monday, February 2, 2015, at 7:30 p.m. prevailing Eastern Time, at the City of Northville Municipal Building - City Council Chambers, 215 West Main Street, Northville, Michigan, 48167, to consider the adoption of an ordinance approving an amendment to, and restatement of the Development and Tax Increment Financing Plan (the "Amended and Restated Plan") for the Northville Downtown Development Authority pursuant to Act 197 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1975, as amended.

The boundaries of the development area to which the Amended and Restated Plan applies are as follows:

- (1) All the lots in the block bounded on the north by Dunlap Street, on the east by Center Street, on the south by Main Street, and on the west by Wing Street, such lots being part of assessor's plat no. 6.
- (2) All the lots in the block bounded on the north by Main Street, on the east by Center Street, on the south by Cady Street, and on the west by Wing Street, such lots being a part of assessor's plat no. 3.
- (3) All of lots 211, 212, 213, and 214, and 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249 and 250, all in assessor's plat no. 3, in the block bounded on the north by Cady Street, on the east by Center Street and on the west by Wing Street.
- (4) All the lots in the block bounded by Main Street on the north, Church Street on the east, Cady Street on the south and Center Street on the west, such lots being a part of assessor's plat no. 1.
- (5) All the lots in the block bounded on the north by Main Street, on the east by Griswold Road, on the south by Cady Street and on the west by Church Street, such lots being part of assessor's plat no. 1.
- (6) That part of lot 718 in assessor's plat no. 7 described as beginning at the southwest corner of Lot 718, thence north 01D 35M 15S west along the westerly line of such lot 262.55 feet; thence south 35D 05M 35S east 103.70 feet; thence south 67D 02M 43S east 75.63 feet; thence south 4D 29M 50S east six feet; thence north 85D 30M 10S east 354.78 feet; thence north 85D 29M 53S east 62.40 feet to the easterly line of such lot; thence southerly along the easterly line of such lot to the southeast corner; thence westerly along the southerly line of such lot to the P.O.B., in the block bounded on the east by Griswold Road, on the south by Main Street and on the west by Hutton Street.
- (7) All the lots in the block bounded on the north by Dunlap Street, on the east by Hutton Street, on the south by Main Street and on the west by Center Street, such lots being a part of assessor's plat no. 7.
- (8) All of lots 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683 and 684, and 686, 687, 688 and 689, all in assessor's plat no. 7, in the block bounded on the east by Hutton Street, on the south by Dunlap Street and on the west by Center Street.
- (9) All of lots 527 and 546, 547 and 548, all in assessor's plat no. 6, in the block bounded on the east by Center Street, on the south by Dunlap Street and on the west by Wing Street.
- (10) All of lots 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, all in assessor's plat no. 2; all of lot 72 except the east part measuring 19 feet on the north line and 24 feet on the south line, all of lots 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, except the east 75.89 feet thereof, all of lots 80, 81 and 82 except the east part measuring ten feet on the north line and 10.16 feet on the south line, all in assessor's plat no. 1; all of that part of vacated Church Street lying easterly of lots 177 through 181, inclusive, and westerly of lots 75 through 80, inclusive, being a part of Assessor's Northville Plat No. 1.
- (11) That part of lot 718 in assessor's plat no. 7 described as beginning north 85D 30M10S east 1171.25 feet and north 2D 55M 2S west 165.05 feet from the center one-quarter corner of section 3 for a point of beginning; thence south 85D 30M 10S west 417.18 feet; thence north 4D 29M 50S west six feet; thence north 67D 2M 43S west 75.77 feet; thence north 35D 5M 35S west 121.81 feet; thence north 1D 35M 10S west 24.48 feet; thence north 41D 8M 10S west 83.64 feet; thence north 5D 44M 20S east 509.61 feet; thence north 86D 6M 50S east 111.20 feet; thence south 5D 44M 20S west 58.56 feet; thence south 22D 40M east 320.69 feet; thence north 2D 55M 2S west 19.97 feet; thence south 51D 5M 14S east 50.94 feet; thence south 76D 57M 29S east 117.98 feet; thence north 88D 47M 12S east 161.98 feet; thence south 2D 55M 2S east 310.10 feet to the point of beginning, bounded on the west by Hutton Street and on the east by Griswold Street.
- (12) All of lots 738 and 739 in assessor's plat no. 8 and all of lot 8 in assessor's plat no. 1.
- (13) All of lots 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 in assessor's plat no. 1., and
- (14) Excluding all properties east of Griswold Street.

Copies of the proposed Amended and Restated Plan, maps, plats, etc. are on file at the office of the City Clerk for inspection during normal business hours of Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. local prevailing time, or on the City of Northville's website at www.ci.northville.mi.us and the Downtown Development Authority's website at www.downtownnorthville.com (go to About Downtown, then Studies and Reports).

At the public hearing, all interested persons desiring to address the City Council shall be afforded an opportunity to be heard in regard to the approval of the Amended and Restated Plan for the Northville Downtown Development Authority and all aspects of the Amended and Restated Plan will be open for discussion at the public hearing.

FURTHER INFORMATION may be obtained from the office of the Northville Downtown Development Authority, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan, 48167, 248-349-0345.

This notice is given by order of the City Council of the City of Northville, Michigan.

DIANNE MASSA, CITY CLERK
CITY OF NORTHVILLE

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PREP WRESTLING

Lowell pins tough field in CC mat invitational

By Brad Emons
Staff Writer

In a tournament that one coach described as a “meat grinder” that featured seven of the top 10 wrestling teams ranked in the Power 15 by *Michigan Grappler*, Lowell dominated the 23-team Novi Detroit Catholic Central Invitational field with 224 points.

Brighton was runner-up with 158.5, while the host Shamrocks, led by 160-pound individual champion Myles Amine, placed third with 149.5.

Rounding out the top 10 teams were Grand Rapids Catholic Central (140.5), Oxford (122.5), Lapeer (113.5), Warren Lincoln (112), Niles (105), Westland John Glenn (100) and Hudson (96.5).

“Our guys battled hard today,” CC coach Mitch Hancock said. “This is by far the toughest invite in the state and is a great measuring stick for our team and many others. This event provided a great competition and a phenomenal atmosphere for the wrestling fans across the state and that’s what we wanted to accomplish. As a team, we have a lot of



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Catholic Central’s Myles Amine (right) won the 160-pound title with a 14-5 major decision over Brighton’s Beau Mourer.

work to do, but I like the way our guys fought today.”

Amine, a senior captain, ran his overall record to 21-0 with a 14-5 major decision over Beau Mourer of Brighton in the finals. Ranked No. 13 in the country at his weight, Amine was coming off an impressive major decision victory over three-time Division 3 state champion Devin Skatzka the previous week at the Medina (Ohio) Invitational.

CC senior Nick Giese

(189) also reached the finals before falling 6-5 to Allegan’s Chase Beard.

Other CC placers included Trevor Zdebski (130), third; Tommy Herrmann (125) and Nick Jenkins (285), fifth; Stone Moscovic (103) and Aaron Rehfeldt (112), sixth; and Davis Rastigue (103), seventh.

Lowell, the defending MHSAA Division 2 team champion, boasted two individual winners in Zeth Dean (130) and Josh Colegrove (215).

Grand Rapids CC,

meanwhile, garnered four individual titles: Devin Schroder (119), Kole Krauss (135), Nate Limmex (140) and Foster Karmon (152).

Also taking first were Westland John Glenn’s Michael Mars (103) and John Siemasz (112), Oxford’s Alex Hrisopoulos (125), Bay City Western’s Christian Schoenherr (145), Lincoln’s Jelani Embree (171) and Lapeer’s Dan Perry (285).

DETROIT CATHOLIC CENTRAL INVITATIONAL WRESTLING

TOURNAMENT RESULTS Jan. 4 at Novi Detroit CC TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Lowell, 224 points; 2. Brighton, 158.5; 3. Novi Detroit Catholic Central, 149.5; 4. Grand Rapids Catholic Central, 140.5; 5. Oxford, 122.5; 6. Lapeer, 113.5; 7. Warren Lincoln, 112; 8. Niles, 105; 9. Westland John Glenn, 100; 10. Hudson, 96.5; 11. Bay City Western, 96; 12. Allegan, 91; 13. Macomb Dakota, 81; 14. Tecumseh, 78; 15. Grand Rapids Forest Hills Central, 77; 16. Utica Eisenhower, 71; 17. Marysville, 63; 18. Grandville, 57.5; 19. Brownstown Woodhaven, 40; 20. Clarkston, 39; 21. Warren Woods Tower, 25; 22. Fowlerville, 12; 23. Portage Central, 9.

CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS 103 pounds: Michael Mars (Glenn) won by technical fall over Demarco Dixon (Lincoln), 15-0; **3rd place:** Sam Russell (Lowell) dec. Davynn Schneider (Allegan), 2-1; **5th place:** Kyle French (Marysville) won by major decision over Stone Moscovic (Detroit CC), 12-2; **7th place:** Austin Hale (B.C. Western) won by void over Davis Rastigue (Detroit CC).

112: John Siemasz (Glenn) won by major dec. over Sergio Borg (Oxford), 9-1; **3rd:** Kyle Washburn (Lowell) dec. Dalton Lopez (Grandville), 4-2; **5th:** Layne Malczewski (Dakota) dec. Aaron Rehfeldt (Detroit CC), 4-2; **7th:** Jacob Call (Oxford) dec. Anton Shkreli (Eisenhower), 5-2.

119: Devin Schroder (Grand Rapids CC) dec. Lucas Hall (Lowell), 4-1; **3rd:** Andrew Marten (Tecumseh) won by void over Jackson Reniker (Brighton); **5th:** Brett Bastianelli (Marysville) won by void over Grant Morrison (Brighton); **7th:** Josh Dayhoff (Niles) won by void Tyler Sanders (Dakota).

125: Alex Hrisopoulos (Oxford) won by major dec. over Tyler Roberts (Hudson), 15-6; **3rd:** Aaron Ward (Lowell) won by default over Daniel Tomko (Forest Hills); **5th:** Tommy Herrmann (Detroit CC) won by forfeit over Xavier Graham (Woodhaven); **7th:** Brandon Hall (Niles) dec. Vince Marceau (Eisenhower), 6-4.

130: Zeth Dean (Lowell) won by tech. fall over Garret Kaercher (Lincoln), 15-0; **3rd:** Trevor Zdebski (Detroit CC) won by default over Carlo Marceau (Eisenhower); **5th:** Warren Smith (Niles) dec. Kyle Bohnsack (Brighton), 5-1; **7th:** Mitchell Fideisen (Niles) dec. Payton Benetue (Glenn), 3-2. **135:** Kole Krauss (Grand Rapids CC) dec. Noah Niles (Niles), 3-1; **3rd:** Thomas Schoenherr (B.C. Western) won by injury default over Michael Prock (Hudson), 4:14; **5th:** Collin Campbell (Oxford) dec. Shawn

Lindsey (Lincoln), 3-1; **7th:** Frank Alcini (Dakota) won by void over Hunter Grasso (Woodhaven).

140: Nate Limmex (Grand Rapids CC) dec. Austin Thompson (Marysville), 8-3; **3rd:** Jordan Hall (Lowell) pinned Aljie Buitier (Grandville), 2:42; **5th:** Jacob Patterson (Dakota) p. Nick Hughes (Forest Hills), 4:59; **7th:** Jake Calvano (Clarkston) dec. Courtland Lambertson (Niles), 3-1.

145: Christian Schoenherr (B.C. Western) dec. Connor McDill (Eisenhower), 7-4; **3rd:** Ryan Salmon (Brighton) dec. David Kruse (Lowell), 5-4; **5th:** Josh Marcum (Tecumseh) p. Owen Donovan (Eisenhower), 2:27; **7th:** James Gengelbach (Forest Hills) won by major dec. over Isaac Torrey (Forest Hills), 14-3.

152: Foster Karmon (Grand Rapids CC) dec. Dillon Ellsworth (Lapeer), 6-5; **3rd:** Kyle Johnson (Hudson) won by void over Khannor Kaercher (Lincoln); **5th:** Nate Vandemeer (Clarkston) won by major dec. over Kam Bush (Grandville), 12-2; **7th:** Keigan Yuhas (Lowell) p. Nick Papas (Dakota), 1-46.

160: Myles Amine (Detroit CC) won by major dec. over Beau Mourer (Brighton), 14-5; **3rd:** Noah Kinne (Lapeer) dec. Matt Mills (Forest Hills), 5-2; **5th:** Dan Kruse (Lowell) won by forfeit over Trey Boerman (Brighton); **7th:** Eli Boulton (Lowell) dec. Garrett Pehote (Tower), 5-3.

171: Jelani Embree (Lincoln) dec. Devin Pingel (Lapeer), 7-5; **3rd:** Nick Brish (Brighton) won by void over Levi Sabin (Allegan); **5th:** Jared Tennihill (Grand Rapids CC) dec. Robert Duncan (Woodhaven), 6-4; **7th:** Sean Craig (Niles) dec. Isaiah Kinney (Forest Hills), 1-0.

189: Chase Beard (Allegan) dec. Nick Giese (Detroit CC), 6-5; **3rd:** Wyatt Hardin (Oxford) p. Tylor Grames (Hudson), 1:31; **5th:** Kody McCrate (Tecumseh) won by void over Cody Okes (B.C. Western); **7th:** Patrick Dowd (Brighton) won by major dec. over Logan Blough (Lowell), 16-4.

215: Josh Colegrove (Lowell) dec. Luke Ready (Brighton), 3-2; **3rd:** Antonio Balabani (Dakota) dec. Grant Tennihill (Grand Rapids CC), 4-3; **5th:** Jacob Perry (Lapeer) dec. Ted Jankowiak (Niles), 3-1; **7th:** Nate Irvine (Glenn) p. Josh Dodd (Woodhaven), 2:42.

285: Dan Perry (Lapeer) won by tech. fall over Eric Conquest (Brighton), 16-1; **3rd:** Logan Wilcox (Lowell) dec. Alex Bala (Niles), 1-0; **5th:** Nathan Brady (Tecumseh) won by void Nick Jenkins (Detroit CC); **7th:** Justin Thomas (Lapeer) dec. Brandon LaFrance (Lincoln), 2-1.

Mustangs’ Wang earns first place at Rochester Adams tournament

By Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Northville’s Shunhe Wang started 2015 off on the right foot by capturing the 125-pound title Saturday at the Rochester Adams Invitational wrestling tournament.

The senior captain and returning state qualifier went undefeated on the day, while fellow seniors Mark Castellano (135) and Chris Koumariotis (152) also cruised through their respective weight classes with multiple bonus-point victories before falling in the finals.

Senior Jim Behe and sophomore Conrad Landis also placed fifth and sixth, respectively, in the 119-pound weight class for the Mustangs.

The host Highlanders, who placed eight in the finals while emerging with three firsts, captured the team title. Southfield, Birmingham



NIDA BEHE

Northville’s three finalists at the Rochester Adams Invitational wrestling tournament included (from left) runner-up Chris Koumariotis (152), champion Shunhe Wang (125) and runner-up Mark Castellano (135).

Seaholm, Rochester Stoney Creek and Michigan Center rounded out the top five.

The field also included Northville, Midland Dow, South Lyon East and Grosse Pointe

North.

Wildcats take fifth

Seniors Evan Davis (135) and Kyle Benkarski (152) each earned a third-place finish Saturday as Novi finished fifth out of 22 teams at the Warren Fitzgerald tournament.

Walled Lake Central captured the team title, followed by Port Huron and Algonac in second and third, respectively.

Also earning fifth-place individual finishes for Novi included freshman Zach Rouch (103) and sophomore Evan Davis (112).

“I was very pleased with our performance as a team Saturday,” Novi coach Joel Smith said. “We finished in fifth with only having 12 in the lineup. All the boys wrestled hard and showed we are improving every week.”

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THE WEEK AHEAD

BOYS BASKETBALL Thursday, Jan. 8
Gab. Richard at Franklin Rd., 7 p.m.
Friday, Jan. 9
Northville at Salem, 7 p.m.
S. Lyon East at Novi, 7 p.m.
U-D Jesuit at Detroit CC, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 13
Stevenson at Northville, 7 p.m.
Novi at South Lyon, 7 p.m.
S’field Christian at Franklin Rd., 7 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 16
Northville at Novi, 7 p.m.
Detroit CC at Brother Rice, 7:30 p.m.
Liggett at Franklin Road, 8:30 p.m.

GIRLS BASKETBALL Friday, Jan. 9
Salem at Northville, 7 p.m.
Novi at S. Lyon East, 7 p.m.
Luth. W’sld at Franklin Rd., 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 13
Northville at Stevenson, 7 p.m.
South Lyon at Novi, 7 p.m.
Franklin Rd. at S’Field Christian, 7 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 16
Northville at Novi, 5:30 p.m.
Liggett at Franklin Road, 7 p.m.

BOYS HOCKEY Thursday, Jan. 8
Northville vs. S. Lyon Unified at Kensington Valley I.H., 6 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 9
Novi at Calumet, 7 p.m.
Detroit CC vs. U-D Jesuit at Compuware Arena, 7 p.m.
Northville vs. Reeths-Puffer at Novi Ice Arena, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 10
Detroit CC vs. Cranbrook at Compuware Arena, 5:30 p.m.
Novi at Hancock, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 14
Novi vs. Hartland at Novi Ice Arena, 6 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 16
Detroit CC at Culver (Ind.), 6 p.m.
Northville vs. Novi at Novi Ice Arena, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 17
Detroit CC at Culver (Ind.), 9 a.m.

Novi vs. Brighton at Novi Ice Arena, 7 p.m.

GIRLS HOCKEY Saturday, Jan. 10
Northville vs. Walled Lake at Suburban Ice, TBA.

Sunday, Jan. 11
Northville vs. Univ.-Liggett at Livonia’s Edgar Arena, 5 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 17
Northville at Cranbrook, 7 p.m.

Sunday, Jan. 18
Northville vs. Grosse Pte. South at Livonia’s Edgar Arena, 5 p.m.

PREP WRESTLING Saturday, Jan. 10
N’ville at Stevenson Inv., 9 a.m.

Novi at Holly Invitational, 10 a.m.
Detroit CC Super Duals, 10 a.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 14

Northville, Novi at Salem, 5:30 p.m.
Detroit CC at Davison, 6 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 17
Detroit CC at Dakota Duals, 9 a.m.
N’ville, Novi at Chelsea Inv., 9:30 a.m.

BOYS SWIMMING Saturday, Jan. 10
Novi at W. Bloomfield, TBA.

Northville Quad, noon.
Tuesday, Jan. 13
Birm. Groves at Novi, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, Jan. 15
Northville at S. Lyon East, 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 17
Detroit CC at E. Gr. Rapids, noon.

PREP BOWLING Thursday, Jan. 8
Detroit CC vs. Divine Child at Bowl One, 3:30 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 9
Northville vs. Wayne, Salem vs. Novi

at Town N’ Country, 3:30 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 10
CC at Plymouth Tourney at Super Bowl, 1 p.m.

Monday, Jan. 12
Novi vs. Wayne Memorial, at Novi Bowl, 3:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 13
Novi vs. John Glenn, Northville vs. Canton

at Novi Bowl, 3:30 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 16
Detroit CC vs. DeLaSalle at Sterling Lanes, 3:30 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 17
Detroit CC at Oakland County at Thunderbird Lanes, TBA.

GIRLS GYMNASTICS Saturday, Jan. 17
Northville at Milford Inv., 8 a.m.

PREP SKIING Thursday, Jan. 8
Novi vs. West Bloomfield, Lakeland at Alpine Valley, 4 p.m.

Detroit CC vs. Hartland at Mt. Brighton, 6 p.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 13
Detroit CC vs. Birm. Unified at Mt. Brighton, 5 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 14
Novi vs. W.L. Central, Milford at Alpine Valley, 4 p.m.

Thursday, Jan. 15
Novi vs. W.L. Central, Milford at Alpine Valley, 4 p.m.

Detroit CC vs. Okemos at Mt. Brighton, 6 p.m.

COMPETITIVE CHEER Saturday, Jan. 10
Novi at Fowlerville Inv., TBA.

Wednesday, Jan. 14
Novi, Stevenson at Novi, 6 p.m.

TBA – to be announced.

CC bowlers seventh in Ladywood Holiday tourney

Host Canton captured the boys team title in Saturday’s Ladywood Holiday Bowling Tournament held at Super Bowl.

The Chiefs toppled 3,770 pins – 2,906 during the three-game individual series and 864 during Baker competition – to outdistance runner-up New Boston Huron Red (3,581).

Carleton Airport was third in the 23-team field

with 3,527, followed by Macomb Dakota (3,469), Wayne Memorial (3,436), Westland John Glenn (3,343) and Novi Detroit Catholic Central (3,331).

Dakota’s Justin Taylor was the top individual bowler, registering a three-game series of 660. He rolled games of 230, 212 and 218 to edge individual runner-up Joey Krzywonos of Novi Detroit Catholic Central by

13 pins.

Canton’s Tyler Pozan was third overall with a 645 series, while the Chiefs’ Mitchell Zelenak rolled a 267 for the high individual game of the day.

LIVONIA LADYWOOD HOLIDAY BOWLING TOURNEY Jan. 3 at Super Bowl

BOYS TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Canton, 3,770 pins; 2. New Boston Huron (Red), 3,581; 3. Carleton Airport, 3,527; 4. Macomb Dakota, 3,469; 5. Wayne Memori-

al, 3,436; 6. Westland John Glenn, 3,343; 7. Novi Detroit Catholic Central, 3,331; 8. Salem, 3,298; 9. St. Clair Shores Lakeview, 3,287; 10. South Lyon East, 3,234; 11. Flat Rock, 3,184; 12. Waterford Kettering, 3,179; 13. South Lyon, 3,155; 14. Plymouth, 3,148; 15. Birmingham Brother Rice, 3,134; 16. Farmington-Harrison, 3,084; 17. Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard, 3,042; 18. North Farmington, 2,928; 19. New Boston Huron (White), 2,806; 20. Auburn Hills Oakland Christian, 2,739; 21. Livonia Clarenceville, 2,608; 22. New Boston Huron (Blue), 2,481; 23. Berkley, 2,437.

Detroit CC scorers: 2. Joey Krzywonos, 647 (series); 19. Sean Ebban, 565; 42. Jordan Jenkins, 512; 53. Brian Hohentanner, 470.

HAT TRICK

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we shot the puck before their guy knocked off the net, which would have been a continuation play and the goal should have counted,” he said. “And (the official) said the net was off before our guy shot the puck, then our guy told me that (Northville) actually touched the puck with their hand in the crease and (the official) didn’t see that either.”

The disallowed goal seemed to have an adverse effect on Dakota, as Northville successfully killed off the two penalties and responded with three quick goals during the final 8:13 of the second period.

O’Connell scored from Meacham and Morgan to make it 3-1, followed by a nifty three-way play resulting in a goal by

Petar Elieff (from Jack Sargent and Cameron Layne) to make it a three-goal cushion.

With 2:26 remaining in the second, Kyle Dann put the Mustangs ahead 5-1 with Riley Brass and Sargent drawing the assists.

“If that goes in, we tie that game up and who knows what happens from there?” Campana said of the disallowed goal. “But obviously they (Northville) were too much for us. They kept coming. We had a bad period and once it got up to about 4-1, we lost all wind in our sails at that point.”

The only negative of the second period for Northville was an injury to senior defenseman P.J. Schepp. He excited the game and had his arm in a protective sling afterward.

“He hurt his shoulder,” Robert said. “We’re not quite sure, but obviously

he’s hurting. We’re hoping nothing is serious. P.J. is a huge part of this team, so we’re going to cross our fingers and hopefully get some good news tomorrow.”

Northville added two more goals in the final period.

Senior Brett Ridener scored unassisted on a steal of the puck just inside the Dakota blue line after it was tipped by Grant LaLonde, who also drew an assist.

And fittingly, O’Connell capped a big night by notching ninth of the season off assists from Meacham and Morgan with 3:58 remaining.

“That’s great for (O’Connell) to get that hat trick,” Robert said. “He’s been working hard and he’s really been clicking on that top line. He’s been kind of the distributor, so it’s good see him get a share of the pie there, so I was really excited to see him put that third one

in there late.”

Boutin, a senior, stood tall by stopping 28-of-29 Dakota shots, with his biggest save coming with 3:58 remaining in the second period on another Cougars breakthrough.

Meanwhile, Johns faced a total of 35 Northville shots and made 28 saves.

“We had some opportunities, but one of the things we lack are goal scorers,” Campana said. “We lack the pure goal scorer that can bury the puck that’s got wheels. That’s why we’re playing the system that we do where we have a guy up. We have to because if we don’t, then we don’t have anything going. But we’re really young. We only have six seniors, so it’s a learning process. But if we get better every game, every practice and we’re working hard, then we’re OK.”

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Northville goalie Chance Boutin (right) keeps his eye on Dakota’s Reese Buckner during Monday’s game at Novi Ice Arena.

Signs encouraging for new home construction in 2015

By Julie Brown
Staff Writer

With four-county employment at its highest point since November 2008 and oil prices at their lowest since December 2010 – and trending downward – the *Home Builders Association/ASA New Housing Permit Forecast* projects that new home permits should make their strongest start (dating back to 2006) during the first five months of 2015.

“Oil prices have obviously been getting a lot of attention,” said Michael Stoskopf, CEO of the Home Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan. He sees increased disposable income among residents of Oakland, Wayne, Macomb and St. Clair counties making them more likely to build homes.

“It seems like the metrics point to an uptick,” said Williamston, Mich., resident Stoskopf. “We’re excited about that.”

In analyzing economic data, Stoskopf and colleagues look at: people employed in the labor work force; mortgage rates for a 30-year fixed mortgage; oil price by barrel; North American vehicle production; single-family home prices reported by REALCOMP; and a few other lesser factors.

“There has been some contraction in the real estate market,” he said. “A lot of that occurs seasonally.” At the holidays, people are celebrating, he said, and less like-



Michael Stoskopf



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Homes are and have been under construction throughout Lyon Township, like this one.

ly to be in the housing market.

Based on single-family new home permit data compiled by the Home Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan and reported in the *Southeastern Michigan Residential Building Activity Report*, a total of 206 single-family home permits were issued in Macomb, Oakland, St. Clair and Wayne counties in November 2014.

While the number of permits issued in November was down sharply from October's figure (399), it exceeded the HBA's forecast model expectation of 176 permits. The number of permits was also down when compared to November 2013 (297). The decrease in activity may be

attributable to a slowdown in the market and seasonal adjustments, as Stoskopf noted occurs regularly late in the year.

He agreed some contractors face challenges in locating skilled workers, with that “still at a premium for some of the trades.”

Some contractors had increased workloads, Stoskopf said, but were still hesitant to hire. “Laying people off is no fun if you ever had to go through it,” he said. “I think some of that is getting better.”

Some skilled workers had relocated or taken other jobs, he said. “I think there's reason for optimism going forward,” he added.

The HBA, headquartered in

West Bloomfield, locally has done the model over the last five years with an accuracy rate of 98 percent. The forecast for this past November's permits was based on study seven months earlier, he said.

“I have pretty good confidence based on the long-term performance of our model,” Stoskopf added. He noted factors such as weather (last year's harsh winter, for example) or another recession can't be anticipated.

“Oakland County is No. 1 for single-family homes produced,” with much new home activity in Lyon Township and Novi.

In Wayne County, Canton dominates building, the industry expert said, while Macomb County is led by Macomb Township and Shelby Township.

He agreed that local municipalities influence how much building happens, noting “They can make it really difficult for a developer.”

Some areas are running out of lots for building, Stoskopf said, although the areas he mentioned as booming “have all been very positive in welcoming new development going in.”

That building leads to both property and sales taxes being paid, he said, as well as spin-off spending. There's less resistance to new building at the end of a recession such as we've experienced, he said.

Home values for existing homes go up with new home building, he noted. “Having that value come into a neighborhood or a community really helps everybody.”

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‘Car condo’ must be done correctly

Q: I recently read about a “car condo” opening up, which has garages and a track. What are your observations about that type of project?

A: It is like any other condominium project, it must be well constructed with adequate financing, a responsible developer and sales must meet the expectations of the developer in order for the project to be successful. Moreover, purchasers must be aware of the restrictions in the condominium and their obligations as co-owners. It is a neat idea which, if done properly, can be successful. Just like airplane condominiums and other high rise garage condominiums.

Q: What is the limit on the loan amount for FHA mortgages?

A: The Federal Housing Finance Agency (FHFA) announced that the maximum conforming loan limits for mortgages acquired by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac in 2015 will remain at \$417,000 for one-unit properties in most of the country, including all of Michigan. The loan limits are established for each county under the terms of the Housing and Economic Recovery Act of 2008 (HERA) and are calculated each year. HERA sets maximum loan limits as a function of median home values in that county. If you are looking to move to Alaska, for example, the loan limit is \$625,500, and it is that high in some other counties throughout the country. A complete listing for all the counties in the United States, American Samoa, Guam, Puerto Rico, the Northern Mariana Islands, and the Virgin Islands may be found at www.fhfa.gov/DataTools/Downloads/Documents/Conforming-Loan-Limits/FullCountyLoanLimit-List2015_HERA-BASED_FINAL.pdf.

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REAL ESTATE BRIEFS

Short sales

If you owe more than what your house is worth, you may be interested in a free informational seminar on short sale procedures.

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

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

Investors

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

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

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

Seminar each Tuesday, Thursday

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

RSVP with Colonial Mortgage at 800-260-5484.

HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-OAKLAND COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Aug. 11-15, 2014, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

BEVERLY HILLS	
31921 Robinhood Dr	\$518,000
BINGHAM FARMS	
30790 River Crossing St	\$335,000
BIRMINGHAM	
1335 Bird Ave	\$570,000
1345 Cole St	\$300,000
615 Davis Ave	\$405,000
1300 Edgewood Rd	\$446,000
799 Emmons Ave	\$260,000
528 Graten St	\$345,000
571 Linden Rd	\$1,160,000
559 N Glenhurst Dr	\$535,000
1647 Shipman Blvd	\$345,000
986 Smith Ave	\$374,000
1208 Villa Rd	\$355,000
340 Wellesley St	\$425,000
BLOOMFIELD HILLS	
5166 Provincial Dr	\$480,000
3007 Anthony Ln	\$635,000
3773 Darlington Rd N	\$410,000
964 Dursley Rd	\$323,000
2570 Essex Ln	\$316,000
6327 Thorncrest Dr	\$425,000
BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP	
1873 Chipping Way	\$250,000
1950 Cragin Dr	\$220,000
1612 Lochridge Rd	\$850,000
2463 Mulberry Sq	\$75,000
7160 Wing Lake Rd	\$240,000
6186 Worlington Rd	\$1,250,000
COMMERCE TOWNSHIP	
8223 Arlis St	\$112,000
2347 Brigantine	\$272,000
2254 Calibouge	\$259,000
3262 Chenoa St	\$110,000
2921 Gabriel Dr	\$147,000
1467 Knob Hl	\$180,000

9130 Marilyn Ter	\$441,000
2451 Massena St	\$190,000
5430 Mill Race Way	\$330,000
3115 Newton Rd	\$109,000
255 Oriole St	\$110,000
2349 Palmetto	\$249,000
2590 Pinto Dr	\$185,000
3760 Sleeth Rd	\$370,000
4776 Sundew St	\$167,000
6079 Venice Dr	\$292,000
FARMINGTON	
22991 Frederick Ave	\$148,000
33728 Grand River Ave	\$315,000
32936 Slocum Dr	\$160,000
36030 Smithfield Rd	\$230,000
33608 State St	\$250,000
23560 Stonehouse Ct	\$260,000
FARMINGTON HILLS	
22273 Abington Dr	\$320,000
36600 Almond Cir	\$300,000
37810 Amber Dr	\$275,000
21415 Archwood Cir	\$178,000
28850 Bannockburn St	\$200,000
27491 Bridle Hills Dr	\$195,000
35104 Bunker Hill Dr	\$224,000
33513 Cadillac St	\$200,000
25415 Chapelweigh Dr	\$223,000
38351 Churchill Ln	\$176,000
35025 Concord Ln	\$229,000
27420 Doreen St	\$130,000
26277 Dundalk St	\$248,000
28455 E Greenmeadow Cir	\$212,000
31415 E Stonewood Ct	\$250,000
34016 Edna St	\$120,000
34000 Harlowshire St	\$106,000
29660 Highmeadow Rd	\$230,000
29884 Indian Trl	\$138,000
33671 Longwood Dr	\$185,000
26321 Meadowview Dr	\$220,000
29628 Middlebelt Rd Unit 2701	\$93,000
39335 Plumbrook Dr	\$285,000
30496 Ramblewood Club Dr	\$225,000
21935 River Ridge Trl	\$195,000

26333 Springfield Dr	\$160,000
29151 Summerwood Ct	\$243,000
30943 Sutters Hill Ct	\$318,000
22580 Tulane Ave	\$117,000
31915 W 14 Mile Rd # 248	\$147,000
26100 Westmeath St	\$202,000
20891 Whitlock St	\$88,000
29119 Wilton Dr	\$300,000
FRANKLIN	
30609 Inkster Rd	\$258,000
HIGHLAND	
345 Gleneagles	\$340,000
3327 High Knoll Dr	\$300,000
1584 Island Dr	\$85,000
1149 Kingsway Dr	\$183,000
1692 Percy	\$390,000
MILFORD	
562 E Dawson Rd	\$285,000
118 E Washington St	\$153,000
620 East St	\$215,000
1571 Hidden Valley Dr	\$573,000
1120 Prince St	\$128,000
31059 Star Trl	\$287,000
2811 Tall Timbers Dr	\$680,000
2294 Tanbark	\$440,000
NORTHVILLE	
21352 E Glen Haven Cir	\$140,000
413 Ely Dr S	\$235,000
48832 Veneto Dr	\$1,060,000
NOVI	
27582 Albert St	\$282,000
24249 Amanda Ln	\$350,000
45525 Andes Hills Ct	\$210,000
43105 Ashbury Dr	\$440,000
27330 Benjamins Way	\$285,000
41248 Coventry Rd	\$374,000
23687 Dunston Rd	\$425,000
27924 Hopkins Dr	\$174,000
44908 Huntingcross Dr	\$352,000
44689 Huntington Dr	\$245,000
40857 Kingsley Ln	\$310,000
26230 Mandalay Cir	\$216,000
44612 Mansfield Dr	\$325,000
28450 Meadowbrook Rd	\$415,000
23535 N Rockledge	\$120,000

24437 Olde Orchard St	\$85,000
40551 Rock Hill St	\$95,000
25120 Taft Rd	\$455,000
24306 Thatcher Ct	\$473,000
SOUTH LYON	
53713 Edgewood Dr	\$308,000
1004 Fountain View Cir	\$124,000
634 Maple Dr	\$257,000
28015 Pontiac Trl	\$225,000
190 Princeton Dr	\$40,000
22230 Quail Run Cir Unit 1	\$150,000
23220 Sandra St	\$125,000
53815 Springwood Dr	\$275,000
SOUTHFIELD	
20885 Andover Rd	\$143,000
15640 Arbor Pl	\$110,000
18780 Bainbridge Dr	\$145,000
29250 Everett St	\$120,000
25906 Franklin Pointe Dr	\$71,000
18201 Greenwald Dr	\$150,000
22550 Hallcroft Trl	\$105,000
29550 Heritage Ln	\$175,000
16985 Hilton St	\$96,000
28330 Lahser Rd	\$158,000
17277 Redwood Ct	\$55,000
30353 Rock Creek Dr	\$185,000
25399 Saint James	\$115,000
27394 Shagbark Dr	\$70,000
22475 Shevington Dr	\$68,000
5000 Town Ctr # 1901	\$105,000
22604 W 11 Mile Rd	\$142,000
25505 W 12 Mile Rd # 2600	\$265,000
WHITE LAKE	
10736 Bogie Lake Rd	\$500,000
8275 Filmore Ct	\$395,000
500 Jamestown Dr	\$273,000
8170 Kenwick Dr	\$163,000
9020 Maplewood Dr	\$148,000
65 N Williams Lake Rd	\$168,000
8575 Newport Dr	\$305,000
9168 Steephollow Dr	\$210,000
621 Sunnybeach Dr	\$290,000

HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-WAYNE COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Sept. 2-5, 2014, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

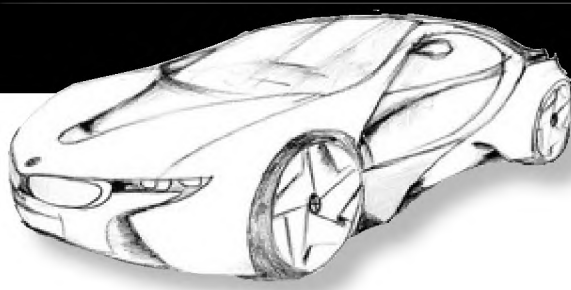
CANTON	
48573 Antique Rd	\$472,000
43648 Appomattox Ct	\$210,000
4174 Brookstone Dr	\$257,000
4228 Brookstone Dr	\$226,000
701 Cherry Orchard Rd	\$186,000
47145 Eastbourne Rd	\$332,000
39912 Edmundton Dr	\$155,000
6895 Longwood Rd	\$250,000
47302 N Pointe Dr	\$380,000
47795 Ormskirk Dr	\$145,000
1592 Peninsula Ct	\$205,000
39773 Peters Dr	\$183,000
2029 Pinecroft Dr	\$143,000
437 Roseland Dr	\$215,000
41910 Saratoga Cir	\$180,000
39699 Scottsdale Dr	\$160,000
42051 Trent Dr	\$250,000
42354 Trent Dr	\$267,000
51054 Upland View St	\$50,000
GARDEN CITY	
842 Arcola St	\$110,000
31119 Beechwood St	\$108,000

31948 Dover St	\$73,000
LIVONIA	
12170 Arcola St	\$73,000
14713 Auburndale St	\$105,000
37914 Birch Run	\$225,000
29664 Clarita St	\$48,000
15907 Deering St	\$143,000
17603 Dolores St	\$150,000
17320 Fairfield St	\$165,000
36144 Fairway Dr	\$266,000
11872 Farmington Rd	\$120,000
17209 Francavilla Dr	\$260,000
15072 Gary Ln	\$134,000
9121 Harrison St	\$120,000
31045 Hathaway St	\$138,000
36267 Hees St	\$159,000
16351 Inkster Rd	\$155,000
36114 Jamison St	\$179,000
35970 Joy Rd	\$138,000
34044 La Moynie St	\$153,000
29563 Linda St	\$125,000
29527 Lyndon St	\$158,000
9230 Melrose St	\$129,000
34865 Munger Dr	\$163,000
32968 Oakley St	\$175,000
33009 Oakley St	\$150,000
14931 Paderewski St	\$64,000
14525 Park St	\$173,000
14674 Richfield St	\$145,000
34621 Saint Martins St	\$279,000

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Toyota Sienna Exemplifies Why Minivans Are Still So Great



With minivan sales showing more perk than they have in a while, Toyota is introducing a refreshed 2015 Sienna minivan with a passel of strategic improvements in the vehicle itself – and a marketing campaign that breaks significantly more interesting ground.



Toyota's just-breaking "Unexpected Adventures" campaign for the fall launch of the new Sienna is an internet-only campaign that uses fun videos that happen to be created by parents who already showed they were adept at exploiting the world of social media.

Meanwhile, the 2014 Toyota Sienna that it replaces showed me on a recent trip that it has absolutely everything families would need in an automotive platform. And so the improvements in the new model year – touches such as a feature that helps parents talk with kids in the rear of the vehicle without having to shout – only enhance what already is an outstanding package.

I've always been extremely partial to minivans in

the first place, having leased a couple of Chrysler Town & Country minivans sequentially as our kids were growing up. And from the beginning of the minivan phenomenon with Chrysler vehicles in the early Eighties until today, I defy anyone to come up with a category of vehicle that is so versatile and checks so many boxes for practical automotive ownership.

Decent gas mileage for a larger vehicle? Check.

Pretty good handling for something that's not a sports sedan? Check.

Complete and utter flexibility of the interior space for passengers and cargo? Double check

Most comfortable and flexible seating options for the largest number and biggest variety of people? Double check as well.

Best driver and passenger visibility, especially in the front, for any type of vehicle on the American road? Triple check.

No matter so many soccer moms bought and are still buying minivans. And that, of course, is the only real rub against this mode of transportation: It's considered dowdy. And today's soccer moms and dads don't want to be seen as fuddy-duddies, so minivans aren't even on the consideration list for many, many families these days as they buy new vehicles.

They should put Sienna back on that list. Aesthetically on the outside, it's about as pleasing as a minivan can get. And inside – where vans do their business – it executes to the max on each one of those



Great visibility is one of the abiding features of Sienna and other minivans.

major advantages of minivans.

The 2014 Sienna we drove on an iconic, Fourth of July road trip up the peninsula was powered by a 3.5-liter, 24-valve six-cylinder engine that yielded an EPA-rated 16 mpg in the city and 23 mpg on the highway. My mileage, mostly highway and country driving, was a little better than that in the latter measure.

In any event, Toyota's reliable 3.5-liter was a dependable power train, not only providing acceptable mileage, better than SUVs of its size, and also moving Sienna around briskly even over country hills and in passing lanes. Plus the driver's package in the XLE version I drove included brake-assist and smart-stop technology that came in handy more than once on the trip.

Sienna's highly comfortable interior demonstrated one of the best attributes of minivans versus SUVs: second-row seats that recline to a meaningful degree. In fact, Sienna's second-row captain's chairs had foot rests that turned them into "lounge" chairs and encouraged second-row occupants to sleep along the way, providing the driver with peace and quiet.

The vehicle's configurable interior seemed bottomless in accommodating luggage, as folded the rear seats back and piled suitcases, beach gear, groceries and all the other trip essentials into the deep well that opened up when we moved the seats. And when we got to our destination and wanted to use the rear seats for passengers, they simply folded back down into the well again.

In the 2015 version of Sienna, Toyota is adding LED daytime running lights, more soft-touch surfaces, optional black-leather seats with contrasting white stitching, and the cool new intercom feature. Called Driver Easy Speak, and also found on the Highlander SUV, it allows parents behind the wheel to talk through a microphone while they're driving so they don't have to yell back at their kids in the third row. It's an important safety feature that can really make a difference in a minivan.

Sienna sales actually were about flat through June compared with a year earlier. Some competing vans, such as Town & Country, have been posting sales increases over a year ago, and overall the minivans category seems to be getting more attention – and respect.



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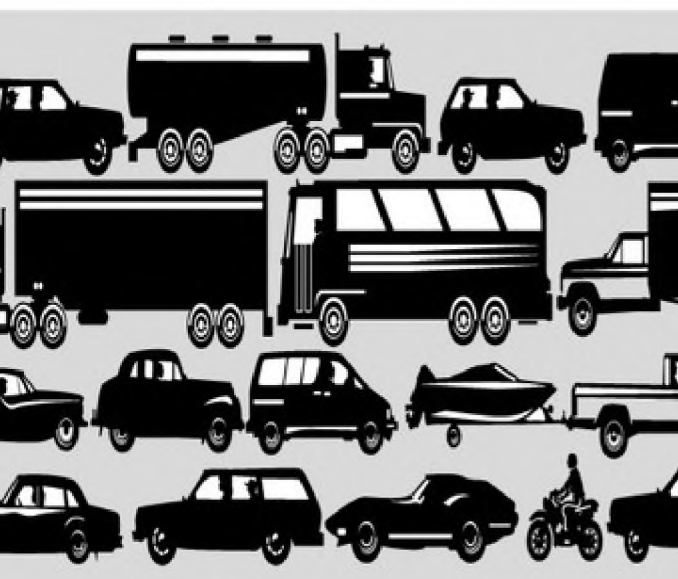
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The books that have shaped our workforce

By Susan Ricker,
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Your collection of books may include some personal favorites, recommendations from friends, old textbooks and the occasional yard sale pick. But if you're putting together a collection of books that have shaped America's workforce, you might want to ask around for suggestions before calling the list complete.

The Department of Labor is partnering with the Center for the Book in the Library of Congress to celebrate the DOL's centennial in 2013 and honor our nation's workforce in a project, "Books that Shaped Work in America."

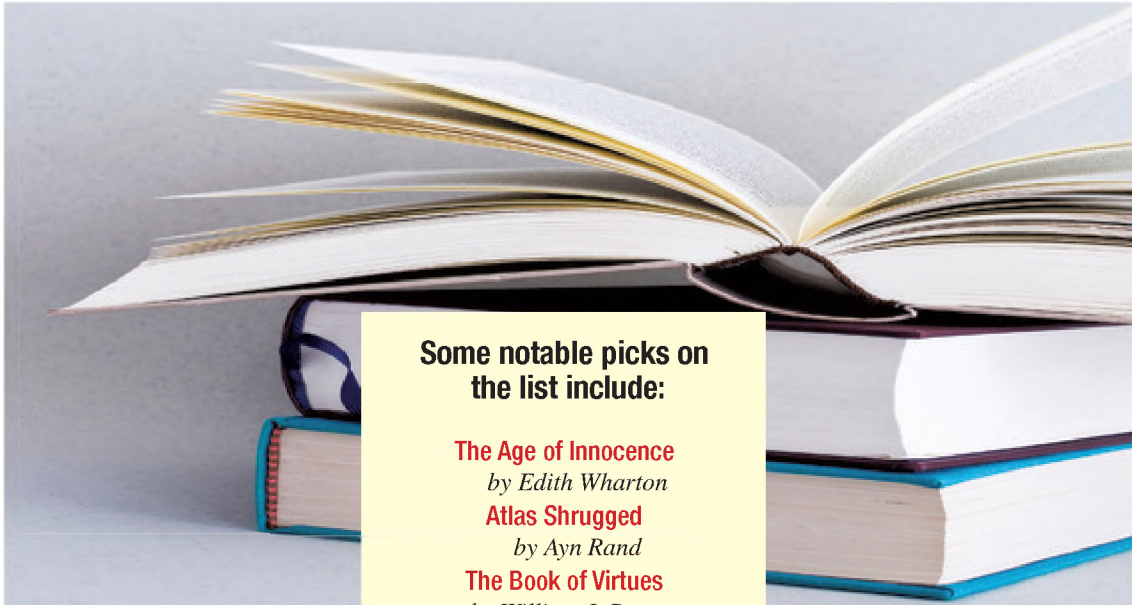
If you want to be a part of this historic project, read on for more about the books on the list

and how you can suggest your own pick.

One hundred years
with the DOL and
America's workforce

The project was inspired by the Center for the Book in the Library of Congress' 2012 "Books That Shaped America" exhibition, which explored the impact of books on American life and culture. Not surprisingly, work was a major theme in many of the books on exhibition and prompted the DOL to explore the subject further.

While influential workers helped get the list started, more than 100 titles of fiction, nonfiction, poetry and children's books are now a part of the project,

Some notable picks on
the list include:**The Age of Innocence**

by Edith Wharton

Atlas Shrugged

by Ayn Rand

The Book of Virtues

by William J. Bennett

Capitalism and Freedom

by Milton Friedman

The Devil Wears Prada

by Lauren Weisberger

The Feminine Mystique

by Betty Friedan

The General Theory of**Employment, Interest and Money**

by John Maynard Keynes

The Grapes of Wrath

by John Steinbeck

The Help

by Kathryn Stockett

The Jungle

by Upton Sinclair

Leaves of Grass

by Walt Whitman

Madam Secretary, A Memoir

by Madeleine Albright

My Beloved World

by Sonia Sotomayor

The Other America

by Michael Harrington

To Kill a Mockingbird

by Harper Lee

Wealth of Nations

by Adam Smith

What Color is Your Parachute?

by Richard Nelson Bolles

What Do People Do All Day?

by Richard Scarry

The Guinness Book of**World Records**

which is still open and accepting suggested titles.

In an effort to engage with the public and share its resources and history, the Web-based project, www.dol.gov/books, celebrates 100 years of the DOL's effort to foster, promote and develop the welfare of the wage earners, job seekers and retirees of the U.S.; improve working conditions; advance opportunities for profitable employment; and assure work-related benefits and rights.

Putting the list together

In order to put together a foundation for the list to build on, some influential members of the American workforce were tapped to suggest titles. Twenty-four individuals, including U.S. Secretary of Labor Thomas E. Perez, eight former secretaries of labor from both Democratic and Republican administrations, department staff (including an intern), civil rights leaders, critics, authors, media personalities and staff from the Library of Congress submitted suggestions.



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