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#### **Pop-Culture** event at **Barnes & Noble**

Throughout July, Barnes & Noble (17111 Haggerty Road, Northville) is offering the second annual Get Pop-Cultured celebration, a month-long series of events was first established in 2014 to bring to life customers' favorite books, characters, movies, artists, illustrators and pop-culture icons with themed events, author signings, panel discussions, contests, exclusive content, giveaways and prizes, sneak peeks, activities and more.

#### **History of** labor unions

Join the Northville Dems at the Sports Den (133 W. Main Street, North-ville) for a screening of the documentary Sit Down And Fight – Walter Ruether & the UAW, followed by an open discussion about the film at 7 p.m. Monday, July 28. Pizza and salad buffet will be provided; donations welcome; cash bar. Please RSVP at 248-465-1995 or SCraig27@comcast.net if you will be attending.



Bruce VanOverloop brings new Fresh Thyme markets to Michigan's collection, including this store in Northville Township. The market, specializing in fresh and organic produce and meals is located at Five Mile and Sheldon roads.

# Fresh Thyme brings healthy food, values

**By Lonnie Huhman** Staff Writer

ees of Fresh Thyme establishing a culture that we would want if were the customer. We want our customers to be comfortable and feel the

# Concours preview comes to downtown

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PRIZES

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special section inside today's newspaper



NORTHVILLE DDA This 1907 Packard was one of the highlights in last year's preview event.

Summertime signals the annual Concours d'Elegance in Michigan. Once again this year, vintage automobile lovers can preview rare and magnificent collector vehicles when they visit Downtown Northville on Saturday, July 25 (noon to 4 p.m.) for the 4th Annual Northville Concours d'Elegance Preview Event.

The Downtown Northville Development Authority has once again partnered with the annual event at The Inn at St. John's to host the annual free preview event.

Taking place on the streets of Downtown Northville, the event - sponsored by Reliable Carriers, Roush Performance, Cadillac of Novi, Tom Holzer Ford, Varsity Lincoln, Davis Auto Care, Northville Collision and Northville Rehabilitation - includes a rare, vintage car exhibition featuring approximately 30 pre-war vehicles on Main Street between Hutton and Center Streets. This year's preview event, in celebration of the Ford Thunderbird's 60th Anniversary, will also feature a special Thunderbird exhibit. The Thunderbird exhibit will be on Main Street between wing and Center Streets, and on North Center Street. Live musical performances by the Boogie Woogie Kid and The Dave Bennett Quartet will take the stage in Town Square. The day's schedule is as follows: » Noon to 4 p.m. Rare, Vin-

Healthy food and healthy values is how Bruce VanOverloop describes Fresh Thyme Farmers Market, which just opened three locations in metro Detroit, including Northville Township.

"We want people who come in here to understand right away what we are about and that's quality and service," said VanOverloop, Fresh Thyme's director of operations for the Northern Region. "It starts with us the employwarmin

Fresh Thyme opened on July 22 at the location at Five Mile and Sheldon roads. That same day it also opened markets in Troy and Rochester Hills. Its first Michigan location was in East Lansing

Fresh Thyme is a full-service specialty retailer focusing on value-priced fresh, healthy,

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The Northville High School varsity girls cross country team will be participating in a 12-hour marathon run to raise funds for the Michigan Cancer Foundation.

# NHS girls cross country hosting special fundraiser

**By Lonnie Huhman** Staff Writer

The Northville Girls Cross Country is hosting a fundraiser this weekend to help benefit their team as well as the Michigan Cancer Foundation. This is the first time the team has done something like this and they are looking to the community for some help.

We will be doing a 12-hour relay where my athletes will be in teams of four and run on the track in increments of one mile to three miles at a time switching runners throughout the 12hour time period throughout the night," said coach Nancy Smith.

They have also invited former Northville Girls Cross Country members to form teams of four-five former athletes and join us. Runners were asked to collect donations either per mile that they run or a

straight donation. Fifty percent of the money raised will be donated to Michigan Cancer and the other half will go into the team funds to help offset costs or things they need for the season.

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#### NORTHVILLE LIBRARY LINES

The Northville District Library is located at 212 W. Cady Street. Hours are 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday; 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday; and 1-5 p.m. Sunday. Phone 248-349-3020 or visit www.northvillelibrary.org for more information.

#### **Library Summer Reading** Programs

Time/Date: through Aug. 12 **Details:** Pick up your youth, teen or adult summer reading packet, log your reading and earn prizes. All Northville kids up through those entering fifth grade can join the youth summer reading program Every Hero Has A Story! Teen summer reading Unmask! is open to all middle and high school students entering grade six through 2015 grads. Visit northvillelibrary.org for details.

#### **Drop-In Storytime**

Time/Date: 10:30-11 a.m. Friday, Julv 24

Details: All ages enjoy "Daring Dog" stories, no registration required. Due to space limitations, we cannot accommodate special groups.

#### **Drop-in Computer Help**

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, July 25

Details: Free one-on-one help for your computer or device questions. Just drop in

#### **Foreign Film**

Time/Date: 6:30 p.m. Monday, Julv 27

Details: Enjoy the well-reviewed French film Three Worlds.

#### **Puppet Show: Dick** Whittington & His Cat

Time/Date: 2-2:45 p.m. Tuesday, July 28

Details: Puppet show based on the classic English folktale about a courageous boy and his cat. All ages welcome; 100 free tickets available 10 minutes prior to start of each show. Tickets not available in advance.

#### **Unravel & Craftapalooza** Time/Date: 7-9 p.m. Tuesday,

Julv 28

Details: For ages 9 to 99! Casual knit and crochet sessions for all skill levels. Materials and basic instruction provided. Plus fun crafts; just drop in.

#### **REI** grant

LOCAL NEWS



Outdoor retail co-op REI recently provided a \$20,000 grant to the Friends of Maybury State Park, a nonprofit which supports the park, located near Eight Mile and Beck roads. While the DNR continues to make significant improvements to its trail system, the Friends will use the money to help fund a new Regional Trailhead, which includes a new kiosk, and improvements to the shelter building, lighting and access to parking. See the project at friendsofmaybury.org. Shown, group members (from left) Chuck Murdock and Marcie Colling receive the grant from Lyn De Groot, outreach market coordinator for REI, while Nikki Van Bloem, supervisor of Maybury State Park, looks on.

# ORTHVILLE record

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natural and organic offerings. It boasts an extensive produce department with organic and local fruits and vegetables, a natural meat department, healthy deli foods to go, bakery goods, 400 bulk food bins, dairy and frozen, and health supplement products.

"Fresh Thyme is excited to open its first three Metro Detroit stores on the same day! These communities have an amazing pride in their local goods and we are proud to be able to source these high quality offerings for our stores, said Fresh Thyme's CEO Chris Sherrell. "As part of our commitment to providing local, healthy choices to the community, we will offer over 400 locally sourced grocery goods from Michigan within these stores.'

VanOverloop believes their produce is "second to none" and said a healthy lifestyle is important to them and that's what customers will find inside the new market.

Its mission statement is "to improve the way our communities eat by offering fresh and healthy food at amazing values – all in a vibrant and fun shopping environment, with smiling friendly faces. Our stores don't follow traditional grocery store design, nor do they have tall aisles or glitzy fixtures. In fact, our stores are so simple and easy to navigate that we don't number our aisles or hand out store maps. We believe shopping for fresh and healthy food should be easy and enjoyable.'

ful produce, delicious butcher shop and expansive wellness items are all encompassed by a local, hometown atmos-

phere. "We do all this while keeping our produce and health items competitively priced at a great value. Cost really shouldn't – and doesn't have to – be a barrier to eating healthy," said Sherrell. "Fresh Thyme's first Michigan store recently opened in East Lansing,

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tage Car & Thunderbird Exhibits

» Noon to 1:45 p.m. Performance by the Boogie Woogie Kid

» 2-4 p.m. Performance by The Dave Bennett Quartet

Shuttle Service will also be available to-and-from downtown Northville to St. John's on Sunday, July 27 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The shuttle, sponsored by Northville Square, leaves from the Cady Street entrance to Northville Square.

For those who also want to do a little shopping or grab a bite to eat while in town, there are more than 60 locally-owned shops and 25 restaurants located throughout Downtown Northville.

For more information on Northville's Concours d'Elegance Preview Event and the other summer events taking place in downtown Northville, visit www.down townnorthville.com.

> STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Store shelves at Northville Township's Fresh Thyme got packed with merchandise in anticipation of its July 22 opening.

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throughout the first week. Fresh Thyme will be donating \$5,000 to the Northville Historical Society in recognition of the partnership it wants to establish with the local

community. "World-class customer service and a deep desire to serve the community. That's who we are," said

The store is located at 15480 Sheldon Road.

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# Knightsbridge Antique Mall celebrates 20 years

#### By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer

The collection of antiques at the Knightsbridge Antique Mall has grown over the last 20 years.

And this month, owners Bruce and Linda McKenzie are looking back and giving thanks to the customers and antique dealers they consider to be like family.

"It's hard to believe it's been 20 years," said Bruce. "It's a big deal for us to be here at this moment and being able to look back at how we got started while also looking ahead."

The idea for this Northville Township business started after a few visits to some auctions, and over time turned into a successful business for the McKenzie's. They initially just wanted to decorate their home, but over the course of three years they kept on going back



Knightsbridge Antique Mall is celebrating its 20th anniversary with a big sale July 18-26.

to different auctions. Finding and buying antiques grew into a hobby, and eventually got to the point where Bruce came up with the idea of trying to turn it into a business. Linda, who in her former professional life worked with insurance, liked the idea and they went for it.

Knightsbridge is now a destination spot for

people from all around the state and Midwest looking for a great antique.

The secret behind their success is that they work every day to please their customers and everyone else they work with. They're also handson and at the store most days, if not every day.

"We treat people the way we would want to be treated," Linda said. "Quality service is what we strive to offer each day. Our customers are very important to us."

Knightsbridge has a huge selection of antiques dating back to pre-1965. They buy and sell antique toys, military antiques, antique furniture, vintage clothes, antique signs, and other hidden treasures.

They have one of the largest selections in the country and have been ranked one of the best locations for antiques by various trade magazines. The mall sits off of Sev-



PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Linda and Bruce McKenzie recently celebrated their 20th year of managing Northville Township's Knightsbridge Antique Mall. The mall is located on Seven Mile Road, west of Northville Road. With them is their dog Roxanne.

en Mile Road in a space that is over 26,000 square feet, and it's all full with nearly 200 antique dealers calling it home.

To recognize this big anniversary, Knightsbridge is having a huge sale July 18-26. On the last day of the sale event they will be having a customer appreciation buffet.

The mall is located at

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### **Short on Words**



The 2015 Short on Words Winners were announced at an author reception held June 19 at Genitti's Hole-in-the-Wall. Short on Words is the literature component to Northville's annual Arts & Acts Festival and is sponsored by Preservation Dental, the office of Dr. William Demray. Winners in the Young Adult Competition included (honorable mention) Matthew Martin of Northville, Maya Sankaran of Northville and Jackie Zielinski of Gibraltar; (third place) Reese Martin from University Liggett School; (second place, tie) Chloe Outland-Knickerboker and Luke Sikoram both from University Liggett School; and (first place) Alex Wagner of Livonia. Winners in the Adult Author Competition included (honorable mention) Brenda Craig of Northville, Joan Runkel of Webberville and Sue Yurick of Rockford; (third place) M.J. Floreno of Farmington Hills; (second place) Karen Wang of Novi; and (first place) Karen Hamp of South Lyon.



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"We have picked the local Michigan Cancer Chapter as cancer has struck many of our runners' (both present and past) family members, so it is an organization that is close to us," Smith said.

They are hoping that the community can help in donating to the cause by making a donation to the event. If a community member or business makes a donation they can come and join the team during the night or if any local businesses want to make a donation of food or water, Gatorade or drinks it would also be great.

This team is expecting to do big things this upcoming year. Smith said, "Our team is lookFifty percent of the money raised will be donated to Michigan Cancer and the other half will go into the team funds to help offset costs or things they need for the season.

ing great right now." The team finished third in the state last year after winning the state title in 2013 and brings back six runners from last year's team plus some talented new comers. Smith said this looks to be a big team with 35-40 girls who are very driven, talented and committed to trying to bring home another State Title this year.

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"If we stay healthy and train hard it is within our reach," according to Smith.

The fundraiser takes place from 7 p.m. Saturday, July 25 to 7 a.m. Sunday, July 26 at the NHS track.

To help out or make a donation contact Smith by email at Smithna@northville schools.org or mail donations to: Northville High School, 45700 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48168 Attention: Nancy Smith - Girls Cross Country. Checks should be made out to Northville High School.

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# Group of middle school girls writes letter to school district wanting to see a change

#### By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer

Although unsuccessful up to this point, this group of young women is not going to give up anytime soon on its hopes of seeing orchestra become part of the Northville Public School district.

The following letter was written by Northville middle school students Nicole Dobson, Vanessa Wojtalewicz, Fiona Berg, Grace Lapinski and Liliah Seluk.

"Dear Mary Kay Gallagher,

"In our 8th grade social studies class, we have been assigned a project that will help students make an impact on Northville, and solve a major problem that has been long plaguing our community. It is time for us to make a difference. The project that provides this influential opportunity for students is the chirp project. As spoken above, the chirp project states that we, the students must find a problem with Northville, and try to find a solution. We propose that there should be an orchestra program in Northville Public Schools. The strings in the school district will benefit children who play strings outside of school.

"First off, The Northville community needs an orchestra because many of the students have limited options, such as choir, art or band. Many young string musicians are lacking opportunity that students that pursue other interests have. This is unfair and unjust, and may cause string musicians to lean towards other communities that already offer in school string orchestras, such as Novi, Farmington and Livonia.

"Many students here at Meads Mill, who have the ability to play string instruments, do not have any chances to showcase their talents at school. This program will be better for the children who play string instruments because the string players will have greater opportunities with an educated conductor. The children will also learn how to balance out the orchestra and learn new and different techniques while playing their instrument.

"You may also find that Northville does not compete with other schools, which can make the district often provide children with no opportunities to compete against others schools. Donna



The letter writers are (from left) Nicole Dobson, Vanessa Wojtalewicz, Fiona Berg, Grace Lapinski and Liliah Seluk.

Swoboda, who is the OLPS concert mistress, says, 'To be well rounded, competitive and on par with neighboring districts, Northville needs a strings program. They can be cost savers at the high school level since these classes can happily accommodate up to 50-60 students.' We strongly agree with this statement because as you can see, this is why having an orchestra may help reduce the budget cuts in Northville Schools, and get our schools more money for more advanced technology and other things.

"Second, many children do not know what a violin or cello is or where the instrument is played. The current band and choir students would have an opportunity to experience a real orchestra. Our recent survey shows that many more students said that they benefited from having an orchestra than not having an orchestra, because we noticed a slight increase in the numbers of students who preferred having an orchestra, versus not having an orchestra in Northville.

"Third, this program will benefit band kids by having them introduced to different types of styles of music, instruments, and strategy. Our group interviewed the founder and orchestra conductor of the Northville Strings, Melissa Hirn. She told us, 'Orchestra music helps with math and problem solving. Having this orchestra would give students the chance to have to work and get together in school with doing something they love. They have more opportunities later on in life to play in groups, if they are able to form an orchestra here in our schools.'

"We care that Northville Schools has an orchestra, because it would benefit the culture of our community and it would also give our community more of a purpose. You can share a ton of culture through music, including Spanish, Italian, and Polish culture.

"Orchestra music in Northville Public Schools will improve test proficiency by 15 percent unlike with band students. Musical abilities in orchestra work certain parts of the brain that are not worked in other sports or activities. Music accesses more parts of the brain than anything else, so an orchestra would provide a great educational value to students interested. When a child has a world with musical education in orchestra, they will make lifelong friends, have something to do if they are not into sports, and they will learn how to be in a group, instead of just taking private lessons after school.

'In the community, strings would be valued in Northville Schools. The Board of Education, however, does not meet their own objectives such as 'Improve Communication with Community.' They have mistreated community members by not allowing this on an agenda and have treated orchestra as a joke. The March, 2015 'Discover Northville Directory' selected a year-old string ensemble photo to be published with the title, 'Discover Northville' indicating that they value strings in this community. The District pretends to have a strings program, but it is a lie they hide behind. There is a popular demand for Northville to have a strings program in its schools, 'I took my [three] children out of Northville Schools because there was no orchestra,' said Dr. Reza Rahmani, who is the owner of Rahmani Eye Institute and is a Northville Resident.

"In conclusion, this is why we believe that an orchestra would be the best decision overall for any music additions in the classroom. Many people would love to have an orchestra in Northville Public Schools for many different reasons."

It looks like it won't happen, mostly due to financial constraints with the school district trying to balance things like offering more science, technology, engineering, language and mathematics classes, while looking at lowering class sizes and improving technology. This has all become more difficult for the district in the past seven years since the state has cut funding, especially in the years 2008-11.

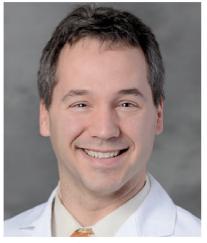
If the district wanted to add orchestra, it would have to cut something else and that probably won't happen.

This hasn't deterred the group because members will still work to learn their instruments outside of school and believe in what they hold so dearly, which is that playing in an orchestra helps them learn.

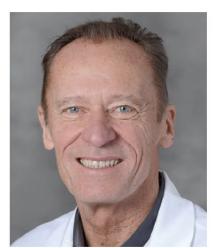
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#### W.L. students earn **National Merit Scholarships**

The National Merit Scholarship Corp. recently announced approximately 1,700 additional winners of 2015 National Merit Scholarships financed by colleges and universities, including the following students from the Walled Lake Consolidated School District:

Vamsi Garimella received a scholarship from the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. John Konicki received a scholarship from Vanderbilt University. Shravan Morisetty received a scholarship from Wayne State University.

Officials of each sponsor college selected their scholarship winners from among the finalists in the 2015 National Merit Scholarship Program who plan to attend their institution. These awards provide between \$500 and \$2,000 annually for up to four years of undergraduate study at the institution financing the scholarship.

#### W.L. schools offer Preschool in the Park

The Walled Lake School Preschool Program is offering families of preschool aged children opportunities for some summer fun. There will be three opportunities for children ages 3-5 and their parent to join in the fun through reading, singing, dancing, playing and moving with some new friends. Each day will include stories, songs, crafts, games and a snack. The dates and locations are listed below:

» Thursday, July 30 -Gilbert Willis Park (2400 Trombley Lane, Wixom) 9:30-11 a.m. The theme will be "water."

» Tuesday, Aug. 4 -Clara Miller Park (2500 Benstein Road, Wolverine Lake) 9:30-11 a.m. The theme will be "wind."

» Thursday, Aug. 6 -Bloomer Park (7581 Richardson Road, West Bloomfield) 9:30-11 a.m. The theme will be "nature." Special guest will be a West Bloomfield naturalist.

A free summer preschool for income eligible children who will be enrolled in kindergarten in fall 2015 is available now. Classes are at the Walled Lake Community Education Center and run Monday through Thursday, through Aug. 18. Enrollment is ongoing; call 248-956-5080.

#### Novi preschool registration

The Novi Community Education Preschool is now taking registrations for the Great Start **Readiness Program for** 4-year-olds starting in September.

To qualify for this state funded program, children must be age 4 by Sept. 1 and meet two of seven criteria set by the state. The GSRP program is a free preschool and includes lunch and snack. Parents provide transportation.

The all-day class will be held Monday through Thursday and follow the Novi school district calendar. The GSRP program uses the High Scope Curriculum. This curriculum supports the children learning through hands-on activities and follows the state of Michigan Early Childhood Standards. Lesson plans reflect social, emotional, physical, cognitive and language development.

Registration is ongoing. Space is limited and enrollment is not guaranteed. Parents or guardians should contact the Community Education Preschool office at 248-449-1713.

The following documents are necessary for pre-registration: Child Information Record form, 12-month proof of income of all house-hold members (2014 tax forms, FIA statement), child's birth certificate,

#### **SCHOOL BRIEFS Fight On**



Faith Theresa Miller graduated magna cum laude and with honors from the University of Southern California in May. She earned her bachelor's degree in broadcast and digital journalism from USC's Annenberg School for Communication and Journalism. She is employed as an on-air reporter for WILX-TV (Channel 10) in Lansing (news tips to faith.miller@wilx.com). She is a 2011 graduate of Northville High School. Miller is shown giving the USC Trojans' "Fight On" V sign.

health insurance, copy of child's immunization records and three proofs of Novi residency (one proof must be a mortgage or lease)

#### **Host families** needed in Novi

The Novi school district participates through Oakland Schools in a Foreign Exchange Program with Educatius International for a select group of international students to join Novi High School for the 2015-16 school year. There is a need of host families for these students that can provide a private room, three meals a day and a supportive home environment.

To ensure that this initiative is a success, **Educatius International** is providing a monthly stipend to host families to offset the costs for hosting international student(s) into your home; depending on how many students, a referral bonus of \$100 to any individual that refers a family that hosts; an orientation program for the international students, host families and the school; access to a local residential coordinator who will be available 24 hours a day; support as needed from **Educatius** International staff; and 24/7 emergency line.

**Contact Melanie** Smith at Melanie.smith@ educatius.org or 602-820-6642 or Susan Reinhardt at susan.reinhardt@ educatius.org or 312-206-8749 for more information.

#### WLCSD offering free preschool

A free summer preschool for income eligible children who will be enrolled in kindergarten in fall 2015 is available now. Classes are at the Walled Lake Community Education Center and run Monday through Thursday through Aug. 18.

The district is also offering free preschool for children living in the Walled Lake area for the upcoming school year. Families of four earning up to \$60,625 per year

\$84,875 per year are sometimes eligible. Half- and full-day openings in schools and childcare centers are available.

To enroll, children must be 3 or 4 years old on or before Sept. 1.

Call 248-956-5080 or go to www.wlcsd. org/webpages/preschool for more information.

#### Summer C.A.M.P.

Students entering grades second through fourth this fall will celebrate their writing skills through writers' workshop mini-lessons, mentor text investigations and will utilize a writer's notebook to collect author's craft techniques and learn strategies for more structured writing tasks that may be used in assessment.

C.A.M.P. (Creative Authors Meeting Place) will be team taught by credentialed Novi teachers. These teachers are committed to providing an exciting, challenging and rewarding learning experience for all participants.

Workshops will be held from 9 a.m. to noon Monday through Friday, Aug. 10-14, at Orchard Hills Media Center. The fees are \$159 resident; \$164 non-resident. Make checks payable to Novi Community Education. Register online at www.novicommunityed.org.

#### **WLCSD** summer meal program

Walled Lake Consolidated Schools will participate in the Summer Food Service Program through Friday, Aug. 21. This program provides meals to children ages 1-18 without charge. Young adults ages 19-26 are also eligible if they're enrolled in programs for the mentally or physically disabled. These programs must be recognized by a state or local public agency.

Breakfast will be served 8:15-8:45 a.m. and lunches will be served from 11 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. Monday through Friday at the Walled Lake Com-

#### Northville 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.

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.

#### Developmentally delayed students

If you have a child that will be under the age of 5 years old on or before the first day of the 2015-16 school year and you suspect that your child may have speech and language difficulties or overall developmental delays, call Nadine Harris, director of Northville Public Schools Office of Special Services, at 248-344-3530.

#### **Preschool programs**

Northville Public Schools is currently assessing the need within the community for a no-cost or reduced-cost preschool program. Recruitment has begun for a preschool program to be funded through the Great Start Readiness Program. The district is recruiting 4-year-old children for a state-funded preschool class it hopes to offer in the fall. Income eligibility and admission criteria applies.

See the website link at www.earlychildhood. northvilleschools.org for more information.

#### 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.



#### Novi offering Great Start Readiness

The Novi Community Education Preschool will again be offering the Great Start Readiness Program for 4-year-olds starting in September.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, August 12, 2015 at 7:00 P.M. in the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider <u>COVINGTON ESTATES SITE PLAN NUMBER</u> 15-02, LOCATED IN SECTION 31 OF THE CITY OF NOVI LOCATED NORTH OF EIGHT MILE ROAD AND WEST OF GARFIELD ROAD AND SEEKING APPROVAL OF A RESIDENTIAL UNIT DEVELOPMENT (RUD). The applicant is proposing a Residential Unit Development (RUD) on a 48.83 acre parcel north of Eight Mile and West of Garfield in order to construct 38 single-family residential units. 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 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 during the City's regular business hours, Monday thru Friday, from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., and must be received by 4:00 P.M., Wednesday, August 12, 2015.

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# Looking back on a part of Novi's history, featuring Dr. Lyle Fettig

#### By Carolynn Bauer Zorn Correspondent

It was 1957, not 1857, so he didn't arrive on horseback with his black bag hung over the pummel of his saddle. But 27-year-old Lyle Fettig, D.O., arrived as one of the first doctors to open an office in Novi, a farming community of only about 4,000 located near the former Shiawassee Indian trails.

Fettig,a graduate of Cass Tech High School in Detroit, Wayne State University and the Des Moines Still College of Osteopathy and Surgery, interned at Detroit Osteopathic Hospital and practiced in Howell for a year before moving to Novi

A Lincoln-esque man, tall and lanky with infamous bushy eyebrows, Fettig was a family doctor from the "old" days, delivering babies, doing minor surgery and making house calls. Fettig opened his ground floor office with Dr. Richard Henderson, D.D.S., in the former home of Charles Trickey at 43230 Grand River Avenue. Fettig lived upstairs from his clinic, located where Novi Town Center exists today.

Former patients recall how the Bibles in the waiting room were at first perplexing. Was Fettig a very bad doctor or a very good man wanting to share his belief and perhaps lend confidence, not concern, to his new patients? They found the latter to be true. His ready smile, when initiated, immediately washed the serious "thinker" mask from his otherwise pleasant face. As former patient Robert Ziegler said, "I just remember he always made me feel safe and protected ... like he didn't just



Dr. Lyle Fettig and his wife Sandy left Novi for Arizona in 2000.

have knowledge or skills - he had a healing power."

Serving as the assistant Oakland County medical examiner, Fettig was called to most of the accidents and emergencies in Novi. In 1958, he taught the small police force about emergency medicine. During this time, he was also instrumental in providing polio immunizations to the community.

"He was a wonderful guy and invaluable," said Lee Be-Gole, the city's first chief of police.

**Botsford General Hospital** in Farmington Hills opened in 1965 and Fettig served as president of the medical staff for many years, during which time he also sat on the board. In 1969, when Novi officially became a city, the population

was up to about 6,500. Fettig, always active in the community, was elected to the board of directors of the Novi Rotary Club in 1968 (remaining a lifetime member) and was nominated for the Board of Education in 1971. Over his career spanning 43 years, Fettig was "a busy guy," BeGole said.

In 1978, as Novi's population approached 10,000, Fettig

*"I just remember he* always made me feel safe and protected ... like he didn't just have knowledge or skills – he had a healing power." **ROBERT ZIEGLER** former patient of Dr. Lyle Fettig

moved to an office at 10 Mile and Meadowbrook roads with Dr. Lawrence Zager. In 1980, they relocated to 422 N. Center Road in Northville and then in 1997 to 215 E. Main. Fettig retired in January 2000 and moved to Gilbert, Ariz., leaving behind a plethora of people who missed him and ending a partnership that spanned 22 years with Zager.

Fettig died Jan. 23, 2015, in Arizona at the age of 85, leaving behind his wife Sandra, four children, eight grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. Memorial services were held Jan. 30 in Farmington Hills and Feb. 7 in Mesa, Ariz. He is buried at Glen Eden Memorial Park in Livonia.

He and his wife were active members of Living Lord Lutheran Church on 10 Mile Road (now Holy Cross Episcopal Church) and they remained active members in the Cursillo Movement even after their move to Arizona. Like many icons of Novi's past, many residents will remember Fettig with nostalgia.

Carolynn Bauer Zorn is author of "Attending Your Grandchild's Birth." which is available from many online book sellers. See her website at www.attendingthebirth.com.

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# ANGELL, EVERETT C. "BUD" Age 74, passed away July 14, 2015. He was born on August 23, 1940 in Northville, son of the

late

#### JOHNSON MARIE LOUISE

Inn, died on July 18, 2015 at the

Marie Louise Johnson, a long time resident of Milford and former owner of the Huron River





STERNIK, MICHAEL Age 89, July 18, 2015. Of Farmington Hills, www.mccabefuneralhome.com

hometownlife.com

#### ANDERSON, **OWEN JAMÉS**

21. of Williamsburg, passed away following an automobile accident on Tuesday, July 14, 2015. Owen was born on June 11, 1994 in Rhinelander, Wisconsin, the son of Jonathan and Cathy Anderson He graduated from Elk Rapids High School in 2012 and attended Ferris State University and Northern Michigan College, working on his degree in Construction Management. Owen was an avid outdoorsman, enjoying hunting and fishing. He loved to play video games with his friends, go off-roading, and spending time with his cousins and friends, often entertaining listeners with his long, detailed, funny stories. Owen was a thoughtful and kindhearted man. He spent time snowboarding with his sister, Alaura, and sitting by the campfire. He could often be found tinkering with his car and sharing his joy of loud music while driving down the road. Owen was a great son, always had a smile on his face, and was a joy to be around. Owen is survived by his parents, Jonathan Anderson and Cathy (fiance Ron Moretto) Anderson; Alaura sister, Anderson grandmothers, Alvina Marshall and Lorraine Gustafson; stepgrandmother, Carol Gustafson; and many aunts, uncles, and cousins. Preceding him in death are his grandfathers, John Anderson and James Gustafson. Funeral services will be held Friday, July 17, at 11 a.m., with visitation from 10 a.m., under the pavilion at the Kewadin Indian Mission in Kewadin, MI. Visitation will be today, July 16, from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. at Covell Funeral Home, Elk Rapids. Please share your fond memories of Owen at www.Cov ellFuneralHomes.com. Arrangements have been entrusted to Covell Funeral Home in Elk Rapids.

Charles and Angell. He was hardworking and was employed with Michigan Seamless Tube for 30+ years. His outgoing, likeable personality made him easy to talk to. He was fun loving and had a great sense of humor. Bud will always be remembered for being a loving and devoted father, grandfather and brother. He is survived by his loving children: Tamera (Monty) Perdue, Travis (Cari) Angell and Brandy his grandchildren: Angell; Jackson. Deva and Cade; and his step-children: Kathy, Robin and Jerry and their children. He is also survived by his sisters: Beverly (Paul) Sherbet and Cheri Bogetta. Visitation was held on Friday, July 17 and a funeral service was held on Saturday, July 18 at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, 122 W. Lake St., South Lyon. He was laid to rest in Cemetery. Thayer

www.phillipsfuneral.com

**BERNARD, ROBERT D** January 19, 1958-July 15, 2015 L. J. Griffin Funeral Home Northrop Sassaman Chapel

#### DORAN **GREGORY STEVEN,** Born December 26, 1955, passed away June 21, 2015 in San Diego, California. Son of Edith "Edie" Doran and the late George W. Doran of Milford. Leaves his sister, Denise Doran of Milford and brothers, Michael (Robin) Doran of Milford, Jon of Mesa, AZ; nieces Heather, Heidi, Dr. Michelle, Sarah and one nephew, David. He was preceded in death by grandparents Adolph and Johanna Faltin, Charles and Eva Doran. Burial was July 10, 2015 in Greenwood Memorial Park in San Diego, California.

#### ELLSWORTH, EDYTHE

August 27, 1932 - July 8, 2015. Arrangements: Phillips Funeral Home. www.phillipsfuneral.com

#### HILL, SANDRA

Of Commerce Twp., July 14, 2015 after a valiant battle with brain cancer. Lynch & Sons w ww.LynchFuneralDirectors.com



age of 89. She was preceded in death by her husband, Carl Robert Johnson on December 29, 2014 and is survived by her son, Mark (Cindy) Johnson, and grandchildren, Joseph, Jessica and Jamie Lee Johnson. She will be interred with her husband in Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holly, Michigan. For further information please phone Lynch & Sons Funeral Directors, Brighton, at 810-229-2905 or visit ww w.LynchFuneralDirectors.com

#### McNULTY, LORIN J.

Lorin J. McNulty, age 22, of Northville, passed away suddenly, July 18, 2015. He was born on December 2, 1992 in Superior Twp., son of the late Fred and Debra McNulty. He will always be remembered for having a heart of gold. He is survived by his sister, Sarah McNulty; his aunts: Sanya McNulty, Susan (Brian) Lussenden, Denise Dangel and Diane Curley; his uncle, Patrick Dangel and his maternal grandparents: Patrick Juanita Curley. Lorin is also survived by his nephew James McNulty and many loving cousins and friends. A Memorial Service will be held Saturday, July 25 at 12:00 p.m. with the family receiving friends beginning at 11:00 a.m. at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, 122 W. Lake St., South Lyon.

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#### METTE, MILDRED F.

Age 90, passed away July 18, 2015. She was born on July 17, 1925 to the late Elmer and Flora (Daniels) Smith. She was formerly of Detroit prior to moving to South Lyon. She was a member of the Immanuel Lutheran Church. Mildred was married on September 2, 1944 to Norman who preceded her in death. Mildred is survived by her daughter Kathleen (John) Oleksy of South Lyon, and her sister Donna Dromowicz. She is also survived by 10 nieces and nephews and three cousins. Mildred was preceded in death by her son Alan Mette in 1987, a brother and sister. Visitation will take place on Wednesday, July 22, 2015 from 10:00a.m. until the time of service at 2:00.pm. at Phillips Funeral Home, 122 W. Lake St., South Lyon, MI

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#### **MORRIS JEANNETTE CHURCH**

A longtime resident of Highland and a devoted member of Milford United Methodist Church, passed away peacefully in her home on July 18, 2015 at the age of 90. Jeannette was born on April 15, 1925 in Detroit, Michigan, the eldest daughter of Benjamin and Florence Church. After graduation from Pontiac High School, Jeannette attended Albion College, where she graduated Phi Beta Kappa with a Master's Degree in Sociology. After teaching at Albion and working at the Pontiac Housing Commission, Jeannette married Ernest Carl Morris on May 12, 1956 in Pontiac. Together they raised 5 sons, in Pontiac, and since 1967, in Highland. Jeannette was a lifelong member of the United Methodist Church, singing in the church, high and Albion college school, choirs since the age of 10. She was an avid reader, a lifelong anglophile, and a dedicated collector of historical documents. A multi year spelling bee champion from the ages of 12 to 89, she was everyone's favorite teammate in Trivial Pursuit. For over twenty-five years, Jeannette and Ernie enjoyed square dancing, for which they made trips to nearly every state. She is survived by her beloved husband of 59 years. Ernest Morris; their five sons, Allen (Sue Ann), Ernest (Patricia), Michael (Margo), Christopher (Jeannine), and Joseph (Mary Jane); 40 grandchildren and great-grandchildren; sister, Alice JoAn

Legge of Sylvan Lake, extended family and dear friends. She was preceded in death by her brother, Albert John Church. A Funeral Service will be held at Milford United Methodist Church, 1200 Atlantic St, Milford on Friday, July 24, 2015 at 10 a.m., with visitation beginning at 9 a.m. Friends may visit Lynch & Sons Funeral Home, 404 E. Liberty St., Milford on Thursday, July 23rd from 4-8 p.m. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in her name to Milford United Methodist Church or choir or to the Milford Senior Center. For further information phone Lynch & Sons, Milford at 248-684-6645 or visit www.LynchFuneral Directors.com





#### MURPHY, LOIS E. (ELLISON)

91, was born August 18, Age 1923 to Laura (Potter) and Ray Ellison. She died July 15, 2015. Lois grew up in Traverse City, married in 1947 and raised her family in Redford Twp. She retired to Howell and lived the last 18 years in Commerce Twp. Lois knew how to enjoy life and brought much joy to others! Her passing is a great loss to all! She was the beloved wife of the late Jack T Murphy, dearest mother to Margo (Norm), Mike (Sharon), Dan, Jane and Shawn. She is survived by 14 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. Visitation will be from 1 p.m. - 8 p.m., Monday, July 27, at MacDonald's Funeral Home, 315 N. Michigan, Howell. Funeral services will be held July 28, at 11 a.m. at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be directed to Angela Hospice of Livonia.



#### SMITH, ROBERT W.

Age 94, of Milford Michigan, passed away Thursday, peacefully, July 9, 2015 at his winter

home, in Bonita Springs Florida. He was born January 29, 1921 to the late Dan and Frances (Hellena) Smith in Detroit, MI. He was a decorated World War II Veteran of the United States Coast Guard. Robert worked for Proving General Motors Grounds for 30 years. Robert and his wife Edith had been married for 68 years. They have been wintering in Bonita Springs, Florida since 1978. Robert enjoyed sailing, photography and golf and was one of the original members of the Citrus Park Computer Club, whom is known to donate hundreds of computers to underprivileged children to the public school system of many Florida counties. Survivors include his loving wife Edith; four children, Bruce and Cathy Smith, Dan and Christine Smith, Jean McCormick and Susanna and Michael Hubert; five grandchildren and five great grandchildren. Online condolences may be made at

www.shikanyfuneralhome.com



#### WHITWORTH, BETTY J.

a long time resident of Milford, died on July 18, 2015 at the age of 84. She was preceded in death by her husband, Richard A. "Doc" Whitworth on June 25, 2000, her parents, Michael and Edna Moyer, and sister, Marilyn "Mim" Perlich. She is survived by her daughter, Jill Whitworth of Gahanna, Ohio, her nephew, Mike (Gwynn) Perlich of Zionsville, Indiana and many loving friends. Betty was born in La Porte, Indiana, and was a 1953 graduate of Ball State College where she obtained degrees English and Library and where she met Doc Whitworth, her beloved husband of forty-six years. Mrs. Whitworth taught high school in Constantine, Michigan and later taught in the Lance Junior High Media Center in Kenosha, Wisconsin. She was a member of the Milford United Methodist Church since 1969, a member of the GM Proving Grounds "Roving Rounders" camping group, the Michigan Knights of the Highway, the Maria Moore Questers, and past treasurer of the "On Our Own" support group. In her spare time she loved to work in her yard where she enjoyed planting flowers and vegetables. Betty also loved to knit and crochet and indulge her enjoyment of antiques. The family would like to thank the following: Marge Knable, her best friend, Dorothy Madison, her beloved neighbor of over forty years, J. Michael Hickox. Dr. Neil Belgiano, her at-home caregivers from Age With Grace, and especially June Fenton and her wonderful staff at Serenity of Commerce, where Betty spent her last two years. A Funeral Service will be held at Lynch & Sons Funeral Home, 404 E. Liberty St., Milford, on Thursday, July 30, at 11a.m. Burial will follow in Milford Memorial Cemetery. Friends may visit on Wednesday, July 29, from 3-9p.m. Memorials may be in Betty's memory to: "July Nelson, Treasurer, Maria Moore 432", 1995 South Milford Rd., Milford, MI 48381 or to the Milford United Methodist Church. For further information please phone 248-684-6645 or visit www.LynchFuneralDirector

s.com

#### LOCAL NEWS

# Win special prizes in Christmas in July contest

We invite readers try your luck at our holiday icon contest as part of the Christmas in July special section inserted in today's newspaper. Search carefully each page in the section for the holiday icon pictured here. Then fill out the entry form found on page 4 or go online to the Facebook link at hometownlife.com.

Winners will be selected in a random drawing of all correct entries.

The lucky few will be eligible for a long list of cool prizes, including a Galaxy pendant



from Larson's Jewelry. Other prizes include \$50 gift certificates from Tenpenny Furniture, Scrooge and Barley and Polish Pottery; a gift certificate for hair service to Modello 227; Salad Mates set from Cutco Kitchen; consultation and gift certificate for Nina McClemore; Automobile Day at the Spa from Bill Brown Ford; plus two will win a onehour massage or LuXe Facials plus 15-minute HydroLuXe massage at MassageLuXe -Novi or West Bloomfield locations

Ten others will win Riviera Cinema tickets and a Buddy's Pizza coupon.

So put on those shades, find a magnifying glass and have fun. Deadline to enter is Monday, Aug. 3.

#### **Maybury stables**



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Maybury **Riding Stables** trail hand Alie Lustig walks a horse through its corral around noon June 19. The stables, located off Beck Road south of Eight Mile, are open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday this summer.

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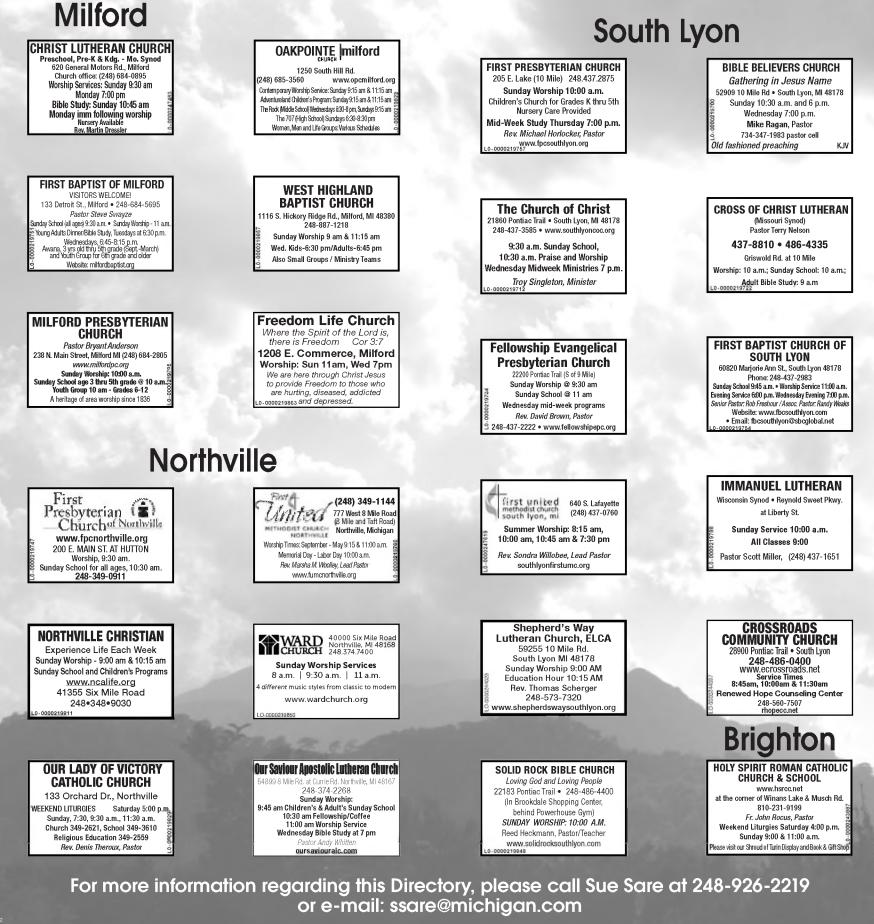
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# Travel insurance: Assess your risk and shop around for best rate

was talking to a client who is in the process of planning a trip of a lifetime. He's going on a cruise and taking all his children, their spouses and grandchildren. In all, there are more than 20 people going.

After discussing whether he can afford the trip - which he can the question came up whether he should buy travel insurance. His travel agent recommended it, but he balked because of the cost (approximately 10 percent of the trip total).

I am a believer that insurance, whether life insurance, disability insurance or travel insurance, is a means of covering risk. The question is if the event you are insuring happens, do you have the resources to protect yourself or would the loss cause a financial



hardship. If the loss would not cause any financial hardship, then insurance is not needed. On the other hand, if the loss has a financial impact, insurance is something to consider.

For those who consider travel insurance, the first thing to understand is not all travel insurance is the same. There are a variety of policies that cover different risks.

For example, you could buy a policy that provides medical benefits in cases of emergency, while other policies will provide reimbursement if your luggage is lost. The most popular type is one that provides protection if for some reason you need to cancel your trip.

Before buying travel insurance, determine what you are insuring and if you already have certain types of coverage. For example, with lost baggage there is some coverage through the airline.

In addition, many charge card companies provide this coverage automatically if you use their card. Prior to buying any type of travel insurance, it is important to see if you're already covered.

When most people buy travel insurance, they go through a travel agent. That route is easier, but generally more expensive. I recommend shopping around. Two websites that can provide competitive bids are www.insuremytrip.com

#### COMMUNITY CALENDAR

#### Northville concerts

Time/Date: 7-9 p.m. Friday, July 24: Randy Brock

Details: Music will fill the air all summer long at the Friday Night Concert Series in downtown Northville's outdoor stage in Town Square, presented by Tom Holzer Ford and managed by the Northville Parks and Recrea tion Department. All concerts in the series are free to attend. Early arrival for the concerts is suggested and guests are encouraged to bring their own lawn chairs.

For more information, contact the Northville Parks and Recreation department at 248-349-0203 or go to www.downtownnorthville.com or www.northvilleparksandrec.org.

#### Waza fundraiser

Time/Date: Noon to 3 p.m. Saturday, July 25 Details: The Waza Track Club will be hosting a car wash fundraiser at Spillane & Reynolds Orthodontics (45500 W. 10 Mile Road, Novi.) to help offset travel expenditures for 20 of its athletes who will be competing Aug. 1-8 in the Amateur Athletic Union's Track & Field Junior Olympics at Norfolk, Va. Also assisting in the fundraising efforts is Blaze Pizza (26401 Novi Road, Novi). Guests are to bring a Waza flier (distributed during the car wash) to Blaze Pizza restaurant when patrons dine in and Blaze Pizza will donate 20 percent of their proceeds to Waza.

More info can be found at: http://www.wazafc.com/page/ show/1816686-waza-track-club.

#### Novi's Sizzling **Summer Art Series**

Time/Date: July 29, Tom Plunkard (magician)

Details: Novi Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services is turning up the heat with family friendly entertainment all summer long. Eleven events are scheduled throughout the summer at Fuerst Park. The Sizzling Summer Arts Series is presented in partnership with Community

Financial Credit Union and sponsored in part by St. John Providence Health System, Novi Public Library, Michigan State Fair. Town and Country Evecare. Novi Youth Assistance and Menchie's Frozen Yogurt.

#### 52/1 Specialty Court Golf Outing

Time/Date: 10 a.m. Thursday, July 30

Details: The 52-1 Specialty Court's ninth annual golf outing will be at Brentwood Golf Club, White Lake. The four-person scramble cost \$100 per player (\$350 per foursome) and includes 18 holes of golf, riding cart, lunch, dinner and chance to win various prizes. Make all checks payable to Sobriety Court Advisory. To register, contact Justin Barnett, P.O. Box 1235, Clarkston, MI 48347 (ibarnettlaw@ hotmail.com). Event and sponsorship money must be in by July 17. Please be advised that this is a sober event.

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After discussing travel insurance with my client, he decide to purchase it and he did shop around. He was able to reduce his cost by 40 percent.

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Rick Bloom is a fee-only financial adviser. His website is www.bloomasset management.com. If you would him to respond to your questions, email rick@bloom assetmanagement.com.

#### Wildcats '95 reunion

Date: Saturday, Aug. 22 Details: The Novi High School Class of 1995 will have its 20-year reunion at the Embassy Suites in Livonia. Contact melissacohn8@gmail.com for more information or go to facebook.com/groups/ Noviclassof95/.

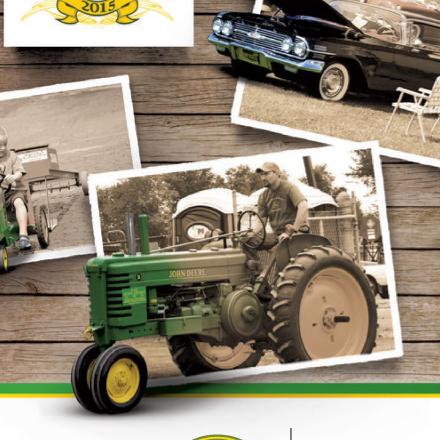
#### Mustangs '90 reunion

Time/Date: 6:30-11:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 22 Details: The Northville High School Class of 1990 will have it's 25-vear reunion at Genitti's Hole-in-the-wall (108 E. Main Street, Northville). Please buy your tickets early so that we can have an accurate count of who is attending. The ticket price covers the food, the space, and administrative costs of putting this together. Tickets will be priced higher at the door. For more information, visit www.nhs1990.org.



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### Buy Michigan Now Fest boosts state, its products

By Julie Brown Staff Writer

In 2007, Michigan's economy was in rough shape. Livonia resident Lisa Diggs wanted to help.

"People recognize we all have a role in revitalizing the economy," said Diggs, who launched Buy Michigan Now that year. "Buying from Michiganbased businesses is one way we can contribute."

Buy Michigan Now is a statewide initiative to inform, educate and encourage organizations and consumers to boost Michigan's economy by buying products and services made in Michigan and from Michigan-based companies.

The seventh annual Buy Michigan Now Festival will be July 31 through Aug. 2 in downtown Northville. Hours are noon to 8 p.m. Friday, July 31, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 1, and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 2.

Northville offers great access to Detroit, Ann Arbor and Lansing, explained organizer Diggs. "It's an incredibly cute town," she said, adding it also boasts many independent merchants of the variety Buy Michigan Now seeks to promote.

"We hear nothing but positive feedback in terms of what it does for those businesses," Diggs said. "They do very well, I'm happy to say."

Admission and parking to the Buy Michigan Now Festival are free. Main and

Center streets are closed in the middle of downtown to make it easy to shop and dine, while enjoying live entertainment from some of Michigan's top performers.

Diggs noted a part of Wing Street will also be closed this year, the seventh annual festival, indicating how the event has grown. "I think



people are actively seeking out Michigan-based and wines, under sponsorship of the Northville products and companies," she said. "I think our campaign and our website has had a lot to do with making that happen."

Detroit's been known for auto manufacturing for years, and some companies like Jiffy are household names, but Diggs finds festival visitors often learn about others. "They see something they didn't know was made here. I think people always discover something," she said.

There will be some 150-plus vendors this year at the festival in downtown Northville. "It all just depends on what people are looking for," she said. You can learn about roof repairs at the festival, buy patio furniture or seek out smaller items.

"We've got some from Traverse City," Diggs said of vendors, who will represent 70-plus different Michigan communities, "which is really cool."

When she started the campaign in 2007, "I was looking for personally how I could make a difference. I decided to educate other people. It's one of the easiest things we can do, where our dollars are going."

If every Michigan household added \$10 a week to Michigan products, it would pump \$38 million a week into our state's economy, she said, providing jobs and spin-off benefits for many.

The Buy Michigan Now Festival will feature in the town square a selection of Michigan beers



Chamber of Commerce. Beer and Wine Garden hours are 4-10 p.m. Friday, 1-10 p.m. Saturday, and noon to 4:30 p.m. Sunday.

The Buy Michigan Now campaign can be reached at P.O. Box 511135, Livonia, MI 48151, email Fest@BuyMichiganNow.com. Its website is www.buymichigannowfest.com.

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Lisa Diggs takes a look at some Michigan-produced art at a local business. Diggs is in charge of the Buy Michigan Now Festival that will be held July 31 through Aug. 2 in downtown Northville. JOHN HEIDER | NORTHVILLE RECORD

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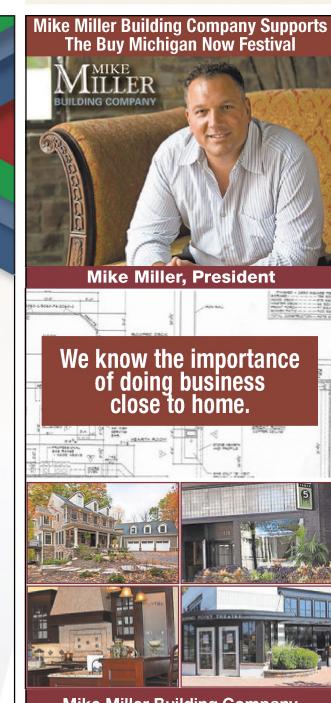
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### **Buy Michigan Now Festival hosting** fundraising activities

A meeting in late-September 2014 between Buy Michigan Now and Michigan Positivity Project founder Lisa Diggs and Michigan native and Days of Our Lives star Shawn Christian started with a vision and is now becoming a reality.

In conjunction with the Seventh Annual Buy Michigan Now Festival in downtown Northville July 31 to Aug. 2, Christian and his *Days of Our Lives* co-star Arianne Zucker will co-host three fundraisers during the Buy Michigan Now Festival. Proceeds will benefit Arrow-Heart Adventure Camps in Detroit, which help at-risk children, and The Michigan Positivity Project. Tickets for all weekend events are now on sale.

"I feel so privileged to work with these incredible organizations. Buy Michigan Now, The Michigan Positivity project, and the Outdoor Adventure Center's generosity, kindness and confidence in Arrow-Heart Adventure Camps helps us toward our mission to build a healthy and enriching community for teens in Detroit," said Zucker, co-founder of Arrow-Heart Adventure Camps.

Through the Michigan Positivity Project, Christian and Zucker were introduced to Detroit's new Outdoor Adventure Center and Belle Isle, and as a result, they have worked with Lisa Diggs and a dedicated team that believes in their mission to help bring their amazing mentoring program to children in Detroit. Arrow-Heart is committed to enriching the lives of young teens through challenging outdoor adventures and mentorship. They inspire kids to want to make better choices and to build character, confidence, credibility and critical thinking skills. Each child is also required to do service to their community, as a component of the program.

#### Support

Metro-Detroiters can offer their support via the following fundraising events scheduled.

• Shindig at the Shop (7-10 p.m. Friday, July 31): Buy Michigan Now and Arrow-Heart Camps have partnered with Northville's Tipping Point Theatre for this one-of-a-kind creative evening. Mix, mingle and explore Northville's new Village Workshop, a multilevel hub of creativity and innovation while enjoying local foods and beverages, live entertainment, and watching creative projects come to life. Every ticket comes with a free souvenir made on site at the Village Workshop. Parking is available in lots around the venue. The Village Workshop is located at 455 E. Cady Street. Tickets for Shindig at the Shops are \$35 in advance and \$40 at door.

• Special movie screening of Spanners and **Q&A with Shawn Christian** (3 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 1): A unique opportunity for sci-fi movie fans to catch a private screening of the film at the Emagine Theatre Novi. Tickets (\$12) are available for purchase online.

 Toast of Michigan Wine & Beer Tasting (6-7 p.m. (V.I.P.) and 7-10 p.m. (general admission) Saturday, Aug. 1): Sample the many wine and beer offerings at the event space located inside Northville Square (133) W. Main Street). Tickets are \$50 in advance and \$60 at the door and include light hors d'oeuvres, eight tasting tickets, dessert bar, live entertainment, and a silent auction.

• Brunch with a Heart (10 a.m. to noon Sunday, Aug. 2): Guests can enjoy brunch with Christian and Zuker in a more intimate setting at the Garage Grill & Fuel Bar (202 W. Main Street). This unique 1940s era building was converted from a body shop to a cool restaurant with spectacular food. Brunch will be served buffet-style in a private room. Tickets are \$45 advance. There will be no dayof-event purchases available.

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"As soon as I met Shawn and heard him

speak so passionately about how the Arrow-Heart program helped kids get exposure to the great outdoors while building character and leadership skills, I knew we needed to bring that program to Michigan and Detroit's new Outdoor Adventure Center provides the perfect home for the program," said Diggs.

"I'm grateful for the inspirational forces of family and friends in Michigan who have given me the tools to experience the adventurous life I have now as an actor and producer. I want to pay the adventure forward. I'm so proud of the team we've assembled to empower the Detroit youth through Arrow-Heart Adventure Camps," said Shawn Christian.

A VIP weekend pass is also available for purchase for \$200 and includes admission to all three weekend events (Shindig, Toast and Breakfast). The weekend pass also includes access to the VIP reception on Saturday which will include drinks and light hors d'oeuvres and a gift bag.

Individual tickets and VIP Weekend Passtickets can be purchased in advance at www.arrowheart.com/events/. For more information on the Buy Michigan Now Festival, visit www. buymichigannowfest.com.



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# JULY 31-AUGUST 2, 2015 BUY MICHIGAN NOW

#### **MAIN STAGE LINEUP**

#### FRIDAY JULY 31ST 12:00PM-12:45PM Magician Chris Clark

Chris Clark will be spreading laughter and joy with his puppetry and magic to kick off the Friday fun in Town Square. Chris is a tremendous entertainer who often invites the kids on stage to become part of the act.

#### Parents may want to bring a camera along. 2:00PM-2:45PM Magician Chris Clark

Chris will return with a second show featuring magic, puppets, and lots of laughs.

#### 3:00PM-4:30PM Jason Milan

Songwriter and instrumentalist Jason Milan began picking and strumming when he was eleven years old. Roughly two and a half decades after first picking up an acoustic guitar, he has blossomed into a truly gifted performer and technical virtuoso. His original instrumental compositions are experimental, spellbinding and spine tingling. Fans of guitar greats like Django Reinhardt, Al Di Meola and Pat Metheny will surely appreciate the worldly jazz undertones that resonate while he navigates effortlessly over the frets.

#### 5:00PM-6:30PM The Rebound Band (Beer and Wine Garden Opens at 5PM)

Styled in the classic roots-rock format of two interweaving lead guitars, with an acoustic guitar, bass and drum rhythm section, The Rebound Band breathes new life into the greatest hits of the 60's through the 90's. They pay tribute to artists like Bob Seger, Pearl Jam, Lynyrd Skynyrd, Tom Petty and more. You may even find yourself singing along to these hits that everybody knows and loves.

#### 7:00PM-9:00PM Twistin' Tarantulas

The Northville Friday Night Concert Series in Town Square will be a party, under the musical guidance of long-time Detroit area favorites, Twistin' Tarantulas. This band journeys across the American musical landscape,

playing mostly their own material. They play a hybrid of Jump-Blues and Rockabilly for a truly

#### unique and entertaining sound.

#### 10:00PM Michigan Beer & Wine Garden Closes SATURDAY AUGUST 1ST 10:00AM-12:45PM Donna Holman

Musician, Donna Holman, writes and sings original songs and also performs a variety of classic hits from Norah Jones to James Taylor to Etta James. She has been nominated for several music awards, and has shared the stage with Kid Rock, Rascal Flatts and Travis Tritt. For this performance she'll be joined on stage by

#### Bill Adams and Cody Scanlan.

#### 1:00PM-2:30PM Darwin Mamassian and James Humphries (Beer and Wine Garden opens at 1PM)

Ease into your weekend with some folk, blues, and light rock courtesy of talented singer/songwriter, Darwin Mamassian, who will be joined on stage by James Humphries on harmonica. The pair will treat you to some of your favorite tunes as well as some original music.

#### 3:00PM-4:15PM 3RD Degree Byrnes

These guys specialize in rocking blues with a blend of 60's/70's rock and old school country. With Michigan natives Nick Byrnes on drums, brother, Kevin Byrnes on bass, and long-time friend, Chris Virzi providing vocals and keyboards, Town Square will be buzzing.

#### 4:45PM-6:45PM Holstein Highway

Expect tons of energy and excitement from this Farmington-based Americana/Roots band that performs original music mixed with intriguing twists on classic songs. Holstein Highway sounds like Jackson Browne meets Marc

#### Cohn at a Traveling Wilburys reunion.

#### 7:30PM-9:30PM Mainstreet Soul

Back by popular demand for the sixth straight year, this 10-piece horn band consists of some of the finest talent Metro Detroit has to offer. Founded on the love of horn-driven music, Mainstreet Soul is dedicated to giving





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electrifying performances on stage. They provide the perfect backdrop for a fun summer evening, playing songs from artists like Tower of Power, Blood, Sweat & Tears, Stevie Wonder, Chicago, Sly & the Family Stone, as well as hits from Motown, and much more.

#### 10:00PM Michigan Beer & Wine Garden Closes SUNDAY AUGUST 3RD

#### 11:30AM-12:30PM Gerry Bee and the Bluescasters (Beer and Wine Garden opens at Noon)

The forecast includes some serious Blues on Sunday, when Gerry Bee and friends hit Town Square. These guys are the some of the best guitarists in Metro Detroit! They'll get your day off to a smooth start.

#### 1:00PM-2:30PM Rare Standard

Modern-progressive jazz for the modern-progressive world will hit Town Square in the afternoon. Jazz is one of the purest forms of art and no one understands that better than Rare Standard. Becoming a leader in the Nu-Jazz revolution, they look to progress the art of jazz forward while making the old sound new again.

#### 3:00PM-5:00PM David Gerald Band

Popular BMNFest favorites, the David Gerald Band will close the party out. This rockin' blues band performs all across the USA, though they are based in Westland. Their show includes a wide variety of great blues covers

as well as songs from their debut CD.

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#### MSU, Providence establish medical school campus

Michigan State University and Providence Park Hospital announced an agreement to establish a new medical school campus in southeast Michigan. The new partnership creates the college's seventh statewide community campus.

Joining MSU President Lou Anna K. Simon at the announcement reception were Jean Meyer, president and CEO, St. John Providence; PPH-Southfield President Michael Wiemann, MD, FACP; PPH-Novi President Peter Karadjoff, FACHE; and MSU College of Human Medicine's Dean Marsha D. Rappley, M.D., and Senior Associate Dean for Academic Affairs Aron Sousa, M.D.

"This partnership with Providence Park Hospital is the result of shared goals to educate medical students within a health care system that values quality and provides care to a diverse population of patients," Simon said. PPH's Director of

Students Valerie Overholt, D.O., has been appointed community assistant dean for the College of Human Medi-

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cine's southeast Michigan campus. The first cohort of students will start in July 2016. At full capacity, MSU College of Human Medicine plans to have a total of 60 third- and fourthyear students at the southeast Michigan campus.

"We are thrilled to be part of the MSU College of Human Medicine's plans to expand in southeast Michigan," Wiemann said. "Providence Park Hospital and its exceptional medical staff will provide students an opportunity to learn in an environment dedicated to high quality, compassionate care for the whole person."

Karadjoff adds the new medical school campus will open new possibilities for physician recruitment. "This new effort will provide MSU's third- and fourthyear medical students a chance to study and live Providence **Park Hospital** is part of St. John Providence,

the largest provider of inpatient care in southeast Michigan.

in an area of the state where many come from and where we hope they'd like to return to practice medicine someday," Karadjoff said.

In addition to the southeast Michigan campus, MSU College of Human Medicine has six community campuses located in Flint, Lansing, Grand Rapids, Midland, Traverse City and the Upper Peninsula.

**Providence Park** Hospital is part of St. John Providence, the largest provider of inpatient care in southeast Michigan. Since 1964, Michigan State University College of Human Medicine has drawn upon MSU's land grant values to educate exemplary physicians, discover and disseminate new knowledge and respond to the needs of the medically underserved in communities throughout Michigan.



The PNA Centennial Dancers will perform two sets of dances at 2 p.m. and 3:30 p.m., as well as an encore at 4 p.m., Sunday, July 26, at Buddy's Pizza at 33605 Plymouth Road in Livonia.

### Buddy's Pizza partners with **Plymouth Polish dancers**

Celebrate Polish culture and traditions with Buddy's Pizza during a Polski Festiwal at its Livonia location from noon to 6 p.m. Sunday, July 26.

Detroit's original square Sicilian-style pizza maker has partnered with Plymouthbased Polish National Alliance Centennial Dancers to bring the sights, sounds and flavors of Poland to the family-owned restaurant for an afternoon of entertainment. Patrons will enjoy a selection of special Polish-themed menu items, including the debut of Buddy's Hamtramck Pizza and Okocim lager, as well as traditional music and multiple performances by the dance ensemble's talented students ages 3-18. The PNA Centennial Dancers will perform two sets of dances at 2 p.m. and 3:30 p.m., as well as an encore at 4 p.m., at Buddy's Pizza at 33605 Plymouth Road in Livonia.

In addition to Buddy's classic offerings and specials for this event, the family-owned restaurant will offer the Hamtramck Pizza - a specialty pizza served on Buddy's original crust with kapusta-style sauerkraut from Ann Arbor's The Brinery, thinly sliced kielbasa from Hamtramck's Polish Market and Grosse Pointe Woods' own Red Pelican Mustard, creating a blend of local flavor. Patrons over age 21 can pair a Hamtramck Pizza with a pint

of Polonia's brew, Okocim Lager, which will be available on draft during the Polski Festiwal.

Buddy's will donate \$1 from the sale of every pizza and \$4 from the sale of each Hamtramck Pizza sold during the event to the PNA Centennial Dancers.

Buddy's Pizza has a longstanding history of supporting local nonprofit and community organizations. Located in Detroit and on the border of Hamtramck for nearly 70 years, the Polish community has long been supportive of Buddy's Pizza. Creating the Hamtramck Pizza and hosting an event to celebrate Polish culture is one way Buddy's Pizza demonstrates its support of its neighboring Polish community.

#### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE **ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - PUBLIC HEARING** August 19, 2015 - 7:00 P.M.

The Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) has scheduled a public hearing for Wednesday, August 19, 2015 at the Northville Township Municipal Office Building, located at 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI. The ZBA will consider a variance request to Chapter 170, Zoning Ordinance, Article 34, Land Division, Combination or Reconfiguration, Resulting Lots (Depth to Width Ratio), for residential property located at 15475 Portis Road (Parcel ID#056-01-0012-000).

Written comments regarding this request will be received by the ZBA at 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48168. The meeting will begin at 7:00 P.M.

Paul Slatin, Chair Zoning Board of Appeals Published: July 23, 2015

#### **CITY OF NOVI** NOTICE OF ADOPTION **ORDINANCE NO. 15-104.10**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE NOVI CITY COUNCIL HAS ADOPTED

SYNOPSIS July 16, 2015 – REGULAR MEETING CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE **BOARD OF TRUSTEES** Thursday, July 16, 2015 TIME: 7:00 p.m. PLACE: 44405 Six Mile Road

 CALL TO ORDER:
 Supervisor Nix called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

 PRESENT:
 Robert R. Nix II, Supervisor
 Marv Gans, Trustee

 Sue A. Hillebrand, Clerk
 Mindy Herrmann, Trustee

 Marjorie F. Banner, Treasurer Fred Shadko, Trustee

EXCUSED: Symantha Heath, Trustee PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Agendas: 1.

- **idas:** Approved Approve the Regular Agenda and the Consent Agenda items: 1. Minutes Board of Trustees June 18, 2015 Α. 2. Minutes – Zoning Board of Appeals – May 20, 2015
- 3. Finance Second Quarter Financial and Investment Reports
  Appointments, Presentations, Resolutions & Announcements:
  A. Appoint Mark Knoth to the EDC/BRA Approved
  B. Resolution Supporting No Reason Required for Absentee Ballot 2.
  - Approved
  - Appoint Bill Bufe to EDC/BRA Approved C.
- Public Hearing: None 3.
- Brief Public Comments: 2 members of the audience had questions or comments. 4. 5. New Business:
  - Consent to assignment of Water Contract Approved А.
  - В. Purchase Cisco Telephone, Voicemail, & Networking Equipment Upgrade -
  - Approved С. Approval of Resolution Authorizing Issuance of 2015 Refunding Bonds -
  - Approved D. Seven Mile Property – Building 72 – Change Order No. 1 – Approved E.
  - Public Services Parking Lot Improvements Township Hall Change Order No. 2 & 3 and Payment No. 1 (Final) Approved Unfinished Business: None
- 7. **Ordinances:** None
- **Check Registry:** 8.

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**A.** In the amount of \$ 1,666,680.16. – Approved

9. **Board Communication & Reports:** 

- Robert R. Nix, II, Sue Hillebrand, Marjorie Banner, Marv Gans, Mindy Herrmann, Α. Fred Shadko, Chip Snider
- 10. Any other business for the Board of Trustees: None
- 11. ADJOURN: Meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

A draft of the complete minutes will be available July 27, 2015. Respectfully submitted: Sue A. Hillebrand, M.M.C.

Published: July 23, 2015

ORDINANCE NO. 15-104.10 TO AMEND THE CITY OF NOVI CODE OF ORDINANCES, AT CHAPTER 21, "NUISANCES," ARTICLE II, "RELATED TO PROPERTY," DIVISION 1, "LOT CLEARING," IN ORDER TO AMEND THE TITLE AND THE DEFINITION OF PLANT MATERIALS AFFECTED.

The Ordinance was adopted by the City Council on Monday, July 13, 2015 and the provisions of the ordinance shall become effective fifteen (15) days after its adoption. A complete copy of the Ordinance is available for public use and inspection at the office of the City Clerk, 45175 Ten Mile Road, during the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., prevailing local time.

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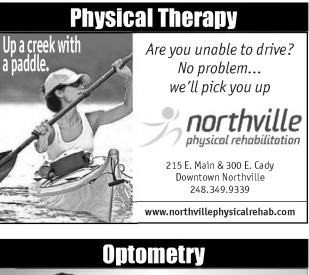
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#### **OUR VIEWS**

# Protect yourself, loved ones from summer heat

It's been pretty warm recently, and the temperatures hit the high 80s last weekend.

Don't be surprised. Right now is the tail end of the hottest weather for the year in Michigan, according to 30-year averages calculated by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

Heat brings life, but it can also cause catastrophe if you aren't careful. The National Disaster Medical System says that on average, heat-related illnesses cause more than 600 deaths every year and from 2001 to 2010 more than 28,000 people were hospitalized for heat-related illnesses.

You can help keep yourself, your family and others around you out of the emergency department by watching for signs of heat stress.

People suffering from heat-related illnesses may experience heavy sweating; weakness; cold, pale, and clammy skin; fast, weak pulse; and nausea or vomiting. Early signs include muscle cramps, heat rash and fainting or near-fainting spells. If you believe someone is suffering from a heat-related illness, he or she needs to move to a cooler location and lie down; apply cool, wet cloths to the body; and have the person sip non-alcoholic fluids. They should remain in the cool location until recovered.

Signs that someone might be suffering from the most severe heat-related illness, heat stroke, include a body temperature above 103 degrees Fahrenheit; hot, red, dry or moist skin; rapid and strong pulse; and "altered mental status" that can range from confusion and agitation to possible unconsciousness. If you see someone exhibiting these extreme signs, call 9-1-1 immediately; help the person move to a cooler environment; reduce the person's body temperature with cool cloths soaked in ice water especially to head, neck, armpits and upper legs near the groin area where combined 70 percent of body heat can be lost, or even a cool bath if you can stay with them to avoid drowning; and do not give them fluids.

Children are especially vulnerable to heat illnesses, and can't always tell us what is wrong. When it's hot outside, consider any change in a child's behavior as heat stress. Additionally, infants and children should never be left in a parked car, even if the windows are down.

To help prevent heat-related illness, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and AlertID offer these suggestions:

» Stay hydrated: The rate at which the human body can absorb fluids is less than the rate it loses during extreme temperatures. Drinking beverages that contain sugar, caffeine or alcohol will only further dehydrate the human body. Drink water regularly, even before you are thirsty, as thirst indicates dehydration.

» Keep cool: If you don't have AC at home, keep rooms as ventilated as possible. Consider going to a public pool, shopping mall or other air conditioned building. Even a few hours in air conditioning can help you stay cool before you go back in the heat. Wear cool, loose, lightweight clothing to stay as cool as possible. » Limit outdoor activities: Try to limit outdoor activity to early morning or evening hours and avoid strenuous activity during the hottest hours of the day.

» Avoid harmful UVs: If it's not possible to stay out of the sun, avoid harmful rays by wearing widebrimmed hats, sunglasses, and use a sunscreen with SPF 15 or higher.

» Never leave someone or a pet in a closed vehicle: The temperature inside a closed vehicle can exceed 140 degrees within 30 minutes. Despite this clear and present danger, injuries and deaths among children, seniors and pets occur every year.

» Check on elderly loved ones and those with special needs: Extreme heat without AC can be especially dangerous for elderly and those with health issues, who are more affected by the heat. As people crank up air conditioning in the peak time of summer, electrical grids can become overwhelmed, causing power outages. In power outages, people who rely on electricity-dependent medical devices, like oxygen concentrators and electric wheelchairs, may need assistance so check on your neighbors as the temperatures soar.

» Pets: If pets need to stay outside, give them plenty of shade and water. Consider a small pool for the animal to stay cool.

Heat-related illnesses are dangerous, but they are also preventable. Take some time to learn more about ways to beat the heat so that you, your family, and your community can have a safer, healthier summer.

#### LETTERS

#### **The Voiceless Generation**

Years ago, there was a political saying describing citizens who were not actively engaged in civic discourse, and who supposedly represented the basic will of the people. They were called the "Silent Majority." All sorts of political motivations were attributed to this mass of unknowns. Many crucial public policy decisions were made in their name.

Today, on the 239th Birthday of America, we are experiencing another era, newer generations who, for the most part, are not truly engaged citizens. Never have young people had so many technological marvels to communicate their views to elected officials, but it seems they are not taking advantage of them. Could it be that they do not have adequate background information provided to them in their schooling to do so? As a result, there appears to be a growing "Voiceless Generation" amongst the young. Why are there so many "voiceless" young people when it comes 1 civic engagement? One big reason, I believe, is that our schools are simply not getting the job done. Our young people are not being taught "rootedness" about their community and the nation. It appears that they are not even being taught the basics as to how a municipal government works. To help remedy this situation, parents may want to take the time to educate their children about Livonia's proud history. During the summer break they can take their youngsters on a visit to Livonia's historic Greenmead, tour the old Wilson Barn, or take a trip to historic Nankin Mills and other venues to learn about our area's historical roots. They could also educate their children about the workings of municipal government by taking their kids to a meeting of the Livonia City Council and explain its workings. They can also take their children along to voting precincts on election day to see how their parents prepare the ballot and use the voting machine. These kinds of experiences will help them get more engaged in later years. Joe Neussendorfer Livonia

#### Academy kudos

I would like to thank Novi's police and fire departments for their recent Youth Police and Fire Academy program. I understand that twice as many students signed up this year as compared to last year. I am glad that Novi has such a summer event, and I see that it is popular with other parents too. This program covered traffic laws, traffic stops, the jaws of life and the judicial system.

It is important for my

#### Hands-On visit



news of presidential candidates for 2016. How we wish we would have shorter election cycles similar to those of England and other countries.

As we research the policies, values, accomplishments, goals of the many possible candidates, I suggest we do the same for state and national current or potential candidates. The leaders of Michigan continue to disappoint me. Gov. Synder and the Republicancontrolled Senate and House of Representatives continue to disappoint me.

1. They did not solve the problem of the horrible roads in our state; taxpayers bear the brunt.

2. They discontinued tax credits for the fledgling, growing film industry in Michigan.

3. In June, the governor signed legislation that allows faith-based adoption agencies to refuse to serve same-sex couples or unmarried couples if the religious beliefs of those couples were violated.

4. A year and a half ago the legislature approved a Right to Life bill Gov. Synder had vetoed previously, and plan to go around him again regarding repealing prevailing wage which Synder opposes.

daughter to be aware of these laws when my she starts to drive. This academy helps her see for herself what the consequences can be if she doesn't make smart decisions. A parent can tell their teen about safety, but sometimes it just goes in one ear and out the other. Moreover, I am glad that social networking, crimes and investigations were covered. Online safety is important to know about. Lastly, I liked the discussion on leadership that an officer had with the kids. He emphasized things like character, integrity and responsibility.

I thank you all for this pro-

JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Katrina Cox, 10, sends a marble down a winding, looping track during a June 17 visit by the Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum to the Northville District Library. During their visit, museum staff challenged kids to create a track, made of insulating pipe foam, for a marble to fling around on. The only stipulation was that the marble not fly off the track.

Novi

gram and for your commitment to our community. Colleen Crossey, MSW

#### Make changes in elections

All facets of the media are bombarding U S citizens with

Is the tail wagging the dog? In 2018, citizens will vote for governor, secretary of state, attorney general, plus all seats in the Senate and House. It is not too early to educate ourselves about the 2016 and 2018 elections. We must choose wisely for those leaders who policies espouse/ share our values and goals.

Hannah Provence Donigan Commerce

#### **GUEST COLUMN**

# Raise the bar for racial understanding, respect

Recently, I became aware of a white locally elected official who, when engaging an African-American woman and her teenaged son, found her behavior disrespectful and let her know in a similarly disrespectful manner.

I called the official to arrange for a cup of coffee to talk about the broader implications of his encounter, which prompted his quick response: "I'm not racist!" This was followed by a defense of his behavior. I asked if he understood why the woman seemed disrespectful. Had he considered her anger and embarrassment as her



son, in spite of all she did to make sure he never got into trouble, was in fact, in trouble? When it soon became clear the official did not want to talk further, I suggested he find someone to have an honest conversation with, one where he was safe to be honest, to be vulnerable. I hope he decided to do that, but I am not optimistic.

I thought of this encounter while grieving the horror of Charleston, where nine people were gunned down by a person who has confessed to this act of hatred. This latest home-grown terrorist likely heard a litany of hateful rhetoric throughout his life. His beliefs allowed him to dehumanize his African-American neighbors to the point where he felt justified in his killings. Where were the people who could have stood up against these messages of hate and ignorance? Were they afraid to speak up? How many of them "weren't racist?"

Metro Detroit is not South Carolina. We don't have a Confederate flag flying in public. We do, however, have those flags flying in private. We have many citizens who have never had a meaningful conversation with someone of another race or religion, which puts them at risk of being unintentionally disrespectful — perhaps like that elected official.

I was one of those persons, raised by a bigoted parent in an allwhite suburb of Detroit. To this day, I continue to be reminded of my racist thinking and the many unexamined layers of bias and privilege. As much as I work on this, I am still at risk of being insensitive and offending someone. So when I hear someone like the elected official, I do my best to reach out as so many have done and continue to do for me.

For the past 20 years, I have had the honor of working for the Michigan Roundtable for Diversity. Thanks to sponsors like DTE Energy and the Kresge, W.K. Kellogg and Ford foundations, we are able to provide the resources to help citizens make their communities places where all are welcome and treated fairly. We have discovered over the years that every community has challenges as a result of their local and our regional history of racial injustice

We have also discov-

ered that there is an abundance of good people who strive to be known as much more than simply not being a racist, but to be known as champions in building positive race relations in their communities. An example is the a group of 28 West Bloomfield Township residents who, at the request of township officials troubled by a series of hurtful racial actions of a few citizens, formed the West Bloomfield Diversity Committee this spring. After 120 days of work, the group made recommendations for a comprehensive diversity and inclusion program which will be available to the public at the reference desk of the West Bloomfield Public Library. What can you do in your local community? What can you do to go beyond simply saying you are not a racist?

If you wish to be part of change, we are here to help. I encourage you to visit our website at www.miroundtable.org. There, you can learn about our Deconstructing our Differences series and "We Don't Want Them" Housing Exhibit, which could be brought to your community.

Like West Bloomfield, Plymouth, Canton, Warren, Livonia, Troy and Grosse Pointe, you could host a forum on the effect of race on every aspect of your community life. Later this summer, we will be hosting a free community meeting to help educate citizens about ways to interrupt prejudicial thinking, words and actions. We invite you to join us.

I recall a colleague once telling me guilt was only functional before we do something. Our tears for the victims of the Charleston shooting are hollow if not accompanied by action. Please let us know if we can help. The time is now.

Steve Spreitzer is president and CEO Michigan Roundtable for Diversity & Inclusion.



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#### **FIGURE SKATING**

# STAYING By Tim Smith Staff Writer

Drop-in sessions offer cool fun during hot summer for dedicated figure skaters

Figure skaters such as Canton's Kathryn McIntyre barely cut their baby teeth before cutting symmetrical grooves in sheets of white ice.

McIntyre, now 15, was just 4 years old



# Volleyball teams unite will for vets

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Homeless war veterans to benefit from Sept. 9 event

By Tim Smith Staff Writer

Three high school volleyball teams will get together Wednesday, Sept. 9 for a night of competition and much more.

The third annual tri-meet hosted at South Lyon High School will feature matches involving the Lions, as well as Ann Arbor Pioneer and West Bloomfield.

More importantly, the evening will be a fundraiser for the Michigan Veterans Foundation, a transitional shelter for formerly homeless veterans located in downtown Detroit. The 2014 event also was to aid the MVF; more than 300 pounds of winter clothes were collected.

"We are hoping to have a crowd that has more veterans so that we can thank them for their service and honor them," Lions head coach Dennis Belaire wrote in an email. "Mr. Tyrone Chatman, the executive director of the MVF and a decorated Vietnam Veteran, will be our special guest.

"He will address the crowd and will help collect donations. We hope to attract veterans through Facebook and contacting local VFWs."

#### Eager to help

According to Belaire, the event again demonstrates how committed high school volleyball teams are to helping social causes. 'The sport of volleyball is very supportive of fund raisers for cancer," Belaire wrote. "Numerous events are held during the course of the volleyball season to benefit cancer research. "I don't know of any volleyball program that isn't involved with the <sup>'</sup>Dig Pink' activities held in October. When we set out to start a tri-meet, we really wanted to use the power of three programs coming together to benefit of a needy organization.' Belaire noted the tri-meet also will provide student-athletes from South Lyon, Pioneer and West Bloomfield a chance to give back "and show them how doing good things for people in

BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Northville's Maya Labonte, 7,

began skating two years ago and is a regular at USA Hockey Arena.



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when she laced on skates for the first time. More than 10 years later, there's no place she'd rather be on summer mornings than

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#### **USA HOCKEY ARENA**

# IT FIGURES: Hockey players get a leg up

#### By Tim Smith Staff Writer

The notion of hockey players working in the corners conjures up images of nasty puck battles.

That's not always the case, as demonstrated Monday at USA Hockey Arena in Plymouth Township, where 15-year-old hockey player Brock Morganroth listened to his power skating coach along the boards during a dropin figure skating session.

The coach, Nicole Reitz, patiently helped the Milford teen with just about every skill a hockey player must have to succeed — balance, body alignment, stride, the ability to stop on a dime.

À little while later during the session, Livonia's Joey Dean, 10, who plays for the Livonia Knights, received the same kind of coaching attention from Jen DeJohn.

"I think Jen (DeJohn) helps to improve his edges and his stride, gaining speed and balance," said <image>

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ge B2 Milford's Brock Morganroth works on power skating skills with Nicole Reitz.

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MARK A. DULL

South Lyon's Brooke Campos (right) competes during a 2014 district semifinal. The Lions will start the 2015 season Sept. 9, playing in a tri-meet to benefit the Michigan Veterans Foundation.



#### Mustangs strike twice!



NORTHVILLE MUSTANGS

The 15-Under Northville Mustangs travel team won two tournaments in a one-week span. On July 12, it won won the Castalia Duckpond Classic Tournament in Sandusky, Ohio. The squad followed that up July 19, downing the Novi Heat 11-1 to win the Dearborn Baseball Invitational Tournament. Pictured following the Dearborn tourney are: (front row, from left) Janak Mukherji, Jonathan Michalak, Lucas Buccellato, Tyler Troyer, Erik Sparschu and Matt Weber and (back row, from left) coach Eric Stegmeyer, Mitchell Smith, coach Conrad Troyer, Jake Moody, Evan Carson, coach Jim Carson, Jack Stegmeyer, coach Doug Smith and Ben Brady. Also on the team are Stephen Riesen and Ben Schmidt.

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drop-in figure skating sessions at USA Hockey Arena in Plymouth Township.

"It started at 6:50 (a.m.) and I've been here since like 8 o'clock," McIntyre said with a smile during Monday's session. "I like skating in the morning, though, because I have my whole afternoon to do other stuff. I'm a morning person anyway."

The 12-week summer program, guided by USA Hockey Arena figure skating director Jen DeJohn, provides ample opportunity for skaters of all ages — even those who didn't take up the sport until their teens or 20s — to sharpen up their moves and literally get an edge on those taking things a little easier during their summer vacation.

DeJohn estimated that as many as 24 skaters — including hockey players working on stride, balance and crossovers — populate the ice at any one time during the sessions. They come from a number of communities, including Livonia, Farmington, Novi, South Lyon and Milford, among others.

#### Something unique

Because the Olympic-sized ice where the sessions nor-



Erica Hofner, 10, is from Northville. She began skating several years ago and enjoys sharpening her skills during the summer.



every single day."

Weighing in with a perfectly reasonable explanation for that was Maya, a little girl with a high-pitched voice who strings sentences together as well as some kids a decade older.

"You know what's the best about skating during the summer?" Maya asked. "Sometimes in summer it gets superduper, *duper* hot. And I like to go on the ice 'cuz it's really cold."

#### PDL SOCCER

# Bucks earn another regular season crown

The Michigan Bucks completed their 20th Premier Development League regular season in style Saturday night at Ultimate Soccer Arenas in Pontiac, where they defeated the Dayton Dutch Lions 2-0, to claim their record 12th Great Lakes Division title.

The Bucks (11-1-2, 35 points) also claimed their record fourth PDL regular season championship (2000, 2008, 2012) and will host this weekend's Central Conference Championship tournament, also at Ultimate Soccer Arenas.

With everything on the line, the Bucks came out flying Saturday. The league's most prolific offense (46 goals) was on display early when David Goldsmith (Butler) scored in the ninth minute after finishing an outstanding play from Russell Cicerone (Buffalo).

The Bucks continued to dominate in the Lions end for the entire first half, but had a hard time breaking down the stingy Dayton defense.

Lions goalkeeper Tyler Blackmer was under siege all night long, while Bucks goal keeper Drew Shepherd (Western Michigan) made just one save the entire evening. Blackmer was bombarded with 16 first-half Bucks shots on goal, but did a great job keeping the visitors in the match.

In the 34th minute, defender David Caban played a long ball over the top to a streaking Goldsmith, who corralled it at the top of the 18-yard box. He made no mistake and scored his team-leading 10th goal of the season, which put him in the top three in goals scored and points in the PDL.

The Bucks took the 2-0 lead into halftime and the defense did the work for the second half. Shepherd recorded the eighth win and sixth shutout of his rookie season.

#### Hall of Fame

The highlight of the evening was the halftime celebration, when Bucks CEO Dan Duggan inducted the class of 2015 into the Michigan Bucks Hall of Fame.

Joining the club were Columbus Crew goalkeeper Steve Clark, Bucks coaching director Gary Parsons and former Bucks players Joe Malachino and Kenny Uzoigwe. Honoring this year's class were Hall of Fame members Paul Snape, Tino Scicluna (2003), Jim Duggan, Steve Burns (2007), Dan Fitzgerald and Tim Richey (2011).

Duggan enjoyed the win and the reunion that brought back players from all 20 previous Bucks seasons.

"What a fantastic evening all the way around," Duggan said. "The 2015 Bucks put on a great show and finished the season in style. There was a whole lot of pressure on the team tonight to win for several reasons. With all that was at stake in the league and the playoffs, that was enough pressure. But to play before all these great former players and Hall of Famers added a bit to the evening.

"It was a great crowd and a great result. Definitely one of the best nights in Bucks soccer in the past two decades. Hopefully, we can win four more games and win back-to-back North American titles."

#### Final four

The Central Conference final four begins Friday with two semifinal games. The Des Moines Menace will play the winner of Tuesday's Great Lakes play-in game between FC London and K-W United in the first game (5:30 p.m.), while the Bucks face the Thunder Bay Chill in the second match (7:30 p.m.).

The winners of the two game will play at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, with the winner advancing to the PDL final four (venue to be determined).

Tickets to each night will be \$10 adults and \$7 youth (16 and under) at the door. Children 5 and under are always free to Bucks games. Special presale discounted weekend passes are on sale now at the Bucks' website at www.bucksscoccer.com.



mally take place was out of commission Monday, they skated on the arena's smaller sheet (where the Ontario Hockey League's Plymouth Whalers formerly played).

"Figure skating's alive and well here," DeJohn said. "We're very happy to be here and we have a growing program."

The arena on Beck Road brings them in from just around the corner, too. Plymouth's Mikaela Hazergian worked on her jumps, spins and twirls.

So did Canton High School sophomore-to-be McIntyre, who playfully blamed her grandmother (Jackie, a Plymouth Figure Skating Club board member) for always bringing her to USA Hockey Arena and "paying for it, so I have her to thank for all of this."

McIntyre would walk to the arena if she had to, though.

"I love it. I love how it's different than other sports," McIntyre said. "It's very physical and a lot of people don't think it is.

"They think you're just out there on the ice, spinning and whatever. But it's very physical. You have to jump, you have to breathe really hard. It's really different than anything else."

#### It's exciting

Northville's Erica Hofner, 10, also was 4 years old when she took her first skating lessons at then-Compuware Arena. She was out there on the ice Monday not far from where McIntyre and Hazergian were getting after it.

Meanwhile, Erica's mom, Michaelann Hofner, couldn't hold back her enthusiasm for the rebranded program and that it is continuing without missing a beat despite the recent sale of Compuware to USA Hockey.

"It's exciting and it's exciting that it's right in our community, that we don't have to travel so far for a high-quality program," Michaelann Hofner said. "Everybody knows Arctic Edge (in Canton) has



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Northville's Mia Davila and son Dylan, 7, wait for Suzy Davila's skating lesson to end at USA Hockey Arena.

great skaters and Olympic skaters, but that's far. And we've got a high-quality program with really well-trained coaches right here.

"My daughter's been competing since age 7, through Compuware and now USA Hockey Arena. We intend to stay here and stay with the program."

#### Youth is served

One of the younger skaters Monday was 7-year-old Northville resident Maya Labonte, accompanied by her mom, Meg Labonte.

"I really like it, because you get to learn new things and it's really fun to learn new things," Maya said. "And I make a lot of friends on the ice.

ice. "I like all the jumps and spins and how hard they are, it's just really fun to do all the spins, because I like the part where you get kind of dizzy."

Maya then let loose a trademark chuckle, obviously at her favorite place to be on a July morning. She loves to skate and have a great time doing it.

Plus, she's pretty good helped along by instruction from skating coach Brandee Amick.

"Yeah, I did three competitions so far and for all of them I got first place," Maya said. "First one was at Compuware, where I skate now, the second one was at Westland and the third one was Ann Arbor."

That kind of success rate doesn't surprise Amick, a Canton resident.

"Maya is probably one of the hardest-working students I've had," Amick said. "She is here every day skating and she probably stays, like, two to three hours. She'd stay the entire time if she could. She loves it; she wants to skate

#### Never too late

The joy of figure skating is something that came later in life to Northville's Kim Hayes, one of Monday's participants. Now 51, she was already 20 when she gave the sport a try.

"I got hooked right away," Hayes said. "I started in a Learn to Skate program and I loved it, so I got a coach and started taking private lessons.

"Then I started in synchronized skating, which is team skating. I'm still on an adult team and we're going to be training here."

Hayes was working with her coach, Sheral Voelker, on "novice" moves.

"That's working with your edges and footwork," Hayes said. "That's a lot of deep edges, footwork. It's some of the stuff that they're also showing the hockey players.

"There are twizzles, rocker counters, inside 3-turns, loops and they're pretty difficult, but I love it. I've been skating for like 30 years and I'll keep going as long as I can."

#### Keeping the passion

Such enthusiasm amid a challenging day on the ice is music to the ears of arena skating coach Jacque Lupinacci-Mooney of Canton.

Lupinacci-Mooney, 33, brings a unique perspective to the rink, because she also was a varsity player on Livonia Ladywood's hockey team.

"Everything comes down to where your body is positioned and your edge work," Lupinacci-Mooney said. "But then also just developing you as an athlete to be happy to be on the ice and want to skate, even without a coach telling you to skate. To keep your heart in it."

Judging by the beaming faces worn by skaters at USA Hockey Arena, that shouldn't be a problem anytime soon.

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The Michigan Bucks, shown from action at the recent Canton Cup, will host this weekend's Central Conference Championship tournament at Ultimate Soccer Arenas.

#### HOCKEY

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Joey's mom, Jennifer Dean. "They do a lot of work with technique, which helps. I think you can see it in his hockey game."

During one drill, Joey pushed off one skate while lifting the other blade off the ice. He repeated the exercise to the opposite end of the rink and back again.

"It's nose over knees over toes," said DeJohn, who regularly works with hockey players even though her title is director of figure skating at the arena.

DeJohn said the hockeyfigure skating connection doesn't surprise as many people as it used to.

"I think the smart ones know where to come; word gets around," DeJohn said. "Because we grew up doing figures and we have quality edges and we know how to teach quality edges, we can transfer that to hockey stride, crossovers, sharp turns, quick starts.

"We know the breakdown and we know how to coach step by step, skating technique." Also on the arena's skating staff is someone who played high school hockey at Livonia Ladywood, Jacque Lupinacci-Mooney.

"Most people are starting to see that there's an art to skating," the 33-year-old Canton resident said. "And there's an art to skating that's the primary emphasis in figure skating. And with hockey, sometimes you're distracted by working on skills in terms of puck skills.

"But if you cannot skate, then you're going to struggle in hockey."

Lupinacci-Mooney nodded when asked about how her unique ice experience helps her get the most out of students — whether their skates have toe picks or not.

"It makes me, one, extremely marketable," she said. "But two, more than anything, it makes me understand every skater's background, which we all know is going to be unique to each skater.

"I can understand a figure skating perspective and understand a hockey perspective, also, and help promote the growth of any athlete here."

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VETS

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The MVF was a relatively straight-forward choice for the tri-meet when the annual fund-

need is a huge reward."

raiser was hatched three

is that Belaire's wife,

years ago. One big reason

Marian Belaire, is on the

MVF board of directors.

"Early on, when we

bounced around the idea

of doing something for cancer," Dennis Belaire wrote. "But I knew there would be another Dig

Pink event in October.

With my wife being on

it was an easy choice.

Vets welcome

women veterans.

the board at the MVF, and

knowing the need, for me,

This year's tri-meet

will generate funds for a

"During war times,

combat soldiers require brief periods of rest allowing them to recover

from the exhaustion and stress of being in the field

of combat," Belaire wrote. "In military terms, stand down is simply that action where these sol-

diers can go to a place that is relatively safe and secure. The homeless

veterans of this country

are not unlike our combat

hostile, they must survive

soldiers. They live in the

street, which are often

"stand down" to assist

first started talking about holding a tri-meet, we



Jake Kneen finished second at a recent U.S. Amateur qualifying tournament at Walnut Creek Country Club in South Lyon.

GOLF

# Kneen qualifies for U.S. Amateur

Jake Kneen, 19, of White Lake, a 2014 graduate of the International Academy-West and fouryear letter winner for Lakeland High School's varsity golf team, qual-ified for the U.S. Amateur Golf Championship.

The U.S. Amateur is considered to be the premiere event for amateur golfers.

Kneen placed second in a qualifying tournament July 13 at Walnut Creek Country Club in South Lyon.

He will be heading Aug. 17-23 to Olympia Fields Country Club in Olympia Fields, Ill., to compete for the Amateur championship.

Kneen will be a sophomore and plays golf at



KNEEN FAMILY Jake Kneen displays the Horizon League trophy.

Oakland University. He was recently named Freshman of the Year at the Horizon League's annual conference championship in April, the first from Oakland to be so honored.

#### **PREP ATHLETICS**

# Walled Lake hosting Aug. 7 conference

The Walled Lake Schools Athletics Department will host its third annual athletic conference from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Aug. 7. The conference will take place at Walled Lake Northern High School, 6000 Bogie Lake Road, Commerce.

Registration for the conference will continue through Aug. 7 (on-site registration from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m.). The conference is free for any Walled Lake or Kensington Lake Athletic Association coaches, students and parents. The cost to attend the conference for any non-Walled Lake or KLAA is \$30 per attendee. If a school/organization not associated with Walled Lake or the KLAA would like to sign up for the conference, they may send all of the coaches associated with the school/organization for \$200.

The conference will feature Rob Miller from Proactive Coaching. His keynote address is titled "Life Lessons for Athletes – Redefining the Term Athlete." The conference will also feature different breakout sessions throughout the day. A complete list of breakout sessions and presenters can be found in the program at www.wlcsd.org/coachesclinic.

For more information, contact Brian Swinehart, Walled Lake Schools athletic director, at BrianSwinehart@wlcsd.org or 248-956-2073.

Go to www.wlcsd.org for the latest details and news on the conference.

### South Lyon pom first



The 2015-16 South Lyon High School varsity pompon team earned a first-place award for its performance at the Mid American competition, June 19-22 at Davenport University in Grand Rapids. South Lyon, coached by Leah Seery and Chelsea Amman, also added seconds for kick line and speed learning routines, while the seniors finished second in kick line. Named to the Mid American All-Star team were senior Caitlin Cavicchiolo, senior captain Melissa Finn and junior Callie Manasco. Other team members include seniors Kelsie Schutz (captain), Caitlin Cavicchiolo, Kayla Choiniere, Krista Eeley, Brooke Essenmacher and Gabby Resnick; juniors Lauren Bunker, Jessica Ellis, Leah McIlreavy, Olivia O'Connell, Natalie Perrone, Caroline Perry, Lauren Savanyu, Sydney Smith and Brittney Zabinski; sophomores Emma Campbell, Allison Havrilla, Danielle Havrilla, Katie Jakubik, Evelyn Keller, Bailey Papich, Jenna Potter and Lexie Resnick; and freshmen Caroline Badrak, Molly Thomas and Taylor Vitori.

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using their own wits. "Out homeless veterans continue to fight another battle, of sorts. This time, however, our homeless veterans are battling a lack of shelter, unemployment, various disabilities, substance abuse, depression and hopelessness.'

Belaire added that veterans in the area will be invited to attend, hopefully free of charge. There will be event Tshirts available Sept. 9, with 100 percent of proceeds going to the MVF.

It is hoped that funds raised at the event will help at least 150 veterans.

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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, August 11, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers Novi

#### **ELECTION NOTICE CITY OF NORTHVILLE RESIDENTS**

To the qualified electors. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a Special Election will be held in the City of Northville, Counties of Oakland and Wayne, on Tuesday, August 4, 2015. The election will be conducted in all polling places in the City of Northville for the purpose of voting on the following proposal:

#### <u>Millage Proposal</u>

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be imposed on taxable property in the City of Northville, Counties of Wayne and Oakland, Michigan be increased by 2.25 mills (\$2.25 per thousand dollars of taxable value) for a period of fifteen (15) years, 2016 through 2030, as new additional millage in excess of the limitation imposed by Michigan Compiled Laws section 211.34d, to partially restore City Charter millage authorization previously approved by the electors as reduced by operation of the Headlee Amendment, to provide funds for general operating purposes? It is estimated that 2.25 mills would raise approximately \$753,000 when first levied in 2016.

Full text of the proposal is noted above and may also be obtained by contacting the City Clerk, City of Northville, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan, 48167, 248-349-1300, or on the Sample Ballot posted on the City's website at www.ci.northville.mi.us (go to Services / City Clerk / Elections / Ballots).

#### OAKLAND COUNTY TREASURER'S STATEMENT AS REQUIRED BY ACT NO. 62 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1933 AS AMENDED

I, Andrew E. Meisner, County Treasurer of the County of Oakland, State of Michigan, do hereby certify that according to the records in my office, as of June 8, 2015, the total of all voted increases in the tax rate limitation above the 18 mills established by Section 6 of Article IX of the Michigan Constitution of 1963 affecting taxable property in the City of Northville, in said County, is as follows:

<u>Local Unit</u>	<u>Voted increase</u>	<u>Years Increase Effective</u>		
City of Northville	1.00	Unlimited		
	1.00	Unlimited		
	1.92	Unlimited		
	0.1	2008-2017		
	.2415	2012 - 2021		
Northville Public Schools	.2	2011 - 2015 Incl.		
	1.0	2011 - 2015 Incl.		
	20.91	2012 - 2021 Incl.		
County of Oakland	.2415	2012 to 2021 Incl.		
5	1.0	2014 to 2017		
Schoolcraft Community College	.50	Unlimited		
Wayne County Regional				
Educational Service Agency	1.8782	Unlimited		
Wayne County Transmusers Statement as required by Act 278 of Public Acts of 1964				

#### Wayne County Treasurers Statement as required by Act 278 of Public Acts of 1964 Amending the Property Tax Limitation Act

I, Raymond, J. Wojtowicz, Treasurer of Wayne County, Michigan, do hereby certify that, as of June 1, 2015, the total of all voted increases in excess of the tax rate limitation established by Section 6, Article IX of the Constitution of the State of Michigan, as amended, and the years such increases are effective on property in the County of Wayne are as follows:

Taxing Authorities	Date of Election	<u>Voted Increases</u>	<u>Years Increase Effective</u>
County of Wayne	November 3, 2009	1  mill	2019
Wayne County Jail	August 7, 2012	1 mill	2021
Wayne County Parks	November 2, 2010	0.25  mills	2015
Northville Public Schools	November 2011	18.00  mills	2021 (non-homestead only)
	May 2015	.9978 mills	2020

#### **CITY OF NORTHVILLE POLLING LOCATIONS**

Precinct 1	Wayne County	Northville Community Center, 303 W. Main St.
Precinct 2	Oakland County	Amerman Elementary School, 847 N. Center St.

The polls will open at 7:00 A.M. and remain open until 8:00 P.M. Polling places are handicapped accessible and each precinct is equipped with Braille and audio voting instructions and ADA compliant voting equipment.

The City Clerk's Office, located in the City of Northville Municipal Building, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan, 48167, will be open from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, August 1, 2015 for the purpose of obtaining absentee ballots and receiving absentee ballot applications for ballots to be mailed. On Monday, August 3, 2015, until 4:00 p.m., qualified electors requesting an absentee ballot must appear in person and vote the ballot at the City Clerk's office. Absentee ballot applications are available at the City Clerk's office, on the City's website at <u>www.ci.northville.mi.us</u>, or by calling 248-449-9914.

DIANNE MASSA, CITY CLERK

Civic Center 45175 Ten Mile Road to consider: METRO DETROIT SIGNS ON BEHALF OF RALLY HOUSE (CASE NO. PZ15-0019),

43227 CRESCENT BLVD, PARCEL #: 50-22-14-351-063 The applicant is requesting a variance from CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES, Section 28-5(3) to allow a second (single wall sign allowed in a TC, Town Center District) wall sign.

CURTIS (CASE NO. PZ15-0020) RICHARD CURTIS, 1320 WEST LAKE DRIVE, PARCEL #:50-22-03-202-006

The applicant is requesting variance from the CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES; Section 3.1.5(d) a variance of 15.5 feet in the required front yard setback (30 feet required, 14.5 feet proposed); in order to allow construction of a new covered porch addition on an existing nonconforming parcel.

BOTTLZ (CASE NO. PZ15-0022) RICHARD JASTER ON BEHALF OF BOTTLZ, 31260 WAKEFIELD DR, PARCEL #: 50-22-02-200-039

The applicant is requesting a variance from CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES, Section 28-5(2)(a.3) to allow the proposed ground sign within the future right-of-way line . DMCU (CASE NO. PZ15-0025) JOHN NAGEL WITH IMAGE 360 ON BEHALF OF

DIVERSIFIED MEMBER CREDIT UNION, 25880 NOVI ROAD, PARCEL #: 50-22-23-<u>176-033</u>

The applicant is requesting a variance from CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES, Section 28-5(3) to allow additional ground and 3-wall signs (two wall sign allowed in a TC, Town Center District).

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#### **CITY OF NOVI** NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING **CONSIDERATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF AN** INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE UNDER ACT P.A. 198 OF 1974, AS AMENDED

Notice is hereby given that Magna Seating of America, Inc. has submitted a request to the City of Novi for the issuance of an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate under the "Plant Rehabilitation and Industrial Development Act P.A. 198 of 1974."

The proposed project is located at the northwest corner of 13 Mile Road and Haggerty Road, described as follows:

PART OF THE EAST 1/2 OF SECTION 1, TOWN 1 NORTH, RANGE 8 EAST, CITY OF NOVI, OAKLAND COUNTY MICHIGAN, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS: COMMENCING AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 1; THENCE N02°30'06"W, 632.02 FEET ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID SECTION; THENCE S85°30'21 "W, 60.04 FEET TO THE WEST LINE OF SAID SECTION; THENCE THENCE CONTINUING S85°30'21 "W, 215.71 FEET; THENCE N02°02'32"W, 467.58 FEET; THENCE CONTINUING S85 30 21 W, 215.71 FEET; THENCE N02 02 32 W, 467.58 FEET; THENCE S87°57'28"W, 162.89 FEET; THENCE S13°30'29"W, 174.90 FEET; THENCE S41 °04'28"W, 75.81 FEET; THENCE S87°29'56"W, 312.43 FEET; THENCE S44°08'59"W, 370.51 FEET TO THE EAST LINE OF CABOT DRIVE (60' WIDE); THENCE 179.14 FEET ALONG SAID EAST LINE ON THE ARC OF A NON TANGENT CURVE 179.14 FEET ALONG SAID EAST LINE ON THE ARC OF A NON TANGENT CORVE TO LEFT, HAVING A RADIUS OF 455.00 FEET, A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 22°33'27", AND A CHORD WHICH BEARS N25°41'38"W, 177.98 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING: THENCE CONTINUING ALONG SAID EAST LINE 165.56 FEET THE ARC OF A CURVE TO THE LEFT, HAVING A RADIUS OF 455.00 FEET, A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 20°50'53", AND A CHORD WHICH BEARS N47°23'48"W, 164.64 FEET; THENCE CONTINUING ALONG SAID EAST LINE 387.27 FEET THE ARC OF A CURVE TO THE CONTINUING ALONG SAID EAST LINE 387.27 FEET THE ARC OF A CURVE TO THE RIGHT, HAVING A RADIUS OF 395.00 FEET, A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 54°52'08", AND A CHORD WHICH BEARS N30°23'12"W, 363.98 FEET; THENCE CONTINUING ALONG SAID EAST LINE N02°57'07"W, 476.01 FEET; THENCE N87°02'53"E, 478.00 FEET; THENCE S59°27'20"E, 170.63 FEET; THENCE N87°02'53"E, 69.71 FEET; THENCE S02°57'07"E, 344.50 FEET; THENCE S87°02'53"W, 27.77 FEET; THENCE S02°57'07"E, 203.77 FEET; THENCE 246.05 FEET ALONG THE ARC OF A NON-TANGENT CURVE TO THE LEFT, HAVING A RADIUS OF 360.00 FEET, A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 39°09'34", AND A CHORD WHICH BEARS S51 °16'46"W, 241.29 FEET; THENCE 117.06 FEET AND A CHORD WHICH BEARS SOT TO TO THE RIGHT, HAVING A RADIUS OF 250.00 FEET, A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 26°49'44", AND A CHORD WHICH BEARS S45°06'50"W, 116.00 FEET; THENCE S58°31'42"W, 86.31 FEET; THENCE S53°01'38"W, 25.75 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

#### CONTAINING 11.68 ACRES OF LAND MORE OR LESS.

Pursuant to Section 5 (2) of said Act, a public hearing shall be held on July 27, 2015 at 7:00 pm in the Novi City Council Chambers, located at 45175 Ten Mile Road, Novi, Michigan 48375, during which any property owner within the Industrial Development District, and any resident or taxpayer of the City of Novi may appear and be heard in relation to the consideration of the aforementioned Industrial Development District.

If you have any comments regarding this proposal, they may be presented in writing or at the public hearing.

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# Northville Meijer store greeter honored

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Roxann Zimmerman, a store greeter at the Northville Meijer for about two years, was honored for overcoming obstacles to employment with help from JVS. Zimmerman received the Employee of the Year Award in front of a crowd of more than 700 business and community leaders June 11 at JVS's 18th annual Strictly Business Networking and

Awards Luncheon.

Zimmerman, who has a disability that affects her fine and gross motor skills, was recognized for her exceptional work ethic and positive attitude

"Roxi is determined not to let her physical disability define her,' says Shirley Viviano, JVS job placement specialist. "Her personality shines as she offers a warm

smile and cheerful greeting at the entrance of the Meijer store in

Zimmerman Northville."

Through the JVS supported job search program, Viviano helped Zimmerman identify her interests, talents and abilities and find a good

applications and interviews," Zimmerman said. "It was just hard for me to get the jobs. I didn't want (employers) to judge me because of my disability, I just wanted them to see that I could be a good employee."

hired as a greeter at a Meijer store in Southfield, then she transferred to the Northville location.

**CAL STONE, EDITOR** 

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"Roxann is the kind of employee you want," said Jeffery Miller, manager of the Northville store. "She comes to work every day with smile on her face and is excited to be here. That attitude rubs off on everyone else. She's a huge asset to the

In a video prepared for the awards event,

Zimmerman says she is especially proud of the independence that she's achieved through work. See the video at

jvsdet.org/strictlybiz. What I want people to understand about having a disability is that you're just like anyone else," she said. "You can still do all the same things other people can, just a little bit differently."

# Oakland County's six-month business investment tops \$750 million plateau

Oakland County business investment through the first six months of 2015 is more than three-quarters of a billion dollars - surpassing the total business investment for all of 2014 by nearly \$100 million

Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson said the June **Emerging Sectors re**port revealed private business investment of more than \$756.8 million through the first six months of 2015. Business expansion, attraction and retention investment for all of 2014 was \$658.7 million, a difference of \$98.1 million. The county tracks business activity connected to the Emerging Sectors business attraction and retention strategy as well as more traditional investments such as automotive.

"I encourage the citizens of Oakland County to take a look at those numbers," Patterson said. "Our economy is on fire. We are roaring back from the ravages of the Great **Recession**. Our future looks blindingly bright."

In June, Patterson ported Emerging Sectors total investment had topped \$3 billion since the program began in 2004. It was created to diversify Oakland County's economy, which had been heavily dependent on the automotive industry. The

strategy targeted international companies that expressed an interest in expanding operations into North America and North American companies that identified Oakland County as the right business location. The targeted sectors include advanced electronics, advanced materials, alternative energy, information technology/ communications, aerospace and defense/ homeland security.

The June report lists businesses such as Canada-based Magna International Inc., Troy-based Energy Power Systems and Bmax USA, subsidiary of a French tech company called I-Pulse, among nine companies which announced total investment in the county of \$145.4 million, resulting in more than 1,000 new jobs and 759 retained jobs. Magna projects in Lyon Township and Novi total \$104 million in investment.

Since inception, **Emerging Sectors has** 346 business successes resulting in total investment of \$3.1 billion, 35,689 new jobs and 20,062 retained jobs. A success is a company that is either new to Oakland County or expanded here when it considered moving to another state or country. The county's Business Development Team works closely with Emerging Sector companies, providing assis-

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tance in such areas as site selection, workforce development, financing strategies and coordinating state and local incentives. The team literally travels the world, selling businesses on the advantages of locating in Oakland County. The county has more than 1,000 global firms from 39 countries.

Patterson said economists may debate reasons for the investment surge this year, but he has his own theories.

"First, pent-up demand that is now being served," he said. "Second, our gamble on diversifying our economic base beyond automotive is paying off in spades. And finally, there is a term, 'cumulative causation,' which means success breeds success. We are all beneficiaries."

The most successful sectors in total investment are health care/life science (Medical Main Street) at \$978 million, **IT/communications** (Tech 248) at \$620 million and alternative energy at \$548.9 million.

Patterson said the strategy is responsible for new investment in the county, on average of \$772,000 every day for 11 years. "If I've said it once, I've said it a thousand times: Oakland County is the economic engine that drives the Michigan economy," Patterson said.

# Preh designated a Best Place to Work for millennials

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Over the past three

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Preh a great place to

Preh, Inc., a global auto electronics supplier in Novi, has been named one of the best places to work in America for employees now categorized as "millennials" persons born in the 1980s and 1990s - according to the Center for Generational Kinetics, a research consulting group in Austin, Texas, that teaches companies to better employ and sell to millennials.

The designation comes after news that millennials are now the largest workforce in America. This is the first list of its kind to identify companies that excel at recruiting, developing and retaining top millennial performers.

Preh was one of only 75 companies making the list from more than 4,000 U.S. organizations whose data was analyzed by the Best Companies Group, a workplace research firm located in Harrisburg, Pa. BCG included policy and benefit offerings from employer questionnaires, as well as employ-

#### Moore joins Southeastern Equipment Co.

average responses, allowing the participating **NEWSMAKERS** for three years with a

construction equipment company. He resides in Clio and enjoys golfing and spending time with

companies to see where they stood relative to the "Best of the Best."

Preh is a unit of German automotive supplier Preh GmbH of Bad Neustadt, Germany, and is a subsidiary of the Joyson Group in Ningbo, China, which has combined its automotive activities in the exchange-listed company Joyson Electronics. Within Joyson, Preh forms the corporate division Automotive Electronics.

As a global automotive supplier, Preh recorded sales of \$667 million (€611 million) in 2014 with around 4,200 employees. The company has locations in Germany, Portugal, Romania, Mexico, the U.S.A. and China.

Preh's development and manufacturing capabilities focus on climate and driver control systems for passenger and utility vehicles, electronic control units for the battery management of electrical vehicles, as well as assembly and automation systems.

nurses and nurse specialists," Snyder said.

Vendittelli is the associate dean of nursing and a professor at School craft College and served in numerous capacities at Huron Valley Sinai Hospital. Vendittelli earned an associate's degree in nursing from Lake Superior State University, a bachelor's degree in nursing from Lake Superior State University, a master's degree in nursing from the University of Texas and is currently completing her doctorate in nursing practice from Oakland University. She represents registered professional nurses with a master's degree from an accredited college with a major in nursing engaged in nursing education in less than a baccalaureate program and replaces Paula Hopper. Members serve fouryear terms expiring June 30, 2019. Appointments are subject to the advice and consent of the Senate.

Southeastern Equip-

Zimmerman was first store."

job match. "I was able to do the

> ment Co., Inc., announced that Matt Moore has joined the company as service manager for the Novi branch. He is

responsible for scheduling and completing repairs and maintenance ser-

vice for Moore heavy equipment, both on-site and in the

shop. "We are happy to have Matt on the team," said Charlie Patterson, president at Southeastern Equipment. "His previous experience provides an excellent background. We look forward to seeing the impact he will have on our operations."

Prior to joining Southeastern, Moore was regional service manager

his family outside of work.

#### Vendittelli appointed to Board of Nursing

Gov. Rick Snyder has appointed Novi's Deborah Vendittelli to the Board of Nursing Housed within the Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, the 23-member board establishes qualifications for nurse licensure, approves standards for nurse education programs and takes disciplinary action against licensees when the health, safety and welfare of the public has been adversely affected.

"I am confident these appointees will effectively assist the board in overseeing the practice of Michigan's invaluable registered and practical

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#### Self-defense center opening

Krav Maga Novi held its grand opening July 18. Krav Maga Novi is a licensed training center of Krav Maga Worldwide, an Israeli selfdefense training center. The owner and lead instructor, Mike Berean, is also an inactive Marine certified to teach military and law enforcement.

Krav Magna Novi is located at 30560 Beck Road. For more information, go to www.kravmaganovi.com or call 248-953-4180.

#### **Kroger supporting** autism research

Novi-based Kroger customers can help fight autism during Kroger's seventh annual Puzzle Pieces fundraising campaign through July 28. Customers can help solve purchasing an autism puzzle piece for \$1, \$5, and \$10. They can also donate spare change in a coin box at any Kroger register through July 25, with all proceeds benefiting the Ted Lindsay

#### **INNO-VATOR of the** Year nominations

Michigan-based businesses and organizations have a chance at \$10,000 in cash and services as nominations are now being accepted for the 2015 Medical Main Street INNO-VATOR of the Year.

The award, now in its fourth year, recognizes a Michigan business or organization that has created a device, technology or process which significantly impacts the medical device, biotech or life science fields.

The deadline to submit

#### **BUSINESS BRIEFS**

an entry is Aug. 31. Application instructions and reception registration can be found at MedicalMainStreet.com. **Avoid layoffs under** Work Share program Michigan's Work

offers businesses an alternative to layoffs. An employer can reduce the hours of at least two full-time employees, who can then collect partial unemployment benefits to replace a portion of their lost wages.

For more information about Work Share requirements and eligibility, contact 967-5747 or go to the UIA website at michigan.gov/uia.For more information about the Talent Investment Agency, go to www.michigan.gov/tia.

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# The sale is on this July at Varsity Lincoln in Novi!

Get the Varsity Advantage! Varsity Lincoln of Novi is celebrating summer with a HUGE Certified Pre-Owned vehicle sales event. This event is different than other dealerships no trips, no chips – just great deals! More than 200 Pre-Owned vehicles are on-site and ready to go. Certified Pre-Owned Lincoln vehicles are available for as little as \$7,995.+

Right now, Varsity Lincoln is offering a Complimentary Maintenance Plan for Certified Pre-Owned Lincoln vehicles. This includes an oil change, tire rotation and multi-point inspection every 7,500 miles for 1 year/15,000 miles.^

Varsity Lincoln is number one in pre-owned sales globally. Come find out why. An astounding 540 Certified Pre-Owned vehicles were delivered in 2014 at Varsity Lincoln.

The dealership has held the honor of highest volume sales dealer globally since 1997.\* Varsity offers a newly remodeled showroom, indoor delivery area and service reception aisle. Varsity Lincoln works to make their customers feel number one.

This year Varsity Lincoln celebrated their 20th anniversary and won six prestigious automotive awards. They encompass the Triple Crown Award, Lincoln Leaders of Excellence, President's Award, Ford One Hundred Club, CPO Sales Leadership and Premier Club.

Visit Varsity Lincoln for the 3-day event to get these deals: » Thursday, July 23 8:30

a.m. to 9p.m.

» Friday, July 27 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

» Saturday, July 28 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

"Ĉertified Pre-Owned has a wonderful warranty ... it goes up to 100,000 miles on the warranty," said long-time Varsity customer John Kilby.

Certified Pre-Owned Lincoln vehicles come with many benefits including:

» A meticulous, 200-point inspection by factory-trained technicians

» 6-vear/100.000-mile comprehensive warranty coverage » Complimentary 24/7 roadside assistance



Certified Pre-Owned 2013 Lincoln MKS EcoBoost AWD.

"To get a Certified Pre-Owned that comes with warranty, definitely get quality checked, that's important, especially with two girls in college," said five-time cus-tomer Julie Wilk.

'There are numerous benefits of purchasing a Certified Pre-Owned, including the outstanding warranty that comes with the vehicles," said Jere Law, Varsity Lincoln's General Sales Manager and Pre-Owned Director. "The 100,000-mile free bumper to bumper warranty that comes alongside all Certified Pre-Owned purchases is better than a new car warranty! Additionally, any time the vehicle is in for a service visit, you can receive a loaner for no cost exclusively at Varsity Lincoln!"

"The warranty is key. With

Certified Pre-Owned, you get the best from Varsity Lincoln," Law said. Certified Pre-Owned financing is available this April for as low as 0.9% APR\*\*

"Leasing or buying from the number one dealer in the country gives you the best selection, price and service," Law said. "Our dealership is ready to assist customers with anything, whether it is special financing or a specific request. We can handle every unique situation."

"Loaded with features, a Lincoln will satisfy any customer," Law explained. "Certified Pre-Owned vehicles not only provide peace of mind on the road, but also provide a combination of sportiness and luxury. Benefits include FWD or AWD, EcoBoost, Naviga-

tion, Bluetooth, SYNC, an adaptive suspension, a panoramic roof, and heated and cooled seats for comfort, just to name a few," Law said. "Drivers will also enjoy peace of mind from knowing that Lincoln vehicles will hold their value," Law said. "Any depre-ciation has already been taken on by the previous owner. Plus, advanced styling and dependability add to a Lincoln vehicle's value."

"If you want a really nice experience with a dealership go to Varsity...I see the difference," said first-time customer Loretta Mackenroth.

This dealership provides The Varsity Lincoln Advantage. Varsity Lincoln team members are selected based upon their unwavering focus on customer care and satisCOURTESY OF VARSITY LINCOLN

faction.

"Our customers speak for themselves and how their experience is. When you read the reviews our customers write online, you can see how happy they are, before. during and after the sale," Law concluded.

\*Based on 6/2015 Total Certified Pre-Owned Lincoln Sales Report.

\*\*As low as 0.9% APR for up to 36 months on select vehicles for qualified customers with Tier 0-1 approval through preferred finance source. Offer subject to change at any time. See Varsity Lincoln for details.

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^Offer ends 8/31/15. See Varsity Lincoln service advisor for details.



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Saturday 7/25/15 8:30am-5pm

\*Based on 06/2015 Total Certified Pre-Owned Sales and Service Customer Satisfaction per Lincoln Sales Report. \*As low as 0.9% APR for up to 48 months on select vehicles for gualified customers with Tier 0-1 approval through preferred finance source. Offer subject to change at any time. See Varsity Lincoln for details. +Price does not include tax, title, license and dealer fees due at point of purchase. Inventory and pricing subject to change. See Varsity Lincoln for details. Offers end 7/31/15. <sup>1</sup>Offer ends 8/31/15. See Varsity Lincoln service advisor for details.

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Caution's called for around a home swimming pool, especially with young children, the American Red Cross says.

# **Red Cross: Keep your home** pool safe at all times

Millions of us enjoy warm weather every year by swimming in our backyard pools and relaxing in hot tubs. Tragically though, over 200 young children drown in backyard swimming pools each year. The American Red Cross suggests owners make pool safety their priority by following these guidelines

remove any ladders or steps used for access. Consider installing a pool alarm that goes off if anyone enters the pool.

» Keep children under active supervision at all times. Stay in arm's reach of young kids. Designate a responsible person to watch the water when people are in the pool — never allow anyone to swim alone. Have young or inexperienced swimmers wear a U.S. Coast Guardapproved life jacket.

age-appropriate water orientation and learn-to-swim courses from the Red Cross or another organization like the YMCA.

» Keep your pool or hot tub water clean and clear. Maintain proper chemical levels, circulation and filtration. Regularly test and adjust the chemical levels to minimize the risk of earaches, rashes or more serious diseases. » Establish and enforce rules and safe behaviors, such as "no diving," "stay away from drain covers," "swim with a buddy" and "walk, please."

» Ensure everyone in the home knows how to respond to aquatic emergencies by having appropriate safety equipment and taking water safety, first aid and CPR courses from the Red Cross.

The American Red Cross and National Swimming Pool Foundation® have partnered to create an online Home Pool Essentials course that describes steps home pool owners can take to prevent tragedy and keep a well-maintained pool or hot tub. The course is available at www.HomePool Essentials.org.

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The right to know the reason if your loan application is turned down and, among other things, your right to ask questions about changes



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in loan terms that you do not understand. You are best advised to see your mortgage broker and/or attorney so that you have a complete understanding of all of your rights.

Q: My wife is French-speaking and we are thinking about moving to either Quebec or Montreal for the summer months. Can you tell me what the market conditions are of condominiums in both cities?

A: In Montreal, if you want to buy a single cubicle in a unique condo that was estab-lished for the '67 Expo across the river, it is \$600,000 per cubicle which may well be approximately enough for one family. If you want to live near Mount Royal, the homes range from \$500,000 to \$6 million. However, there are number of new condos being built downtown which are competitively priced. In Quebec City, you will find that you can purchase a church and convert it to a condo or something else for \$3 million or by a new condo from \$165,000 to \$1.5 million, again in the downtown area. In both cities, commercial and residential condo development is rampant and you are best advised to consult with a local Realtor who obviously speaks French.

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» Secure your pool with appropriate barriers. Completely surround your pool with a 4-feet high fence or barrier with a self-closing, self-latching gate. Place a safety cover on the pool or hot tub when not in use and

» Ensure everyone in the home knows how to swim well by enrolling them in

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#### **REAL ESTATE** BRIEFS

#### Short sales

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

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

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

#### Investors

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

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

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

#### Seminar each Tuesday, Thursday

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

**RSVP** with Colonial Mortgage at 800-260-5484.

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of March 2-6, 2015, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

#### **BEVERLY HILLS**

16031 Buckingham Ave 31098 Rivers Edge Ct 15771 W 14 Mile Rd BIRMINGHAM 2598 Manchester Rd 165 N Adams Rd 1610 S Bates St 1288 Villa Rd 600 W Brown St # 402 **BLOOMFIELD HILLS** 4045 W Maple Rd # C203 **BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP** 445 Fox Hills Dr N 154 Hamilton Rd

838 Palms Rd 1104 Park Place Ct 4384 Sunningdale Dr **COMMERCE TOWNSHIP** 5694 Carroll Lake Rd 5481 Ford Rd \$201,000 6137 Nadeau St \$318,000 2327 Palmetto \$85,000 3696 Sandbar Dr 5785 Strawberry Cir \$340,000 FARMINGTON \$215,000 32314 Loomis Dr \$525,000 22815 Power Rd \$318,000 **FARMINGTON HILLS** \$230,000 27845 Berrywood Ln 34477 Chantilly Ct \$85,000 25674 Chapelweigh Dr 37416 Chesterfield Ct \$111,000 29131 Creek Bend Dr \$735,000 28955 Glenarden St

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\$225,000	24380 Venice Dr	\$355,000
\$280,000	24299 Weathervane Ct	\$165,000
	SOUTH LYON	
\$660,000	23546 Bristlecone Ct	\$480,000
	1078 Cantor Ln	\$328,000
\$142,000	598 Covington St	\$153,000
\$250,000	61800 Richfield St	\$164,000
\$415,000	964 Stratford Dr	\$225,000
\$50,000	SOUTHFIELD	
	16950 New Hampshire Dr	\$115,000
\$115,000	26440 Senator Blvd	\$230,000
\$236,000	29191 Sharidale St	\$145,000
	26745 W Carnegie Park	\$75,000
\$210,000	Dr	
	WHITE LAKE	
\$185,000	9156 Satelite Dr	\$121,000
\$125,000	8197 Sequoia Ln	\$185,000
\$285,000		
\$515,000		

#### HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-WAYNE COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of March 23-27, 2015, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

\$194,000

\$217,000

\$210,000

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#### CANTON

44171 Brandywyne Rd 44215 Candlewood Dr 7332 Chichester Rd 49803 Courtyard Ln 44273 Craftsbury Ct 7553 Embassy Dr 39990 Finley Dr 50821 Geddes Rd 47166 Glenhurst Dr 41474 Hanford Rd 264 Harvard St 42135 Hystone St 4050 Kimberly Dr 42715 Lilley Pointe Dr 43563 Lotus Dr 6355 N Lilley Rd 41028 Northwind Dr 42419 Old Bridge Rd 7255 Peachtree Ct 45166 Quaker Hill Dr 208 Robyn Ct

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# JOBS



tips for juggling part-time jobs

#### HEAR WHAT CAREER EXPERTS, AS WELL AS PEOPLE WHO'VE DEALT WITH SUCH A WORK SCHEDULE, HAVE TO SAY ABOUT HOW BEST TO JUGGLE MULTIPLE JOBS.

Working any type of schedule can require some juggling tions, says, "Keep various jobs different if you get bored between your job and your other personal or professional commitments. This is especially true for workers who are employed in multiple part-time jobs. Not only do they have to balance work with their personal life, but they have to manage and coordinate various workloads and schedules.

Some workers take on multiple part-time jobs by choice: they like the variety and the idea that no day is ever the same. Others find themselves working several jobs out of financial necessity.

Whatever the reason, finding a way to juggle each job and be successful while doing so can pose challenges. Hear what career experts, as well as people who've dealt with such a work schedule, have to say about how best to juggle multiple jobs.

#### 1. Stay local

Isaura Gonzalez, licensed clinical psychologist, board certified coach and CEO of Hudson Psychological in Staten Island, NY, says that if you need to work multiple jobs, try to stay within an easy commute when possible. "It helps reduce stress, frustration and maximizes the amount of time you are using."

#### 2. Maintain a schedule

"Maintaining a schedule is crucial when multitasking or multi-working, Gonzalez says. "When [and] where you have to be becomes a blur and confusing when you are bouncing around from location to location." Gonzalez suggests using a weekly appointment calendar with 15 minute time slots. "Using highlighters to mark different locations [and] jobs helps tremendously [in] keeping things organized."

#### 3. Make a checklist

Another helpful organizing tool is as easy as having a pen and pad of paper. "Balancing two or more jobs gets distracting, which can make it easy to forget tasks," says Erik Episcopo, a career adviser and resume expert at Resume Genius. "Organization is key to successfully juggling part-time jobs. Begin each day by writing a checklist of things that need to get done for each job."

#### 4. Choose jobs strategically

Molly Celaschi, executive director at Malena Public Rela-

easily, need a challenge, want a varied skill set or are considering a career change. Or, keep the jobs in the same field if you want to specialize in one field and gain experience and knowledge the fastest."

#### 5. Communicate effectively

If you're working in a consulting or freelancing role and are juggling multiple clients, you may want to make it seem as though each client is the only one that's getting your attention. But, you're usually better off being transparent, so you can manage expectations as needed. "I think the most important part of balancing multiple jobs is being communicative with your clients [and] employers," says Lynn Maleh, writer, editor and creative consultant. "Make sure they know you have other projects going on, and always give yourself more time than you think you need for completing projects. I prefer to undershoot than overshoot."

#### 6. Resist overlap

"Eliminate overlap," Celaschi recommends. "Do not work two jobs at the same time, i.e., be logged in

online to a telecommuting job while sitting in the office for another position. It's not in the company's best interest, or yours. You'll mix projects and make errors."

#### 7. Take breaks

"Ending a shift just to start another right after can be demoralizing," Episcopo says. "That's why it's important to schedule a three or four hour period between shifts to allow you some time to take a breather, get something to eat or even take a reenergizing nap."

#### 8. Set limits

You may think that the more jobs you take on, the better off you'll be, but if you stretch yourself too thin, you'll end up burning out and may even jeopardize the quality of the work you produce. So, it's important to set some boundaries. "Set limits often and redefine as necessary. Otherwise, you will be overextended on your time, leaving you open to frustration and stress," Gonzalez says.

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Over three acres of beauty just outside of the Village of Milford 4,000 square feet of living space featuring a great room with soaring ceilings and fireplace, a granite and hardwood kitchen, breakfast area with bay, an office, a first floor master suite with his and her walk in closets and master bath with jetted tub and shower, and a huge finished basement with room for lots of games and storage. Gives you an up north feeling, yet it's close to Milford for great shopping and dining.

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#### Beautiful family Home

Featuring 5 Bedrooms and 3.5 baths on secluded 1 acre cul-de-sac setting. Great room has stunning views of the property through palatial windows, soaring cathedral ceilings and gas fireplace. The open floor plan makes this home great for entertaining. Partially finished walk out basement. Composite deck off the rear and a brick paver patio on the side of the home. 4 ½ car heated garage with workshop

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