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Support the Northville Chamber of Commerce and the Tipping Point Theatre by attending *Leaving Iowa* by Tim Clue and Spike Manton at 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 20, at the theater (361 E. Cady Street).

Newspaper columnist Don Browning is searching for the perfect spot to scatter his dad's ashes. Join him on a solo journey across the Midwest, remembering the zany vacations he took with his dad, mom and sister.

Leaving Iowa runs through March 8. The curtain rises at 8 p.m. Thursdays through Saturdays, with matinees at 3 p.m. on Saturdays and 2 p.m. on Sundays. A special matinee performance has been added at 3 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 18.

Tickets are \$29 to \$32 for adults and \$27 to \$30 for students and senior citizens, and are available now by calling the box office at 248-347-0003.

Water, sewer rates going up

Average increase
\$215 in township

By **Lonnie Huhman**
Staff Writer

Northville Township wants to clear up any questions about water and sewer rates going up.

According to Northville Township Public Services Director Tom Casari, the specific area going up is with the fixed rate. In 2015, sewer is going from \$2.78/month to \$12.45/month. The fixed rate for water is going from \$7.36/month to \$15.62/

month. The total fixed rate is going from \$10.14/month to \$28.07/month.

Township officials said annual increases to the average homeowner works out to be \$215.21 per year.

"We do all that we can to keep costs to a minimum, but there is a lot going on with DWSD (Detroit Water and Sewer Department) and Wayne County," he said. "I will say that they are working to keep their costs down as well, but much of their cost is fixed."

Since 2010, Casari said DWSD and Wayne County have passed the fixed portion on to the com-

munities. From 2010 to beginning of 2014, Northville Township subsidized the cost of water and sewer service to its customers. Although there were small increases in the consumption rate charged by the township to the customer during this period, these increases did not cover the cost increase Northville Township experienced due to the fixed rate from DWSD.

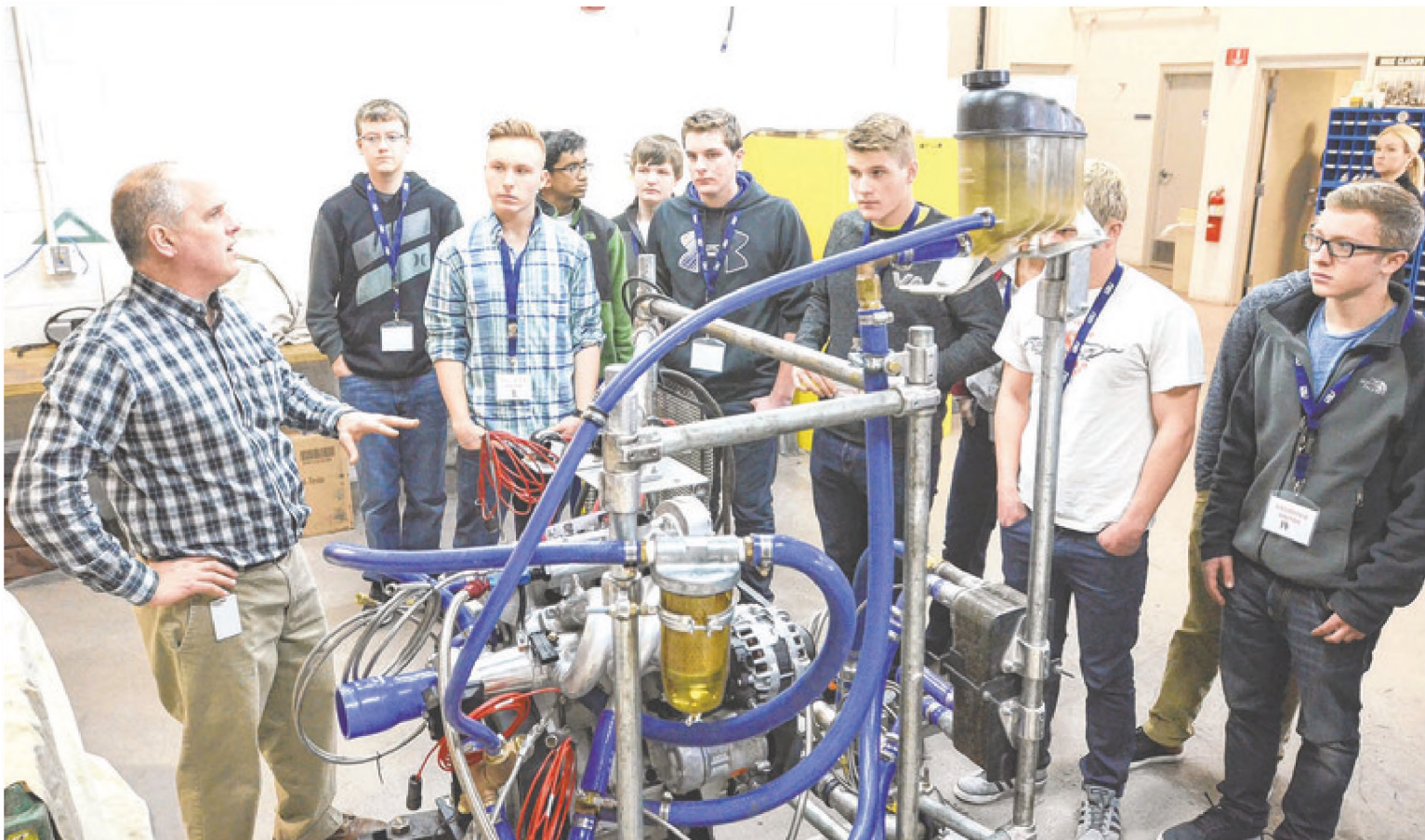
However, things changed in 2014 as a portion of the fixed rate charged to Northville Township by DWSD was passed along to its customers.

"Although we had hoped to pass the full cost of the fixed

rate on to the customer over a three-year period, declining revenue due to low consumption has caused us to have to pass the full fixed rate on to the customer over a shorter period of time (two years)," Casari said. "We will continue to work with DWSD and others in an effort to minimize cost increases in the future."

To learn more, visit <http://www.northvillemich.com/index.aspx?page=356> or call township public services at 248-348-5820.

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Standing at a high-efficiency combustion engine, Bill Schmidt (left), operations manager at Northville Township's IAV Automotive Engineering, talks to a group of Northville High School engineering students about the facility's testing abilities during their Jan. 28 visit.

IAV gives Northville students a glimpse into the future

By **Lonnie Huhman**
Staff Writer



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Andy Ridgway, president of Northville Township's IAV Automotive, talks to a group of Northville High School engineering students on Jan. 28.

A group of Northville High School students recently got a close-up look at engineering at work in the real world as part of a visit and tour of the local and international company IAV Automotive Engineering.

Students made the trip down the road to IAV's headquarters in Northville Township to meet with company representatives and tour the facility as part of Project Lead the Way (PLTW).

IAV's President Andy Ridgway kicked off the activities by greeting the students with a company presentation in the cafeteria.

"We're happy to be part of this program

and give of our time," said Ridgway. "We want to help encourage the students' interest, especially those wanting to learn more about the different specialties within engineering."

PLTW is an initiative providing comprehensive programs, such as computer-aided engineering (CAD) classes, for middle and high school students interested in engineering and biomedical career paths. In the next couple of years, Northville Public Schools will integrate more of PLTW into its curriculum at the middle school and high school levels.

Ridgway detailed to the students how IAV's engineering is at the heart of vehicles across the globe. As one of the leading

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All-state honors for OLV choir students

By **Lonnie Huhman**
Staff Writer

It's a first for Our Lady of Victory School. Six students are representing this Northville school in the inaugural Michigan Music Educators Association All-State Elementary Honors Choir.

They will have a perfor-

mance on March 21 in East Lansing as part of the Music in Our Schools Month, which is sponsored by the Michigan Music Educators Association in partnership with the National Association for Music Education.

"We're very proud of them," said OLV Music Director Ste-

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Our Lady of Victory School music teacher Steve Cross, showing how he wants his students to sing a phrase, conducts pupils in "My Country 'Tis of Thee." From left are students Anna Said, Kayla Duneske, Alexa Fras, Devyn McGow and Avlyn Smith – all of whom were elected to the Michigan Educational Association All State Elementary Choir for their singing abilities. Also part of the group, but not able to make the photo, is student Eve Martin.

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phen Cross. “They are all very good singers.” The group is made up of: Kayla Duneske, Alexa Fras, Eve Martin, AvLyn Smith, Devyn McGow and Anna Said. This is a big deal because every elementary school in Michigan qualifies to participate, but only a handful of students are selected. They had to audition for the choir in November through digital recording and all the students who auditioned from OLV were accepted. The students making the choir are the first in OLV’s school’s history and this is first year for an all-state choir for grades 3-6.

“I’m excited about this,” said Kayla of the opportunity. “This means a lot to us to be able to be part of this.” The audition song

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KAYLA DUNESKE
OLV choir student

was *America-My Country ’Tis of Thee*. Cross said each student sang it and the recordings were sent to a panel of judges. He said the song is a challenging one because it test’s one’s range abilities. The group of girls is dedicated to their craft and practice at lunch each week. Cross said they lead by example. They all share a common motivation and inspiration.

“I love singing,” said Alexa.

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Online videos explain water bills

You’re probably not alone if you are confused about how your water bill is generated. Now there are online videos that help explain that process to customers.

The Detroit Water and Sewerage Department’s Technical Advisory Committee Water Rates Work Group created a Billing Process Improvement Subcommittee to identify best practices for presenting information on suburban retail water bills.

Subcommittee members developed a set of videos to help suburban retail customers throughout the service area better understand their water bills and the costs associated with providing this service.

The latest video explains how using less water does not lower the fixed costs to supply it. Other video topics include the real cost for a gallon of municipal water, how to reduce your water bill and why rates keep going up.

The videos can be viewed on the DWSD Outreach Operation Clean Water YouTube Channel.

Creative Tots



John Heider | Staff Photographer

Nancy Barick assists Isabel Brasseur, 3, with clay figure making fun during a Jan. 19 Creative Tots class at the Northville Art House. The Art House offers a wide variety of classes for kids and adults. More information can be found at www.northvillearthhouse.org.

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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.millrace-northville.org for details.

Upcoming events
Lecture Series. The Bay View Association: A National Historic Landmark: 7 p.m. Feb. 25 at the New School Church, Mill Race Village; no fee, but donations are accepted.
Lady Carol Victorian Tea: 1-3:30 p.m. March 21.
Bridal Showcase: 1-4 p.m. April 19. Tickets at door.

General info
Website: www.millrace-northville.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: The archives are open Monday and Tuesday; archivist.nhs@gmail.com
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development partners to the automotive industry, he said IAV offers more than 30 years of experience and a range of skills second to none.

Students then toured the facility, which is located on Technology Drive, and learned about some of the different projects going on there. This will be one of three visits by PLTW high school classes taking place at IAV this year.

“I want to learn more about the field of engineering, so this was an interesting tour,” said NHS junior Oliver Homa. “It’s cool to see how things are developed. That’s probably why I’m considering engineering as a career path.”

NHS teacher Julie Fisette, who accompanied the students, said the visit and tour was a great opportunity to let the students see how PTLW will look. She said the program is currently being conducted in neighboring schools and will fit in nicely at Northville, especially with the International Baccalaureate program.

“Bringing real life experiences and opportunities into their learning is important and this will help,” she said of PTLW.

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DIA offers free bus ride for Wayne County Day

The Detroit Institute of Arts is providing free bus transportation to and from the museum Saturday, Feb. 28, for Wayne County residents as part of its “County Days,” which provides this service four times per year for residents of Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties.

Visitors can browse the collection, see the DIA’s “guest of honor,” Rembrandt’s Self Portrait with Shaded Eyes, on loan from the Leiden

Collection, New York, and make their own work of art in the DIA Studio.

Three free exhibitions are on view: Ordinary People by Extraordinary Artists: Works on Paper by Degas, Renoir and Friends; Photographs from the Detroit Walk-in Portrait Studio by Corine Vermeulen and Make a Joyful Noise: Renaissance Art and Music at Florence Cathedral.

Shopping and eating are always part of a fun day and the DIA has

plenty of both. Café DIA offers entrees, a decked-out salad bar, grill station, sandwiches and desserts. Kresge Court diners can enjoy gourmet snacks, sandwiches, salads and desserts. Both restaurants offer a variety of beverages, including Starbucks coffee, beer and wine. The museum shop carries a selection of art-related items, many of which cannot be found in other area stores.

Parking is available at

each departure location. Round-trip transportation and admission are free, but reservations are required. To reserve a spot, call 313-833-4005 or go to tickets.dia.org.

The western Wayne County locations and schedule are:

» Northville Community Center, 303 W. Main St. The Van Gogh Bus leaves the community center at 9:30 a.m. and leaves from the DIA at 2 p.m.

» Canton Public Li-

brary (park on west side of library), 1200 S. Canton Center Road. The Monet Bus leaves the library at 9:30 a.m. and leaves the DIA at 2 p.m.

» Handy Park, 26650 Capitol St., Redford. The Picasso Bus leaves the park at 10 a.m. and leaves the DIA at 2:30 p.m.

The DIA is open 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. Friday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. General admission (excludes

ticketed exhibitions) is free for Wayne, Oakland and Macomb county residents and DIA members. For all others, admission is \$8 for adults, \$6 for seniors ages 62 and older and \$4 for ages 6-17. For membership information, call 313-833-7971.

The Detroit Institute of Arts is at 5200 Woodward, Ave., Detroit. For more information, call 313-833-7900 or go to www.dia.org.

NORTHVILLE POLICE BRIEFS

Drunken driving with a dangerous weapon

A Garden City man was arrested for drunken driving and having a knife with a blade over five inches after Northville Township Police responded to a report of a suspicious vehicle.

The arrest happened just before midnight on Feb. 6. Police reported finding the vehicle on Robinwood Drive with two people in the backseat. Police reported the individuals were putting their clothes back on when police made contact with them. The smell of intoxicants was reported to have been inside the car and police asked the driver to step out for a field sobriety test.

The driver blew a .102 percent blood-alcohol content. A search of the vehicle turned up the knife inside a compartment.

Underage at Northville Downs

During a walk-thru inside the Northville Downs race-track on Center Street a Northville city police officer spotted two children under age 12 unaccompanied by an adult.

On Feb. 6, the officer reported seeing the children ages 13 and 8 on the opening night of live racing at the track. The parents were eventually found sitting down, but according to city ordinance a child must be

accompanied at all times while inside the Downs. The parents were told this, got upset and left the track.

Into a snowbank

A Canton woman was helped out by a Northville police officer after she accidentally drove into a snowbank on Center Street.

The accident happened on Feb. 4. Police reported finding the woman’s car with the hazard lights blinking and stuck. The police were able to give the car a slight push to free it. Upon further investigation though the woman was found to be driving on a license permit that required her to have a licensed driver with her while she was driving. She was cited for this violation.

Attempted jewelry theft

A Livonia woman was arrested for snatching two rings and a necklace from the Kohl’s store on Haggerty Road and then leaving the store without paying.

Northville Township Police responded to the location on Feb. 10 on the report of a person in custody with the store’s loss prevention staff. Store staff told police they spotted the woman taking the items into a dressing room with some clothes and then exiting. A quick check of the room revealed inside a pair of pants was the packaging for the jewelry.

More snow



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER
Barry Gavel of Livonia skis through the woods of Northville’s Maybury State Park on Feb. 5. Those with skis and snowshoes had plenty of reason to be happy that week after a Feb. 1 snowstorm dumped more than a foot of light snow in the area.

NORTHVILLE LIBRARY LINES

The Northville District Library is located at 212 W. Cady St. Phone 248-349-3020 for more information.

Drop-In Morning Storytime

Time/Date: 10:15-10:45 a.m. Thursdays

Details: Storytime fun for toddlers and preschoolers. All ages are welcome. Caregivers must accompany children age 3 and younger, and must remain in the library if children 4 and older attend independently. Just drop in.

Drop-In Super Saturday Storytime

Time/Date: 11-11:30 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 21

Details: Make the most of your weekend with this fun storytime featuring stories, music and wiggles, all about dinosaurs. Best for kids ages 2-4, but entire families are welcome. Just drop in.

Foreign Film: *Teddy Bear*

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 23

Details: Enjoy this Danish film about a shy bodybuilder whose quest for true love may cost him more than he anticipated. Just drop in.

Tween Build-a-Bot

Time/Date: 4:15-5:15 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 25

Details: Just for tweens ages 9-12, create your own robot. Registration required.

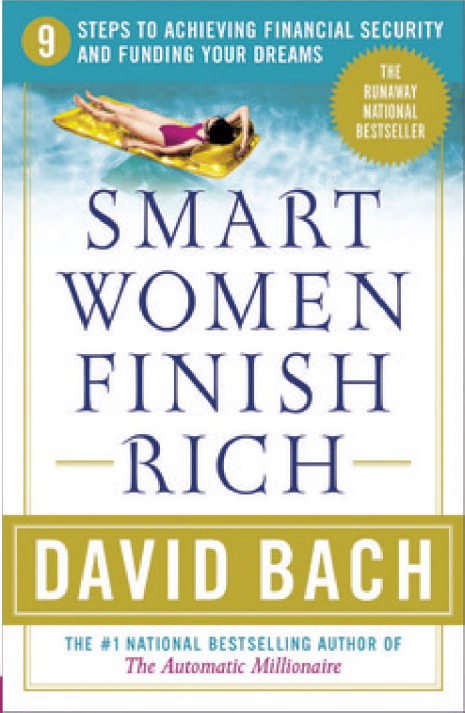
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Meads Mill first at Science Olympiad invitational

On Jan. 24, 13 schools with 22 teams and more than 300 students competed at Birmingham Covington School for its inaugural Cobra Invitational Science Olympiad. Meads Mill Gold/Maroon team from Northville took first place overall. Birmingham Covington School Black team took second. Boulan Park Purple/Orange team from Troy took third. Power Upper Elementary from Farmington Hills took fourth. Smith Middle School Gold team

from Troy took fifth. McCord Junior High Red team from Sylvania, Ohio, took sixth. In the Middle School Science Olympiad, teams of students in grades 6-9 competed in 23 different events covering all core science and engineering topics (chemistry, Earth science, physics, biology and engineering). In each event, two students from each team act as a pair to get points for their team. The top six pairs from each event win awards.

—By Carroll DeWeese



The Meads Mill Gold/Maroon Science Olympiad Team from Northville celebrates winning first place overall at the inaugural Cobra Invitational at Birmingham Covington School.

CARROLL DEWEESE



Science Olympiad students from Meads Mill competes in the "Bottle Rocket" competition at the inaugural Cobra Invitational at Birmingham Covington School.

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Job skills



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Cooke School student Blake Boshaw helps to shelve books at the Northville District Library on Feb. 11. Students like Boshaw can help out at the library and Northville businesses to gain job skills as they work on their education.

Gertley leads by example

By Lonnie Huhman
Staff Writer

Caring for Northville schools is something Jean Gertley has done for years. In honor of this, Silver Springs Elementary School recognized her with its Leader Award.

She received the Silver Springs' Leader Award in big part due to her leadership, generosity and kindness in helping the school transform its appearance through the Lorax Project. Gertley led students and staff in making the outdoor landscaping and features at Silver Springs more appealing and inviting.

The project snowballed into an amazing activity that had involvement from all grades and many families.

The school's Lighthouse Team, which is part of the Leader in Me process at the school, nominated Gertley for helping to lead the effort, which she has duplicated at other schools in the community.

"She worked with the kids for over two years in making the Lorax project happen," said the team. "She's a stand out candidate that has been a great example for the school,



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Northville resident and teacher Jean Gertley smiles through some tears and hugs a student as she's recognized for her leadership ability at Silver Springs Elementary on Feb. 4. Gertley began a campaign years ago, with students and staff members help, to better the school's grounds through plantings and construction.

showing them what a leader can do."

Silver Springs is the fourth school in Michigan and 62nd school in the world to achieve Lighthouse recognition through the Leader in Me process. As part of this, the school gives out a Leader Award two times per year to an individual or business that has demonstrated leadership significant to students and staff.

"Since you significantly and continually help us grow leaders at Silver Springs, we find it

fitting to honor you as our Leader Award recipient," said Silver Springs Principal Melissa Hunt.

At a recent leadership assembly, the school celebrated Gertley, who was very emotional upon receiving the award from the students. She thanked students and staff, and said the project was possible because they worked as a team.

"We can all make a difference," she said.

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Concentration



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With some visible facial concentration, Gabby Szatkowski contemplates her next move against fellow Moraine Elementary student Anthony Gaudino at the school's Feb. 4 chess club meeting. The club meets every Wednesday after school and is open to all experience levels.



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Science is more than just learning at Novi High School

By Lonnie Huhman
Staff Writer

The Novi High School Science Club is not just about learning – it's also about fun with friends. The club, made up of members from each grade, recently met to do a project involving building a boat out of plastic cups, sandwich bags and straws. Each team then put its boat in the tub of water and filled it with coins. The goal was to see whose boat could hold the most coins before tipping over. It wasn't necessarily about winning, but more about having fun and sharing laughs in the process. “We try to make the projects as fun as possible,” senior and club officer Dong Hyun (Andy) Kim said.

His fellow club member and classmate Sneha Rajen seconded him: “This isn't about competition, it's about a no-pressure, casual atmosphere where we can hang out with our friends.” The club has 20 or so members that attend each month. All levels of science knowledge are welcome; it's more of a social club. It raises funds to be able to buy supplies for the projects. Teacher/club coordinator Kristen Jones said many of the projects members do are not part of the regular curriculum, which makes them different. They usually center on engineering challenges because that enables the projects to be hand-on and fun at the same time. “The students have a good time with the different projects and it gives them time to socialize,”



Novi High Science Club members work on creating a boat during a Jan. 15 meeting (from left): Hannah Dong and Alice Yang, both freshmen, and junior Hyunji Chon. The trio were attempting to build a boat out of a Ziploc bag, paper cup and rubber bands that would float and, hopefully, carry a lot of pennies.



Novi High School student Bashir Shahidi tries to see how many pennies his Ziploc bag and paper cup boat can support before it sinks during a Jan. 15 meeting of the school's Science Club. The club presents fun, science-based competitions for its members during monthly meetings.

Jones said of the club. The next challenge will be the egg drop. More fun to come for the NHS Science Club.

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SCHOOL BRIEFS

'A Day in the Life of a Novi Student!'

Novi Community Schools Invites you to join Novi elementary schools for “A Day in the Life of a Novi Student!” and see how the 7 Habits of Highly Effective People are integrated into the culture of Novi's schools. The events are scheduled for Parkview Elementary – Thursday, Feb. 26 (9:15-11:30 a.m.); Village Oaks Elementary – Friday, Feb. 27 (9:15-11:30 a.m.); Orchard Hills Elementary – Tuesday, March 3 (8:45-11 a.m.); Deerfield Elementary – Wednesday, March 4 (9:15-11:30 a.m.); Novi Meadows Elementary– Thursday, March 5 (8:20-10:35 a.m.); and Novi Woods Elementary – Friday, March 6 (8:45-11 a.m.).

ABWA offering grant, scholarships

The mission of the American Business Women's Association, a national nonprofit organization, is in part to provide opportunities for women to help themselves grow personally and professionally through education. As a testament to their collective mission, the Novi Oaks Charter Chapter of the ABWA has announced it will offer one grant and two scholarships this year for the education of local students. The Bettie Archer Johnson Scholarship is offered to students of Madonna University and interested students should contact the financial aid office at Madonna for more information. Two other opportunities include the Novi Oaks' Impact Scholarship (\$1,000) and the Novi Oaks' Outright Grant (\$1,500).

To apply, interested parties should send name, email address and phone number to Education Chair Karen Kolc at kkolc@yahoo.com, with the subject line “Impact Scholarship” (applications must be completed online by March 31 at www.sbmf.org) or “Outright Grant” (applications must be completed online by June 1 at www.sbmf.org).

Festive Northville Cabaret spotlights student talent

“Let every student who wants to perform have a chance to take the stage.” With that philosophy, Northville High School's vocal music department prepares to host its annual Cabaret at 7 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 28. An evening of dance, instrumental and vocal performances by more than 20 individuals or small groups will fill the school's cafeteria. Light refreshments, unique decorations and a crew of enthusiastic students will add to the festive event, suitable for all ages. Advance reservations are recommended. For tickets (\$15 each) and information go to nhscabaret2015@gmail.com.

College costs workshop

A free workshop on funding your child's college education will be hosted 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 24, at Northville District Library. The speaker will be Robert Hoyer, certified college planning specialist with Novi-based Michigan College Funding LLC. He will be discussing such topics as how to send your kids to the school of their dreams without going broke; how to increase

your eligibility for aid; how to find scholarships and grants you've never even heard of. Admission is free, but seating is limited by the size of the room; call 248-662-1300 to reserve your seats.

Northville High School information session

Come and discover what it means to be a Mustang by taking part in the Northville High School Community Information Session 1-3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 22. Tour the state-of-the-art, technology-equipped high school with student leaders as your guides. Meet with academic department chairs and representatives from athletic teams, student clubs, and music and art programs, as well as current students, administrators and parents. While the session is geared toward incoming freshmen for the 2015-16 academic year, families with students of all ages, as well as community members, are welcome to attend. Northville High School is located at 45700 Six Mile. For more information, call 248-344-3800 or go to <http://nhs.northvilleschools.org/>.

Four Mustangs finish in the top 100 on the MMPC

Four Northville students – Timothy Wu, eighth grade; Krithik Vallem, ninth grade; Yannis Bi, 11th grade; and Parth Shah, 11th grade – have placed in the top 100 in the state in the Michigan Mathematics Prize Competition. They are all invited to an Awards Banquet on March 21, where they will announce the top 50

100 Days



Deerfield Elementary kindergarten students celebrated the 100th day of school Feb. 11. It was a little delayed after two snow days, but just as much fun, according to teacher Cindy Lyon. The students enjoyed centers revolving around the number 100. Shown is Jackie Bailey with her 100th Day glasses.

students who will receive scholarships ranging from \$250 to \$2,500. The competition is sponsored by the Michigan Section of the Mathematical Association of America to encourage students to develop their interests and abilities in mathematics. Part I of the MMPC is open to all students in

Michigan high schools. This exam consists of 40 multiple-choice questions involving topics from high school mathematics. From over 6,000 participants in Part I, the top 1,000 students are invited to take Part II of the MMPC. On Part II of the exam, students work on five challenging problems and write their

solutions providing full justification and proof of their claims.

A Growing Place open house

A Growing Place Preschool (40700 W. 10 Mile, Novi) will hold its annual open house from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Feb.

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NOTICE CITY OF NOVI REQUEST FOR SPECIAL LAND USE FOR SERVICE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES PSLU15-0002

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the applicant Ascension Brewery is requesting Special Land Use approval at 42000 Grand River Ave, parcel 50-22-23-226-023. The applicant is requesting approval for use of a portion of the parcel for service of alcoholic beverages in accordance with Section 2525 of the Novi Zoning Ordinance. A public hearing will be held on Friday, March 6th, 2015 at 1:30 PM in the Novi Civic Center, 45175 Ten Mile Rd, Novi to consider the request. Plans are available for review at the Community Development Department in the Novi Civic Center.

All interested persons are invited to attend. Verbal comments may be heard at the hearing and any written comments may be made to the Community Development Department, 45175 Ten Mile Rd, Novi during regular business hours which are Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM. These comments should be directed to Tom Walsh and must be received prior to March 6th, 2015.

Please contact Tom Walsh with any questions at (248) 347-0415.

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CITY OF NOVI NOTICE OF MEETING OF BOARD OF REVIEW

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Review shall convene in its first session at 9:00 a.m. EST, **Tuesday, March 3rd, 2015** in the Novi Assessing Department at 45175 W. Ten Mile Road for the purpose of reviewing and correcting the assessment roll.

Notice is further given that the second session of the Board of Review will meet for the purpose of hearing and considering assessment appeals in the Novi City Council Chambers at 45175 W. Ten Mile Road on **March 9, 10 and 12, 2015**.

All appearances before the Board will be by **appointment** only.

If you or your representative wants to appear in person, the appointment must be made on or before **5:00 p.m. EST, Friday, March 6, 2015**. Appearances before the Board of Review are limited to five (5) minutes or less. **Petitions are available at the Assessor's Office or at www.cityofnovi.org**

NO APPOINTMENTS WILL BE GIVEN UNTIL A PETITION IS RECEIVED BY THE ASSESSING DEPARTMENT.

Letters of protest will be accepted on or before 5:00 p.m. EST, **Wednesday, March 11, 2015**. **Postmarks will not be considered.** When submitting a letter of protest for the Board of Review consideration, you must attach a completed petition along with any supporting information.

All agents protesting values on property, other than their own, **MUST HAVE** written authorization from each property owner they are representing.

Persons on fixed or limited income may be eligible for a reduction in property taxes due to poverty. Applications are available at the Assessing Department, or at www.cityofnovi.org

BOARD OF REVIEW SCHEDULE

Monday, March 9, 2015 - 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Council Chambers
Tuesday, March 10, 2015 - 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Council Chambers
Thursday, March 12, 2015 - 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Council Chambers
Located in the Civic Center, 45175 West Ten Mile Road Novi, MI 48375.

Any questions should be directed to the Assessing Department at (248) 347-0485.

MARYANNE CORNELIUS, MMC
CITY CLERK

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City of Novi Public Hearing Notice

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Zoning Board of Appeals for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on **Tuesday, March 10, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Council Chambers Novi Civic Center 45175 Ten Mile Road to consider:

CASE NO. PZ15-0001 HOMEWOOD SUITES 50-22-14-376-018

The applicant is requesting variances from the CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES, Sections 3.1.23D to allow construction of a five story extended stay hotel with a reduced north yard setback of 10 ft. and a reduced rear (east) yard setback of 6 ft., Section 5.4.1 a variance from the required loading zone, and Section 4.19.2 F to allow dumpster located within the parking setback. The property is located north of 11 Mile Rd and east of Town Center Rd (Section 11.

CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES; Section 3.1.23 D requires off-street parking lots with a minimum side and rear yard setbacks of 20'. Section 5.4.1, within the OS districts, loading space shall be provided in the rear yard or in the case of a double frontage lot, in the interior side yard, in the ratio of five (5) sq ft per front foot of building up to a total area of three-hundred sixty (360) sq ft per building. Section 2503.2.F requires dumpster located no closer to the property line than the minimum parking lot setback established in the Development Standards Section for the district in which it is located.

CASE NO. PZ15-0002 CHARNETH FEN 50-22-10-400-021

The applicant is requesting a variance from Section 28-6(2) to allow the placement of a twenty-four (24) sq ft off-premises sign for an attached condominium subdivision. The property (sign) is located on the southeast corner of side of 12 ¼ Mile Rd and Novi Rd.

CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES, Section 28-6(2) allows off-premises advertising signs in the RM-1 Zoning District.

CASE NO. PZ15-0003 WOODBURY COMMERCE PARK 39750 GRAND RIVER

The applicant is requesting a variance from CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES, Section 28-5(2)a.1.i and 28-1 to allow an oversize ground sign of 60 square feet (30 square feet allowed) located on the existing “V” shape ground structure. The property is located north side of Grand River Ave. and west of Haggerty Rd.

CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES, Section 28-5(2)a.1.i allows a maximum area of 100 sq. ft. and Section 28-1 where a sign has two (2) or more faces, requires the area to be calculated for each face of the sign toward the total square footage permitted.

CASE NO. PZ15-0004 45674 CIDER MILL RD

The applicant is requesting variance from the CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES, Section 3.1.5 to allow construction of a new addition with a reduced rear yard setback of 32.5 ft. (35 ft. required). The property is located north of 10 Mile Rd and east of Beck Rd.

CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES, Section 3.1.5 requires that a structure within an R-4 zoning district have a minimum rear yard setback of 35 ft.

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ON CAMPUS

University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire

Novi's James McCusker (business) was named to the dean's list for the 2014 fall semester. The list and eligibility criteria, as well as other listings of UW-Eau Claire student honors and awards, can be found online at www.uwec.edu/news/people/honors.htm.

Marquette University

Northville's Bridge Winn has graduated with a bachelor of science (accounting) degree.

Northern Michigan University

Two local students satisfied their degree requirements in December 2014, earning baccalaureate degrees: Northville's Sarah Marquardt (BS biology/physiology) and Wixom's Rachel Storck (BA art and design; summa cum laude).

Michigan Career and Technical Institute

The Michigan Career and Technical Institute graduated 154 students – including Leah White (culinary arts) of Commerce, and Samantha Skeens (health careers) of Novi – Jan. 31.

Bowling Green State University

The university celebrated its 281st graduation Dec. 19-20, 2014. Of the 965 candidates – including Northville's Austin Esqueda (bachelor of arts) – 15 were doctoral degrees, 134 were master's degrees, 73 were associate degrees and 725 were bachelor's degrees. Among the undergraduates, 125 graduated with honors, signifying grade-point averages of at least 3.5.

Undergraduate students who have been named to the fall semester dean's list for achieving grade-point averages of 3.5 or better on a 4.0 scale include Northville's Briana Combs (College of Arts and Sciences), Mackenzie Logan (Education & Human Development), Briana Shumake (College of Arts and Sciences) and Novi's Jessica Jarvis (Education & Human Development), Christopher Paul (Education & Human Development) and Kelly Savela (College of Arts and Sciences). To be chosen, undergraduate students must carry no fewer than 12 letter-graded credit hours per semester.

Concordia University Wisconsin

Northville's Marisa Hahn (senior, mathematics-secondary education) was named to the fall honors list for the 2014-15 academic year. Northville's Alyssa Moulds (junior, biology) made the fall honors list for the first semester of the 2014-15 academic year. To be eligible for either honor, students must achieve a minimum 3.50 GPA.

Count Day



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER
Village Oaks Elementary School kindergarten teacher Jennifer Lessway leads her charges out for their lunch and then recess Feb. 11. Novi schools on that day compiled their pupil population numbers for the state of Michigan's Student Count Day, which is used in figuring out how much each district receives in education funds. On that day, Village Oaks had 474 students, about average for the school.

Madcap



Village Oaks Elementary School students have some hilarious fun with a puppet theater presentation Feb. 13 by a duo from Madcap Productions.

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28. It will include free activities, crafts and snacks while giving prospective parents an opportunity to visit the school, meet the staff and learn about the classes and programs offered.

A Growing Place Preschool will continue to offer a Young 5's program, full and half-day preschool classes for 3's and 4's as well as pre-kindergarten sessions for children going off to kindergarten next fall.

For more information, call 248-471-2333.

Novi Kindergarten Roundup

In September, the Class of 2028 will officially begin their educational career at Novi Schools. Registration paperwork is now available in all elementary offices. If you have a student or know someone who has a child who will be turning 5 prior to Sept. 2 and is within the Novi Schools attendance boundaries, have them call the school office: Deerfield (248-449-1700); Novi Woods (248-449-1230); Orchard

Hills (248-449-1400); Parkview (248-449-1220); and Village Oaks (248-449-1300.

If you are unsure which elementary school your student will attend, please call the Educational Services Building at 248-449-1200 for assistance.

Also, save the date, April 16, for kindergarten parent meetings at Novi K-4 elementary schools.

Northville now accepting early kindergarten registration

Northville Public Schools is now accepting kindergarten enrollment for fall 2015. If you have a child who will be 5 years of age on or before Sept. 1, schedule an enrollment appointment to register your child using the appropriate school link below and complete the online pre-enrollment process prior to your scheduled appointment.

Staff from the district's Office of Student Data will be available at your child's school on these dates to meet with you, review the necessary documentation and finalize your child's enrollment:

March 2-5 Amerman

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0f4ca5ad2ca0ff2-amerman>

March 9-12 Ridge Wood <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f094eacaf22a3fa7-ridge1>

March 16-19 Moraine <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f094eacaf22a3fa7-moraine1>

March 16-19 Winchester <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f094eacaf22a3fa7-winchester1>

March 23-26 Silver Springs <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f094eacaf22a3fa7-silver1>

March 23-26 Thornton Creek <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f094eacaf22a3fa7-thornton1>

Enrollment forms and information regarding which documents you will need to bring to your scheduled appointment are listed on the district website at <http://www.northvilleschools.org/node/584>. If circumstances prevent you from being available to meet on the dates listed above for your child's school, contact the school's main office. If you are unsure about which school your child will be attending, view the Attendance Boundary Map at

<http://www.northvilleschools.org/node/251>.

Meet "SPARK" author

Author Dr. John Ratey describes "SPARK" as a groundbreaking exploration of the connection between exercise and the brain's performance that shows how even moderate exercise will supercharge mental circuits to beat stress, sharpen thinking, enhance memory, and much more. The book will change the way you think about your morning run or for that matter, simply the way you think.

Meet the author at 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 28 at Novi Middle School. Registration is required; visit novilibrary.org or call 248-349-0720.

Parents and caregivers are encouraged to read "SPARK" in advance of the author event. To borrow a copy of the book, visit the Novi School library or the Novi Public Library. Copies are also available for purchase at Barnes & Noble, Northville.



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Hey, Northville! It's Time to Pick Your PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARDS

*We Need Your Input On the Best Places To Shop... Best Places To Eat...
Best Place For Great Service, This is NOT scientific! It's a fun, readers poll.
Join in on the Balloting!*

Drop Off or Mail In to: People's Choice Awards - Northville Record, 29725 Hudson Dr., Novi, MI 48377

Only one entry per person per week, 18 years or older. Please fill out form completely. Partial Ballots may be disqualified.

FOOD OUTLETS

- Best speciality coffeehouse
- Best place for breakfast
- Best Sunday brunch
- Best fast food restaurant
- Best family restaurant
- Best place for soup
- Best salad bar
- Best place for burgers
- Best place for hot dogs/coneys
- Best place for subs
- Best place for ice cream
- Best place for chicken
- Best quality dining restaurant
- Best place for desserts
- Best Italian restaurant
- Best place for seafood
- Best oriental restaurant
- Best Tex-Mex restaurant
- Best place for pizza
- Best place for steak
- Best place for barbecue ribs
- Best wine selection(restaurant)
- Best beer selection(restaurant)
- Best place for romantic dinner
- Best after work meeting place
- Best sports bar
- Best Mediterranean food

BEST SERVICE PROVIDERS

- Best hair salon
- Best place to bank
- Best real estate company
- Best auto service
- Best oil change shop
- Best collision shop
- Best insurance (agency)
- Best veterinary service
- Best travel agency
- Best child care service
- Best house painter
- Best landscaping company
- Best health/fitness company
- Best waitress/waiter (include restaurant)
- Best tanning salon
- Best accountant
- Best chiropractor
- Best doctor
- Best dentist
- Best eye care
- Best dance studio
- Best fitness provider
- Best pet supply store
- Best art gallery store

BEST RETAIL STORES

- Best pharmacy
- Best bakery/baked goods
- Best floral shop
- Best grocery store
- Best party store
- Best jewelry store
- Best lumber yard
- Best beer selection (store)
- Best wine selection (store)
- Best children's wear
- Best men's wear
- Best women's wear
- Best resale/consignment shop
- Best sporting goods
- Best antique store
- Best hardware/home improvement store
- Best home décor
- Best yoga studio

All Entries Must Be Received By March 6



Restoration manager Ralph Koehler of Livonia (from left), Joe Kosek of Westland and Gene Blanchard of West Bloomfield look at how to remove a spoiler from the wing of a TG-3 glider that's being restored at the Yankee Air Museum.

Volunteers take on task of restoring WWII glider

By Sue Mason
Staff Writer

There's a good reason Joe Kosek still carries the certificate he received when he completed advanced glider pilot training in November 1943 – on the back is his pilot's license to fly a single-engine plane and helicopter.

But at age 90, it's not likely he'll climb into the cockpit of a glider anytime soon, especially the TG-3 he's helping to restore at the Yankee Air Museum.

"I was 18 years old and a glider pilot in the Pacific," the Westland resident said. "I had 230 hours of training before I went overseas."

Kosek saw action in places like Burma and New Guinea and was in the Philippines waiting for the invasion of Japan when the war ended. Along the way, he was awarded three Bronze Stars.

But war stories are taking a backseat to restoring the two-seater TG-3, which was used to train glider pilots like Kosek. The goal is to have the glider restored to its World War II specs in time for the 2017 opening of the National Museum of Aviation and Technology at Historic Willow Run.

"We want to put it back to its original condition and paint it as it looked in World War II – silver with a blue star on the fuselage," said Tony Pequeno, who works in artifacts and restoration management at the air museum. "It's a very, very big project. It sat on a trailer in a warehouse in St. Ignace for more than 20 years. There's a lot of damage to the wings."



Chris Aldridge of Livonia looks at the damage done to the interior of the starboard wing of the TG-3, which was stored for more than 20 years on a trailer in a warehouse in St. Ignace.

A new home

Paul Fullerton, manager of the Mackinac County Airport in St. Ignace, donated the vintage 1943 Schweizer TG-3 glider. MSA Delivery Service brought it by tractor trailer to the museum last September. It had been flown, but had spent more than 20 years stored on the trailer in a warehouse in St. Ignace.

"The original transportation frame for the glider isn't ideal for storage," said Chris Aldridge, who is handling the archival drawings for the plane. "There's been decay over the years and we have a structural failure of the wing. It wasn't stored well and that's taken a toll on the plane."

The glider is made of spruce, mahogany, pine and balsa wood and covered with linen. Kosek and fellow volunteers Chris Curran of Allen

Park, Ralph Koehler of Livonia and Gene Blanchard of West Bloomfield are working on it three days a week – Monday, Tuesday and Thursday.

They have the cloth covering, spoiler and aileron removed from the topside of one wing. It will need new struts that are spaced about a foot apart along the 27-foot long wing, a new spoiler and a new Dacron polyester skin that will be hand sewn on and then shrunk by heating it to 225 degrees.

Pequeno estimates it will take six months to do and it could take even longer for the other wing, which "is in worse shape." That's why volunteers are being sought to work on the plane.

The museum is looking for volunteers that are skilled in carpentry work, plus RC modelers who do such work on a smaller scale. Bob Catalano, who works with Pequeno in collections,

had new volunteers in last Wednesday. They took the second wing apart and have caught up with Kosek's team, he said.

Many of the volunteers are World War II veterans. Many helped build the museum's World War I French SPAD biplane using the original blueprints, but this restoration is an even bigger project and considering their ages – Blanchard said he's the baby at age 88 – "We're going to need backup on this project," Blanchard said.

Curran is the "youngster" of the volunteer group. He's been a museum member for 20 years and operates out of the machine shop, welding and fabricating parts. He's been working on scraping paint off the metal parts on the wing's main spar, getting them ready to be taken off and sandblasted.

"I worked on the



The fuselage and starboard wing of the TG-3 sit on the trailer that was used to transport it.

SPAD and the SPAD pedal car. I did the fabricating and painting," he said. "This is what I love to do. Airplanes and history are my greatest loves in life. What better way to put the two together than to come here and help?"

The goal is to do both wings at the same time. Koehler sees Kosek as being a mentor for the new recruits. He "has the most knowledge about the plane."

"We have no idea how long this is going to take," he added. "We need young people who are responsible and willing to work."

Documenting the work

Charlie Henley of Westland has been assigned to document the restoration. He already has snapped more than 100 photographs since work began in late December. He also maintains a log book of what's being done.

"After my wife died, I needed to find something to do," he said. "I'm having a ball out here. I was assigned to take photos for the collections department a year ago."

When the men are finished with the glider, it will be flyable like the SPAD, but it will never feel the wind over its wings. It will be in the air, however, suspended from the ceiling of the new air museum that is being built in a portion of the former Willow Run bomber plant.

People interested in helping with the restoration of the TG-3 can call Catalano at the Yankee Air Museum at 734-483-4030.

"Our current volunteers have really stepped up to the plate and have done an awesome job," Catalano said. "We haven't seen the volunteers this excited about a project in a long time."

smason@hometownlife.com
734-674-2332

The Novi Twp. Board will hold a public hearing on the proposed township budget for the 2015-16 fiscal year on March 10 at 7:30 pm at 44425 Chedworth Ct. A copy of the budget is available for public inspection at 44020 Cottisford. Individuals with disabilities requiring assistance may contact the clerk at (248) 231-6210.

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Valentine’s Day lunch



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Friends Marilyn Hewitt (left) and Helen Laidlaw share a smile during the Feb. 12 Valentine’s Day luncheon at the Novi Senior Center. Attendees got to sample a few sweet desserts, compete in trivia for raffle prizes and listen to a singing group, the Harmony Town Chorus.

Valentine’s Day party



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER
Beverly Peters (left) samples dessert fare from Cathy Mitchell at the Feb. 11 Valentine’s Day party at the Northville Community Center. Those attending got a few chocolate desserts to try out while listening to live music.

Seniors enjoy dancing, socializing at party

By Aileen Wingblad
Staff Writer

In Farmington Hills, Valentine’s Day is about more than chocolates and flowers, Cupid and hearts. It’s also the time to tear up the dance floor with the rumba, tango, waltz, cha cha and more at the Costick Center’s annual Valentine Party. Some 130 seniors — many dressed in sparkling red or bright pink in keeping with the holiday theme — turned out for the party, which included lunch, entertainment by North Farmington High’s Northern Lights, a 50/50 raffle and, of course, dancing to the tunes of the Mike Wolverton Band.

“It’s fantastic,” said Terry Bee of Belleville, a professional dance teacher who attended the event with his valentine, Marnie Britcher of Canton.

Britcher said she, too, was having a wonderful afternoon. “Awesome dance floor, awesome people, everybody is so friendly, awesome food — I say it’s a 10 out of 10,” she said.

Carol Plotnick of Southfield also gave the event rave reviews. “It’s just fun. And I love dancing. It’s good for you and it felt good,” she said, taking a break after “cutting a rug” with Edwin Olepa moments earlier. Olepa traveled from Dearborn Heights for the dance. “I like the band, the people — everybody’s very sociable,” he said. Just before spotting Plotnick, the 83-year-old said he was “still looking” for a dance partner — noting that he’s partial to Mexican tunes and polka music.

Some, like Karen Carter of Farmington Hills, were content to just sit



JOHN STORMZAND | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER
Married 67 years, Novi residents Harry and Clairra Levy enjoy a slow dance together.



JOHN STORMZAND | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER
Novi residents Meilang Ying and his wife Yi Ying Zhang have attended the annual Valentine’s Day party at the Costick Center several times.

back and watch others hit the dance floor. “I come out to the Costick Center all the time,” she said. “It’s a chance to get out, enjoy the rest of the community and have fun.”

The dance, she said, was a great reason to “take myself out for Valentine’s Day.”

“And it’s wonderful — taking myself out and being catered to at the same time,” Carter said, smiling.

Sister Mary Jane Kleindorfer, 85, a resident of Sisters of Mercy next door to the Costick Center, didn’t need a partner to enjoy the music and didn’t let her


walker slow her down, either. Grinning widely, she boogied to the beat, leaving no doubt that nuns can dance, too.

“I’m having a lot of fun. I love line dancing,” she said.

White Lake resident Joanna Folland, 68, and her date, Russell Vanderbilt of Westland, 71, couldn’t agree on who was the better dancer — each saying the other was tops.

“She’s really good — a lot better than I am,” Vanderbilt said.

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All Entries Must Be Received By March 6th

Beware the dangers of drowsy driving

Adequate sleep is essential for your mental health.

Typically, one spends one-third of one's life sleeping. It is very important to be aware of sleep hygiene and sleep disorders due to their connection with "drowsy driving."

There are various forms of sleep problems that include insomnia, sleep apnea, narcolepsy, night terrors and others. Drowsy driving can be caused by any of these. Of course, medication effects or side effects, work shift changes, jet lag and the like, also can contribute to the problem of hazardous driving while drowsy.

Recently, information from AAA Motor Club of Michigan referred to its study of highway



The AAA report ... reveals an alarming number of snoozy drivers.

safety with emphasis on asking motorists to "wake up."

The AAA report told how a lot of research reveals an alarming number of snoozy drivers. For example, it said that 28 percent of drivers reported being so tired that they had difficulty keeping their eyes opened while driving in

a given 30-day period.

The survey reported that one out of three motorists ages 19-24 reported driving dangerously drowsy the prior 30 days. Drowsy driving is dangerous because it slows reaction time, impairs vision, and causes lapses in judgment. This is similar to driving drunk. Furthermore, many drivers underestimate the problem of driving while extremely tired and they overestimate their ability to deal with it, according to the AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety. It added that we know that people can't reliably predict when they are going to fall asleep, and a very fatigued driver may fall asleep for several seconds without even rea-

lizing it.

Quick fix

Interestingly, in China there is a practice along the highways at pull-off convenience stores, rest areas and truck stop diners in which hot peppers are routinely given out free of charge to drivers. Hot peppers seem to temporarily stimulate focusing and increase attention. But a bigger problem is that many drivers become chronic drowsy drivers and believe that this is an acceptable state of affairs because they have been experiencing it for a long time. It's as if they believe they are good at driving drowsy.

The first line of approach to most problems is awareness. Be

aware that drowsy driving is extremely prevalent, obviously dangerous, and often mistakenly perceived as just the way one has come to experience driving. As awareness of the problem increases, the chances for intervention become possible.

Diagnosing the cause

For starters, a clinical assessment by a primary care physician can easily be done to try to determine if your drowsy driving is due to medication effect, a work routine, changes in work shifts or characteristics of one of the several sleep disorders. These can be diagnosed and treated.

The warning signs of

drowsy driving can include yawning repeatedly, feeling as though your head is heavy, wandering thoughts, inability to recall the last few minutes traveled, and hearing the rumble strips when your car has veered off lane and is headed for the cement highway barrier. I could add that another big warning sign is hearing yourself shriek "wake up" when you reach that point just after wakefulness ends and just before sleep begins.

Len McCulloch is a diplomate of the American Psychotherapy Association. . His 200 Our Mental Health columns, written over 15 years, are archived at www.farmlib.org. McCulloch can be reached for consultation at 248-474-2763, ext. 22.

Be smart: Get the lowdown on loans

Borrowing money can help you manage your way out of a tight spot, but doing so without knowing all the facts can make your finances even tighter in the long run.

"When faced with a financial emergency, most people don't think through how borrowing money might affect them down the line," said Susie Irvine, president and CEO, American Financial Services Association Education Foundation. "With so many options available, it's relatively easy to get a loan, but the impact on your credit and what it actually costs you over time can vary a great deal."

Two common forms of small-dollar borrowing are traditional installment loans and payday loans. Understanding how each loan works can help you make the right decision for your financial situation.

Traditional installment loans are used for various purposes, such as meeting family emergencies, purchasing home furnishings or consolidating other debts. These loans are generally short-term. Most traditional installment loans range from \$500 to \$3,500, with the borrower paying equal installments at regular intervals over a determined number of weeks, months or years. A typical monthly payment is around \$125. With regular, manageable payments of principal and interest, the borrower has a clear road map out of debt.

Payday loans are repaid in a single balloon payment at the end of the loan period. This payment is usually due in less than 30 days, most commonly 14 days. Payday lenders do not assess ability to repay, relying instead on a postdated check or on similar access to a borrower's bank account as their assurance that the loan will be repaid.

— Courtesy of Family Features

IS AN INSTALLMENT LOAN RIGHT FOR ME?

When deciding whether to obtain an installment loan, consider the benefits and responsibilities. According to the American Financial Services Association Education Foundation, an installment loan:

- Obligates future income.** You'll be required to set aside a certain amount of future income for loan payments.
- Requires discipline.** Borrowing wisely means not borrowing more than you can handle. Don't let the thrill of buying or having a sum of cash obligate you to more than you can afford.
- Makes it possible to meet unexpected expenses.** The ability to borrow and make affordable payments can be helpful if an emergency arises that requires extra money.
- Allows you to obtain products and services now and pay for them later.** A loan can provide an opportunity to purchase bigger-ticket items and use them right away.

KEYS TO CREDIT SUCCESS

The American Financial Services Association Education Foundation offers this advice to help ensure that your interests are protected when you borrow money:

- Budget your money.** Provide your monthly spending plan when you meet with creditors. It will help them make a responsible decision about the amount of credit you can afford.
- Shop, shop, shop.** Compare the costs of credit from different creditors. Shop for credit like you would shop for anything else.

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

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Learn about identity theft

Novi Community Education will present a seminar by Rebekah Wiles, special agent of the FBI, 7-8:30 p.m. Monday, March 24, at Novi Middle School (Room 502). It will cover Identity Theft: What it is, how to prevent it, and what to do if you're a victim.

Reserve a spot for you and a friend by registering online for \$15 per person to cover a facilities fee.

Watch cancer documentary at Providence

Cancer: The Emperor of All Maladies, a special documentary executive produced by Ken Burns and directed by Barak Goodman, will tell the comprehensive history of cancer, from its first description in an ancient Egyptian scroll to the gleaming laboratories of modern research institutions.

Based on the bestselling book by Siddhartha Mukherjee, the six-hour documentary interweaves a sweeping historical narrative with intimate stories about contemporary patients, and an investigation into the latest scientific breakthroughs to help defeat cancer.

The film comprises three episodes that will air on Detroit Public Television (Channel 56) at 9 p.m. March 30-31 and April 1.

The public is also invited to join DPTV and St. John Providence for two screenings of the film at 7 p.m. Thursday, March 5, and Tuesday, March 10, at Novi's Providence Park Hospital. The screenings are free, but registration is required due to limited seating. For more information or to RSVP, call 866-501-3627.

Free health lectures

Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease will be discussed by Emad Shehada, M.D., pulmonary and sleep medicine, 10:30-11:30 a.m. Tuesday, March 24. Do you suffer from chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, asthma, bronchitis or emphysema? If so, attend to learn about common breathing problems and how to "catch your breath."

Hip and knee pain will be discussed by Joseph Salama, M.D., orthopedic surgeon, 6-7 p.m. Thursday, April 2. Don't have time for the pain? Learn about advanced treatments that may offer relief from your hip and knee pain, including information on medications, nutrition and exercise.

Both lectures will be held at Novi's Providence Park Hospital in the Outpatient Building (faces Grand River Avenue), Conference Room A. Park and enter by the Heart Institute entrance. For more information or to register, call 888-751-5465.

Navigate 2015's economy

Prepare for transitions and potential heightened volatility in 2015 with the LPL Financial Research Outlook 2015: In Transit with timely advice and investment insights to help you navigate an economic backdrop shifting to the latter stages of the business cycle.

Presented by Jeremy Olen of LPL Financial 7-8:45 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 19, at the Novi Public Library (45255 W. 10 Mile), the seminar will include a comprehensive perspective on the markets and the economy — and the many factors that will influence them in the year ahead.

Coffee and desserts will be served as well. Register at www.center4fm.com or call 248-449-2800.

What's on your bucket list?

Looking for ways to ensure 2015 is a great

Focus Hope



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City of Novi Older Adult Services employee Sandy Fisher (left) and intern Morgan Dalrymple check out a box of Focus Hope food for needy clients during the Feb. 10 distribution at the Novi Civic Center. Residents who meet eligibility can get a box of food at the once-monthly event through the Detroit-based charity. Residents must be 60 years or older and have no more than \$1,265 monthly income to qualify. For more information, contact the city's Older Adult Services office at 248-347-0414.

year? Creating a bucket list is a good way to start. A bucket list, whether big, small or random, notes things you most want to do, goals you want to achieve and dreams you hope to fulfill while making the most of life experiences. Achieving bucket list items initiates conversations, revitalizes direction and provides a feeling of self-satisfaction.

"The beauty of creating of bucket list is actually the process of putting items in writing," said Karen Kapchonick, Novi's Older Adult Services manager. "Putting things in writing seems to hold us more accountable for achieving them."

Novi citizens ages 55 and older are encouraged to share their bucket list items via www.cityofnovi.org, at the Older Adult Services Office (45175 10 Mile) and at the Meadowbrook Activity Center, 25075 Meadowbrook Road. Novi's bucket list will be on display through April 30.

Those who add to the list will be entered into a drawing for gift certificates. Success stories will be shared in a future edition of the *Enhance* newsletter, online at www.cityofnovi.org and at both the Older Adult Services Office and Meadowbrook Activity Center.

For more information, contact Kapchonick at 248-347-0414 or kkapchonick@cityofnovi.org.

Special events offered by Novi's Older Adult Services

Don't let cold weather and a bit of snow diminish fun this winter; treat yourself to a warm meal, entertainment and friendship by attending a special event hosted by city of Novi Older Adult Services.

Tickets are on sale now for events offered throughout the winter (and spring) and are \$7 per Novi resident and \$8.50 per non-resident unless otherwise noted. Attendees must be 55 years or older. All events take place at the Meadowbrook Activity Center, 25075 Meadowbrook Road.

Shamrock Smash Luncheon – noon to 2 p.m. Tuesday, March 17: Irish or not, you are invited to a wee bit o' blarney at the St. Patrick's Day celebration. Enjoy a traditional Irish meal and entertainment and let the luck o' the Irish be with you. Ticket deadline is March 11.

Take Me Out to the Ball Game Luncheon – noon to 2 p.m. Monday, April 6: Tigers fans, you're on deck. Join other loyal fans at this opening game celebration with a stadium style lunch, entertainment from Joel Palmer and then stay to watch the game and cheer the Tigers to victory. Ticket deadline is March 31

Kentucky Derby – 4-6 p.m. Saturday, May 2:

Hear the roar of the crowd and the high energy announcers at Churchill Downs as they witness the most exciting two minutes in sports. Attendees will have fun horsing around the Meadowbrook Activity Center doing Derby Day activities along with dinner and watching the big event. Ticket deadline is April 27. Resident price is \$7.50 and non-resident price is \$9. Tickets are limited and must be purchased in advance at the city of Novi Older Adult Services office located in the Novi Civic Center, 45175 10 Mile.

For more information about upcoming events and programs, go to www.cityofnovi.org or call city of Novi Older Adult Services at 248-347-0414.

Police academy begins March 4

The creation 18 years ago of the Lakes Area Citizens Police Academy affords citizens the opportunity to learn about their local police department and take a behind the scenes look at what law enforcement work is all about. Participants also gain an insider's knowledge of the police agency, enabling them to make informed decisions on issues affecting the police and the community.

The academy is a joint venture between the Novi, Milford, Walled Lake, South Lyon, Wolverine Lake and Wixom police departments. Applications are currently being accepted for this free academy, scheduled to begin March 4. Those interested can find the application on cityofnovi.org. Participants must be 18 years of age or older and a resident of one of the participating jurisdictions.

The 30-hour program includes practical demonstrations, hands-on exercises, as well as presentations. Participants will tour the Oakland County Medical Examiner's Office, the Michigan State Police DNA lab and the 52-1 District Court. They will also view a K-9 demonstration, receive a hands-on experience at the Novi Firearms Training Center and have the opportunity to participate in a ride-along with a police officer.

Classes are scheduled 6:30-9:30 p.m. each Wednesday, March 4 through May 13. The first class will meet at the Novi Police Training Center. The registration deadline is Feb. 20. For more information, contact Det. Sgt. Scott Baetens at 248-347-0530.

Lakes Area Chamber hosting 'Frozen' event

What better way to spend a chilly Sunday afternoon in February than hanging out with your favorite character from the Disney movie *Frozen*? The Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce is

teaming up with chamber member Wonderland Lanes for an afternoon of family fun that will include the chance for parents to take pictures of their children with Elsa, Anna and Olaf from the movie. Participants are encouraged to dress like their favorite *Frozen* characters.

The event will be held Sunday, Feb. 22, with check-in beginning at 1 p.m. and bowling 1:30-3:30 p.m.

The Winter Wonder Bowl (8265 Richardson Road in Commerce) will feature crazy bowling games for all ages, kid's karaoke, a 50/50 drawing and awards. The cost for ages 5-17 is \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door; for ages 18 and up the cost is \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door. Advance registration is available by calling the Lakes Area Chamber at 248-624-2826. The bowler registration form is also available online at www.lakesarea-chamber.com.

A coat drive will be held during the event, and participants are asked to bring clean, gently used coats and new hats, gloves and scarves to be donated to the Open Door Outreach Center in Waterford.

Veterans benefit counseling

In 2010, a nationwide Veterans Administration survey found fewer than half of all veterans understood their benefits, including medical care, college tuition reimbursement and pension or disability payments. City of Novi Older Adult Services has partnered with the Michigan Paralyzed Veterans of America to increase awareness of VA benefits and medical care for those who qualify.

Bonnie Williams, a service officer from MPVA, will host free, 30-minute, one-on-one counseling sessions 1-3 p.m. the fourth Monday of each month – Feb. 23, March 23 and April 27 – at the Meadowbrook Activity Center (25075 Meadowbrook Road). To schedule an appointment, call 248-347-0414 or stop by Older Adult Services office in the Novi Civic Center, 45175 10 Mile.

For more information about Veterans Benefit Counseling, contact Sandy Fisher, Social Services coordinator, at 248-347-0414 or sfisher@cityofnovi.org. To learn about additional older adult social and educational programs, go to www.cityofnovi.org.

Scrapbook for a cause at library

Kick the creativity into gear and get your paper, stickers and cardstock ready by joining the Novi Public Library from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 28, for 12 hours of scrapbooking fun.

To partake in this day full of craft making, each individual will pay \$30 for a six-foot table. Consultants from Creative

Memories and Close to My heart will be on hand to help with any creativity needs. Crafters will get the opportunity to enjoy lunch, make and takes and giveaways. All proceeds will go toward the library to support future programming opportunities.

If you would like to participate in this scrapbooking event, call 248-869-7204 to register or go to www.novilibrary.org.

Novi Farmers Market continues through winter

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

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

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

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

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

Coffee with the Superintendent

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

Art classes for older adults

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

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

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

For more information, call 248-347-0414.

Baby Boomer conference coming to Oak Pointe Church

Attention Baby Boomers: get ready to re-fire, not retire when Oak Pointe Church hosts a conference Saturday, April 18, in conjunction with the city of Novi and other surrounding communities.

While plans are still a work in progress, Boomer University-Dream Again will encourage boomers in transition, or thinking about transition, in life to dream again.

Issues of the heart and soul will be discussed along with life issues, such as moving from success to significance. Other topics from various speakers will address the milestones of reaching the half-time part of life; financial planning, health screenings and many more.

The coordinating pastor of the conference, Chuck Gaidica, says this

will truly be an inspirational and informative day.

"There are nearly 10,000 baby boomers retiring each day in America," said Gaidica, who recently joined the staff at Oak Pointe Church-Novi.

Gaidica has changed his life and wants to share with fellow Baby Boomers some of his story; the great things and also pitfalls of making a career and life change while enjoying life as a boomer.

Also, dozens of information tables will be set up to encourage and help guide boomers to think or dream about "What's next in life?" Maybe change careers, learn to fly an airplane, strengthen your marriage, get involved volunteering, go on a mission trip, get a bad knee fixed or cruise the Mediterranean.

Boomer University-Dream Again will have something to offer you and your boomer buddies, including live music and a major fun factor. While the conference plans are not complete, the details will be announced soon. For more information, contact Gaidica at 248-912-0043, ext. 316.

Cottage & Lake Front Living Show returns to Novi

The eighth annual Cottage & Lakefront Living Show returns Thursday, Feb. 26, through Sunday, March 1, to the Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi.

"Our preseason event is designed for property and vacation homeowners or those looking to buy, build or rent to make their dreams happen this summer," said Dawn Baker, show manager of ShowSpan, Inc. "Builders, remodelers and Realtors will be ready with ideas. Start planning for this summer's family fun and memories by researching a new cottage, looking at a fishing kayak or boat and playing in the sand at the beach."

Suburban Collection Showplace is located at 46100 Grand River, between Novi and Beck roads. Show hours are 3-9:30 p.m. Thursday; noon to 9:30 p.m. Friday; 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday; and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$10; \$4 for children 6-14 and free for children 5 and under. Free crossover admission from the Cottage & Lakefront Living Show to Outdoorama. On-site parking is available for a fee. For more information, go to www.NoviCottageShow.com or Facebook.com/NoviCottageShow or call 800-328-6550.

Become a hero – give blood during Red Cross Month

During Red Cross Month in March, the American Red Cross reminds eligible blood donors that it doesn't take a cape or superpowers to be a hero. By donating blood, donors can become a hero for patients in need. Donors with all blood types are needed, particularly those with types O negative, A negative and B negative.

To learn more about donating blood and to schedule an appointment, download the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit redcrossblood.org or call 800-RED CROSS (800-733-2767). Upcoming local blood donation opportunities include:

Novi – 9 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. March 4, Ricoh Professional Services (26800 Meadowbrook); 8 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. March 7, Corrigan Record Storage (45200 Grand River Avenue), and 7:30 a.m. to 7:15 p.m. March 13, Providence Park Hospital (47601 Grand River Avenue)

Northville Township – 9 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. March 14, Amerman Elementary (847 N. Center Street)

Individuals who are 17



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TO GRASS ALLERGY SEASON*

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

*Date is approximate, depending on your region.



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



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

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

You are encouraged to report negative side effects of prescription drugs to the FDA. Visit www.fda.gov/medwatch, or call 1-800-FDA-1088.
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years of age (16 with parental consent in some states), weigh at least 110 pounds and are in generally good health may be eligible to donate blood. High school students and other donors 18 years of age and younger also have to meet certain height and weight requirements. For more information, visit red-cross.org or on Twitter at @RedCross.

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2015 Reel Michigan Film Festival deadline

The Fifth Annual Reel Michigan Film Festival will be held in Historic Downtown Northville on June 20 and entry deadline is April 17.

As part of the Arts and Acts Festival in downtown Northville, the Reel Michigan Film Festival 2015 will feature a diverse collection of Michigan-made short films beginning at 5 p.m. followed by a question-and-answer with filmmakers.

Reel Michigan is now accepting Michigan-made or Michigan-themed short films, less than 20 minutes long. Reel Michigan welcomes all genres, from student films to the experimental. The entry form is available at <http://northvilleartshouse.org/special-events/reel-michigan/>.

Grief support workshops

In effort to help those grieving the loss of a loved one, New Hope Center for Grief Support will have several eight-week workshops throughout metro Detroit. The workshops are offered at no cost and will be presented by trained facilitators.

Each session will begin with a presentation on one aspect of grief followed by small group

participation. Attendees will be placed in groups according to their loss (i.e. spouse, parent, child ect.) and given the opportunity to share their feelings and challenges as well as the necessary tools to cope with difficult emotions.

The upcoming workshops are:

» Northville – Ward Presbyterian Church (40000 Six Mile Road, Northville) beginning Feb. 23 from 7-8:45 p.m. for eight consecutive Mondays (no session April 6).

» Howell – Howell United Methodist Church (1230 Bower Street, Howell); beginning March 24 from 7-8:45 p.m. for four consecutive Tuesdays.

» Farmington Hills – Faith Covenant Church (35415 W. 14 Mile Road, Farmington Hills); beginning March 10 from 7-8:45 p.m. for eight consecutive Tuesdays (no session April 7)

» Livonia – Holy Cross Lutheran Church (30650 Six Mile Road, Livonia); beginning April 9 from 7 – 8:45 p.m. for eight consecutive Thursday evenings.

For additional questions or to register for a workshop please call New Hope at 248 348 0115 or email griefhelp@newhopecenter.net.

Woman’s Club meetings

Inspiring people of the Great Lakes region to integrate nature into their daily lives will be the focus of the Feb. 20 program of the Northville Woman’s Club by Julia Liljegren, regional education advocacy manager of the National Wildlife Federation’s Great Lakes Regional Center. The program will be at 1:30 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church of Northville.

Liljegren will discuss the NWF’s backyard certification program designed to help homeowners create gardens that attract beautiful wildlife including birds, butterflies and other creatures.

Drummmunity



Lucy Charles (right), 4, and her sister Daphne, 2, enjoy a moment of making rhythmic noise at the Feb. 12 Drummmunity event at the Novi Public Library. Kids of all ages got to grab a drum, cymbal or wood block and make some music under the direction of Lori Fithian.

It also helps restore habitat in commercial and residential areas. Since 1982, the NWF Great Lakes Regional Center in Ann Arbor has been a leader in protecting the Great Lakes for the wildlife and humans that depend on this invaluable resource.

The next program of the Northville Woman’s Club on March 6 will be a preview of the Diego Rivera & Frida Kahlo in Detroit exhibit opening March 15 at the Detroit Institute of Arts. The Northville Woman’s Club will conclude its 2014-15 season on March 20 with

the program, The J.L. Hudson Story, complete with a catered Maurice salad luncheon.

Those interested in more information about the Northville Woman’s Club or attending its programs should contact Lorraine Andaray at 248-349-9463.

Chamber Night at Tipping Point Theatre

Support the Northville Chamber of Commerce and the Tipping Point Theater by attending *Leaving Iowa* by Tim Clue and Spike Manton at

8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 20, at the theater (361 E. Cady Street).

Newspaper columnist Don Browning is searching for the perfect spot to scatter his dad’s ashes. Join him on a solo journey across the Midwest, remembering the zany vacations he took with his dad, mom and sister. Through memories of corn fields, tourist traps and sibling conflicts, he rediscovers his love and admiration for his dad. Leaving Iowa is a rewarding journey that goes beyond nostalgia into the very nature of families and the experiences that

bind us together.

“Since this production is a memory play so much of it takes place in flashbacks in the son, Don’s, memory. This allows for an opportunity to see the backstory of the characters. It also allows for more freedom and creativity in the characters and scenes,” said director Beth Torrey. “Audiences can expect to laugh a lot and also be touched by this story. It is also extremely relatable to all who hasn’t taken some kind of family road trip at some point in their life.”

Leaving Iowa runs through March 8. The curtain rises at 8 p.m. Thursday through Saturday, with matinees at 3 p.m. Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday.

Tickets are \$29 to \$32 for adults and \$27 to \$30 for students and senior citizens and are available now by calling the box office at 248-347-0003.

Barnes & Noble presenting authors

Michigan author Paul Flower wrote a suspense novel, *The Redeeming Power of Brain Surgery*, set in Michigan that has been dubbed “rural noir” by reviewers. He has a book signing 2-4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 21, at the Barnes & Noble (17111 Haggerty, Northville).

Some call it agile, some call it lean. Richard Sheridan and his team call it joyful – and it produces results, business and otherwise. Six Inc. magazine revenue growth awards, invites to the White House, speaking engagements around the nation, numerous articles and culture awards and so much interest they are doing a tour a day of his Menlo Software Factory.

Sheridan visits Barnes & Noble March 18 for a storytelling event. Sheridan will offer a discussion and Q&A followed by a book signing. RSVP is not necessary, however recommended. For more information, please contact Gayle Townsend at 248-348-1274.

Brief Summary



GRASTEK®

Timothy Grass Pollen Allergen Extract
Tablet for Sublingual Use 2800BAU

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?

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Who should not take GRASTEK?

You or your child should not take GRASTEK if:

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

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

What should I tell my doctor before taking GRASTEK?

Your doctor may decide that GRASTEK is not the best treatment if:

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

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

Are there any reasons to stop taking GRASTEK?

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

- Any type of a serious allergic reaction
- Throat tightness that worsens or swelling of the tongue or throat that causes trouble speaking, breathing or swallowing
- Asthma or any other breathing condition that gets worse
- Dizziness or fainting
- Rapid or weak heartbeat
- Severe stomach cramps or pain, vomiting, or diarrhea
- Severe flushing or itching of the skin
- Heartburn, difficulty swallowing, pain with swallowing, or chest pain that does not go away or worsens

Also, stop taking GRASTEK following: mouth surgery procedures (such as tooth removal), or if you develop any mouth infections, ulcers or cuts in the mouth or throat.

How should I take GRASTEK?

Take GRASTEK exactly as your doctor tells you.

GRASTEK is a prescription medicine that is placed under the tongue.

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

- Wash hands after taking the tablet.

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

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

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

What are the possible side effects of GRASTEK?

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

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

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

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

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Shop wisely for life insurance

Q: Dear Rick: I'm in my late 50s, married and currently employed. I plan to work for another 10 years. I invest in my company's 401(k) plan and I also have a decent-sized portfolio outside of my retirement



Rick Bloom

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account. Twenty-five years ago, when my children were infants, I purchased a \$1 million term policy. I just received notice that the term policy is going to expire in a few months. My two children have both graduated college and are on their own. My wife also works and, if something happens to me, there are plenty of assets to protect her. Do you think I need to buy additional life insurance?

A: There is no need for you to purchase life insurance. After all, your kids are on their own and, if something happens to you, there is enough to protect your wife.

Too many people believe that life insurance is an automatic and that everyone needs it. We're all going to die, so we need life insurance, right? The answer is absolutely not.

Life insurance is not an investment. Like all types of insurance, life insurance is a means of covering risk. The question is when you pass away do you have the resources to protect those who are dependent upon you? If the answer is yes, then there is no need to purchase life insurance.

All too often, life insurance is sold as an investment. Many insurance salespeople like to show all sorts of charts and graphs as to how your money grows in a life insurance policy. Unfortunately, these graphs and charts for the most part are inaccurate and many times contain unrealistic expectations. The only people who consider life insurance an investment are those selling it.

For those who need life insurance, my recommendation is to consider term life insurance. Term life insurance is the simplest and least expensive type. With term life insurance, you are buying coverage for a period of time – five, 10, 20 or even 30 years. If you die during the time period, then your beneficiaries collect.

One last note regarding term insurance. Most people don't need insurance their entire life. The greatest need for insurance is when you have a growing family. That is why term insurance is so valuable, because it allows you to cover your insurance needs at a much more affordable cost than any other type of insurance.

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.

Tax help



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Tax-Aide volunteer Gary Erne (right) helps Lynn Creith with his 2014 tax filings Feb. 9 at the Novi Public Library. The free service will continue to be offered until tax filing day, April 15, at the Novi Civic Center. Appointments are needed and can be arranged by calling 248-347-0421. The help, not meant to be exclusive to seniors, is meant for filers who are in middle- to low-income households.

SBA launching new tool for entrepreneurs

The Small Business Administration will launch a first of its kind tool on the federal agency's website that will allow entrepreneurs looking for a small business loan to get matched with a SBA lender. This new tool, called LINC (Leveraging Information and Networks to access Capital), will have small business owners fill out a simple online form of 20 questions and connect them with lenders within 48 hours. By directly connecting with prospective borrowers, the agency will be able to provide more guidance and ensure more capital is reaching our nation's entrepreneurs.

Prospective borrowers may immediately go to <https://www.sba.gov/tools/linc>.

After filling out the form, a borrower's answers will be blasted out to every lender in that borrower's county, as well as to other lenders with a regional or national reach. Once lenders have reviewed the information that matters most to them, they'll respond within 48 hours, all this for no fees or commitment. This option will untether entrepreneurs from the one neighborhood bank, using technology to get their foot in the door at any of a number of institutions and improve their access to capital.

LINC will roll out in waves. It will begin by connecting small business owners with nonprofit lenders that offer free financial advice and specialize in micro lending, loans in the Community Advantage program, and real estate financing. In the longer-term, the SBA look to add more traditional banks that offer an even wider array of financial products.

Taste of Northville registration underway

The Northville Chamber of Commerce is now accepting registrations for the annual Taste of Northville Business Showcase Event, presented by Community Financial Credit Union, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, March 14, at Northville High School.

The showcase will feature interactive exhibits from retail, service and nonprofit businesses at this fun family-themed event. This year's theme will celebrate the "Wearing of the Northville Green" (St. Patrick's Day). The early bird registration

fee of \$175 (chamber members' discount) includes booth space, table, chairs, set up assistance and four tickets to the event.

Business participants are encouraged to provide promotional giveaway items, along with their company literature. Event attendees vote on awards for the Best Restaurant/Caterer, Best Business and Best Theme displays.

The Business Showcase application form is available on the Chamber of Commerce website (www.northville.org) or can be obtained by contacting the chamber at 248-349-7640.

BabyFirst network now on Bright House

BabyFirst, the TV network devoted to delivering high-quality child development programming to tots and their parents, has launched on Bright House Networks' digital basic tier. The launch adds 2.5 million Bright House Networks customers in Detroit, Indianapolis, Central Florida, Tampa, Birmingham and Bakersfield to BabyFirst's distribution, which now stands at more than 50 million U.S. homes, in English and Spanish (through SAP).

Bosch fund grants \$10K to Friends of the Rouge

Friends of the Rouge, a local nonprofit organization serving the Rouge River watershed, was recently awarded \$10,000 from the Bosch Community Fund.

"These much-needed funds will support general operations and our hands-on education and public involvement programs in 2015," said Aimee LaLonde-Norman, executive director for Friends of the Rouge.

Bosch awarded the grant in honor of the site expansion at Bosch's Technical Center in Plymouth Township. Groundbreaking for this project was in August; expected completion is in November.

"Bosch's affiliation with Friends of the Rouge has been important because we share the same value of environmental sustainability," said John Mirsky, VP of technical and engineering services for Robert Bosch LLC. "Friends of the Rouge does important work in the watershed. We have given them access to aquatic sampling in Seeley Creek, which borders our property, and they have helped us lead on-site, volunteer habitat restoration projects."

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Friends of the Rouge oversees several core program areas including:

» The Rouge Education Project is a partnership with local schools in which Friends of the Rouge provides science education/water quality monitoring programming for students in grades K-12

» River Restoration activities that provide residents, businesses, and municipalities with training about riparian corridor management (best practices for land use), as well as hands-on installation and maintenance experience

» Rouge Rescue is one of the largest annual river cleanup events in the nation and engages nearly 2,000 volunteers of all ages in trash removal, woody debris management, native plantings, invasive plant removal and other stewardship activities

» Volunteer Monitoring efforts provide critical data about the health of the river and engage hundreds of volunteers each year in hands-on monitoring of aquatic insects, frogs and toads and fish to assess and track the health of the river, as well as the qual-

ity of habitat in/around the river

Founded in 1986 in response to a demonstrated need to restore the Rouge River, Friends of the Rouge is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization which promotes restoration and stewardship of the Rouge River ecosystem through education, citizen involvement and other collaborative efforts, for the purpose of improving the quality of life for the people, plants and animals of the watershed. To learn more about FOTR, go to the rouge.org.

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Haas Lake co-founder, teacher and activist dies

By Diane Gale Andreassi
Staff Writer

South Lyon resident Ruth E. Rickard, 92, made a mark as a teacher, community volunteer and co-founder of the popular Haas Lake RV Campground in New Hudson.

Mrs. Rickard, with her husband Clayton and his best friend Dallas Fletcher and his wife Virginia, started the campground in 1971. The recreational area is still owned by their descendants.

Mrs. Rickard worked diligently with Active Faith Community Services and at her church, First United Methodist Church of South Lyon. She also taught for Novi Community Schools, where she began a special education program, her son Gary Rickard said.

She died Feb. 7.

Awards abound

Her dedication to community work didn't go unnoticed. She was



Rickard

er South Lyon Chamber of Commerce in 2007; Oakland County Teacher of the Year in 1984; and was on the board of trustees at Active Faith Community Service.

She also volunteered as a Girl Scout leader. "She was a great mom, a wonderful citizen and she made a lot of contributions to make people's lives better," Gary Rickard said. "She was the person who was willing to help out. She had a wonderful life. She was well-loved."

Mayor Tedd Wallace wrote an entry about Mrs. Rickard in the Philip's Funeral Home on-line guest book.

"A pillar of South Lyon has fallen," Wallace wrote. "Ruth was so kind and giving. Please let it

be known that I do hereby proclaim that Feb. 14, 2015, is Ruth Rickard Day in South Lyon, MI. I regret I'm out of town."

Mrs. Rickard taught early elementary grades with a focus on special education. She attended Michigan Normal, which later became Eastern Michigan University. She married Clayton when they were both 20 years old and she followed her husband around the country while he was in the U.S. Army.

"Mom was with him whenever it was possible," Gary Rickard said. "That was a great adventure of their lives. They saw the United States from one end to the other at the various training areas."

When she couldn't be with Clayton, she was working at the Willow Run bomber plant outside Belleville, her son said.

Teacher of teachers

Mrs. Rickard went on to earn her bachelor's degree in 1968 and her

master's degree in 1975. She became a teacher and a mentor for 19 student-teachers during her career. She often visited the school, Orchard Hills Elementary School in Novi, where she taught at for 23 years. Mrs. Rickard also taught in South Lyon and in New Hudson, where she worked mostly as a substitute teacher in long-term assignments.

"Mom went back on a regular basis for a lot of activities at the school," Gary Rickard said. "She was well-loved. She was very remarkable."

Mrs. Rickard was also involved during the early days of Active Faith, offering free services for the disadvantaged of the South Lyon Community Schools and "was a key contributor," her son said.

"She helped raise a lot of money to get the building that they're in," Gary Rickard said. "She worked all the garage sales and activities to raise money, like the camp-out at Haas Lake.

She raised tens of thousands of dollars for Active Faith."

She also launched a tutoring program for the children of Active Faith clients and worked diligently at making it thrive.

"She was always an active mom," Gary Rickard said. "What she was most proud of was her work with Active Faith and with the church, of course. She never sought out attention for what she did."

Led by example

Active Faith annually recognizes a volunteer who goes above and beyond with a prize named the Ruth Rickard Award to encourage volunteers to imitate her dedication to the organization.

Mrs. Rickard is survived by her son Gary and his wife wife Ruth J.; son-in-law Tim Reed and daughter-in-law Gina Rickard; grandchildren Nathan (Shannon) Reed, Alison (Eric) Walker, Anna Rickard and Debra

Jane Rickard, great-grandchildren Arabella Reed, Clayton Reed, Jacob Walker and Evan Walker; and sister-in-law Eileen Rickard.

She was preceded in death by her husband Clayton, daughter Sue Ellen Reed and son Alan Rickard.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Active Faith Community Service, 401 Washington St., South Lyon, MI 48178 or to the First United Methodist Church of South Lyon, 640 S. Lafayette, South Lyon, MI 48178. Funeral arrangements were handled by Phillip's Funeral Home.

"She had been a great mom and a great example to all of us," Gary Rickard said. "Her mission on this planet was over. It was kind of her time to be with my dad, my sister and my brother. We're going to celebrate her life and not dwell on her passing."

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

Brightmoor Christian

Location: M-5 and 13 Mile, Novi.

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

Web: www.brightmoorchurch.org.

Celebrate Recovery

Time/Dates: 7 p.m. Mondays.

Details: Worship, teaching or testimony and open-share recovery groups. Organizers

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

Church of the Holy Family

Location: 24505 Meadowbrook Road.

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

Mass Schedule

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

Monday through Friday; 7 p.m. Monday and Tuesday; 4:30 p.m. Saturday; 6:30 p.m. Saturday (Spanish).

Holy days: 9 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Reconciliation: beginning 9 a.m. Saturdays or by appointment.

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

AA: 8 p.m. Wednesdays.

Crosspointe Meadows

Location: 29000 Meadowbrook Road, south of 13 Mile.

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

Sunday worship: 11 a.m.

Bible study classes: 10 a.m. for all ages.

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

Destiny Worship Center

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

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

Emmanuel Lutheran

Location: 34567 Seven Mile, Livonia.

Web: www.emmanuel-livonia.org.

Contact: 248-442-8822.

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

Youth group: 7 p.m. Wednesdays.

Special Needs Ministry: Contact Judy Cook, 248-442-8822.

Women's Coffee Break Bible Study

Study: 10-11:30 a.m. Mondays – "Everybody's Normal Till You Get to Know Them" by John Ortberg

Adult Bible Class: 11 a.m. Sundays – "Seeing Grey in a World of Black and White" by Adam Hamilton

Ash Wednesday Worship: 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Feb 18, 11 am and 7 pm

Bible Studies: "WHY? Making Sense of God's Will " by Adam Hamilton; 9:30 and 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Sundays, beginning Feb. 22; 10 a.m. Mondays (Women's Coffee Break); 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. Wednesdays.

Faith Community Presbyterian Church

Location: 44400 W. 10 Mile.

Contact: 248-349-2345 or visit www.faithcommunity-novi.org.

Sunday Worship: 10 a.m.

First Baptist Church of Northville

Location: 217 N. Wing.

Contact: 248-348-1020.

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ACKERMANN, PAUL A.
Oct. 28, 1942-Feb. 13, 2015
www.phillipsfuneral.com

ARRINGTON, MARY KATHERINE (KAY)

Formerly of Detroit. Age 92, passed away peacefully on February 12, 2015. Survived by Thomas Russell Arrington (Carol), Doris Kay Arrington, Samuel Dee Arrington, Jennie Lynn Zehnfpennig, Donna Fay Baker (Donald), Ellis Sue Anderson (David), and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Predeceased by sister, Edna Wristen. A private family service will be held at a later date.

CALLAN, DENNIS

Dennis was born April 7, 1937 and passed away January 20, 2015. Dennis was married to Marlene Callan and had two daughters, Kim Creany and Coni Callan. Along with daughters Dennis had six grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

May peace be with you in this time of sorrow.

May you find peace in this time of sorrow.



COOK, CECELIA F.

Age 93, of Portage, formerly a lifelong resident of Wixom and New Hudson, passed away peacefully February 12, 2015. She was born in Wixom, Michigan on August 30, 1921; daughter of Charles and Josephine (nee Hopkins) Westervelt. Cecelia grew up on a large farm in Wixom and graduated from New Hudson School. She was united in marriage to Thomas E. Cook on April 8, 1941; they spent 42 loving years together until his death in 1983. Cecelia was a devoted homemaker; her family meant everything to her. She was a wonderful cook and baker. She enjoyed traveling; visiting places like Alaska, Italy, Hawaii, and the Panama Canal. She was an avid reader, who also enjoyed crafting and crocheting. Cecelia and her husband shared a love for both flower gardening and vegetable gardening. Cecelia is survived by her loving children, Clinton Cook of New Hudson, Carolyn (Frank) Sajdak of Schoolcraft, and Gerald (Bonnie) Cook of Northville; her grandchildren, Kevin (fiancee Jennifer Wah) Sajdak, Kelly (John) Bartelt, and Karen (Neil) Plohr; her great-grandchildren, Samantha, Cassidy, and Jack. She was preceded in death by her husband; her parents; and four brothers. The Funeral Service was held Monday, February 16, 2015 at Casterline Funeral Home of Northville. She was laid to rest at Wixom Cemetery in Wixom, Michigan. The family would appreciate memorial contributions to the charity of the givers choice.



DIENHART H. KATHRYN "KAY" (NEE MARBURGER)

Passed from life to death at the grand age of 93 on February 10, 2015. Preceded in death by her husband Robert V. Dienhart. Loving mother of Robert F. (Jean), William, Mary, John, Nancy Harders (David Robertson), Margaret "Peg", James (Angie), and Thomas. Further survived and loved by her grandchildren Robert S., Michael (Cindy), Chad (Hyun-Ji), Ryan (Donna), Melanie (Jeremy) Erghott, Derek (Melissa), Kyle (Emily) Harders, Anna, and Daniel and great-grandchildren Kevin, Lauren, Chase, Ryder, Lucas (Erghott), Violet (Erghott), Jason (Harders), and Tyler (Harders). Kay loved to travel and has bicycled in Europe, sailed the Yangtze River, and zip lined across the treetops while birding in Costa Rica. She loved reading and learning, delighted in art and in history, loved animals (especially her little dog Sparky), and bird watching. She spent long hours enjoying the variety of birds that visited the feeders in her yard. She loved colorful surroundings as seen in the variety of flowers in her yard, in the periodically changing pictures that adorned the walls of her home, and her favorite color to wear – red. She had a sparkle in her eye, a ready laugh, and could find humor in life's situations. She was a marvelous woman, a loving mother and grandmother, was very much the heart of the family and will be missed. A Funeral Mass will be held at Good Shepherd Catholic Church, N88 W17658 Christman Rd, Menomonee Falls, WI on Friday, February 20 at 11 AM. Memorial gathering will begin at the church on Friday from 10 AM until the Mass. In lieu of flowers please make memorial contributions to the Milwaukee Art Museum, Humane Animal Welfare Society- Waukesha County, or the charity of your choice.

A loving tribute



GILLIS, JUDITH R.

Age 71 of Canadian Lakes formerly of South Lyon, passed away Saturday, February 14, 2015 at her home with her family by her side. She was born July 9, 1943 in Detroit, the daughter of Harry and Marie (Sims) Saunders. Judie graduated from Cody High School in Detroit in 1961. She then attended the Detroit Medical Center Nursing Program where she earned her Licensed Practical Nurse Certificate. Judie married Dennis Gillis on March 28, 1970 in Detroit and together they raised their family in the South Lyon area. She began her nursing career in the hospital setting and later expanded her talent and experience in numerous areas of the medical field. Judie was a lifelong nurse working for 50 years in the industry. She enjoyed all aspects of nature, boating and gardening. Judie was also an avid antique collector. She was a thoughtful and caring person that will be greatly missed by all who knew her. Judie is survived by her husband of nearly 45 years, Dennis Gillis of Canadian Lakes; two sons, Devin (fiancee Alice) Gillis of Redford and Loren Gillis of Royal Oak; two brothers-in-law; a sister-in-law; and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents and brother, Harry Saunders. A memorial service is being planned for a later date. Memorial contributions may be made in Judie's name to any local hospice of the donor's choice. Arrangements and care entrusted to the Daggett-Gilbert Funeral Home in Big Rapids. Share a memory or leave a condolence for the family at www.daggettgilbertfuneral-home.com

GRIFFIN, LOYS J.
June 13, 1933 - February 13, 2015. Arrangements by: PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME. www.phillipsfuneral.com



HAMILL, THOMAS RUE

Thomas Rue Hamill died peacefully at his home in Huntington Woods on February 13, 2015. He was born November 7, 1950 in Royal Oak to Treva (Powell) and Robert Hamill and grew up in Royal Oak and Berkley before the family moved to Highland in his early teens. He graduated in 1969 from Milford High School where he was a member of the track and football teams, attended Oakland Community College and served for four years in the United States Coast Guard. Tom was a trim carpenter by trade working on numerous high-end homes throughout Oakland County. A true Renaissance man, Tom was a guitar maker, boat builder, sailor, ice boater, artist and musician. He designed and built his own home in Davisburg, built and raced a trimaran sailboat, changed the sport of ice boating with innovative hull design and started a band in his late 50s with friends and family members that met weekly and brought him endless joy. He also spent many happy days at his cottage in the Leelanau peninsula. He was a member of the Huron Valley Tribal Council and lived his philosophy of doing right by others. His kindness, wisdom and calm demeanor gained him friends of all ages throughout the world. He is survived by his wife of 16 months, Mary Robertson, step-daughters Francesca and Alyssa Zino, father Robert Hamill, brother Rick (Chris) Hamill, sister Robin Hamill, niece Jane (Jeff) Harnack, sister Lauren Harnack, nephew Travis (Becca) Hamill and great-nephew Nic Hamill as well as many other loving relatives. He was predeceased by his mother Treva Hamill. A memorial service will be held on Saturday, Feb. 21 at 11 a.m. at The First Presbyterian Church of Royal Oak, 837 Hendrie Dr., Royal Oak with the family receiving visitors at 10 a.m. Memorial contributions may be made by noting "Tom Hamill Scholarship Fund" on the memo line of checks payable to Milford High School, 2380 S. Milford Rd., Highland, MI 48357, Attn: Scholarship Committee. The family is being served by Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com

HAPIAK, MARY ANN
July 6, 1931 - February 6, 2015. Arrangements by: PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME. www.phillipsfuneral.com

McNULTY, FRED
January 15, 1953 - February 5, 2015. Arrangements by: PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME. www.phillipsfuneral.com

STALLARD, DELORES ELAINE "SALLY"

A long time resident of Milford and teacher in the Huron Valley School System, died on February 12, 2015 after recently being diagnosed with cancer. She was 81 years old. She was preceded in death by her husband, Richard W. Stallard, in 1992 and a sister, Helen Poole. She is survived by her daughters, Amy (Steven) Wolff and Lori (Richard) Thompson; grandson, Adam Wolff; granddaughter, Emily Wolff; nephew, Gary (Barbara) Kline and their family; granddogs, Gracie and Lucy and many dear friends. A Memorial Service will be held at Lynch & Sons Funeral Home, 404 E. Liberty Street, Milford, on Sunday, February 22, at 1p.m. Friends may gather from 12 Noon until the time of service. Memorials may be made in her name to Autism Society of America or to the Milford Township Library. For further information please phone 248-684-6645 or visit www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com

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Sunday Worship: 10:45 a.m. and 5:45 p.m.
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Ladies Bible Study: 9:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Tuesdays.
Men's Bible Study: 9 a.m. first Saturday of every month.

First Church of the Nazarene

Location: 21260 Haggerty, north of Eight Mile.
Contact: 248-348-7600 or visit dfcnazarene.org.
Sunday Schedule: 9:30 a.m. Classic worship service, Adult Bible Fellowship classes and Children's Sunday School; 11 a.m. Contemporary worship service with Kids Church, Teen Worship Service and Adult Bible Fellowship classes. Cafe is open from

9:15-11 a.m.; 6 p.m. Evening Traditional Service.
Thursday: 6 a.m. Men of Purpose Prayer Group and Bible Study.
Tuesday: 9:25 a.m. Women of the Word Bible Study — the Books of Ruth and Esther
Wednesday: 5:30 p.m. family dinner; 6:30 p.m. Caravan Scouting program for ages 4 through fourth grade; Club 56 for fifth and sixth graders; Surge Youth Group, Bible Study with Pastor Troy Ogle; and Little Critters for preschool age.

First Presbyterian Church of Northville

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

First Presbyterian Church

Location: 205 E. Lake St. (corner of Wells and 10 Mile), South Lyon.
Contact: 248-437-2875.

First Presbyterian Church

Location: 26165 Farmington Road, Farmington.

First United Methodist Church of Northville

Location: 777 W. Eight Mile, Northville.
Contact: 248-349-1144 or www.fumcnorthville.org.
Sunday Worship (September-May): 9:15 and 11 a.m.
Sunday School (September-May): 9:15 a.m. Nursery 12th grade; 11 a.m. Nursery-sixth grade.

WEDDING



Patricia Hart Eichholtz and Adam Patrick Roark

Eichholtz-Roark

Patricia Hart Eichholtz and Adam Patrick Roark, married Friday, Sept. 12, 2014, in the Cathedral of the Assumption, Louisville, Ky.

ENGAGEMENT

Burke-Croad

Michelle Caitlyn Burke and Aaron Alexander Croad are engaged to be married.

She is the daughter of Patrick and Cindy Burke of Jackson. She graduated from Albion College and earned a master's degree in science from Case Western Reserve.

He is the son of Terry and Lori Croad of Novi. He also graduated from Albion College and is employed by Ernst & Young.

A wedding has been set for June 26 at Beacon Hill Golf Club & Banquet Center, Commerce Township.



Michelle Burke and Aaron Croad

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248.887.1311 • www.myhumc.com
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Kids Church: 9:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
MS & HS Youth: 11:00 a.m.
Wed is MS Youth Night: 6:30 p.m.
Griefshare, Mondays: 6:30 p.m.

Whitmore Lake

FELLOWSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH
10774 Nine Mile Road
Rev. M. Lee Taylor • 449-2582
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.
Worship, 11:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening, 7:00 p.m.

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Saturday: 4:30 p.m. (English) & 6:30 p.m. (Spanish)
Sunday: 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. & 12:30 p.m.
Fr. Bob LaCroix, Pastor
Fr. Beto Espinoza, Associate
Parish Office: 349-8847 • www.holyfamilynovi.org

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56730 Grand River Avenue • New Hudson MI 48165
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Sunday School & Bible Class 9:30 a.m.
Worship 10:30 a.m.
www.newhudsonumc.org

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Phone 248-474-9108
Sunday Celebration of Life Service 10:30 a.m.
Rev. Suzanne Paul, Minister
Website: <http://www.newhopeuu.org>

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

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

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620 General Motors Rd., Milford
Church office: (248) 684-0895
Worship Services: Sunday 8:30 am & 11:00 am
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Sunday 8:00 & 11:00 a.m.
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Sunday Worship 10 a.m.
Rev. Arthur Ritter, Senior Minister
Lo. 0000219793

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

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Awana, 3 yrs old thru 5th grade (Sept.-March)
and Youth Group for 6th grade and older
Website: milfordbaptist.org
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OAKPOINTE Milford Church
1250 South Hill Rd.
www.opcmilford.org
(248) 685-3560
Contemporary Worship Service: Sunday 9:15 am & 11:15 am
Adventistland Children's Program: Sunday 9:15 am & 11:15 am
The Rock (Middle School) Wednesdays 6:30-8 pm, Sundays 9:15 am
The 707 (High School) Sundays 6:30-8:30 pm
Women, Men and Life Groups/Variou Schedules
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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
205 E. Lake (10 Mile) 248.437.2875
Sunday Worship 10:00 a.m.
Children's Church for Grades K thru 5th
Nursery Care Provided
Mid-Week Study Thursday 7:00 p.m.
Rev. Michael Horlocker, Pastor
www.fpcsouthlyon.org
Lo. 0000219757

BIBLE BELIEVERS CHURCH
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52909 10 Mile Rd • South Lyon, MI 48178
Sunday 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.
Wednesday 7:00 p.m.
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Sunday School age 3 thru 5th grade @ 10 a.m.
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1116 S. Hickory Ridge Rd., Milford, MI 48380
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Sunday Worship 9 am & 11:15 am
Wed. Kids-6:30 pm/Adults-6:45 pm
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21860 Pontiac Trail • South Lyon, MI 48178
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9:30 a.m. Sunday School,
10:30 a.m. Praise and Worship
Wednesday Midweek Ministries 7 p.m.
Troy Singleton, Minister
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(Missouri Synod)
Pastor Terry Nelson
437-8810 • 486-4335
Griswold Rd. at 10 Mile
Worship: 10 a.m.; **Sunday School:** 10 a.m.;
Adult Bible Study: 9 a.m
Lo. 0000219722

Milford United Methodist Church
1200 Atlantic St., Milford, MI 48381
Sunday Worship: 8:30 am, 10:30 am, 6:00 pm
Children's Church: 10:30 am
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248-684-2798
milfordumc.net
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1208 E. Commerce, Milford
Worship: Sun 11am, Wed 7pm
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Lo. 0000219863 and depressed.
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Fellowship Evangelical Presbyterian Church
22200 Pontiac Trail (S of 9 Mile)
Sunday Worship @ 9:30 am
Sunday School @ 11 am
Wednesday mid-week programs
Rev. David Brown, Pastor
248-437-2222 • www.fellowshippepc.org
Lo. 0000219764

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF SOUTH LYON
60820 Marjorie Ann St., South Lyon 48178
Phone: 248-437-2983
Sunday School 9:45 a.m. • Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
Evening Service 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.
Senior Pastor: Rob Freshour / Assoc. Pastor: Randy Weeks
Website: www.fbcsouthlyon.com
• Email: fbcsouthlyon@sbcglobal.net
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Northville

First Presbyterian Church of Northville
www.fpcnorthville.org
200 E. MAIN ST. AT HUTTON
Worship: 9:30 am.
Sunday School for all ages, 10:30 am.
248-349-0911
Lo. 0000219747

First United Methodist Church Northville
(248) 349-1144
777 West 8 Mile Road
(8 Mile and Taft Road)
Northville, Michigan
Worship Times: September - May 9:15 & 11:00 a.m.
Memorial Day - Labor Day 10:00 a.m.
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www.fumcnorthville.org
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Sunday School: 9:40 am
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southlyonfirstumc.org
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Sunday Service 10:00 a.m.
All Classes 9:00
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59255 10 Mile Rd.
South Lyon MI 48178
Sunday Worship 9:00 AM
Education Hour 10:15 AM
Rev. Bart Muller, Pastor
248-573-7320
www.shepherdswaysouthlyon.org
Lo. 0000219838

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248-486-0400
www.ecrossroads.net
Service Times
8:45am, 10:00am & 11:30am
Christmas Eve Services
5:30pm & 7pm
Lo. 0000229264

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133 Orchard Dr., Northville
WEEKEND LITURGIES Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday, 7:30, 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m.
Church 349-2621, **School** 349-3610
Religious Education 349-2559
Rev. Denis Theroux, Pastor
Lo. 0000219829

Our Saviour Apostolic Lutheran Church
54899 8 Mile Rd. at Currie Rd. Northville, MI 48167
248-374-2268
Sunday Worship:
9:45 am Children's & Adult's Sunday School
10:30 am Fellowship/Coffee
11:00 am Worship Service
Wednesday Bible Study at 7 pm
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Lo. 0000219846

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

OUR VIEWS

Make a change to fight heart disease

Wearing red in February is much more than a fashion statement. It's a symbol of awareness and a call to action to join the American Heart Association's campaign against heart disease.

Feb. 6 was National Wear Red Day with Go Red For Women with folks wearing red to show support for the fight against the No. 1 killer of women – heart disease. But don't let it stop there. Take the time to educate yourself, as well.

According to the American Heart Association, one in three women dies of heart disease and stroke each year. The AHA notes that 80 percent of cardiac events can be prevented with education and lifestyle changes.

Janice Cosby-Bridges of Northville is this year's Go Red chair for the Detroit-area campaign. Cosby-Bridges is the chief marketing officer for Ascension Health Michigan and passionate about this cause. She reminds everyone: "You don't need to have heart disease to support Go Red."

"I'm asking you to help me raise awareness, stop the denial, reduce our risk factors and help fund research to find a cure," she said. "This cause is personal to me, because it's affecting our mothers, daughters, sisters and friends."

Go Red is more than a catchy phrase, it's a reminder of how we need to fight heart



JULIE YOLLES

"This is a fight I don't like to lose," four-time undefeated World Boxing Champion Laila Ali told the crowd of 600-plus on National Wear Red Day, Feb. 6. Ali was talking about heart disease—the No.1 killer of women. "My new opponent is optimal health," said Ali at the American Heart Association's Go Red for Women Luncheon, held at the Detroit Marriott. "We are in control of our health; we can change the outcome of our life through nutrition and exercise." Pictured at the event are Go Red for Women Executive Leadership Team member Jessica Gubing of Northville and Dawn Kopacz of Farmington Hills.

disease. What does it mean to Go Red for Women? The American Heart Association says it

best:
G: Get your numbers: Ask your physician to check your

blood pressure and cholesterol.
O: Own Your Lifestyle: Stop smoking, lose weight, exercise

and eat healthy. It's up to you. No one can do it for you.

R: Raise Your Voice: Advocate for more women-related research and education.

E: Educate Your Family: Make healthy food choices for you and your family. Teach your kids the importance of staying active.

D: Don't Be Silent: Show your support with a donation of time and money.

Go to GoRedForWomen.org to learn about how to reduce your risk, facts about cardiovascular disease and for a list of local education and fundraising events planned this month in the metro area.

St. Mary Mercy Hospital, 36475 Five Mile Road, Livonia, is hosting two events this month to help women prevent heart disease.

» **Ladies Night Out**, from 5:30-8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 19, will include health screenings, massage, prizes, vendors and a presentation by Dr. Satish Madiraju, vascular medicine and endovascular medicine. The event takes place in the South Auditorium.

» **Dr. Syamasundera Zampani** will discuss preventing heart disease from noon to 1 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 25, in the North Auditorium at St. Mary Mercy.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Epic water scandal emerging

Does anyone else hear Paul Revere alerting our community: "The water bill is coming ... the water bill is coming!" When? The rates are effective July 1, but we won't be wounded until we receive the bill in September.

A couple of days ago, I was reading The Detroit News (Feb. 12), and lo and behold, the front page article was on rising water rates. All the traditional alarms went off, signaling that an epic water scandal was underway. Here's why:

» No single bureaucrat can accurately describe the situation.

» There is an overall lack of clarity.

» Information is in bits and pieces vs. a coherent whole.

» Disinformation is rampant.

» No one is sure who is in charge....really.

» Water conservation is a problem, not an opportunity.

» There is a deliberate attempt to build a wedge between households and commercial / industrial customers by omission.

» Money is needed ... lots and lots of our money.

» There is no published paper trail on how the water system morphed into such disrepair ... either honestly or dishonestly.

Investigative reporters, college dissertation candidates, and watchdog agencies: There's a great story to uncover: Research the tens of millions of dollars that were mismanaged and unaccounted for, and reveal your discoveries. Certainly your work will earn a spot in local government lore and history.

Unfortunately, the worst thing about the water system issue is that all the new money won't fix the problem. Why? Because a broken system of this magnitude cannot be fixed at the level where the problems

reside. Most likely, a complete higher system redesign will be necessary. That could very well involve all of Southeast Michigan and, dare I say it, Central Michigan, too.

Next time you turn on the faucet, think about Paul Revere: "The water-coats are coming!"

Vic Leo
Northville Township

Fix our roads

In Lansing, the idea being kicked around is to use the funding from the revenue that is sent to school district and cities to fix all our roads and bridges – and not by increasing taxes on gas, as previously planned. Rather than increase tax on gas, the state would cut spending to schools districts and cities.

I agree and this is why:

The plan would increase gas by 19 cents per gallon, which means we would be paying 41 cents in taxes per gallon of gas. On an average, filling up you would be paying \$3.80 per 20 gallons (\$76) or \$6.08 per 32 gallons (\$195), if you have a SUV like me.

On the average, I fill up three times per month. That would mean \$18.08 per month for average driving. So in a year's time, at normal fill-ups, I would pay \$216.96 more in gas tax. This is normal drive time, not taking in account during the summer, when I drive more and burn more gas.

No, thank you! I would rather pay the millage the local city would have to increase to make up the difference the state would take from the city tax revenue. Take the last safety 3.5-mill tax our city asked from the residents. It increased my taxes only approximately \$100 per year, but 3.5 mills brought the city \$666,000 per mill or \$2,331,000 per year.

Would I rather pay the city tax increase of \$100 or the gas tax of \$216.98? I pay the city taxes, save

\$116.98 and plus get to claim the millage tax on my income taxes, saving even more. We would also have less auto repair and our vehicles would last longer.

I am for getting our roads and bridges fixed, they are the worst. Our past governors, Democratic or Republican, and the state House and Senate have over kicked the can down the road until the can is rusted out and can't be kicked no more. When our economy was doing better, the politicians couldn't agree on a plan and now our infrastructure is one of the worst in any state our size with this many cars and trucks using our highways.

But we also need some laws on the books to control the weight limits the trucks are carrying over our roads. This will also bring in extra revenue from fines and special weight permits.

We now have a governor (whether you like him or not) who wants and will get them fixed. If it ends up increasing our gas tax to get it done, so be it, not that I will like paying more gasoline tax. We have to agree the money has to come from somewhere. I would say if we are going to increase the gas tax, let's do it smaller and increase the tobacco tax also. We will be saving lives two ways, better roads, less accidents and healthier drivers.

Call your state representative today and suggest that since the can can't be kicked down the road any more, they need to work with the governor and pass a bill that will get our roads and bridges fixed. Besides, this will boost our employment in the state and pump much-needed dollars into the Michigan economy.

It's a win-win situation in getting and keeping Pure Michigan better!

Al Buckner
Garden City

Revamp Electoral College

I am so glad that Angela Ryan pointed out to me the inequities in the current system of electing a president using the Electoral College. It sounds like the winner in each state takes all the electoral votes.

So, according to her, everyone in Michigan who voted for Romney in the last election lost their vote and it was given to Obama by the Electoral College. And she thinks that this is a fair way to run an election.

The only fair way to run an election is to simply count the popular vote nationwide. The candidate with the majority of votes, nationwide, is the winner. This method would reflect the will of the majority. No one would lose their vote.

We need to do away with the outdated and unfair Electoral College

system. I have thought this for years.

Carol Maynard
Northville

Protect retirees

Congress has passed a trillion dollar omnibus spending bill that includes giving trustees of multi-employer pension plans the ability to cut pensions earned by 1.5 million workers and retirees. Many pensions will be cut by up to 50 percent to retirees who are in no position to make up for the monthly shortfalls they will be sorely missing in order to be financially secure.

On behalf of the workers and retirees who read your newspaper, I feel you should publish an editorial telling members of Congress they should hold hearings early in the new Congress to explore better solutions other than cutting pension benefits.

Reportedly, Congress acted out of concern about the \$42.4 billion that the PBGC says it is short for needed payouts if at-risk multi-employer pension plans failed.

Does this remedy open the door for the PBGC and single-employer pension plan sponsors to seek the same relief?

Congress did not stipulate that this change applied to multi-employer plans only. It enacted the law in a way that it changed ERISA to permit the change to some underfunded multi-employ-

er plans but did not add the word "only." Therefore, Congress did not preclude underfunded single-employer plans from being de-risked by allowing plan sponsors to cut retiree pension benefits in the future. Tell Congress it needs to amend the provision to protect single-employer pension plan retirees.

Dennis Kebblaitis
Canton

Opinions shared

I appreciate the thoughtful, honest opinions voiced in letters from Hannah Provence Donigan. A recent letter by Vincent Ziegler attacked her opinion, saying "I can find no other reference to the president's race or ethnicity in any other letters to the editor." Perhaps not, but no other president has been challenged as to his birth or citizenship, and why do you suppose that is? The letter also states "there are few, if any 'fine achievements' with this president."

How do you expect our president to accomplish anything with a Congress whose stated main goal is to not support him? It's amazing that he has accomplished anything at all, but somehow he has. Thank you, Hannah Provence Donigan, for publicly stating opinions shared by many others

Khaya Davidson
Farmington Hills

COMMUNITY VOICE

What does the cold weather have you thinking about?

This question was asked in downtown Northville.



"A vacation."
Rose Misiolek
Northville (owner of Celebrity Pets Co.)



"A vacation, somewhere warm. Not Boston."
Heather Oldford
Northville (manager at Rebecca's)



"I can't wait until summer."
Lance Anway
Northville



"Consumers Power and the record profit they are going to make this month."
Harvey Schuster
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Locally owned No.VI Coffee and Tea set to brew

By **Lonnie Huhman**
Staff Writer

The owners of the new No.VI Coffee and Tea missed their old hangout so much they decided to open up their own shop, which brings back the things they loved about the old place and adds some new details, making it even better.

“We (six owners of the new shop) all met here,” co-owner Duane Day said of the new shop at the northwest corner of Beck Road and Grand River Avenue, near Halo Burger.

Day said for about a decade Caribou Coffee “ruled at the corner of Beck and Grand River here in Novi.”

It was a great place for coffee and to meet up with friends. It was a place for “regulars” to hang for a good part of each morning, he noted.

He said they discussed politics, religion, science, philosophy and other issues of the day with the shop becoming a place for a variety of diverse people encompassing many professions, from many walks of life, to meet, chat and perhaps debate issues of the day.

However, he said the Caribou chain was purchased by Peet’s Coffee, which lasted about a year and then closed. Day believes Peet’s shut down most, if not all, of its Michigan locations.



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Business partners and friends gather at Novi’s soon-to-open No.VI Coffee and Tea at its Grand River and Beck. From left are Ralph Richardson, Alex Brodrick, Duane Day, Tom Smith, Doug Necci and Robin Hoag. The shop, in the former Caribou Coffee location, is set to open by the end of the month.

bou chain was purchased by Peet’s Coffee, which lasted about a year and then closed. Day believes Peet’s shut down most, if not all, of its Michigan

locations. After trying out other locations as a hangout, a number of former Caribou customers got together to discuss how

they might start their own coffee shop at this very successful location. “No.VI Coffee and Tea was born,” Day said.

The name represents the number of owners and the community they love.

The goal was to bring back the best of Caribou, with décor reminiscent of the old place, but as an independent shop. They will also have their own No.VI blend sourced from local roasters. Most all of the food items will be locally sourced, Day said.

Inside the shop there are two gas fireplaces, comfortable seating and a lot of space. Day said their goal is to have great food and coffee in a great place to hang, chill, meditate, study, meet friends, make new friends and once again discuss the issues of the day.

The shop’s mission statement is, “This is our coffee shop. This is your coffee shop. This is a community one-of-a-kind place to go, place to be, place to meet coffee shop.”

The shop is located at 47490 Grand River Avenue and phone number is 248-308-2879. They also have a Facebook page and the website is <http://www.novicoffee.com/>.

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Should Black History Month continue to exist?

Should Black History Month still exist? The short answer is no.

You may be surprised that an African-American woman would say such a thing, but let me explain. I believe that Black History Month should no longer exist because I believe that black history should not be limited to one month out of the year. Simply put, black history is American history. Therefore, black history should be fully integrated into American history. When this is done, there would not be a need for a nationally celebrated Black History Month.

I don’t believe we are there yet as a country.



Eboney R. Hughes
GUEST COLUMNIST

Unfortunately, there are millions of Americans who are unaware of the brilliant past and present African Americans who have changed the complexity of this great nation with their bravery and intellect, but they should be aware. It seems that all many Americans may know about black history is slavery, the Civil Rights Movement, Martin Luther King, Rosa Parks and now President Barack Obama. It is clear to me that black history is

so much more.

Black history is American history. Learning about proud African Americans – from Sojourner Truth, an abolitionist and women’s rights activist, to Lewis Latimer, an inventor who many argue invented the modern day light bulb, to Benjamin Banneker, a brilliant scientist, mathematician and astronomer who invented America’s first clock and whose discussion of relativity predates Albert Einstein theory of relativity – is essential to learning the truth about our American culture. All are important Americans who we should all know about. These are not just African-American

heroes; they are American heroes.

There are so many contributions from African-American doctors and lawyers to scientists and researchers who have helped elevate this great country to where it is today and many of us know nothing about them. That is an American tragedy in and of itself.

American history needs to be more diverse to include all of its contributors, in all areas of history. This is neither a black issue nor a white issue, this is an American issue. Americans need to know about the history of their country’s people. When we are limited in our knowledge of history,

we are ignorant of the potential of our great country.

Black History Month should not be singled out one time a year; it’s too important for just one month. Black history should be taught in our schools for every American to learn.

While things are changing and black history is slowly being integrated in some of our history books and being taught in public schools across America, there is still a disconnect.

Unfortunately, our schools are still teaching lessons of Thomas Edison’s invention of electricity without discussing Latimer, as well as lessons about Susan B. An-

thonny without teaching lessons about Truth. And there is no way we as Americans should discuss Einstein, without discussing Banneker.

If there is truly going to be an integration of black history into our American history, then and only then should Black History Month no longer exist. But until that day arrives, there is definitely still a need.

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Doctor Committed to Preventing Sports Injuries in Young Athletes



Each day, hundreds of thousands of young athletes head out to fields, ice rinks and gymnasiums to practice and compete in a wide variety of sports. There is no doubt that sports are a great way for kids and teens to stay healthy, as well as to learn important leadership and team-building skills. At the same time, parents are increasingly concerned about the role of injuries in sports. With so many children involved in athletics, and at younger ages and highly

competitive levels, injuries have become a genuine concern. Dr. Jeff S. Pierce, Medical Director of Michigan Sports & Spine Center, specializes in sports injuries, pain management, and treating all types of musculoskeletal and spinal injuries.

Seeing too many injuries in young athletes in his medical practice, Dr. Pierce is committed to injury prevention and educating his patients and the public about the rapid increase in youth sports injuries and the necessary steps to help reverse the trend.

One way Dr. Pierce is making an impact is for local ice hockey players. The safety challenge in ice hockey lies in the conflict that we are creating new ways to develop bigger, faster and stronger athletes while trying to keep safety a priority. Unfortunately, severe injuries are still common despite multiple rule changes every year. After hearing about a safety feature that will help prevent injuries, won’t change the game as it’s played and is cost effective, he knew it would be a game changer and a win-win for everybody. Dr. Pierce is heading the effort in Michigan to get the Look-Up Line™ in every ice rink.

The Look-Up Line™ or “warning track” (created by Tom Smith, a Boston Bulldogs hockey player who suffered paralysis from hitting the boards), a 40-inch-wide bright orange line or band on the ice along the boards. It is the same safety concept as the warning track in baseball that the MLB implemented way back in 1949. It is a preventative approach, reminding hockey players to pick up their heads and make proper bodily adjustments when they are near the boards. This is just one of the ways Dr. Pierce is working to prevent youth injuries.



Dr. Jeff S. Pierce’s reputation has made him the physician of choice for professional athletes, weekend warriors and for many entertainers while in the Detroit area, who have dubbed him “Doc Rock”. With so many professionals trusting Dr. Pierce for medical care, you can trust him, too. His philosophy is that all patients are VIPs (Very Important Patients). If you are seeking care for sports injuries, back/neck pain, or any musculoskeletal or spine injuries; come experience the VIP care by calling 248-680-9000. You can also follow Dr. Pierce’s blog for more information and articles on injuries, pain management and living a healthy, active lifestyle: www.michigansportsandspine.com/blog.

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Discover Remarkable

Vinyl records big part of The Park record show

By Darrell Clem
Staff Writer

Vinyl record collectors, whether reliving Bruce Springsteen-inspired glory days or embracing Daft Punk's electronic futurism, can likely find a turntable treat simply by visiting a Plymouth-Canton school.

Despite the decline of old-school music stores, vinyl's resurgence has made a record show by student radio station WSDP-FM (88.1), The Park, one of the hippest places for area music collectors to find the right groove.

Like a revived classic, The Park's seventh annual record fair returns 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 21, to the Salem High School cafeteria, where collectors can find thousands of vinyl records, CDs, import-only releases, T-shirts, posters and other collectibles.

"I would say probably most of the music is vinyl," said station manager Bill Keith, a Salem grad who earned a telecommunications degree from Michigan State University and worked for a country radio station before returning 24 years ago to The Park.

Keith has a theory about vinyl's comeback. "Vinyl has a warmer sound to it," he said, and the packaging gives musicians more room for



Annie Wellman (from left), Tori Brown and Caitlin Flora are part of WSDP-FM (88.1) The Park.

BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

artwork, lyrics and credits. "It's a bigger palette for the artist to work on."

Record show details

The Park, a Plymouth-Canton student radio station since 1972, raised about \$2,000 last year from its record fair. Potential vendors, who pay \$30 to reserve an eight-foot table to display their collections, may call Keith at 734-416-7732.

As many as 50 vendors are expected; WSDP has its own space, too. Patrons pay just \$3 for admission, though collectors can pay \$5 to start shopping an hour earlier at 9 a.m. among music genres such as classic rock, hip hop, electronic, country and indie rock. Students from Canton, Plymouth and Salem high schools get in free with their student

identification.

Annie Wellman, a 12th-grader and station program director, said she has bought a KISS action figure, vinyl records of *The Sound of Music* and a Christmas soundtrack by Alvin and the Chipmunks and old VHS movies.

"I got *Fried Green Tomatoes* last year," said Wellman, whose music taste ranges from indie

rock to European pop.

Power of vinyl

Tori Brown, a 12th-grader and station promotions manager, said she enjoys the camaraderie among music lovers who gather in one spot to buy, sell and talk music, regardless of their favorite genre. Shoppers looking for vinyl range from teens to baby boomers.

"You can see this com-

munity of people," said Brown, who cited punk rock as among her favorite genres.

Caitlin Flora, an 11th-grader and WSDP music director who enjoys punk and alternative rock, agreed, saying she enjoys seeing "how music brings people together."

The record fair is only one of the Park's fundraisers. The station also has a May auction and a fall pledge drive, altogether raising about \$30,000 a year.

The Park has drawn its share of accolades. It was named the state's best high school radio station last year by the Michigan Association of Broadcasters. It also was a finalist in 2014 for the National Association of Broadcasters Marconi Award for Best Non-Commercial Station – the only high school station nominated.

The Park has adapted to change to widen its reach. It moved to an adult Top 40 format in 2012, leaving behind indie and alternative rock. Just recently, it increased from a 200-watt station to 300 watts with a new transmitter, reaching a broader area.

After 43 years on the air, it seems, The Park, like vinyl albums, is a survivor.

For more on the station, go to www.881ThePark.com.

Late, Locked-in and Loud event at the Novi Public Library

Late, Locked-in and Loud at the Novi Public Library is a perfect event for kids in grades 5-8.

The Novi Youth Council and Novi Public Library, in partnership with Novi Police and Fire, are inviting Novi students (grades 5-8) to a lock-in Feb. 27 at the Library.

There will be food, games and giveaways.

The event was created by the NYC as a way to have fun without being glued to a screen of some kind. There will be putt-putt golf, a visit by the Walled Lake Western High drum line, trivia, scavenger hunt, crafts and much more.

There's a 300-participant limit, so sign up now. The event is from 7-10


p.m. Friday, Feb. 27.

To learn more, go to the link [http://www.cityofnovi.org/City-Services/Parks-Recreation-and-Cultural-Services/Engage!-Recreation-Guide/Experience-Novi-\(Community-Events\).aspx#LLL](http://www.cityofnovi.org/City-Services/Parks-Recreation-and-Cultural-Services/Engage!-Recreation-Guide/Experience-Novi-(Community-Events).aspx#LLL), go to cityofnovi.org or contact Community Relations at 248-347-0416.



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Religious Diversity Journey



Middle School students in the Birmingham Public Schools district visit Sri Venkateswara Temple, a Hindu temple in Novi, on Tuesday, Feb. 10. Students learned about Buddhism during the trip. The Religious Diversity Journey offers students the opportunity to learn about a variety of religions and cultures throughout the year, culminating in an event at the DIA at the end of the school year. Bill Secrest, a professor at Henry Ford Community College, spoke to the students during the visit.

Capitol invocation



The Rev. Mark Kaminski, a pastor at Oakpointe Church in Novi, delivers the invocation to the state House of Representatives before the Feb. 10 legislative session at the Michigan Capitol. Kaminski, a Novi High and Michigan State University graduate, was the special guest of state Rep. Kathy Crawford, R-Nowi (right).



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MISHL Showcase: Shamrocks put Northville in deep freeze

By Brad Emons
Staff Writer

The stats were a bit misleading, as far as Novi Detroit Catholic Central coach Danny Veri was concerned. Even thought senior Spencer Wright had to make only 10 saves, it started with the last line of defense and led to a 4-0 shutout victory Saturday over Northville in the Michigan Interscholastic Hockey League Showcase at Trenton's Kennedy Arena.

“Our goaltender was very active playing the puck today,” Veri said. “(Northville) tried to establish fore-checks and we were able to set it up and get it up out of the zone quickly. The ‘D’ did play very well, but they had a third guy back there helping them.”

Top-ranked CC, the three-time defending MHSAA Division 1 champion, never let Northville get any offense going while improving to 16-5-1 overall.

With a 12-5 shot advantage, CC took a 1-0 lead at 14:32 of the opening period on Evan

Rochowiak's goal from Kyle Mulka.

In the scoreless second, the Shamrocks outshot Northville 9-1, but couldn't score again until the 28-second mark of the third, when Andrew Lane made it 2-0 off an assist from Alec Kreutzer.

And at the 9:58 mark of the final period, Dillon Jones gave CC a three-goal cushion with a goal assisted by Andrew Spiegel and Brian Kearns.

The Shamrocks then put an

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TIM SARGENT

Northville's Alec Morgan (left) and Catholic Central's Andrew Spiegel vie for the puck during Saturday's MIHL Showcase at Trenton's Kennedy Arena.



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Catholic Central's 189-pounder Nick Giese (top) uses the fireman's carry move to pin Plymouth's Hussein Youssef in the second period of Saturday's Division 1 individual district tourney.

CC matmen dominate

Shamrocks produce six champions at Glenn individual district

By Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Producing six champions and 13 regional qualifiers in 14 weight classes, it was safe to say Novi Detroit Catholic Central was the class of Saturday's MHSAA Division 1 individual wrestling district tournament at Westland John Glenn.

Defending state champions Myles Amine (160 pounds) and Trevor Zdebski (130) advance to next Saturday's regional at Saline with records of 39-0 and 36-5, respectively.

Nick Giese (189), who took third a year ago, also won a district title to improve to 36-4.

Other district champions for the Shamrocks were Aaron Rehfeldt (112), who is 28-13; Conor Cox (152), who is 24-13; and Tyler Morland (171), who is 17-1.

“Seeding at this tournament is always frustrating for us,” CC coach Mitch Hancock said.

“We don't have many common opponents with these teams. I think we saw on Saturday why we wrestle such a strong schedule, it makes us tougher for having done so. Our guys don't worry about where they're seeded. It's about wrestling hard for eight minutes and winning situations.”

Other regional qualifiers for CC included district runners-up Stone Moscovic (103), 29-13; Tommy Herrmann (125), 28-12; Aidan Wagh (135), 17-14; and Nick Jenkins (285) 32-13.

“Stone Moscovic closed the gap at 103 and is showing that he can compete with any 103-pounder in the state,” Hancock said. “These young guys believe in their abilities and the work they put in throughout the year, it's awesome to see.”

Adding thirds for the Shamrocks were Joe Lyon (119), 21-13; Nick Joseph (145), 24-11; and Sam Giese (160), 27-11.

“The guys wrestled hard and looked tough,” Hancock said. “I'm proud of our young guys, who are experiencing the postseason for the first time. Eight of our 14 are seeing the postseason for the first time. Guys like Conor Cox, who enters as a five seed and wins it. Aidan Wagh enters as a four seed and takes second. Nick Jenkins, a four seed, takes second, and Joe Lyon, a sixth seed, finishing third.”

Mustangs qualify two

Northville will be sending Chris Koumariotis (145), who was runner-up, and Jim Behe (119), who placed fourth, to next week's regional at Saline following the John Glenn district.

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Divisional champion: Northville wraps up swim title

By Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Livonia Stevenson's Jackson O'Dowd proved to be the individual star, but the Northville boys swim team came away Feb. 12 at home with the KLAA Central Division dual meet title with a 110-75 triumph.

O'Dowd, a junior, figured in four first-place finishes for the Spartans, capturing the 50-yard freestyle (21.53) and the 100 butterfly (53.94). He also was a member of Stevenson's first-place 200 medley relay (1:45.07) and 400 freestyle relay (3:21.01).

But the Mustangs, who finished the regular season 9-1 overall and 4-0 in the KLAA Central, got a strong showing from freshman Kirk Maibach and swept the 100 breaststroke to secure the victory and the division crown.

“They still have four real good swimmers left over from that (Division 1) state runner-up team they had last year,” Northville coach Rich Bennetts said of the Spartans. “O'Dowd is the real deal. He has a chance to do something really special at the state meet this year and he has the right coach (Jeff Shoemaker). They have 16 to 17 kids on that team and they gave us everything we could handle.”

Maibach was victorious in the 200 individual medley (2:07.10) and 100 freestyle (49.65), while also teaming up with James Xue, Yash Bajaj and Fred Schulz for a win in the 200 freestyle relay (1:32.57).

Other individual winners for the Mustangs included Christain Field, 1-meter diving (183.95 points); Larry Zhao, 100 backstroke (58.07); and Chris Geng, 100

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Catholic Central cruises to dual meet win

Shamrocks sink Notre Dame Prep

Novi Detroit Catholic Central dominated from start to finish Feb. 12 en route to a 108-69 dual meet boys swim victory over Pontiac Notre Dame Prep at the Livonia Community Recreation Center.

Jonathan Lee was a double-winner for the Shamrocks, who improved to 5-2 overall and 1-1 in the Catholic League.

Lee captured the 200-yard individual medley (2:02.67) and 500 freestyle (5:03.53).

Other individual winners for the Shamrocks included Grayson Arnold, 200 freestyle (1:54.22); Jack Walsh, 50 freestyle (22.01); Robert Vance, 1-meter diving (197.10 points); Ethan Bezzina, 100 butterfly (57.72); and Christopher Vela, 100 backstroke (59.82).

The Shamrocks started the meet by capturing the 200 medley relay as Chris Barron, Jack Walsh, Charlie Walsh and Matt Loniewski were clocked in 1:45.17.

The foursome of Wiaduck, Jack Walsh, Jimmy Connor and Loniewski also captured the 200

freestyle relay in 1:33.79.

CC did not score, but still won the 400 freestyle relay as Bezzina, Matthew Krakowiak, Charlie Walsh and D. Vela posted the best time with an exhibition time of 3:35.23.

The Shamrocks returned to dual meet action at 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 19, against University of Detroit-Jesuit at the Livonia Community Recreation Center.

DUAL MEET SUMMARY
DETROIT CATHOLIC CENTRAL 108
PONTIAC NOTRE DAME PREP 69
Feb. 12 at Livonia Rec. Center
200-yard medley relay: 1. Catholic Central (Chris Barron, Jack Walsh, Charlie Walsh, Matt Loniewski), 1:45.17; 2. Catholic Central (Dan Vela, Andrew Connor, Christopher Vela, Chris Clark), 1:51.32.
200 freestyle: 1. Grayson Arnold (CC), 1:54.22; 2. Matthew Krakowiak (CC), 1:59.62; 4. Luke Stevenson (CC), 2:10.89.
200 individual medley: 1. Jonathan Lee (CC), 2:02.67; 2. C. Walsh (CC), 2:08.23; 3. Ethan Bezzina (CC), 2:08.29; 5. C. Vela (CC), 2:17.28.
50 freestyle: 1. J. Walsh (CC), 22.01; 2. Tommy Wiaduck (CC), 24.29; 4. D. Vela (CC), 24.82.
1-meter diving: 1. Robert Vance (CC), 197.10 points; 4. Connor McCliment (CC), 161.30; 5. Brendan Connelly (CC), 157.05.
100 butterfly: 1. Bezzina (CC), 57.72; 2. Loniewski (CC), 58.7; 3. Wiaduck (CC), 59.5.
100 freestyle: 1. Logan Brown (N.D. Prep), 55.81; 2. Ethan Mekjian (CC), 56.61; 4. Clark (CC), 56.89.
500 freestyle: 1. Lee (CC), 5:03.53; 2. D. Vela (CC), 5:07.74.
200 freestyle relay: 1. Catholic Central (Wiaduck, J. Walsh, Connor, Loniewski), 1:33.79.



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Catholic Central's Matt Loniewski was a member of the first-place 200-yard medley relay team in the dual victory over Notre Dame Prep.



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The Shamrocks' Daniel Long gets in some warm-up laps before the dual meet against Pontiac Notre Dame Prep.

100 backstroke: 1. C. Vela (CC), 59.82; 2. Arnold (CC), 1:00.68; 3. Jimmy Connor (CC), 1:02.51.
100 breaststroke: 1. Aidan Schuring (N.D. Prep), 1:09.62; 3. C. Walsh (CC),

1:05.96; 4. Joe Long (CC), 1:14.98; 5. Anthony Elenbaas (CC), 1:16.71.

400 freestyle relay: 1. Catholic Central (Bezzina, Krakowiak, C. Walsh, D. Vela), 3:35.23; 2. Catholic Central (Lee,

Wiaduck, Brian Cherewick, Connor Mullaly), 3:44.38; 3. Catholic Central (C. Vela, Barron, Connor, Jacob Schwartz), 3:46.73.

CC's record: 5-2 overall, 1-1 league.

Novi boys swimmers cap strong regular season

By Brad Emons
Staff Writer

It's now on to the championship stretch of the boys swim season.

Phillip Billiu was a double-winner Feb. 12 as Novi captured eight of the 12 events to complete its regular season with a 120-66 dual-meet victory over South Lyon United at South Lyon East.

"During this phase of the season, the swimmers get to rest in order to achieve big-time

drops in their final meet," said Novi coach Brent Pohlonski, whose team finished 7-2 overall and 3-1 in the division. "The highlight of the South Lyon meet was seeing the big improvements in our guys that are training for the (KLAA Central) division championships."

Billiu captured the 50-yard freestyle (23.41) and 100 butterfly (57.02), while other individual winners for the Wildcats included Siddhardha

Kareddy, 200 freestyle (1:51.06); Ryan Katulski, 500 freestyle (5:03.5); Maxwell Williams, 100 backstroke (59.32); and Alexander Yuan, 100 breaststroke (1:05.67).

The Wildcats' 200 freestyle relay team of Arthur Shi, Toraki Maehata, Kareddy and Katulski also won in 1:33.3, while Kareddy, Shi, James Popyk and Katulski added a first in the 400 freestyle relay (3:25.37).

"We saw huge time

drops from our division swimmers in their secondary events last night," Pohlonski said. "After another week of rest, they should be amazing in their best events at the division meet. All signs show our team is poised to accomplish some amazing things over the next few weeks."

Next up is the KLAA Central Division meet, starting with the 1-meter diving Friday, followed by the finals beginning at noon Saturday at South Lyon East.

200 individual medley: 1. VanDyke (SL), 2:06.4; 2. Ryan Katulski (N), 2:07.96; 3. Joel Kotyk (N), 2:12.71; 4. Zach Denny (SL), 2:12.88; 5. G. Williams (N), 2:13.11.
50 freestyle: 1. Billiu (N), 23.41; 2. Maehata (N), 23.55; 3. Popyk (N), 23.58; 4. John Perry (SL), 24.6; 5. Andrew Kilponen (N), 24.76.

1-meter diving: 1. Matt Meadows (SL), 233.40 points; 2. Ethan Schmidt (SL), 211.75; 3. Nathan Pellerito (N), 187.95; 4. James Ciolli (N), 181.50; 5. Brett Bender (SL), 146.80.

100 butterfly: 1. Billiu (N), 57.02; 2. Boals (SL), 58.8; 3. Pogue (SL), 1:00.14; 4. Nathan Gilger (N), 1:02.73; 5. Erik Halboth (N), 1:03.3.

100 freestyle: 1. Joy (SL), 51.13; 2. Yuan (N), 51.36; 3. Shi (N), 51.8; 4. Berman (N), 52.89; 5. Kilponen (N), 54.53.

500 freestyle: 1. Katulski (N), 5:03.5; 2. Kareddy (N), 5:07.74; 3. Popyk (N), 5:13.95; 4. Kempisty (SL), 5:17.4; 5. VanDyke (SL), 5:20.26.

200 freestyle relay: 1. Novi (Shi, Maehata, Kareddy, Katulski), 1:33.3; 2. South Lyon (Kempisty, Joy, Perry, John VanDyke), 1:34.27; 3. Novi (Yuan, Huang, Kilponen, Berman), 1:36.55.

100 backstroke: 1. M. Williams (N), 59.32; 2. Joy (SL), 1:00.01; 3. Halboth (N), 1:01.19; 4. Son (N), 1:02.53; 5. Justin Lee (N), 1:06.38.

100 breaststroke: 1. Yuan (N), 1:05.67; 2. G. Williams (N), 1:07.42; 3. Maehata (N), 1:09.08; 4. Matt Setsuda (SL), 1:11.11; 5. Maxwell Weng (N), 1:11.43.

400 freestyle relay: 1. Novi (Kareddy, Shi, Popyk, Katulski), 3:25.37; 2. Novi (Billiu, Son, M. Williams, Berman), 3:31.73; 3. South Lyon (Boals, Kempisty, Pogue, Denny), 3:33.8.

Dual meet records: Novi, 7-2, 3-1 KLAA Central; South Lyon, 1-3 Central.

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backstroke (1:01.78). "Our guys came out a little flat on senior night, but we picked it up after the break and did what we need to do," Bennetts said. "Ancheng Da, Connor Lepish, Mick Mouakiel all had some good swim tonight. Things are coming together, so we will just have to wait and see how it all comes out."

DUAL MEET SUMMARY
NORTHVILLE 110
LIVONIA STEVENSON 75
Feb. 12 at Northville
200-yard medley relay: 1. Stevenson (Parker Wasielewski, Brian Smith, Jackson O'Dowd, Adam Goeddeke), 1:45.07; 2. Northville (Arthur Greenlee, Yash Bajaj, John Duan, Nirek Duan), 1:49.08; 3. Northville (John Monterosso, Nikolai Arton, Ancheng Da, Mark Kaminski), 1:49.45.
200 freestyle: 1. Alex Lee (LS), 1:50.34; 2. Matthew Schafer (N), 1:51.34; 3. Eric Ferrara (LS), 1:51.86; 4. Fred Schulz (N), 1:52.1; 5. Trevor DeGroot (N), 1:53.73.
200 individual medley: 1. Kirk Maibach (N), 2:07.1; 2. Duan (N), 2:08.4; 3. Chris Geng (N), 2:09.33; 4. Da (N), 2:10.89; 5. Matt LaPorte (LS), 2:11.68.
50 freestyle: 1. O'Dowd (LS), 21.53; 2. Goeddeke (LS), 23.54; 3. James Xue (N), 23.77; 4. Kaminski (N), 23.98; 5. Nirek Sharma (N), 24.45.
1-meter diving: 1. Christain Field (N), 183.95 points; 2. Jacob Hall (LS), 120.90; 3. Thomas Rys (N), 119.95; 4. Victor Huang (LS), 100.15.
100 butterfly: 1. O'Dowd (LS), 53.94; 2. Xue (N), 54.98; 3. Duan (N), 57.83; 4. Da (N), 59.42; 5. Troy Stacer (N), 1:00.43.
100 freestyle: 1. Maibach (N), 49.65; 2. Lee (LS), 50.82; 3. Schulz (N), 51.58; 4. Kaminski (N), 51.7; 5. Ferrara (LS), 51.86.
500 freestyle: 1. M. LaPorte (LS), 4:51.23; 2. Schafer (N), 4:58.75; 3. DeGroot (N), 5:00.14; 4. David Alameddine (N), 5:13.55; 5. Benjamin LaPorte (LS), 5:13.83.
200 freestyle relay: 1. Northville (Xue, Bajaj, Schulz, Maibach), 1:32.57; 2. Stevenson (Lee Ferrara, M. LaPorte, Wasielewski), 1:35.46; 3. Northville (Geng, Schulz, Stacer, Shane Boran), 1:38.92.
100 backstroke: 1. Larry Zhao (N), 58.07; 2. Goeddeke (LS), 1:01.45; 3. Monterosso (N), 1:02.01; 4. Greenlee (N), 1:03.11; 5. Wasielewski (LS), 1:03.13.
100 breaststroke: 1. Geng (N), 1:01.78; 2. Roman Grossi (N), 1:06.41; 3. Bajaj (N), 1:06.75; 4. Nikolai Arton (N), 1:06.78; 5. Smith (LS), 1:07.82.
400 freestyle relay: 1. Stevenson (Lee, Ferrara, Goeddeke, O'Dowd), 3:21.01; 2. Northville (Xue, Kaminski, Schulz, Maibach), 3:22.45; 3. Northville (Sharma, DeGroot, Schafer, Zhao), 3:33.03.
Dual meet records: Northville, 9-1 overall, 4-0 KLAA Central Division (clinched title outright); Stevenson, 5-3 overall, 2-2 KLAA Central.

SPORTS ROUNDUP

Graham signs

Northville High's 6-foot-2, 280-pound offensive lineman Zach Graham signed an NCAA Division II letter of intent Feb. 4 to play football at Northwood University, a member of the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.

Graham earned all-Kensington Lakes Activities honors for the Mustangs, who finished 6-4 and made the Division 1 state playoffs.

Olympian to visit

The Northville Youth Wrestling will be hosting 2012 U.S. Olympic wrestler Jake Herbert from noon to 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 28, at the Northville High School auxiliary gym.

For more information, call Kevin Eicholtz at 248-374-0592 or email nvoyouthwrestling@mail.com.

Spring training

The eighth annual Northville Mustang Spring Training baseball camp for boys and girls ages 7-14 will be from 9 a.m. to noon (hitting) Saturday, March 14, and from 9 a.m. to noon (pitching-defense) Sunday, March 15, at the high school gymnasium.

Registration both days starts at 8:30 a.m. The cost for each camp is \$45 (or \$50 at the door).

For more information, email Northville varsity baseball coach John Kostrzewa at kostrzjo@northvilleschools.org.

N'ville Runners

Start 2015 by joining a local running group, the Northville Road Runners, which meets for runs/walks each Tuesday and Thursday evening, as well as each Saturday morning.

Go to www.NorthvilleRoadRunners.org for meeting times and venues.

The club sponsors the annual Northville Road Runner Classic each July at Maybury State Park and is involved at giving back to the running community by supporting and volunteering at local races.

For more information, email Gary Haf at run_gh@yahoo.com.

BOYS SWIM RESULTS

MICHIGAN INTERSCHOLASTIC SWIM COACHES ASSOCIATION BOYS MEET RESULTS
Feb. 14 at Eastern Mich. Univ.
200-yard medley relay: 1. Dexter (Robbie Zofchak, Andrew Pek, Paddy Harvey, Alex Janosi), 1:38.3; 5. Northville (Larry Zhao, Chris Geng, James Xue, Kirk Maibach), 1:39.97.
200 freestyle: 1. Kai Williams (Ann Arbor Pioneer), 1:41.55.
200 individual medley: 1. Jacob Montague (Grosse Pointe South), 1:53.4; 15. Daniel Long (Novi Detroit Catholic Central), 2:02.18.
50 freestyle: 1. Will Brenner (Ann Arbor Huron), 20.79; 15. Maibach (Northville), 22.16.
1-meter diving: 1. Collin DeShaw (Holland West Ottawa), 504.30 points.
100 butterfly: 1. Alec Nyboer (Hamilton), 50.21; 2. Jack Walsh (Detroit CC), 50.62.

100 freestyle: 1. Tabahn Afrik (West Ottawa), 45.77; 9. Maibach (Northville), 48.34.
500 freestyle: 1. Micah DeJonge (Zeeland), 4:37.87; 13. Ethan Bezzina (Detroit CC), 4:53.84.
200 freestyle relay: 1. West Ottawa (Danny Kiel, Spencer Carl, Blake Wheeler, Afrik), 1:27.57; 3. Detroit CC (Long, Matt Loniewski, Walsh, Grayson Arnold), 1:28.85.
100 backstroke: 1. Kyle Maas (West Ottawa), 52.13; 16. Chris Barron (Detroit CC), 56.47.
100 breaststroke: 1. Montague (G.P. South), 57.41; 4. Walsh (Detroit CC), 59.66; 6. Loniewski (Detroit CC), 1:00.32; 13. Long (Detroit CC), 1:01.4.
400 freestyle relay: 1. West Ottawa (Wheeler, Carl, Maas, Afrik), 3:10.29; 10. Detroit CC (Tommy Wiaduck, Christopher Vela, Jonathan Lee, Walsh), 3:19.63.

THE WEEK AHEAD

BOYS BASKETBALL
Friday, Feb. 20
Franklin Road at Inter-City, 7 p.m.
(KLAA Playoffs 1st Round)
Novi at Churchill, 7 p.m.
Northville at John Glenn, 7 p.m.
Tuesday, Feb. 24
Franklin Rd. at Luth. Westland, 7 p.m.
Thursday, Feb. 26
Detroit CC at Divine Child, 5 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 27
Franklin Rd. at Greenhills, 7:30 p.m.
GIRLS BASKETBALL
Friday, Feb. 20
Franklin Road at Inter-City, 5:30 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 27
Baptist Park at Franklin Road, 6 p.m.
BOYS HOCKEY
Saturday, Feb. 21
Northville vs. Novi
at Novi Ice Arena, 6 p.m.
(Catholic League Championship finals)
Detroit CC at St. Mary, 7:30 p.m.
Thursday, Feb. 26
Northville vs. Brother Rice at Oak Park Arena, 6:15 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 28
Detroit CC vs. Grosse Pte. North at Great Lakes Arena, 3:45 p.m.
GIRLS HOCKEY
Thursday, Feb. 19
Northville vs. Warren Regina at Fraser Hockeyland, 5:40 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 21
Northville vs. Ply.-Canton-Salem at Novi Ice Arena, 8:30 p.m.
Sunday, Feb. 22
Northville vs. Port Huron at Livonia's Edgar Arena, 5 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 28
Northville vs. Grosse Pte. North at G.P. Community Rink, 6 p.m.

PREP WRESTLING
Saturday, Feb. 21
(MHSAA Regional)
Division 1 at Saline, 10 a.m.
Friday, Feb. 27
(MHSAA Team Quarterfinals)
Division 1 at Battle Creek's Kellogg Arena, 3:15 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 28
(MHSAA Team Semi-Finals)
Division 1 at Battle Creek's Kellogg Arena, 9:30 a.m. & 4 p.m.
BOYS SWIMMING
Thursday, Feb. 19
Detroit CC vs. U-D Jesuit at Livonia Comm. Rec. Ctr., 7 p.m.
Friday-Saturday, Feb. 20-21
KLAA Central Division Meet at South Lyon East, 4 p.m. & noon.
Friday-Saturday, Feb. 27-28
Kensington Conference Meet at Novi H.S., 4 p.m. & noon.
PREP BOWLING
Friday, Feb. 20
KLAA Association Tourney, TBA.
Saturday, Feb. 21
CHSL Tourney at Oak Lanes, 9 a.m.
Friday-Saturday, Feb. 27-28
(MHSAA Regionals)
Division 1 at Super Bowl, TBA.
GIRLS GYMNASTICS
Saturday, Feb. 21
KLAA Association Meet at Walld Lake Central, 9 a.m.
PREP SKIING
Monday, Feb. 23
(MHSAA Finals)
Division 1 Boyne Highlands, TBA.
COMPETITIVE CHEER
(MHSAA District Tourney)
Friday, Feb. 20
Division 1 at Hartland, 6 p.m.
(MHSAA Regional Tourney)
Saturday, Feb. 28
Division 1 at Novi, 2 p.m.

Rocks' defense solid in victory vs. Novi

Salem shuts down Wildcats to wrap up KLAA Central crown

By Tim Smith
Staff Writer

Salem varsity boys basketball coach Bob Brodie kept replenishing his troops Feb. 10 and, eventually, the opponent could not keep up.

The Rocks were able to flip the switch when they needed to against visiting Novi, in a battle between two teams that began the night tied for the KLAA Central Division lead.

When the 32 minutes of action were over, Salem had prevailed 65-52 to get one step closer to a second consecutive division crown.

"Those were two good basketball teams out there tonight," said Brodie, whose team improved to 12-3 overall and 8-1 in the KLAA Central. "But I think it's our depth (that made the difference). We rotate a lot of players, we're fresher."

Once again, the Rocks played virtually everybody on the roster and every button Brodie pushed worked well.

Leading Salem with 15 points was senior forward Jakob Lenders, who also grabbed eight rebounds.

Also in double figures were senior guard Jake Stropes and senior guard Jon Swift, with 10 points each. Junior center Kenny Topolovec tallied eight points and 10 rebounds and senior forward Allante Wheeler helped out with six boards.

Novi head coach Brandon Sinawi credited the Rocks for their solid all-around effort.

But he emphasized that his team (11-4, 7-2) didn't play well in "a lot of facets tonight and we have a lot of work to do if we think we're going to make any run" in the Kensington Conference tournament next week, let alone Class A districts in early March.

"We stopped playing, really, (at) the end of the second quarter," Sinawi said. "We were up 25-22 and they go on a 9-0 run and end up 31-25 (at halftime). That was the difference in the game. They took the energy right from us. And we never recovered."

Brodie noted his team's strength in numbers and defensive pressure continues to wear down opponents.

"At the end their tongues might have been hanging a little bit," Brodie said. "We did



Novi's Jaylen Dixon (right) tries to rip a rebound out of the hands of Salem senior Jake Stropes during a KLAA Central showdown.

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a good job on the glass tonight; we held them to four offensive rebounds.

"So if you control the glass, you keep pushing the ball and controlling the tempo of the games, some good things are going to happen."

The Rocks led most of the night, but Novi did enjoy a 12-2 surge in the second quarter to take the 25-22 edge referred to by Sinawi.

Treys by senior guard Nick Hankerson (20 points) and senior forward Brad Dotinga spearheaded that push by the Wildcats.

Getting it into gear

Yet almost right after Dotinga buried his 3-ball from the left corner, the Rocks kicked it up another gear over the final

2:30 of the half.

Wheeler's offensive rebound and put-back tied the game at 25-25 and junior guard Freddie McGee canned a jumper from the top of the key to put the Rocks up a deuce.

Lenders misfired on a triple try, but he got his own rebound and scored on a finger roll. Closing out the half with a baseline drive and basket was Swift.

"We went to the zone, we knew they were uncomfortable with it," Stropes said. "So we thought we'd go with it. We did a good job boxing out, even though in zone it's hard to get to your man. We still were able to do it."

It was more of the same in the second half, although the Wildcats got off to a promising

start when junior forward Kam Hankerson (14 points) connected on a trey to make it a 35-31 Salem lead.

Novi closed the gap to 41-37 with about three minutes left in the quarter, but Salem junior guard Calin Crawford sent a surge of energy through the gym when he skied to block Nick Hankerson's layup bid.

After a trey by Nick Hankerson again got Novi closer (trailing 41-40), the Rocks pulled away to go up 46-41 after three and 55-45 with 4:09 remaining in the tilt.

Another example of Salem's solid depth was a spinning layup by freshman forward Jeremy Armstead early in the fourth.

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Catholic Central falls to St. Mary's Prep, 58-51

The first quarter led to Novi Detroit Catholic Central's undoing Friday night as the Shamrocks fell to Orchard Lake St. Mary's in a Catholic League Central Division boys basketball encounter, 58-51.

The Shamrocks, who slipped to 5-9 overall and 2-6 in the division, fell behind 14-6 after one quarter and never recovered.

St. Mary's (7-8, 3-5), got a game-high 16 points from Ja-

son Boswell, while Evan Henry and Lamont Mathison added 10 apiece.

Sophomore forward C.J. Baird led the Shamrocks with 13 points, while senior forward Ike Marchie contributed 11.

The Eaglets made 15-of-21 free throws, while CC connected on just 6-of-13.

LIGGETT 62, FRANKLIN ROAD 44: Spencer Ewing poured in a game-high 23 points and Thomas Jackson added 17 as host Grosse Pointe Woods University-Liggett (7-5, 7-4) rolled to a Michigan Independent Athletic Conference Blue Division

triumph Friday over Novi Franklin Road Christian (5-11, 2-9).

Junior guards Gavin Harris and Austin Hearn both tallied 15 points for the Warriors, who trailed 38-34 after three quarters before being outscored 24-10.

Liggett was 8-of-9 from the foul line, while Franklin Road hit 6-of-9.

DeLaSALLE 58, DETROIT CC 50: Kevin McKay scored eight of his game-high 17 points in the final quarter Feb. 10 to lead host Warren DeLaSalle (9-6, 4-3) to a Catholic League Central Division victory over Novi Detroit Catholic Central (5-8, 2-5).

McKay went 5-of-5 from the foul line and added a 3-pointer to help quell a CC comeback bid.

Alex Capocchia and Josh Winowicki chipped in with 14 and 12 points, respectively, for the Pilots, who led 28-22 at halftime and 43-31 after three quarters.

Sophomore forward C.J. Baird led the Shamrocks with 11 points, while senior guard Champ Kozlowski

and senior center Ike Marchie added 10 and nine, respectively.

DeLaSalle was 10-of-16 from the free throw line, while CC made 9-of-13.

PLYMOUTH CHRISTIAN 63, FRANKLIN ROAD 50: Junior guard Gavin Harris tallied a game-high 24 points Feb. 10, but it wasn't enough as Plymouth Christian Academy (5-9, 4-7) turned back host Novi Franklin Road Christian (5-10, 2-8) in an MIAC Blue Division game.

The Warriors jumped out to a 28-23 halftime advantage and led 36-35 after three quarters before the Eagles went on a 28-14 fourth-quarter rampage.

Lucas Albrecht and Matt Malcolm paced PCA with 20 and 17 points, respectively.

Joshua Bause added 10 points and 12 rebounds in a losing cause, while junior center Joshua Betcher had 10 points and eight boards.

Franklin Road was 7-of-13 from the foul line.

Girls hoops: Northville's stifling defense stuffs South Lyon East

Novi makes KLAA playoffs with 39-38 win

Northville's defense got rave reviews Friday night as the host Mustangs put the clamps on South Lyon East's leading scorers Gabi Bird and Peyton Jones to earn a convincing 44-21 KLAA Central Division girls basketball.

Freshman guard Myriah Modkins scored a game-high 14 points to spark the Mustangs, who improved to 11-5 overall.

Senior forward Emily Maresh and sophomore forward Jessica Moorman added 10 points apiece for Northville, which also locked up second place in the division at 6-4.

East (10-5, 6-4) got nine points from Bird, the Central Michigan University signee, while Jones was limited to four points.

Northville led 12-6 after one quarter and broke the game open with a 16-4 second-quarter run to lead 28-12 at intermission.

"We treated this like a playoff game and we wanted

to finish second in our division," said Northville coach Todd Gudith, whose team avenged a 45-44 setback Jan. 23 to the Cougars. "It was our senior night and that's the lowest point total Bird has had in a long time. We played great defense."

NOVI 39, STEVENSON 38: Senior forward Alex Felice posted a double-double with 12 points and 12 rebounds Friday as the Wildcats (10-6, 5-5) sewed up fourth place in the Central Division and a spot in the KLAA playoffs with a victory at Livonia Stevenson (6-10, 3-7).

The Wildcats, who avenged a 46-45 overtime loss Jan. 23 to the Spartans, also got six points and six rebounds from sophomore Emmy Robinson in the nip-and-tuck affair.

Stevenson, which led 17-14 at halftime, got a game-high 16 points from senior guard Arryn Dochenez.

The Wildcats connected on 19-of-36 from the foul line and 10-of-44 from the field, while Stevenson was 13-of-56 from the field and 6-of-11 at the free-throw stripe.

LIGGETT 59, FRANKLIN ROAD 43: Lola Ristovski led a balanced scoring attack with 13 points as state-ranked Grosse Pointe Woods University-Liggett (13-3, 11-0) rolled to a Michigan Independent Athletic Conference Blue Division victory over host Novi Franklin Road Christian (9-7, 5-5).

Nia Ahart and Jessica Rotzoll added 10 points apiece for the Knights, who jumped out to a 43-14 halftime advantage.

Eighth-grader Alexis Johnson scored 18, while Reagan Mumford and Katherine Larabell chipped in 10 and eight, respectively, for the Warriors, who made 11-of-15 free throws.

Liggett, No. 8 in Class C in the latest *Detroit Free Press* rankings, made 12-of-19 foul shots.

NORTHVILLE 55, SOUTH LYON 26:

Sophomore forward Jessica Moorman tallied all 11 of her points in the third quarter to spark a 19-8 run and the Mustangs (10-5, 5-4) went on to post a convincing KLAA Central Division victory Feb. 10 at South Lyon.

The Mustangs also got 10 points from senior forward Emily Maresh.

"We played much better in the second half and were able to turn it on a bit," said Northville coach Todd Gudith, whose team led 21-14 at halftime.

The Lions (1-14, 0-9) got six points from Emily Heinrich.

Northville was 11-of-16 from the foul line, while South Lyon was 8-of-12.

SALEM 39, NOVI 29: The KLAA Central Division champion Rocks (11-4, 9-0) held the host Wildcats (9-6, 4-5) to 17-percent shooting from the field en route to the victory Feb. 10.

Lasha Petree sparked Salem with nine points, while Maranda Armstead and Shara Long added seven apiece. The Rocks shot 14-of-39 from the floor (35.8 percent) and 11-of-18 from the foul line (61.1 percent).

Senior forward Alex Felice scored a game-high 10 points for Novi, which shot only 7-of-41 from the floor.

Junior guard Allie Lipson contributed nine points and 10 rebounds, as the Wildcats made 14-of-21 free throws (66.7 percent).

FRANKLIN ROAD 56, PLYMOUTH CHRISTIAN 34: Senior guard Katherine Larabell scored 17 points to lead three players in double figures Feb. 10 as Novi Franklin Road Christian (9-6, 5-4) downed host Plymouth Christian Academy (4-12, 2-8) in an Michigan Independent Athletic Conference Blue Division game.

Eighth-grader Alexis Johnson and junior Hannah Rayburn chipped in 16 and 11 points, respectively, for the Warriors, who led 19-8 after one quarter and 33-18 at halftime.

Robin Albert and Kennedy Horne tallied 12 and 11 points, respectively, for the Eagles.

Franklin Road made only 12-of-29 free throws (41.3 percent), while Plymouth Christian went 6-of-11 (54.5 percent).

Northville pounces on East in 52-31 triumph

Novi's division title quest extinguished against Stevenson

Northville was without leading scorer David Morrissey on Friday, but the Mustangs still galloped away to a 52-31 KLAA Central Division boys basketball victory over host South Lyon East.

Morrissey, who is averaging nearly 20 points per game, was out with the flu, so 6-foot-4 junior forward Justin Gibbons picked up the scoring slack with a game-high 19 points.

Senior center Ryan Roberts added 10, while junior guard Justin Zimbo contributed seven as the Mustangs improved to 11-5 overall and locked up third place in the division.

Trent Willenborg scored 15 points for the Cougars (4-11, 2-8).

"Guys stepped up tonight, which was important for us," said Northville coach Todd Sander, whose team outscored East 19-2 in the second quarter to take a commanding 34-9 halftime lead. "Our team has really grown and matured this year and we like where we're heading into the (KLAA) tournament."

The Mustangs, who made 10-of-17 free throws, open the KLAA playoffs at 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 20, at Westland John Glenn.

STEVENSON 61, NOVI 56: Senior guard Josh Campbell nailed three triples en route to a game-high 25 points Friday night as Livonia Stevenson (6-10, 4-6) sewed up fourth place in the Central Division and a playoff spot in the KLAA playoffs with a win over the host Wildcats (11-5, 7-3).

Novi won the first meeting between the two teams Jan. 23 at Stevenson, 74-45.

But in the rematch, Stevenson jumped out to a 20-6 first quarter advantage and led 57-38 after three quarters and held on for the victory.

Jacob Dollar and Gino D'Agostino added 14 and 10 points, respectively, for the Spartans, who were 8-of-14 from the foul line.

Junior forward Najj Ozeir and senior guard Brad Dotinga paced the Wildcats' scoring attack with 16 and 11 points, respectively. Novi was 6-of-13 from the free-throw stripe.

And after winning 10 straight, Novi has now lost three in a row. The Wildcats will open the KLAA playoffs beginning at 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 20, at Livonia Churchhill.

"Campbell played as hard as I ever seen him play in four years," said Novi first-year coach Brandon Sinawi, who spent the previous three years as Stevenson's varsity coach. "Whether it was the motivation to beat their old coach or to get back us from the first time, they just wanted it more than we did."

NORTHVILLE 47, SOUTH LYON 41: The Mustangs (10-5, 5-4) struggled in the early going Feb. 10, but rallied with a 28-18 second-half run to beat the stingy Lions (3-11, 2-7) in a KLAA Central Division game.

Senior guard David Morrissey paced Northville with a team-high 18 points, including four 3-pointers, along with five steals.

Junior guard Justin Zimbo chipped in 10 points, including 5-of-6 from the foul line. Senior center Ryan Roberts contributed eight points and seven rebounds.

"We weren't very good tonight, but found a way to grind it out, which is a real sign of growth we've seen out of our team this year," Northville coach Todd Sander said.

South Lyon, which led 23-19 at halftime, got a game-high 19 points from Josh Remstad. The Mustangs were 9-of-15 from the free throw line, while the Lions made 3-of-5.

Wolfpack reign



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The Northville Wolfpack, a seventh- and eighth-grade girls basketball team, compiled a 3-1 record en route to tournament title Jan. 31 at the MAAC Sports & Fitness facility in Clio. The Wolfpack defeated Saginaw Triple Threat, Tri-City Nets Red and split with the Michigan Reign. Team members include (front row, from left) Chloe Zulcosky, Tara Beason and Jenna Lauderback and (back row, from left) head coach Steve Grant, Hannah Grant, Nicole Martin, Morgan Thompson, Ellie Thallman and assistant coach Steve Thallman.

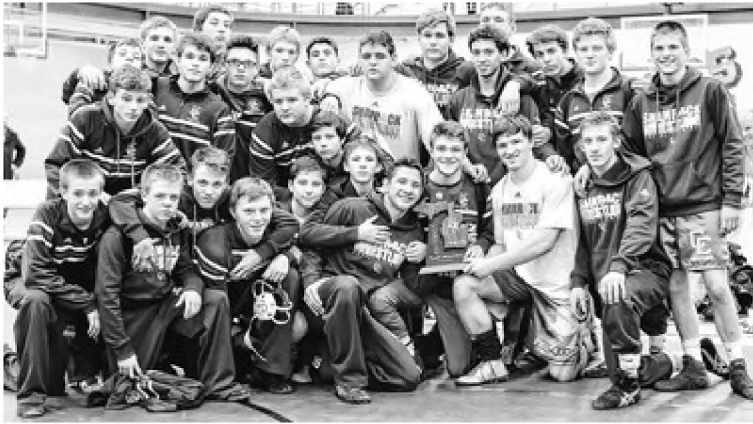
Shamrocks grapplers advance to D1 team regional

CC pins Glenn for 21st team district title in row

By Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Novi Detroit Catholic Central opened its defense of its MHSAA Division 1 team wrestling championship by capturing the district tournament Feb. 11 at Novi with a 59-12 triumph over Westland John Glenn.

“There was some nervousness going in, but the guys wrestled fairly well and responded well in an early test against a team like Glenn,” said CC eighth-year coach Mitch Hancock, whose team improved to 20-3 overall. “The guys looked good and aggressive tonight. They seemed very focused and excited about the postseason finally being



SCOTT CONFER

Catholic Central's wrestling team repeated as Division 1 district champ after beating Westland John Glenn, 52-18, and Livonia Stevenson, 75-0.

here.”

Fourth-ranked CC, which captured its 21st straight team district crown and eighth straight under Hancock, reached the final by blanking Livonia Stevenson, 75-0, while

Glenn upended the host Wildcats in the other semifinal, 59-3.

Double-winners via pin on the night for the Shamrocks included Tommy Herrmann (119 pounds), Myles Amine

(160-171), Robert Brewer (152), Tyler Morland (189) and Nick Giese (215).

Also going 2-0 for CC were Stone Moscovic (103), Joe Lyon (119), Trevor Zdebski (130-135), Conor Cox (171) and Nick Jenkins (285).

The Shamrocks advanced to the team regional at John Glenn, where they were scheduled to face Salem.

The regional winner will advance to the MHSAA elite eight beginning Friday, Feb. 27, at Battle Creek's Kellogg Arena.

CC will be seeking its fourth state team title in a row and the fifth under Hancock.

Heavyweight Dorian Haney notched the lone win as Novi ended its dual meet season at 16-11 overall following the district semifinal loss to John Glenn.

“John Glenn has a nice squad,” Novi coach Joel Smith

said. “We were voiding a few weights, due to injury. We had a few of our younger guys in the lineup to gain experience at that level. The team is continuing to get better and I’m very proud of them.”

Mustangs bow out

In Wednesday's Division 1 team district semifinal at Plymouth, the host Wildcats defeated Northville, 65-13, but fell in the final to Salem, 39-28.

Salem advanced to the district final with a 47-18 win over Canton.

Northville, which ended its dual meet season at 7-13 overall, got an 8-0 major decision from Chris Koumariotis (145) and a 5-4 decision by Shunhe Wang (125).

Freshman Joey Magy also earned a victory by void at 112 pounds.

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Shootout dooms Northville icers

Houghton captures 0-0 MIHL Showcase game

Northville boys hockey coach Clint Robert doesn't ever remember being part of a 0-0 scoreless game.

That was until Friday's match-up with Houghton in the Michigan Interscholastic Hockey League's Showcase at Trenton's Kennedy Arena.

The two state-ranked teams went scoreless for 51 minutes and went immediately to a shootout as the Gremlins prevailed, going 2-for-3 on shots by Jon Bostwick and Cale Markham.

Meanwhile, Jack Sargent and Jack Meacham were denied on their attempts for the Mustangs, who are ranked No. 4 in Division 1.

“I've never been involved in a shootout, either, because I don't have a very high opinion of shootouts in hockey in general,” Northville coach Clint Robert said. “I think that the Showcase has so many games that rather than have a five-minute overtime, they try to keep things moving along. That's my guess. To be honest

with you, in our record books it's going to go down as a tie.”

Goaltender Chance Boutin made 17 saves for Northville (14-6-3), while Marcus Gross had 22 stops for Houghton (16-2-2).

Northville logged six minutes in penalties, while Houghton had seven, including a five-minute major against Hal Gemignani at 1:39 of the final period.

But the Mustangs were unable to capitalize on the power play.

“I thought we played real well,” Robert said. “It was kind of a playoff atmosphere and that's kind of what we wanted to do here these last four games. You've got to play good ‘D.’ It started there and Chance played real well. And the team, as a whole, played well defensively very well in all three zones. We played pretty well against the No. 2 team in Division 3 and took them to a 0-0 draw. Unfortunately, we lost a skills competition in the end, but as far as a real hockey game, it was a 0-0 draw against a good hockey team and we're going to use that momentum.”

DETROIT CC 8, ST. FRANCIS (OHIO) 4: Top-ranked Novi Detroit Catholic Central (15-5-1) went scored on four of seven power-play chances Friday to beat Toledo St. Francis de Sales (27-4-1) in the Michigan Interscholastic Hockey League Showcase at Kennedy Arena in Trenton.

Nick Macari and JoJo Mancinelli each tallied two goals, including a power-play apiece, for the Shamrocks, who led 4-2 after two periods before outscoring the Knights 4-1 in the final period.

Other offensive contributions for CC came from Mitch Ossowski, one goal (power play) and three assists; Ryan Burnett, one goal and one assist; J.P. Lafferty, goal; Owen Kipke, goal; and Andrew Lane and Evan Rochowiak, three assists each.

CC netminder Alec Galvanuso made 17 saves, while St. Francis' Kade Phillips had 32 stops.

Kyle Bloom had a short-handed goal and assist, while Brian Hack (power play), Matt Vild (power play) and Jake Todd also scored for the Knights. Jay Denman also had two assists.

NOVI 6, FRANKLIN 2: Nik Tewillager had a short-handed goal and added two assists Friday as the Wildcats (15-7-1, 6-4-1) turned back host Livonia Franklin (9-9-3, 2-6-3) in a KLAAs Kensington Conference crossover at Edgar Arena.

Brendan Wexler also had a goal and assist, while Jake Cyr, Alec Wells and Cam Czapski also added a goal each for the Wildcats, who led 1-0 after one period and 4-1 after two.

Franklin got goals from Brendan Whitney and Zak Nelson.

Novi goaltender Josh Richardson made 12 saves, while Franklin's Matt Monardo had 25.

HOWELL 5, NOVI 3: The Wildcats (14-7-1) won the shots-on-goal tally by an astounding 41-18 margin Feb. 11, but the visiting Highlanders (15-5) came away with the victory at Novi Ice Arena.

Unranked Howell got a sterling performance in goal from Nate George, who finished with 37 saves.

Nick Pratt had two goals and one assist, while Nick Stanko, Hunter Hirzel and Scott Alfano also added goals as Howell built a 5-0 lead after two periods. Aaron Eskola also finished with three assists.

All three of Novi's goals came in the final period – Nik Tewillager at 4:46 (from Brendan Wexler and Brennan Martin); Alec Wells at 15:50 (from Jake Cyr); and Wells again at 16:46 (from Tewillager and Cyr).

Novi's Josh Richardson, who made 13 saves.

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exclamation point on the victory with only 1:34 left on JoJo Mancinelli's goal from Lane and Ryan Burnett.

Senior Chance Boutin made 27 saves for the fourth-ranked Mustangs, who slipped to 14-7-3 overall.

“We're pretty fortunate that we're a pretty deep team,” said Veri, whose team went scoreless on four power-play chances. “I wouldn't say I rolled my lines, but I rolled them as much as I could. In (penalty-kill) and power-play situations, I did (use) different players. But for the most part, we were rolling our four. The boys were playing hard today. They had a good weekend. It was a good win.”

The Mustangs were unable to take advantage of five CC penalties.

“We were 0-for-5 on the power play and that hurt,”

Northville coach Clint Robert said. “We were missing the net on shots a little bit. We've got to do a better job hitting the net. We probably had six or seven pretty good opportunities where we just missed the net.

“But overall, I was pleased with the effort the boys put out there. We got to the third period down a goal and CC scored 30 seconds into the period and that one kind of hurt. But our boys never really gave up. We kept battling.”

Northville was coming off a 1-0 shootout loss Friday in the MIHL Showcase to Houghton, which is ranked No. 2 in Division 3.

“We're not happy with the outcomes of both these games this weekend, but we're very happy with the effort and we know if we have that kind effort going forward in the (state tourney) that we can make an excellent run,” Robert said.

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TIM SARGENT

Catholic Central's Kyle Mulka (left) and Northville's Kevin O'Connell contest a face-off in Saturday's MIHL Showcase in Trenton.

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Koumariotis, a senior captain, made it all the way to the finals before losing a 2-1 decision to Livonia Churchill's Zac Leck. Koumariotis and is 28-17 overall.

Davis lone Novi qualifier

Evan Davis (135) will be the lone representative for Novi in next week's Saline individual regional after he placed third with a 9-2 win over Brad Speen of John Glenn.

Davis, 33-9 overall, fell to eventual winner Dylan Dwyer of Plymouth in the semifinals, but bounced back to beat Tarik Alcodray of Livonia Stevenson, 2-0. He also scored wins over Dimitri Kriek (University of Detroit Jesuit) and Essam Alijhama (Dearborn Heights Crestwood).

**MHSAA DIVISION 1
INDIVIDUAL DISTRICT TOURNEY
Feb. 14 at Westland John Glenn
(top 4 qualify for regional)**

135 pounds: Dylan Dwyer (Plymouth) pinned Aidan Wagh (Novi Detroit Catholic Central), 0-47; **3rd place:** Evan Davis (Novi) decisioned Brad Speen (John Glenn), 9-2.

140: Nathan Atienza (Livonia Franklin) dec. Ty Jasman (Canton), 8-2; **3rd:** Youssef Danaoui (Dearborn) dec. Sterling Schiffr (Plymouth), 9-2.

145: Zac Leck (Livonia Churchill) dec. Chris Koumariotis (Northville), 3-1; **3rd:** Nick Joseph (Detroit CC) dec. John McRoberts (University of Detroit Jesuit), 6-0.

152: Conor Cox (Detroit CC) dec. Caleb McCabe (Salem), 5-4; **3rd:** Chase Gardner (Churchill) p. Grant Trotman (Canton), 5-34.

160: Myles Amine (Detroit CC) p. Ahmad Elsayed (Dearborn Heights Crestwood), 1-36; **3rd:** Sam Giese (Detroit CC) dec. Kassem Salameh (Crestwood), 3-0.

171: Tyler Morland (Detroit CC) won by injury default over Connor Vaughan (Livonia Stevenson); **3rd:** Mitchell Rettig (Franklin) dec. Logan Beaudoin (John Glenn), 7-1.

189: Nick Giese (Detroit CC) p. Hussein Youssef (Plymouth), 2-19; **3rd:** Roy Foster (Salem) won by injury default over Mitchell Gross (Salem).

215: Baker Hadwan (Churchill) dec. Ali Beydoun (Crestwood), 9-2; **3rd:** Brad Scott (Stevenson) dec. Nate Irvine (John Glenn), 5-2.

285: Ali Wahab (Crestwood) dec. Nick Jenkins (Detroit CC), 7-5; **3rd:** Michael Jordan (Plymouth) dec. Jake Mericcia (Churchill), 8-3.

103: Michael Mars (John Glenn) dec. Stone Moscovic (Detroit CC), 6-0; **3rd:** Isiah Berry (Plymouth) dec. Antonio Herrera (Franklin), 2-1.

112: Aaron Rehfeldt (Detroit CC) won by major dec. over Josh Mussen (Churchill), 14-4; **3rd:** Johnny DiPonio (Franklin) won by major dec. over Akasheed Rai (Salem), 8-0.

119: Brandon Harris (Plymouth) dec. Hassan Makled (Dearborn), 10-9; **3rd:** Joe Lyon (Detroit CC) p. Jim Behe (Northville), 1-52.

125: Chase Spanos (John Glenn) won by major dec. over Tommy Herrmann (Detroit CC), 12-2; **3rd:** Cameron Shaughnessy (Salem) dec. Adam Ross (Franklin), 9-4.

130: Trevor Zdebski (Detroit CC) dec. Abe Ajami (Dearborn Fordson), 10-4; **3rd:** Nick Robertson (Franklin) dec. Payton Beneteau (John Glenn), 11-7.

Pin battle: Northville edges rival Novi

There was plenty at stake when prep bowling rivals Northville and Novi squared off Feb. 10 at Novi Bowl.

The Battle of the Pin, started years ago between the two rivals, featured a format that took the total pinfall from the varsity matches, along with a designated pin total from the junior varsity teams, to determine the winner.

And it was Northville that emerged the overall winner by an 81-pin difference, 3,044-2,943. The varsity pin count was Northville (2,167) and Novi (2,140), while the Mustangs also prevailed in the JV scoring, 877-823.

As far as the KLAA Central Division varsity matches, Northville captured both the girls, 19-11, and the boys, 21.5-8.5.

The Novi girls (3-10, 3-7) won the first Baker, 177-136, but Northville (6-7, 6-4) total the second, 137-130, and won on overall totals, 307-273.

The Mustangs captured the first regular game by a mere seven pins, 772-765, thanks to anchor Bea Hath's tough spare conversion, and pulled away in the 10th frame to take the second, 797-770.

Earning single-point wins for Northville were Sami Sugiyama, 176-124; Rachel Kemp, 156-130; Megan Hicks, 158-135; Hath, 171-141; and Ashley Schiffer, 165-145.

Recording single points for the Wildcats were Madison Murphy, 175-116; Nicole Kili-

kevicius, 182-151; Megan Hrit, 141-131; Heather Gregory, 167-166; and Megan Hartmus, 187-179.

In the boys varsity match, Northville (2-11, 2-8) won a pair of close Bakers, 163-159 and 204-188, along with the first game, 900-852. The Wildcats (0-13, 0-10) came back to win the second game, 941-900.

Scoring two points in singles for the Mustangs were Simon Long, 174-153 and 203-181, and Liam Munro, 212-145 and 213-194. Justin Morgan also scored one point, 212-145.

Scoring single points for Novi were Scott Pryson, 181-156; Ryan Rush, 198-156; and DiAndre Moreland, 236-191.

Northville's Jared Hilborn and Novi's Brendan Tally split a point, 157.5-157.5.

Novi girls triumph

The Novi girls (4-11, 4-8) won on a tiebreaker Monday based on total pins, 1,453-1,448 to beat Plymouth (1-14, 0-12) after the two teams battled to a 15-15 draw in a KLAA Central Division match at Super Bowl Lanes in Canton.

Plymouth captured both Bakers, 147-90 and 129-99, while Novi bounced back to take both regular games, 659-611 and 605-561.

Scoring two points apiece for the Wildcats were Emily Jennings, 171-130 and 140-123, and Lauren Wahrman, 120-112 and 102-92.

In the boys match, Ply-

mouth (7-8, 5-7) rolled to a 30-0 victory over winless Novi (0-15, 0-12).

Plymouth won both Bakers, 202-158 and 187-139, along with both regular games, 909-700 and 939-628.

Glenn sweeps Novi

Novi faced the favorite to win the MHSAA Division 1 girls bowling title Feb. 12 at Vision Lanes as unbeaten Westland John Glenn rolled to a 3-0 win over the visiting Wildcats.

The Rockets, last year's MHSAA Division 1 state runner-up with all four starters returning, improved to 15-0 overall and 11-0 in the KLAA's Central Division. Glenn captured both Baker games, 199-150 and 179-162, along with both regular games, 1,090-645 and 934-671.

The loss dropped Novi to 3-11 overall and 3-8 in the KLAA Central.

On the boys side, Glenn (11-4, 7-4) posted a 21-9 victory over the Wildcats (0-14, 0-11) by winning both Baker games, 182-148 and 175-150, along with the first regular game, 983-851.

Novi came back to pull out a close second game by six pins, 902-896.

Scott Pryson picked up two points with wins of 233-223 and 202-165, while DiAndre Moreland also won twice, 223-191 and 204-197. Brendan Tally also added a point, 173-165.

Blazers' Hayward goes wild in 9-4 victory

Katie Hayward turned in a Gretzky-like performance Saturday with seven points to lead Livonia Ladywood to a 9-4 Michigan Metro Girls High School Hockey League Division 1 victory over Northville at Plymouth's Arctic Pond.

The sophomore forward finished with three goals and four assists as the Blazers improved to 13-4 overall and 13-4 in Division 1.

Sydney Pilot and Cristina Rotondo contributed two goals apiece as Ladywood jumped out to a 3-0 first-period ad-

vantage.

Other offensive standouts for the Blazers included Jackie Kristofik, one goal and one assist; Colleen Lynch and Devon Kelly, one goal apiece; Cecilia Werner; and Kylie Doyle and MiKayla Pearson, one assist each.

Grace Healey scored twice for Northville (3-13-1, 2-13-1), while Megan Kerr and Moe Hackett each had a goal and assist. Emily Comben assisted on three of the four goals, while Kendall Murray also drew an assist.

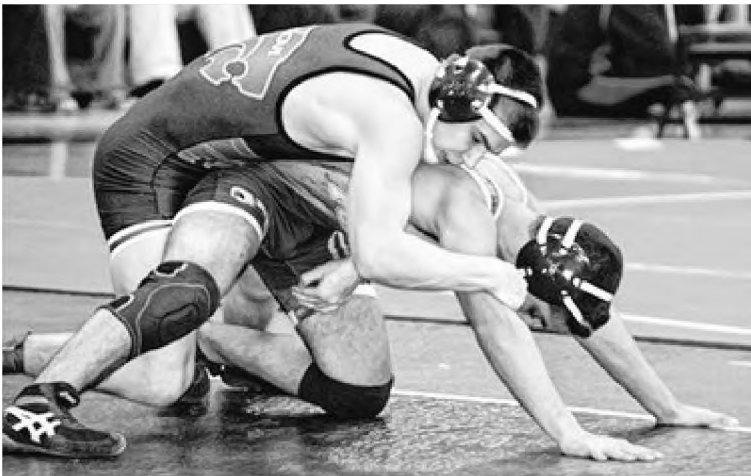
Ladywood goaltender Samantha Erickson made 25 saves, while Annette Taylor stopped 8-of-13 and Isobel Bush 11-of-14 for the Mustangs.

NORTHVILLE 3, HURON-SKYLINE 3: Adira Cohen stood out in goal with 41 saves as Ann Arbor Huron-Skyline (1-13-1, 1-13-1) fought to a Michigan Metro crossover with the host Mustangs (3-13-1, 2-13-1) in a game played at Livonia's Edgar Arena.

Northville, which outshot Huron-Skyline 44-22, got goals from Emily Comben (from Kendall Murray); Megan Kerr (from Sierra Watkins and Murray); and Lauren Masse (from Moe Hackett and Grace Healey).

Northville goalie Isobel Bush stopped 19-of-22 shots as the Mustangs.

Amanda Maninga, Georgia Plagens and Hannah Bradburn scored goals for Huron-Skyline, while assists went to Alona Henig, Emily Letke and Megan Taylor.



CATHY WRIGHT

Novi's Evan Davis (top) placed third at 135 pounds in the Division 1 individual wrestling district Saturday at Westland John Glenn.

CC skiers, Novi's Goodman punch ticket to 'states'

By Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Novi Detroit Catholic Central is back in the MHSAA Division 1 boys ski finals after a three-year hiatus.

The Shamrocks, coached by Tom Gable, earned their first berth since 2011 when they finished third Feb. 12 at the Mount Brighton regional with 155.5 points.

Regional champion Brighton (102.5) and University of Detroit-Jesuit (123) grabbed the other state team qualifying berths for the state finals Monday, Feb. 23, at Boyne Highlands.

Rounding out the top 10 were Walled Lake Northern (167), White Lake Lakeland (185), Walled Lake Central (197.5), Okemos (208), Novi (234), South Lyon Unified (262.5) and Milford (320).

"This was a definite team effort behind our senior captain Drew Davis with two top 15 finishes," Gable said.



TOM GABLE

Catholic Central senior captain Drew Davis was seventh in slalom and 11th in giant slalom for the state qualifiers.

"We placed runner-up last Monday in the Catholic League championships and that was a true confidence-builder that they carried into the regional meet."

In boys slalom, Novi's Mitch Goodman finished in first place with a time of 38.5 to earn an individual state finals qualifying berth.

Davis led CC's slalom

finishers in seventh (41.30), followed by Sawyer Reed, 15th (43.24); Max Tokarz, 38th (47.38); Justin Woolhiser, 56th (52.35); and Logan Freismuth, 63rd (54.94).

Other Novi finishers included Ross O'Donnell, 25th (45.03); Jack Grove, 27th (45.39); and Max Grove, 51st (51.31).

In giant slalom, Northern's Andrew Si-

mon was regional champion with a time of 31.63, while Freismuth placed fourth for CC in 32.08.

Other CC giant slalom placers included Davis, 11th (32.66); Reed, 26th (33.57); Tokarz, 34th (34.05); Woolhiser, 47th (35.18); and Kyle Spillane, 54th (35.82).

Andrew Jamison placed 12th in giant slalom for Novi in 32.76,

followed by Jack Grove, 37th (34.40); O'Donnell, 40th (34.52); Max Grove, 41st (34.60); and Leon Otten, 48th (35.26).

Wildcat girls eighth

Regional champion Milford (46) will be joined at the upcoming state finals by runner-up South Lyon Unified (99.5) and third-place finisher Walled Lake

Northern (130) as automatic team qualifiers from Mount Brighton.

Rounding out the top 10 team finishers: Hartland (147), Brighton (162), Okemos (165), Farmington Hills Mercy (234), Novi (243), White Lake Lakeland (280) and Walled Lake Central (305).

Milford's Natalie Kerwin was regional champion in slalom, posting a blistering time of 47.31, while Unie Gu was Novi's top finisher in 21st (50.99).

Other slalom finishers for Novi included Tori Engler, 24th (51.28); Ellie Oegema, 40th (54.90); Elaine Hamilton, 53rd (1:01.47).

In giant slalom, South Lyon's Anna Geyer placed first in 32.12, while Gu took 16th for Novi in 35.66.

Other Novi giant slalom finishers: Krueger, 21st (36.16); Engler, 31st (37.55); Rachel Cascaccia, 36th (37.74); Adeline Zamora, 51st (40.11).

Ocelots win, yet coach spots trouble

By Tim Smith
Staff Writer

On the surface, Schoolcraft College's men's basketball team is throttling all opponents — the latest example being Saturday's 85-60 victory over Henry Ford Community College.

What's not to like about a team that's ranked No. 3 in the National Junior College Athletic Association and is cruising toward a conference championship?

Or a team that broke out to an 11-0 lead against the Hawks and never trailed?

Believe it or not, Schoolcraft head coach Abe Mashhour wasn't all that impressed by his team's 12th consecutive win, which ups the Ocelots' record to 23-3 overall and 12-1 in the Michigan Community College Athletic Association.

"Unfortunately, we didn't play hard," Mashhour said after the Ocelots defeated his former team. "We didn't play like we've been playing and it's getting frustrating with some of the lack of effort."

"It's not good enough right now. Our record obviously is, in my opinion, a little misleading. We're not that good of a team right now. We need to clean up a lot of different areas."

With the team in prime position to go for the MCCA championship at the end of February and then move on to the NJCAA District 10 tournament, Mashhour wants to see bad habits immediately stopped.

For example, in the first half, Schoolcraft made 6-of-20 shots from behind the arc instead of possibly finding higher-percentage shots inside. For the game, the Ocelots connected on just 28.6 of their triple tries (8-of-28).

Mashhour also didn't see maximum effort for



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Going to the rim for a layup is Schoolcraft forward Javan Thomas. Teammate Tyler Johnson is in the background.

all 40 minutes.

"I told them I've had many teams that had worse records than this," Mashhour said. "But I was way more confident going into the postseason than I am with this group right now."

The victory wasn't all grim. All 11 players did record at least two points and Schoolcraft enjoyed a 53-34 edge in rebounding.

As usual, guard Ja-Christian Biles was a shooting standout with 25 points (including five treys in nine attempts).

During a one-minute stretch midway through the first half, Biles and Henry Ford's Daton Aaron (24 points) each drained a pair of 3-balls.

"One day one person may be on, another day it's somebody else," Biles said. "We have a lot of talent, we do have a lot of depth."

Muscling in for plenty

of second-chance put-backs and rebounds was 6-7, 250-pound freshman forward Anthony Wartley-Fritz. He tallied 15 points along with eight rebounds.

"The team moved the ball around; I got some nice looks down there," Wartley-Fritz said. "Rebounded very well, boxed out very well."

Wartley-Fritz nodded when asked about the team's troubling tendency to let up after going full-throttle.

Saturday, for example, Schoolcraft enjoyed a 20-8 lead with 12:30 left following a trey by Biles.

But the Hawks (6-16, 1-11) closed the gap to 34-28 just five minutes later. It was a 48-31 lead for the Ocelots at half-time.

Also in double figures for Henry Ford were Lloyd Harris (18) and Daavi Bradley (11).

Northville gymnasts record season-best

Mustang girls eye KLAA Association meet

The Northville gymnastics team capped the regular season with its highest team total in two seasons Feb. 11 with 135.075 points to down Waterford (132.325) and host Salem (130.025).

The tri-meet was highlighted by career-highs from Northville's Erin McCallum on the balance beam (9.15) and Lauren Shanahan on vault (8.75).

Other outstanding performers for the Mustangs included Grace Jankowski on the uneven bars (8.45) and captain Alyssa Breen, the team's lone senior, on floor exercise (8.45).

With the double-dual meet victory, the Mustangs improved to 7-6 overall and 1-4 in the KLAA's Kensington

Division.

Northville scored a team-best 132.325 on Feb. 10 to down Waterford (129.35), Birmingham United (123.325), Walled Lake Maroon (119.425) and host Walled Lake Gold (91.20) at Walled Lake Central High School.

It was the Mustangs' second highest team total of the season under coach Erin McWatt.

Top individual scorers for the Mustangs included McCallum, floor exercise (8.95); Breen and Shanahan, vault (8.55 each); and Jankowski, balance beam (8.3).

The Mustangs will now turn their attention to the KLAA Association meet Saturday, Feb. 21, at Walled Lake Central.

CITY OF NORTHVILLE 2015 BOARD OF REVIEW WAYNE AND OAKLAND COUNTIES

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Board of Review of the City of Northville, Wayne and Oakland Counties, will meet at the City Hall, 215 West Main Street, for the purpose of reviewing and adjusting the 2015 Assessment Rolls of the City of Northville on the following dates:

TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 2015:	9:00 a.m. Administrative Meeting
MONDAY, MARCH 9, 2015:	1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY MARCH 11, 2015:	1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
FRIDAY, MARCH 13, 2015:	1:00 p.m. for deliberations

Unless otherwise specified the dates above are for Public Hearings

Pursuant to Act 165 of 1971 and based on the proposed changes to assessed values for 2015, the Wayne and Oakland County Equalization Departments have set the following tentative equalization factors relative to the 2015 Real and Personal Property Assessments: **WAYNE COUNTY** - Commercial Real 1.00; Industrial Real 1.00; Residential Real 1.00; All Personal Property 1.00. **OAKLAND COUNTY** - Commercial Real 1.00; Industrial Real 1.00; Residential Real 1.00; All Personal Property 1.00

Mail-in Petitions must be received by March 11, 2015 before 5:00 p.m. ALL TAXPAYERS wishing to petition their property's taxable value or assessment in person with the Board of Review will be seen by **APPOINTMENT ONLY. To ensure every appeal is heard it is requested that appointments be scheduled prior to Tuesday, March 3, 2015.** Please contact the City of Northville Tax Department at (248) 449-9901 for an appointment or with any questions you may have regarding your 2015 taxable or assessed value.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE 2015 MARCH BOARD OF REVIEW DATES

The Northville Township 2015 Board of Review will conduct hearings on the following dates for appeals from citizens, regarding the 2015 assessment, at the Northville Township Hall, 44405 Six Mile Road. All appeals are by appointment. **Beginning Friday, February 20, 2015 you may call (248) 348-5810 to schedule an appointment. Letters of appeal must be received by 12:00 noon., March 13, 2015. Postmarks are not accepted.**

Tuesday	March 03, 2015	1:00 pm - Organizational Meeting
Appointment Dates for Hearing:		
Saturday	March 07, 2015	9:00 am to 12 Noon
Monday	March 09, 2015	9:00 am to 12 Noon and 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm
Tuesday	March 10, 2015	1:00 pm to 4:00 pm and 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm
Thursday	March 12, 2015	9:00 am to 11:00 am and 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm
Friday	March 13, 2015	9:00 am to 12 Noon

All persons protesting their assessment must complete a petition (form L-4035) which can be obtained at Northville Township Hall or on the Township website twp.northville.mi.us click on Board of Review or at www.michigan.gov/treasury.

Sue A. Hillebrand, M.M.C.
Clerk

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE 2015 MARCH BOARD OF REVIEW DATES

Sealed Bids will be received by the, Clerks Department, Second Floor, Northville Township Hall, on or before **2:00 p.m., March 17, 2015** for construction of the **Township Hall Parking Lot Repaving Project**. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at this time.

Work to be done includes the reconstruction of the township parking lot and all related work. Bid documents may be obtained on or after **February 17, 2015** from the office of the Department of Public Services, First Floor, Northville Township Hall, 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, Michigan.

A fee of **\$30.00** per set of documents will be charged. No refunds will be given for returned documents. Sets may also be downloaded from the township engineering website under engineering projects for free.

Each proposal shall be accompanied by a certified check, or Bid Bond by a recognized surety, in the amount of 5% of the total of the bid price. A proposal, once submitted, becomes the property of the Charter Township of Northville. In the sole discretion of the Charter Township of Northville, the Charter Township of Northville reserves the right to allow a bidder to reclaim submitted documents provided the documents are requested and retrieved no later than 48 hours prior to the scheduled bid opening.

The successful Bidder will be required to furnish satisfactory performance, maintenance, and labor and material bonds in the amount of 100% of the bid price and satisfactory insurance coverage.

After the time of opening, no Bid may be withdrawn for a period of 60 days. The Charter Township of Northville reserves the right to accept any Bid, to reject any or all Bids, to waive irregularities and/or informalities in any Bid, and to make the award in any manner the Charter Township of Northville believes to be in its best interest.

Any further information may be obtained from the Township Engineer, Mrs. Jill Rickard, P.E., (248) 662-0497. **Questions regarding the project shall be brought to the attention of the engineer, Northville Township Department of Public Services, in writing or by fax at 248-348-5823. Questions will not be accepted if received less than 7 calendar days before the bids are due.**

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE, MICHIGAN

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February Certified Pre-Owned Sale going on now at Varsity Lincoln in Novi

By Greg Mullin
Staff Writer

Varsity Lincoln of Novi is celebrating with great deals and a Certified Pre-Owned Sale. More than 150 Certified Pre-Owned Lincolns are on-site, ready to drive off the lot for as little as \$11,995.+

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- » Thursday, Feb. 19, 8:30 a.m. to 9 p.m.
- » Friday, Feb. 20, 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- » Saturday, Feb. 21 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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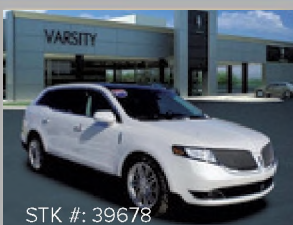
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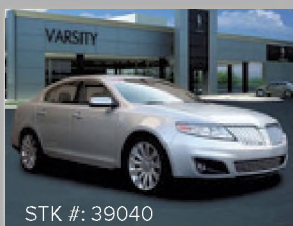
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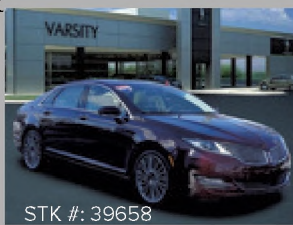
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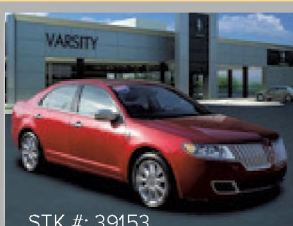
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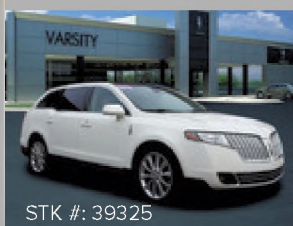
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Lawyers: Have real estate documents reviewed right from start, avoid headaches

By Julie Brown
Staff Writer

Having a lawyer review your paperwork when buying a home is smart.

"That's the key is having a lawyer review everything before you sign a purchase agreement," said Steve Bernstein, a lawyer with more than 40 years of practice based in Farmington Hills. "I don't think most people realize that."

Keego Harbor resident Bernstein gets calls from people who've already signed a purchase agreement and have experienced difficulties. "That's the point when I can give them the most help," he said of clients before they sign the purchase agreement.

The purchase agreement is a binding contract, Bernstein explained, and particularly crucial for a large transaction like buying a home. He noted those buying a business for comparable money would likely hire a lawyer.

It's prudent to ask a lawyer about his or her credentials and experience, he said, and if they handle real estate transactions. "I never mind that question, as a matter of fact I welcome it," he said. "It's really just like going to the doctor: You don't want a foot doctor working on your heart."

Bernstein worked part time for a title company while still in law school. He noted problems that can arise if no lawyer has reviewed the purchase agreement, such as with the condition of the house, title issues or others.

"We could have saved the time and expense of clearing



these things up" earlier, Bernstein said. "You're spending a very significant amount of money."

Livonia-based attorney Sue Carlson, in practice 35 years, agreed that having an attorney review real estate transactions is wise.

"It's a major contract you're entering," said Canton resident Carlson. "There are ramifications for saying 'I'm backing out of this deal.'"

She noted real estate agents often fill out forms; an

attorney can provide for contingencies, which Carlson said are especially key for buyers and in some cases sellers.

"There are all kinds of possibilities," she said. "It should be reviewed." An attorney can draft an addendum as needed "and be aware of any problems that will come up before the closing."

Carlson often attends closings to represent her client. "Every time I go to the closing, there's at least one new form," she said. She too wel-

comes general questions from prospective clients on her background.

"Every case is different," said Carlson of real estate purchases. "It's a lot of money."

She said with homes selling more rapidly now an attorney can help with negotiating. She finds cold feet at the closing the big problem. "That's when everything hits the fan," she said.

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Common-area gun ban raises constitutional issues

Q: We are talking about banning guns in common areas of the condominium. Do you think that is a good idea?

A: That is a loaded question, no pun intended. Obviously, people need to be able to protect themselves on the common areas, but you also do not want vigilantes policing the common areas with guns. Then there becomes the question of the right to bear arms and how it is to be interpreted as it relates to a condominium association. There is no clear cut answer at this point in time, but it is the kind of discussion that the Board of Directors and its legal counsel should have to determine whether a specific policy is necessary or whether the existing documents in any way cover the issue.

Q: I am trying to sell my property for about \$250,000 and have a prospective purchaser, but he only wants to put \$5,000 down with various contingencies. What do you think?

A: I think that that is not a good deal for you because if the buyer defaults, the \$5,000 does not inflict sufficient financial pain on the purchaser if he really wants to opt out of the deal for no legal or reasonable reason. I would try to get at least 15 to 20 percent down in a given situation to make any purchaser think twice before they walk away from a deal irrespective of what the contingencies are.



Robert Meisner

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REAL ESTATE BRIEFS

Mortgage seminar

"A Mortgage Experience You Can Brag About" seminar will be held 6:30-8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 25, at the Livonia Library, 32777 Five Mile, sponsored by Keller Williams Realtors. Pertinent information on getting back into the market after a bankruptcy, short sale or foreclosure. New programs available for first-time homebuyers. Call Sheila Roma at 248-760-6785 or Debbi McLaughlin at 248-561-0077 by Feb. 19 to reserve a spot.

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.

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

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HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-OAKLAND COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Sept. 22-26, 2014, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

BEVERLY HILLS

32200 Arlington Dr \$334,000
16964 Beechwood Ave \$277,000
15811 Birwood Ave \$250,000
18105 Buckingham Ave \$215,000
32576 Robinhood Dr \$630,000
15925 W 14 Mile Rd \$145,000

BINGHAM FARMS

30765 River Crossing St \$353,000

BIRMINGHAM

853 Chapin Ave \$623,000
1158 Cole St \$248,000
1268 Davis Ave \$289,000
360 E Frank St \$363,000
1392 E Melton Rd \$362,000
621 Fairfax St \$630,000
1616 Graefield Rd \$132,000
1779 Graefield Rd \$130,000
359 Harmon St \$420,000
557 Henrietta St \$170,000
557 Henrietta St \$330,000
1709 Holland St \$174,000
1656 Humphrey Ave \$735,000
621 Larchlea Dr \$620,000
1115 N Old Woodward Ave Unit 53 \$225,000
1115 N Old Woodward Ave Unit 63 \$300,000
2534 Pembroke Rd \$262,000
1470 Pilgrim Ave \$650,000
892 Smith Ave \$652,000
559 Southfield Rd \$400,000
1058 Wakefield St \$355,000

BLOOMFIELD HILLS

7340 Chula Vista Ln \$1,270,000
3644 Darcy Dr \$390,000
101 Endicott Rd \$535,000
608 Rolling Rock Rd \$235,000
1829 Stonycroft Ln \$214,000
801 W Long Lake Rd # G2 \$82,000
2060 W Valley Rd \$700,000
571 Woodway Ct \$463,000

BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP

1658 Brandywine Dr \$359,000
4539 Cherokee Ln \$520,000
3422 Chickering Ln \$313,000
369 Concord Pl \$76,000
4324 Derry Rd \$220,000
437 Fox Hills Dr N \$93,000
3925 Mount Vernon Dr \$380,000
2772 Plum Brook Dr \$260,000
5876 Raven Rd \$343,000
1727 S Hill Blvd \$177,000
3303 Squirrel Rd \$473,000
915 Tartan Trl \$422,000
3070 Westman Ct \$530,000
753 Woodchester Dr \$575,000
42160 Woodward Ave Unit 81 \$130,000
2215 Tottenham Rd \$1,200,000

COMMERCE TOWNSHIP

8484 Cascade St \$258,000
1117 Island Dr \$315,000
2035 Jason Dr \$239,000
3365 Ledgewood Ct W \$438,000
3736 Loch Bend Dr \$440,000
1664 Trace Hollow Dr \$300,000

FARMINGTON

33204 Flanders St \$177,000
34000 Glenview Dr \$150,000
22491 Hawthorne St \$103,000
22978 Mayfield Ave \$165,000
21131 Meadowlark St \$115,000
35810 Smithfield Rd \$260,000
35550 Tall Pine Rd \$210,000

FARMINGTON HILLS

28216 Bayberry Rd \$197,000
34436 Beechwood St \$212,000
31050 Berryhill St \$242,000
27875 Berrywood Ln Unit 81 \$78,000
21617 Collingham Ave \$42,000
21617 Collingham Ave \$63,000
34040 Cotswold St \$255,000
31124 Country Way \$150,000
28137 David St \$136,000
23635 E Newell Cir \$222,000
36450 Edinborough Ct \$490,000
34610 Fendt St \$113,000
21697 Flanders St \$196,000
21954 Flanders St \$140,000
30499 Fox Club Dr \$350,000
36273 Fredericksburg Rd \$254,000

23595 Glencreek Dr \$185,000
33601 Heirloom Cir \$70,000
31705 Junction St \$15,000
30251 Kimberly Ct \$289,000
22043 Malden St \$134,000
29628 Middlebelt Rd Unit 2703 \$87,000
23956 Noble Dr \$200,000
22189 River Pines Dr \$215,000
28695 Rollcrest Rd \$175,000
21793 S Brandon St \$160,000
23015 Tuck Rd \$120,000
22086 Tulane Ave \$104,000
29961 Valley Side Dr \$238,000
36049 W Lyman Rd \$160,000
24491 Westmoreland Dr \$150,000
25318 Wykeshire Rd \$232,000

FRANKLIN

26039 German Mill Rd \$548,000
32831 Haverford Rd \$281,000

HIGHLAND

1286 Glen Ct \$400,000
592 Inverness # 17 \$675,000
3753 Lido \$150,000
3965 Loch Dr \$207,000
2601 Westwind Dr \$240,000

LATHRUP VILLAGE

18131 Meadowood Ave \$155,000

MILFORD

832 Ridgside Dr \$205,000
1795 Ring O Kerry \$198,000
397 Stone Wood Ct \$346,000
653 Sweetbriar \$160,000
1122 Tennyson Dr \$367,000
220 Woodbine Dr \$88,000
656 Woodside Dr \$197,000

NORTHVILLE

22457 Cypress Dr \$447,000
20921 Napier Rd \$260,000
22556 Simcheck \$285,000

NOVI

43050 12 Oaks Crescent Dr # 4022 \$185,000
27614 Albert St \$329,000
41381 Belden Cir \$171,000
27667 Belgrave Pl \$306,000
41825 Borchard Dr \$200,000
22260 Borchshire St \$525,000
22284 Brockshire St \$450,000
50757 Calvert Isle Dr \$694,000

28544 Carlton Way Dr \$200,000
22643 Cranbrooke Dr \$133,000
27553 Cromwell Rd \$326,000
1405 E Lake Dr \$400,000
47790 Edinborough Ln \$450,000
23269 Ennshore \$313,000
24882 Highlands Dr \$195,000
23559 Highmeadow Dr \$304,000
25874 Island Lake Dr \$560,000
27086 Maxwell Ct \$276,000
51303 Mayfair Ter \$324,000
43455 Mclean Ct \$480,000
24850 Terra Del Mar Dr \$604,000
49626 Timber Trl \$475,000
27171 Victoria Rd \$373,000
23699 Willowbrook \$205,000
22608 Woolsey \$96,000

SOUTH LYON

1158 Cartwright Ct \$345,000
1047 Crestwood Ct \$263,000
26340 Daria Cir W \$355,000
61009 Evergreen Ct \$200,000
137 N Reese St \$135,000
61384 Saddlecreek Dr \$362,000
333 Winchester St \$162,000
343 Winchester St \$197,000

SOUTHFIELD

28511 Brentwood St \$46,000
29656 Brentwood St \$146,000
23430 Evergreen Rd \$95,000
24273 Evergreen Rd \$44,000
25175 Farmbrook Rd \$210,000
19420 Hickory Leaf St \$105,000
28500 Inkster Rd \$181,000
17160 Melrose St \$128,000
26295 Oakcrest Rd \$90,000
19638 Raleigh Cir N \$55,000
29988 Rambling Rd \$160,000
28437 Red Leaf Ln \$47,000
19315 Red Maple Ct \$203,000
29117 Southgate Dr \$95,000
20535 Westhampton Ave \$80,000

WHITE LAKE

9150 Elizabeth Lake Rd \$187,000
9543 Mandon Rd \$263,000
8839 Newport Dr \$365,000
568 Rumson Ct \$357,000
430 S Williams Lake Rd \$120,000
9197 Sandy Ridge Dr \$235,000
340 View Dr \$358,000

HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-WAYNE COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Oct. 13-17, 2014, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

CANTON

1959 Briarfield St \$173,000
45000 Brunswick Dr \$250,000
4104 Elizabeth Ave \$134,000
383 Elmington Ct \$420,000
50299 Hancock St \$475,000
42727 Lilley Pointe Dr \$92,000
43676 Lotus Dr \$196,000
51182 Sleepy Hollow Ln \$226,000
768 Sorel Dr \$202,000
1946 Wentworth Dr \$250,000

GARDEN CITY

29804 Bridge St \$75,000
540 Cardwell St \$40,000

28640 Florence St \$102,000
6548 Harrison St \$67,000
6151 Inkster Rd \$50,000
28917 Leona St \$119,000

LIVONIA

29811 Eight Mile Rd \$125,000
34625 Eight Mile Rd \$135,000
16825 Canterbury St \$200,000
33732 Cindy St \$175,000
38453 Elsie St \$148,000
18837 Fairway St \$234,000
18733 Floral St \$125,000
20317 Fremont St \$138,000
31542 Grove Dr \$146,000
31221 Hathaway St \$146,000
32711 Hees St \$153,000
29228 Jacquelyn Dr \$130,000
9750 Knolson St \$163,000
20410 Louise St \$174,000
37883 Mallory Dr \$215,000
20520 Meadowview St \$223,000

20339 Melvin St \$75,000
11284 Middlebelt Rd \$50,000
14150 Richfield St \$223,000
9906 Westmore St \$130,000

NORTHVILLE

16117 Oakwood Ct \$450,000
17871 Stonebrook Dr \$825,000

PLYMOUTH

725 Auburn St \$299,000
8858 Ball St \$320,000
46133 Barrington Rd \$220,000
44691 Jodi Ct \$184,000
14590 N Haggerty Rd \$295,000
260 Parkview Dr \$166,000
45125 Riveredge Dr \$331,000
11162 Terry St \$181,000
50857 Weston Dr \$410,000
1046 York St \$234,000

REDFORD

18303 Indian \$43,000
9591 Wormer \$64,000

WAYNE

4521 Carnegie St \$6,000
37510 Knoll Dr \$126,000

WESTLAND

33955 Avondale St \$183,000
37538 Colonial Dr \$60,000
6811 Emily Ct \$103,000
7426 Harrison St \$40,000
7426 Harrison St \$43,000
7477 Lathers St \$80,000
1425 Lillian St \$105,000
30607 Louise St \$134,000
29258 Manchester St \$29,000
7692 Rivergate Dr \$90,000
1565 S Linville Ave \$50,000
292 S Marie St \$117,000
39336 Surrey Heights Ct \$121,000
1366 Windham St \$67,000
7320 Woodview St \$43,000

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1 Scared

7 Side of a cut

12 Fighting junk

20 CMC truck

21 Sun's god

22 'Mona Lisa'

23 Dances

30 SSgt., e.g.

31 Steel city in the Ruhr

33 Led man

34 acting more bashfully?

36 Time spent in office

38 Hobbish

41 Angry with

42 'Modern Family' airer

45 Certain quadrilaterals

47 One who's worshiped

51 Grifter suffering more pain?

56 Vacuum tube variety

58 Pastoral tract

59 Spaniel for 'houses'

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63 Charles of chair design

64 'cording' father

66 Hemingway 'feeling more

69 Noblewoman lowers 'em Mexico

70 Mod. scars

72 Fisher using more ol'

75 Believing in one God

80 'Remember the—!'

81 'Splendor in the Grass' director

82 John of lawn tractors

83 'lo Klaus

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94 Swirly letter

95 Around, as a year

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111 Fleur-de (lis)

112 Andean pack animals

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118 Word things

121 Duchamp showing more

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126 Glimming villains, utter

127 Nobelist Irish poet

128 Roscoe

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2 Engaged man

3 Parish leader

4 Singer

5 Pappas of 'Z'

6 Mends, as no. 2 socks

7 Loose truck

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9 Film teaser

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11 2003 37 Fox drama series

12 High mount

13 Revived: Prefix

14 List-rats

15 'Actually ...'

16 Gunfire bus'

17 Nasty sort

18 'Someone Like You' singer

19 Lichen-killed

24 Film's actors

26 Uterus

32 Drug bustlers

34 Hoopster

35 Newspaper employee

37 —, a

39 'Button it'

40 — pilot

43 Happened to

44 'Mad Money' host Jim

46 Bad guy

47 'Pakistanis' neighbors

48 K.C. foreign, as policy

49 Lyric work

50 'Judge not, ye be judged'

51 Tiana's land. Abbr.

52 Doe lead-in

53 Verdor's pushable vehicle

54 'Do say, not ...'

55 'Graceland' director

57 17th century dogs

61 Old Glory's country

62 One being examined

65 'Thor' actress

68 Old Balkan region

67 Lilly of drugs

68 Curra to fight

71 Jackie's #2

73 'Curses!'

74 Jail —

75 Basso & Rap

77 That girl's

78 Here, to fit

79 Fidel's friend

82 Immense

85 Opposite

87 P-stend

88 Long-jawed fish

89 Biblical beast

92 Philippe rival

93 Act re

95 Lunar feature

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100 Keys of H&B

101 Least naive

102 Singer

103 Russes

104 John on the

105 Chili server

106 Boxer

107 Furious

109 Pole dance?

110 'Oh My My' singer Hugo

114 Lion's look

115 'SOSI,' e.g.

117 Drescher or Tankerton

119 Gift for music

120 Many GPS lines: Abbr.

122 Gathered

Answer to Last Week's Puzzle

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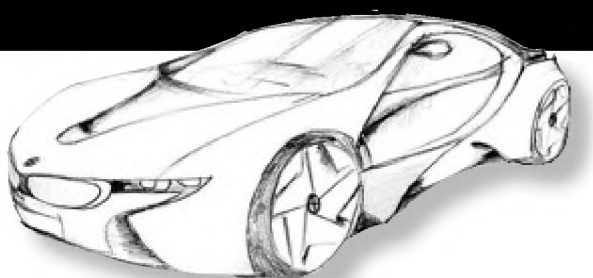
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With 'Dare Greatly' Brand Overhaul Debuting on Oscars Night, Cadillac Bids for Revival



By Dale Buss

On Sunday, during the telecast of the 87th Annual Academy Awards on ABC, Cadillac will be introducing new advertising that will undergird the most important marketing campaign in the brand's recent history.

Under the theme "Dare Greatly," the ads may well comprise an immense moment for the struggling brand, one that equals in importance the stage for Chrysler when the brand launched its "Born Of Fire" TV ad during the Super Bowl in 2011 -- and almost in that two-minute commercial turned around the brand's fortunes.

Cadillac has revealed more aspects of its brand "resurrection" in the lead-up to its Oscars debut. The theme borrows from one of the most famous speeches by Theodore Roosevelt, commonly known as "The Man in the Arena," which he delivered in 1910 at the Sorbonne in Paris.

Cadillac already launched a social-media effort under #DareGreatly, including a video on YouTube that featured most of the passage by President Roosevelt. A female voiceover delivered the passage while unretouched street scenes from New York City played on the screen, featuring none of Cadillac's products.

And Cadillac disclosed it has been behind billboards in a handful of major US cities that have been using excerpts from the speech to challenge viewers to think of themselves as principled, indefatigable, impassioned contrarians -- because that is

what Cadillac is going to do as a brand. Initially, the outdoor signs only displayed the quote without an author or "owner," beginning February 15, the bottom of the signs read, "#DareGreatly ... Cadillac."

"It is not the critic who counts," the billboards read, lifting judiciously from the entire passage by Roosevelt. "Credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena ... who errs ... because there is no effort without error and shortcoming ... who at best knows ... of triumph of high achievement ... or fails while daring greatly."

Cadillac CMO Uwe Ellinghaus is seeking to revitalize the identity of the brand by cloaking it in a particularly American kind of determination, accomplishment and style. His conviction has been that, while Cadillac is making its best products ever, sales have been falling short lately in the US because the brand has lapsed into an indistinct identity that hasn't inspired premium-car buyers to come its way instead of going with "safe" choices like the German brands.

"We want to resurrect the Cadillac brand and bring it back to greatness," he told me. "There is a great product-driven change as well, as the brand is embarking on a new journey and investing billions of dollars in new products, including the CT6 [top-end sedan] that we'll reveal

at the New York International Auto Show.

"But the Cadillac brand needed to change. We've lost some of our old customers and we're not conquering enough new customers -- because we lack relevance. We need to have a new point of view to show why we're relevant and to get across how much Cadillac has changed. You can't just put product -- even great product, which we have -- in front of people. If the brand isn't relevant, people don't care."

Ellinghaus has made a big deal about resurrecting the Cadillac brand in a form that differentiates it from "the Germans."

"We can allow more passion than the Germans allow, because passion is infectious," he explained. "The German brands are ordered and disciplined. They are about technology; we aim for ingenuity. But is this credible for Cadillac? Yes -- passion is in our blood, in our body, in our birthplace. After all, a 61-year-old founded the brand. And in the Fifties, Cadillac design showed a forward-looking spirit, like the cars wanted to get to the moon!"

"But we won't 'outdo' luxury; we won't use 'attention to detail' and other craftsmanship clichés. 'Luxury' is associated with European brands more than with American brands; we're not LVMH or Bentley. Luxury



Cadillac has a marketing partnership with American Airlines.

consumption has become so much more intrinsic over the last 20 years. It is about stylistic individuality, not status. And now so many more people have access to luxury goods, with low interest rates [making financing of big-ticket purchases more available].

Importantly, he said, "We already have gotten a very strong endorsement of the campaign: from the U.S. Cadillac dealer council. They have seen the campaign elements already and

they are strongly behind what we are doing. And it is what we experience daily that lacking relevance has meant for the Cadillac brand. They have been ready to embrace this change."

In fact, acknowledging that Cadillac recently has had to trim some sedan prices because it got resistance from dealers and consumers, Ellinghaus said, "This campaign will help people acknowledge that the cars deserve the reputations and pricing that they have."



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By Robert Half

You landed an internship, and that means the job search is finally over. Well, for a few months, anyway. After your internship ends, you'll be right back in the thick of it, submitting applications and setting up endless rounds of interviews. Unless you get offered a full-time position at the company you're interning with, that is. While this is not always an option, many companies prefer to promote from within, and you've already got your foot in the door.

If you're hoping to make the leap from intern to employee, here are several things to keep in mind:

Dress the part

Maybe you could get away with T-shirts at your summer job at school, but this is the real world. If you want to be taken seriously, you have to show that you're taking the internship seriously. Early on, if you're unsure of the office's dress code, aim to overdress. Then, as you become more comfortable with the expectations around the office, do your best to fit in with the office style. Stand out through your work, not through your wardrobe.

Act the part

An internship can be viewed as a long job interview. You want to continually be putting your best foot forward, but this doesn't mean you must be absolutely serious for the

entirety of your internship. Your ability to mesh with the corporate culture and your immediate co-workers can be a factor in whether you'll get that full-time position. Your goal is to work there full time, so be someone with whom your co-workers like spending time.

Ask questions

There is a crucial difference between asking a lot of questions and asking the right questions. Asking a lot of questions might come off as fake interest or simply annoying, whereas asking the right questions shows that you have genuine interest in how things are done and want to be a productive member of the team. If there's something you want to know that could help you perform better, don't hesitate to speak up.

Know where you stand

Open communication is essential for any business relationship and is an important step in gaining full-time employment. Ask for feedback from your colleagues and boss on how you're performing and where you could be improving. Be forthright in asking about the potential for transferring to full-time status. This not only lets you know where you stand, but it also lets your employer know that you're looking for a job and are serious about staying.

Recover quickly

You are going to make mistakes. That's part of the learning process, which is ultimately what internships are all about. What really makes interns stand out is how they recover from an

error. When you make a mistake, bounce back quickly. Apologize, ask questions to be sure you fully understand what you should have done differently, and then be sure not to make the same mistake again. Employers like to see that you're willing to roll with the punches and learn from your mistakes.

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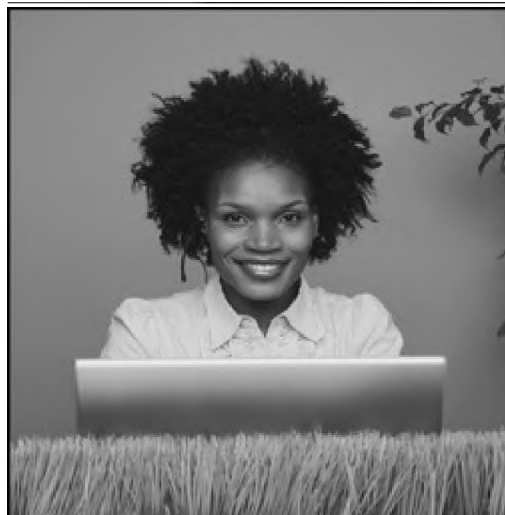
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