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Certified energy healer Elaine Grohman will discuss "The Angels and Me" at 1:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 4, at the meeting of the Northville Woman's Club, at First United Methodist Church, 777 W. Eight Mile.

Grohman, who has a private practice in Farmington, will talk about energy medicine, a collection of holistic healing therapies that help create balance and wellness and divine communication that provides guidance for body, mind and spirit.

Those interested in more information about the Northville Woman's Club or attending its programs should contact president Maryann Cotterill at 248-344-8235.



Grohman

# Residents express concern with increased water bills

Township officials say sprinklers likely to blame; homeowners disagree

**Joanne Maliszewski**  
Staff Writer

Pam Szmazdzinski is among a number of Northville Township residents who want answers about why their water bills took a sharp increase in a recent pay period that included some summer months.

"I gasped when I got that bill," Szmazdzinski said. "I'm one woman in a house all by myself."

The homeowner said her water bill increased from \$144 the previous pay period to \$644 in a recent period. Other residents joined Szmazdzinski in questioning their bills at a Northville Township Board of Trustees meeting just before Thanksgiving.

Residents told trustees that approximately 135 other neighbors voiced their concerns with comments on a homeowners'

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blog. Residents said their water bills and the gallons of water used — indicated on their bills — have been increasing considerably.

"My story is consistent with my neighbors and what we have heard all over the community," a resident told the township board.

Tom Casari, township public services director, said the bills

are based on consumption, and meters capture that usage. Residents may monitor their water usage from the meters at their homes. "You can read the top of the meters. The units are in 1,000-gallon units," Casari said.

Supervisor Bob Nix reminded residents that fixed costs have increased some \$250 annually. The fixed costs include capital costs and improvements associated with water treatment plants and transmission mains.

Consumption, however, is the issue that brought residents to

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VFW Auxiliary members place red ribbons on veterans' graves at Rural Hill Cemetery.

# VFW Auxiliary honors veterans with red ribbons

**Joanne Maliszewski**  
Staff Writer

Red ribbons are how the women of the VFW Post 4012 Auxiliary remember and honor local veterans who have passed away.

The ribbons — 169 of them — were placed on grave sites in the veterans section of Rural Hill Cemetery on Saturday. "We decided to do our own adaptation," said member Roxanne Casterline, referring to the national Wreaths Across America campaign.

"It was too late to do the wreaths," Casterline said. Besides that, when Northville celebrates, honors or remembers,

ribbons are displayed. The colorful ribbons placed on graves this past weekend were made by resident Mary Ware. "Northville always does ribbons all over town," Casterline added.

The red ribbons look so good that auxiliary members are thinking about putting them throughout the cemetery next year, said Casterline a new auxiliary member.

"It's something to remind us of those who fought and died for our country," she said. "It was really a proud moment. I think it's a beautiful tribute."

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The distinctive red ribbons were placed in honor and remembrance of veterans buried at the local cemetery.

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# Area police investigate possible link in home break-ins

**Matt Jachman**  
Staff Writer

Three Saturday break-ins in a Plymouth Township neighborhood may be linked to a similar burglary in Northville Township a few days earlier, police said.

Cash, jewelry and electronic devices like laptops and iPads were reported stolen from three houses in the Rolling Oaks subdivision, in the area of North Territorial and Beck, Police Lt. Robert Antal said. No one was at

home in any of the houses at the time they were broken into, he said.

The front door had been forced open at each house, Antal said; the incidents took place between about 1 p.m. and 6:45 p.m. Saturday.

Police responded to an alarm at one house, at about 6:45 p.m., and arrived to find it had been burglarized, Antal said. While officers were at that scene, police received reports that two other houses in the subdivision

had been broken into, he said.

The Northville Township home burglary took place earlier in the week on the township's west side.

John Werth, Northville Township public safety director, said jewelry and other items were reported stolen and that video from a security camera has



Werth

proved helpful in the investigation.

"We're receiving tips about it right now," Werth said Monday. He said there may be links to burglaries in several other communities, including Plymouth Township.

**Casing house?**

Antal said the Northville Township burglary may be linked to a Nov. 24 incident in

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# Water, sewer rates can be confusing for residents

**Joanne Maliszewski**  
Staff Writer

Water rates typically are a touchy subject for most homeowners. Yet the components of a water bill can be complicated. Below are some basic facts about water bills for Northville Township homeowners.

**Detroit Water & Sewerage Department**

While Northville Township, like other Detroit area communi-

ties, has joined the Great Lakes Water Authority, it is still a work in progress, that is expected to launch on Jan. 1, 2016.

Meanwhile, Northville Township is wholesale water customer community of DWSD, which distributes water to approximately 8,300 service connections. DWSD changed its water rate



Neumaier

structure in 2010 from solely a consumption charge (also called usage rate or commodity charge), to a two-part rate structure, which included a fixed component to also provide for capital costs and improvements associated with water treatment plants and transmission mains, said Marina Neumaier, Northville Township finance director.

In fiscal year 2015-16, DWSD altered its fee structure from more volume-based to fixed-based. Fixed costs cur-

rently represent 60-percent of the annual total cost billed in Fiscal Year 2015-16 versus 30-percent fixed cost billed in the prior year, Neumaier added.

**Composition of rates**

The changes from DWSD mean that homeowners pay the following:

**Fixed rates:** Each user in Northville Township pays a fixed cost of \$12.45 for sewer monthly and \$15.62 monthly for water. The total is \$28.07

per month fixed costs.

**Consumption rates:** Users also pay, based on the amount of water used, which homeowners can monitor by checking their meters. The units on the meter are measured in 1,000 gallons. Users pay \$5.19 for water for every 1,000 gallons used. For sewer, they pay \$4.82 per every 1,000 gallons.

**Additional information**

More information on water rates is available on the Northville Town-

ship website <http://www.northville.mich.com/>

Under the Public Services menu, you can find information on the Great Lakes Water Authority, as well as online information about water and sewer bills. Also available is the videotaped presentation from the township's Water and Sewer Rate Forum held Sept. 14.

A number of presentation are available for review that further explain the rates.

**WATER**

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the township board. They claim that usage indicated on their bills is way off the mark. There is no

way, Szmazdzinski said, she alone used 56,000 gallons of water during one pay period.

Casari, meanwhile, last week invited the individual residents who spoke at the township board meeting to meet

and said he is willing to test the homeowners' meters. He suggested that residents double-check their toilets and faucets are not leaking, though some of the residents said they have had their plumbing checked.

"We will problem-solve," Casari added.

Township staff members maintain that irrigation systems typically are the cause of unusually high water bills. When staff investigated one man's water bill by double-checking and testing the meter, "we found it was 100-percent accurate," Casari said.

Lawn sprinkling systems typically use 3-5 gallons of water a minute, Casari said.

The mention of irrigation systems, however, drew a negative response from the residents at the township board meeting.

Most said they monitor when and for how long their systems are on. Yet another resident said she stopped using her irrigation system and limited use of the washing machine and dishwasher.

Data, however, Casari said, tells him "everything is trending along the lines of (less) rainfall and the irrigation systems."

This past summer had less rainfall, leading homeowners typically to water their lawns more. Though many residents deny their irrigation systems are on, they need to double-check. If the system is on manual, it must be turned off or it will activate, Casari said.

Because Northville Township and its residents are charged at a higher rate when water is used during peak hours — essentially 6-8 a.m. —

Casari urges residents to avoid watering their lawns and gardens during these hours.

Casari also told the residents that while he thinks a 56,000-gallon usage is a lot, there is no indication of a problem with meters.

"I think this is a bigger issue," Szmazdzinski said, as opposed to a problem just with meters.

Township trustees noticed that complaints are coming from neighborhoods on the west side of the township. "It's possible it's an aberration. We can't ignore residents claiming the same issue," trustee Symantha Heath said.

But Casari said the township purchased 50 million gallons more of water from the Detroit water system so far this year. While some residents asked if fire hy-

drants are causing some of the usage problems, Casari said they do not register on the meters in question.

Casari also assured the township board and residents that the next bill that does not include summer months will likely see a decrease in usage.

"We are going to try to figure this out," Nix said. "You are going to get our best efforts."

Marina Neumaier, finance director, also suggests that residents use the township's online tools. "We will be happy to walk them through the tools," she said.

Meanwhile, Casari said the township "is doing everything it can to bring the rates down."

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**Upcoming events**  
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Members Only Annual Dinner: 6:30 p.m. Jan. 21. To be held at the New School Church at Mill Race Village. Renew your membership today and join us in January!  
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# N’ville residents lead fight on kidney disease

Jill Halpin  
Correspondent

It was more than 20 years ago that Duane McLean received a call that his father needed a kidney.

He didn’t hesitate with an answer.

“It was an easy decision. My father was my hero,” McLean said.

McLean’s father, Gerald, had tried dialysis and was in the final stages of kidney disease. Aware of the looming possibilities, McLean, who has lived in Northville with his wife and three children for 12 years, had been tested earlier and was found to be a suitable donor candidate. When the opportunity arose for organ donation, he was prepared to act.

It was this experience — and others — that led McLean to join fellow Northville resident Ed Peper as honorary co-chairs of the National Kidney Foundation of Michigan’s Kidney Ball set for 6 p.m. Dec. 5 at Motor City Casino.

“Once you are touched by something, it tends to matter more and you begin to realize how important the issue is,” said McLean, executive vice president of



Dan Carney, president and CEO of the National Kidney Foundation of Michigan, and his wife Linda enjoy the last year’s Kidney Ball with Ed Peper, 2015 Kidney Ball honorary co-chair, and his wife Pam.

Business Affairs for the Detroit Tigers.

“Raising awareness of kidney disease, and its prevention, is very important to me,” he added.

Peper — the US vice president General Motors Fleet and Commercial and resident of the Northville community since 2005 with his wife and two children — agrees.

Many people are not aware of the leading causes of kidney disease such as obesity, hypertension and diabetes, Peper said. More importantly, some of these factors are preventable, he added.

“Losing weight, eating

better and trying to live a healthy lifestyle are all really important,” he said.

More than 26 million people over the age of 20 —including 900,000 people in Michigan —suffer from chronic kidney disease, according to the National Kidney Foundation of Michigan. Chronic kidney disease is permanent kidney damage or decreased level of kidney function that continues for three months or more. When left untreated, CKD can lead to complete kidney failure with the only options for survival dialysis or a kidney transplant.

“The good news is that 70 percent of the time, we can prevent kidney disease ending in kidney failure by managing our risk factors,” said Dan Carney, President and CEO of the National Kidney Foundation of Michigan.

The foundation was ranked the number one charity in the category of diseases, disorders and disciplines in 2014 by Charity Navigator, the nation’s leading charity evaluator. It is committed not only to raising awareness of the disease, but to helping people learn to manage the disease in the early stages, before it be-



Duane McLean, 2015 Kidney Ball honorary co-chair (right), gathers with his daughter Kayla and wife Sue at the 2014 Kidney Ball.

comes life-threatening, he said.

“So much of our health can be determined by our lifestyle — that is why it is so important to help people understand the importance of controlling the factors that that they are able. It is really important that people talk to their doctors and ask about kidney function during their regular checkups with their physicians,” Carney said.

He said that organizers of the Kidney Ball hope to raise \$550,000 from the event to support the foundation.

Not only does the Kidney Ball raise valuable funds, it also promises to be a fun-filled

evening, Carney said.

The event includes a live auction featuring everything from an Italian Villa vacation to a “Detroit Tigers Experience” as well a silent auction with jewelry, electronics, wine and even a toy-filled “Kid’s Room” for those hoping to get in some holiday shopping.

Fifty Amp Fuse, a local band recognized for their energetic live music performances, will be on hand to add even more excitement to the event, Carney said.

Tickets for the Kidney Ball fundraiser are \$250. For more information about the event, call 800-482-1455 or visit [nkfm.org](http://nkfm.org).

## Following robbery, Civic Concern in desperate need of donations

Joanne Maliszewski  
Staff Writer

In the wake of a breaking and entering early this week at the Northville Civic Concern – as volunteers are preparing for those in need during the holidays – the nonprofit is in desperate need of additional donations.

“We were robbed,” said Marlene Kunz, Civic Concern director of operations. “They broke the door, took food and

gift cards and gas cards. We do need to restock.”

While Northville Township police investigate the incident, which also left broken doors and records strewn throughout the office, Kunz and volunteers are quickly trying to replenish the food shelves for holiday meals for those in need.

“Shame on them,” Kunz said, referring to whomever broke in and took donated items.

“They have only taken

from the community, which has given us so much.”

Civic Concern is seeking donations of gas and gift cards and non-expired canned or boxed food – fruit, soup, cereals, side dishes and canned meat/fish products.

More than 180 Northville families rely on Civic Concern’s help, Kunz said.

Donations can be taken to Northville Civic Concern’s office at 43261

W. Seven Mile Road in the Highland Lakes Shopping Plaza . Drop-offs may be made from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

During other hours, items can be dropped off at Cassel’s Restaurant or World Wide Alterations, also in the Highland Lakes Shopping Plaza. In the downtown area, food donations are accepted at Genitti’s Restaurant, The UPS Store, Great Harvest Bread Co. and Northville City Hall.

The “Simply Give” program at the Northville Meijer (Eight Mile and Haggerty) continues through the end of the year. The purchase of a \$10 donation card at each register directly benefits Civic Concern. Look for the “Simply Give” display boards near the registers. Meijer matches each \$10 donation.

Meanwhile, Kunz said she wants to thank the entire Northville community for their ongoing donations and appreci-

ates any help you can provide during this critical time of need.

For more information, go to Civic Concern’s website at <http://northvillevolunteer.wix.com/civicconcern> or call Northville Civic Concern at 248-344-1033 Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

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## Northville teen reaches out with new Sign Language Club

Jill Halpin  
Correspondent

Northville resident Jane Colter, 15, has a gift to share with other lucky students at Northville High School.

It is the gift of sign language – and the ability to communicate with others – and it has had a big impact in Colter's life. She is hoping that others will be able to learn and use sign language to connect as well.

Born with apraxia, a fine motor disorder that makes speaking difficult for her, Colter has been using sign language to communicate since age 3.

Fully aware – and grateful – for the difference that sign language has made in her life, the freshman is reaching out to others through a new Sign Language Club that she started at the high school in early November.

"I think it is really important to be able to communicate with as many people as possible," Colter said. "Many people don't understand me when I speak, but when I talk slowly and use sign, they can understand what I am trying to say and I think it has really been helpful."

The club's first two meetings included lessons on signing basic words such as "happy" and "Thanksgiving," as well as an introduction to the alphabet. Club members also



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Jane Colter forms words with her hands during a recent meeting of Northville High's Sign Language Club.

learned to sign their names, Colter said.

Diane Dunphy has been Colter's interpreter at school since September, attending classes with her and ensuring that she is understood by her teachers and peers. In addition to assisting Colter throughout the school day, Dunphy is on hand during club meetings if assistance is needed.

The Farmington Hills resident said she has seen firsthand the positive impact that sign language has had in the school.

"The students are very intrigued and interested" by the

aspect of using signing to communicate, she said. "They seem to find it fascinating."

She said that Colter's own positive attitude has seemed to draw the attention of other students.

"Jane has so much energy and is really dedicated. She is quite passionate about the club," Dunphy said.

Colter is also polishing her sign language skills through a course offered through Michigan Virtual University, taught by professors from Gallaudet University, a leading institution for the deaf and hard of hearing in Washington, D.C.

Colter's mother, Julie Warum, is a first-grade teacher at Amerman Elementary School. She said her daughter's ability to use sign language has helped her overcome the obstacles of her speech disorder and she is eager to share the skill with others.

"She is also branching out and trying to educate others. She spends a lot of time preparing lesson plans. This is really important to her," Warum said.

The Sign Language Club's meeting this week featured a deaf speaker who shared experiences with sign language. The meetings are open to all students.

"Communication is so important – it feels great to help others learn how to sign," Colter said.

## Band-O-Rama to fill Northville High School

A musical blast of seismic proportions is again ready to shake up Northville High School. Band-O-Rama, the school's annual band celebration will turn up the heat in the high school auditorium, starting at 7 p.m., Friday.

Under the direction of Mike Rumbell and Johanne Ray-Hepp, every component of the instrumental music program will be individually featured. Intricate performances are on tap from Symphonic Band 9, Symphonic Band 10, Symphonic Band 11/12 and Jazz Ensemble. The grand finale will showcase the unmistakable 262-member Mustang Marching Band.

\$7 tickets will be available at the school box office tomorrow night. Attendees who are 12 years old or younger are admitted at no charge.

With 413 vocal and 262 instrumental music students, the school's music program remains Michigan's largest.

Again this year, Music Boosters are selling \$50 raffle tickets. If the required number of tickets are sold by December 17, cash prizes will range from \$100 to \$5000. (Lesser ticket sales will yield incrementally lessened cash prizes.) At least 10 tickets will be drawn at random on or before December 17.

Tickets will be sold at Band-O-Rama and at December 15-17's holiday concerts. Patrons can also contact the parent of a music student or Music Boosters via [jmarmadu@yahoo.com](mailto:jmarmadu@yahoo.com). Previous

boosters' fundraising efforts have supported long-needed purchases including the choir's updated sound system, the band's new xylophone, along with other instruments, music, and repair funds.

The Mustangs' impressive drum line will be right back in action the next day. On Saturday, it will join forces with 80 NHS choir students at Ward Presbyterian Church for "Christmas for the D". These vocalists (under the guidance of choir director Beth Richert) and only one other high school were tapped to perform in two fundraising concerts (3 p.m. and 7 p.m.) for Central Detroit Christian Community Development Corporation. This faith-based non-profit group works to empower people and opportunities in central Detroit.

Other inspiring artists will perform, hoping the audience will raise funds to renovate a New Center neighborhood. "NHS choir students have worked hard for this," says Richert. "They are excited to share the stage with some famous local talent."

NHS music program information: [rumbelmi@northvilleschools.org](mailto:rumbelmi@northvilleschools.org), [rayheppjo@northvilleschools.org](mailto:rayheppjo@northvilleschools.org), [richerbet@northvilleschools.org](mailto:richerbet@northvilleschools.org) or <http://nhs.northvilleschools.org/>, then check band or choir dropdowns.

Details on tickets and information for the Christmas for the D benefit concert: [ChristmasForTheD.com](http://ChristmasForTheD.com).

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Plymouth Township in which a woman in a house in the area of Powell and Beck roads activated an alarm after seeing two men pounding on the front door and a sport-utility vehicle backed into the driveway. The

men left when the alarm sounded; police checked the area, but could not locate the men or the vehicle, Antal said.

The woman told police that, a short time earlier, a man had pounded on her door, which she did not answer as she wasn't expecting anyone, according to Antal. The man left, the woman told police, but returned a few minutes later

with a second man and a dark SUV and the pounding on the door resumed more vigorously until she sounded the alarm.

One of the men the woman spotted, Antal said, was wearing a hooded sweatshirt like one worn by a man seen on the security video in the Northville Township break-in.

Antal said residents can take simple precautions to

avoid home burglaries or to help the police in their investigation in case a burglary occurs. Residents should know their neighbors and report to police "if there's anything that doesn't look normal," he said.

"We'd rather come out and check something and have it be nothing" than take a burglary report after one has occurred, Antal said.

Christmas gifts, he said, and valuable items like electronics shouldn't be left in the open and the serial numbers of such items should be copied down. Police can use the serial numbers to track the belongings if they do end up being stolen.

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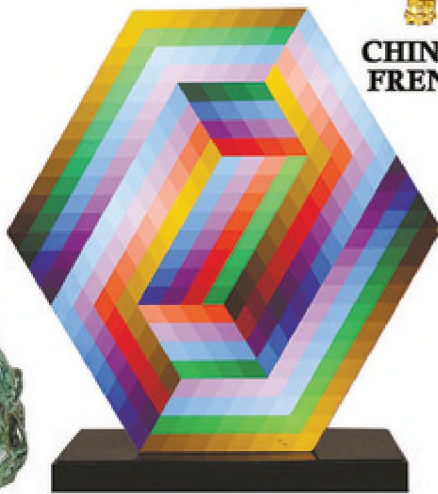
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# Rochon's art on display at Liberty Street Brewing

Plymouth's Liberty Street Brewing Co.'s Upper Hall Gallery will showcase the work of fine artist and photographer Joanne Rochon from Dec. 5 through Jan. 29. An opening reception will kick off the exhibit 6-8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 5, at the brewery, 149 W. Liberty Street.

Daily dream-like twists and nightly dreams influence the compelling paintings of local artist, graphic designer and Northville Art House Exhibit Committee Chair Joanne Rochon. One glance at Rochon's oil paintings "Parade Float" or "Eleven Forty Five" and the viewer is taken into another space, where the artist graciously allows you to experience and escape to a psychological landscape based more on emotion than reality.

Choosing to define the moment by light and color versus digital manipulation, reality shifts into secondary images can be seen in Rochon's



"Family of Tornadoes" by Joanne Rochon.

photography, all meticulously captured by her camera in a specific moment in time.

Born and reared in Detroit, Rochon earned her bachelor of fine arts degree at Eastern Michi-

gan University, concentrating on painting and photography. While at EMU, she established one of only three student-run galleries in the United States – the Intermedia Gallery, which



"Shipping Sheep," is among the art to be exhibited by Joanne Rochon.

ating Joanne Rochon Design, a graphic design firm whose clients included Estee Lauder, Brooklyn Conservatory of Music and The Lincoln Center for Performing Arts.

A recent move back to Michigan has allowed Rochon to display her work at various galleries, including The Scarab Club in Detroit, The Northville Art House, The Crooked Tree Art Center in Petoskey and The Muskegon Museum of Art.

## ART HOUSE HAPPENINGS

The Northville Art House is at 215 W. Cady St. in historic downtown Northville and is celebrating 10 years of providing art enrichment and education to the community through classes, art shows and public art. New for this fall is online registration.

Check out classes and workshops for artists, children, teens and adults at [www.northvillearthouse.org](http://www.northvillearthouse.org). Register early as classes fill quickly. Art House hours are noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, noon to 4 p.m. Saturday and 1-9 p.m. First Fridays only. Call 248-344-0497 for more information.

### Small works

The Northville Art House continues its All Media Small Works exhibit through Dec. 12. This exhibit showcases works of art limited to 12 inches by 12 inches by artists from throughout metro Detroit and several other states.



Small works at the Art House include "When I Don't Want to Leave" by Rita Lee.

Consider giving a small work of art during this holiday season! There will be a free reception 6-9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 4. The show will continue through Dec. 12 during Art House Gallery hours.

### Store

Featured Store artist through January is Carolyn Barritt, an Ann Arbor artist. Carolyn uses acrylic

ink on paper to explore the tension between forced order and the unpredictable nature of the environment. She has exhibited her work throughout the nation and we are proud to display several of her landscape series. Visit her work as well as the work of more than 40 local artists. Buy local, buy art and buy Michigan at the Northville Art House Store.

### Art classes and workshops

Classes for children, teens, adults and artists are available online and brochures are available at the Art House. Go to [www.northvillearthouse.org](http://www.northvillearthouse.org).

### Volunteers and other support

Volunteers are the heart of the Art House. Call us if you're interested in getting involved. You can also offer support through an annual membership to the Friends of the Northville Art House.

## Still time to help kids with library Angel Tree

There is still time to make a child's holiday brighter this year. There are gift tags remaining on the Salvation Army's Angel Tree displayed at the Northville District Library. Angel tags represent a child or teen given assistance through the Salvation Army. Donated gifts are placed in the Salvation Army's Toy Shop and the parents select gifts for their children from your generous donations.

Gift tags feature a suggested gift idea or you can choose a tag for a teen that requests a gift card. Gifts must be new and unwrapped, with the gift tag attached. Return your donations to the Library by 5 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 13.

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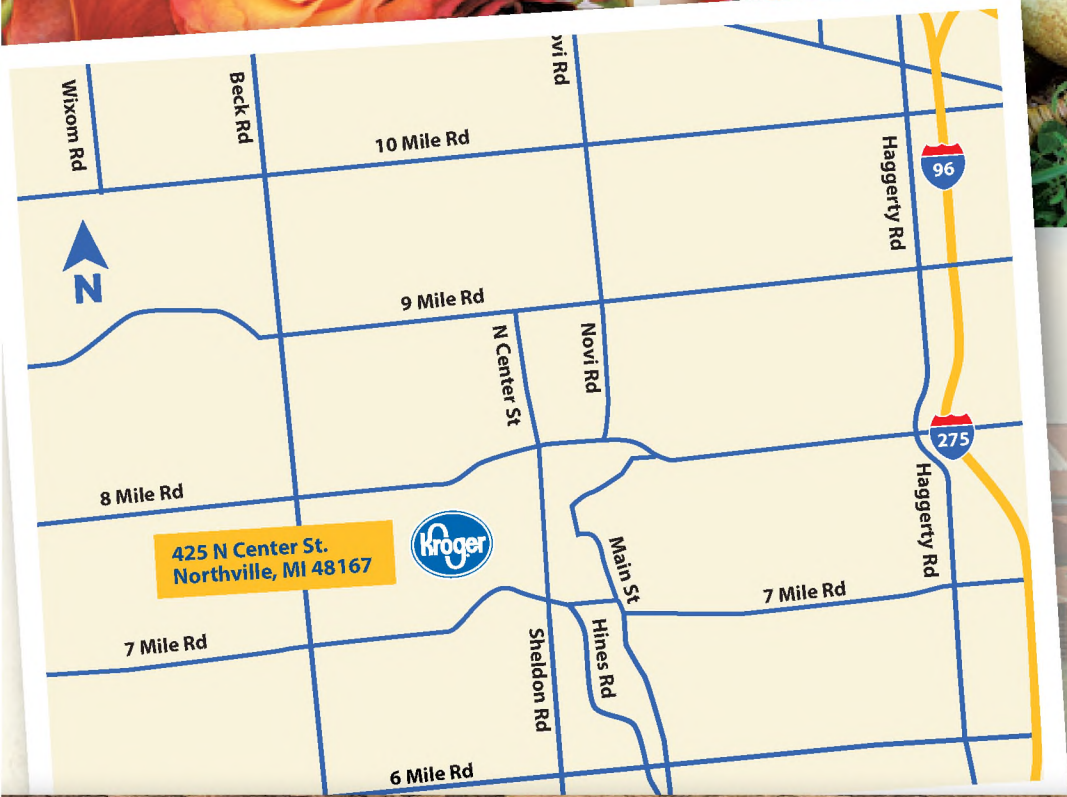
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# Meadowbrook Church to host annual Christmas cookie walk

Thousands of home-made holiday cookies and beautifully packaged candy, bread, fudge and more will be available Saturday, Dec. 12, at the sixth annual Christmas Cookie Walk at Meadowbrook Congregational Church in Novi. Admission is free.

Cookies are \$9 per pound, with other items priced individually. Each

participant will receive a box (or as many boxes as needed) and gloves to walk among tables of holiday cookies and other delights.

Doors open at 9 a.m., but entry numbers will be distributed starting at 8:30 a.m. Participants are encouraged to arrive early to avoid the rush. Free coffee and cookie samples will be served.

The church's sanctuary will be open for viewing.

Proceeds from the event support church missions.

Meadowbrook Congregational Church is at 21355 Meadowbrook Road, between Eight and Nine Mile roads, in Novi. For further information, contact the church office at 248-348-7757 or [www.mbccc.org](http://www.mbccc.org).



STEVE FECHT

There should be something sweet for every taste at the cookie walk.

Send calendar information to [pallmen@hometownlife.com](mailto:pallmen@hometownlife.com) by 5 p.m. Friday to be included in Thursday's publication. The calendar is also available online at [www.hometownlife.com](http://www.hometownlife.com).

## Brightmoor Christian

**Location:** M-5 and 13 Mile, Novi  
**Contact:** 248-668-7014; [celebraterecovery@brightmoorcc.org](mailto:celebraterecovery@brightmoorcc.org)

**Web:** [www.brightmoorchurch.org](http://www.brightmoorchurch.org)

### Celebrate Recovery

**Time/Dates:** 7 p.m. Monday

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

## Church of the Holy Family

**Location:** 24505 Meadowbrook Road, Novi

**Contact:** 248-349-8847

**Web:** [www.holyfamilynovi.org](http://www.holyfamilynovi.org)  
**Mass Schedule:** 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Sunday; 9 a.m. Monday through Friday; 7 p.m. Monday and Tuesday; 4:30 p.m. Saturday; 6:30 p.m. Saturday (Spanish)

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

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

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

**AA:** 8 p.m. Wednesdays

## Crosspointe Meadows

**Location:** 29000 Meadowbrook Road, south of 13 Mile, Novi

**Contact:** 248-669-9400, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday-Thursday

**Web:** [www.crosspointemeadows.org](http://www.crosspointemeadows.org)

**Sunday worship:** 11 a.m.

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

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

## Destiny Worship Center

**Location:** Ridge Wood Elementary School, 41355 Six Mile, Northville

**Contact:** [destinyw3@gmail.com](mailto:destinyw3@gmail.com)

**Web:** [www.dw3c.org](http://www.dw3c.org)

## Detroit Japanese Christian Fellowship

**Location:** 45301 11 Mile, Novi

**Contact:** Kanji Fuki

**Contact:** 248-756-3336

## Dominion Church

**Location:** P.O. Box 605, Novi

**Contact:** 248-767-1366

**Pastor:** James H. Moseley Jr.

**Asst. Pastor:** Ashaki M. Moseley

## Emmanuel Lutheran

**Location:** 34567 Seven Mile, Livonia

**Web:** [www.emmanuel-livonia.org](http://www.emmanuel-livonia.org)

**Contact:** 248-442-8822

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

**Youth group:** 7 p.m. Wednesday

**Special Needs Ministry:** Judy

Cook, 248-442-8822

**Women's Coffee Break Bible Study:** 10-11:30 a.m. Mondays

## Faith Community Presbyterian Church

**Location:** 44400 W. 10 Mile

**Contact:** 248-349-2345

**Web:** [www.faithcommunity-novi.org](http://www.faithcommunity-novi.org)

**Sunday Worship:** 10 a.m.

**Women's Group:** 12:30 p.m. third Thursday

**Children's Faith Club:** 5 p.m. Wednesday

## First Baptist Church of Northville

**Location:** 217 N. Wing, Northville

**Contact:** 248-348-1020

**Sunday Worship:** 10:45 a.m. and 5:45 p.m.

**Sunday School:** 9:30 a.m.

**Ladies Bible Study:** 9:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Tuesday

**Men's Bible Study:** 9 a.m. first Saturday

## First Church of the Nazarene

**Location:** 21260 Haggerty, north of Eight Mile

**Contact:** 248-348-7600

**Web:** [www.dfnazarene.org](http://www.dfnazarene.org)

**Sunday Schedule:** 9:30 a.m. Classic Worship; 11 a.m. Revive (contemporary) Worship; 11 a.m. Kids Worship and Teen Worship; 9:30 and 11 a.m. Sunday School

**Monday:** 7 p.m. - Bible Study Fellowship Men's Bible Study  
**Tuesday:** 9:25 a.m. - Women of the Word Women's Bible Study  
**Wednesday:** 6:30 p.m. - Caravan Scouting program for kids ages 4 through fifth grade; Club 45 for fourth- and fifth-graders; Merge Middle School Worship night; Bible Study with Troy Ogle; Little Critters preschool

program; Alpha class from 6:30-8 p.m. - an opportunity to explore life and the Christian faith in a friendly, open and informal environment. Alpha is for high school to adult.

**Thursday:** 6 a.m. - Men of Purpose Prayer and Bible Study - Revelation.

## First Free Will Baptist Church

**Location:** 51395 10 Mile Road, Novi

**Contact:** 248-348-2380

## First Presbyterian Church of Northville

**Location:** 200 E. Main, Northville

**Contact:** 248-349-0911

**Web:** [www.fpcnorthville.org](http://www.fpcnorthville.org)

**Sunday Worship:** 9:30 a.m.

**Sunday School:** 10:30 a.m. (for all ages)

## First Presbyterian Church

**Location:** 205 E. Lake St., South Lyon

**Contact:** 248-437-2875, [office@fpsouthlyon.org](mailto:office@fpsouthlyon.org)

Worship: Blue Christmas Service, 7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 21

Worship: Christmas Eve Candle-light Service, 10:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 24

[office@fpsouthlyon.org](mailto:office@fpsouthlyon.org)

## First Presbyterian Church

**Location:** 26165 Farmington Road, Farmington

**Gluten-free Halloween Party:** 6:30-9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 23 - The Tri-County Celiac Support Group is hosting the event. Trunk or Treat setup begins at 6:30 and candy distribution from 7-8. Please make sure that the candy you bring is gluten- and peanut-

free. GF doughnuts and cider will be served in the church hall along with children's games until 9. A dance party will be held from 8:15-9. The event is free for members; \$10 for nonmember families. RSVP and questions can be directed to [marci.faro@gmail.com](mailto:marci.faro@gmail.com) or [borgnes@aol.com](mailto:borgnes@aol.com).

## First United Methodist Church of Northville

**Location:** 777 W. Eight Mile, Northville

**Contact:** 248-349-1144

**Web:** [www.fumcnorthville.org](http://www.fumcnorthville.org)

## Frank Turner Ministries

**Location:** Novi Civic Center 45175 W. 10 Mile Road

**Contact:** 810-599-7392

**Web:** [www.FrankTurner.org](http://www.FrankTurner.org)

**Sunday Gathering:** 10 a.m. The Believers Congregation in Novi receives all desiring God's love, grace, healing and acceptance, regardless of faith background, gender identification or sexual orientation. The atmosphere is warm and loving. The attire is casual. Experience an entirely new way of sharing and receiving the love of the Lord Jesus Christ.

## Good Shepherd Evangelical Lutheran Church (WELS)

**Location:** 41415 Nine Mile, Novi

**Contact:** 248-349-0565, [www.goodshepherdnovi.org](http://www.goodshepherdnovi.org)

**Pastor:** Rev Thomas E. Schroeder

**Service:** 8:45 a.m. Sunday School and Bible study; 10 a.m. worship

## Grace Immanuel Bible Church

**Location:** 21900 Meadowbrook Road, Novi

**Pastor:** Charles Sexton

**Contact:** 248-344-4465

## Holy Cross Episcopal

**Location:** 40700 W. 10 Mile, Novi

**Contact:** 248-427-1175; [holycrossnovi@gmail.com](mailto:holycrossnovi@gmail.com)

**Web:** [www.holycrossnovi.org](http://www.holycrossnovi.org)

**Sunday Worship:** 7:45 and 10 a.m.

**Sunday School and Nursery Care:** 10 a.m. worship service

**Alzheimer's Support Group:** 10 a.m. second Saturday

## Hope Lutheran Church

**Location:** 39200 W. 12 Mile, Farmington Hills

Immanuel Lutheran Church

**Location:** 330 E. Liberty, South Lyon

**Contact:** 248-437-2289

**Pastor:** Pastor Scott Miller

**Upcoming:** Christmas for the Family: The Christmas story, crafts, games and lunch for the family, 10 a.m. to noon on Saturday, Dec. 5.

## Lakes Baptist Church

**Location:** 309 Decker Road, Walled Lake

## Legacy Church

(formerly First Baptist Church and Orchard Hills Baptist Church)

**Location:** 23455 Novi Road, Novi

**Contact:** pastor Jon Hix, 248-349-5665

**Web:** [www.legacychurch.us](http://www.legacychurch.us)

**Sunday School/Small Groups for all ages:** 9:45 a.m.

**Worship Services:** 11 a.m.

**Bible Study/Prayer:** Wednesday 7 p.m.

## Livonia Church of Christ

**Location:** 15431 Merriman, Livonia

**Contact:** 734-427-8743

**Web:** [www.livoniachurch.net](http://www.livoniachurch.net)

**Sunday Worship:** 11 a.m.

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

## Meadowbrook Congregational Church

**Location:** 21355 Meadowbrook Road, Novi

**Contact:** the Rev. Arthur P. Ritter, senior minister; 248-348-7757; [office@mbccc.org](mailto:office@mbccc.org)

**Web:** [www.mbccc.org](http://www.mbccc.org)

**Sunday Worship:** 10 a.m.; church school and nursery care provided during worship

**Fellowship Hour:** 11 a.m.

## Memorial Church of Christ

**Location:** 35475 Five Mile Road, Livonia

**Minister:** Mark McGilvrey

**Web:** [www.5milechurch.org](http://www.5milechurch.org)

**Contact:** 734-464-6722; [churchoffice@5milechurch.org](mailto:churchoffice@5milechurch.org)

## Metropolitan Seventh-day Adventist Church

**Location:** 15585 N Haggerty Road, Plymouth

**Contact:** 734-420-3131

**Web:** [www.metrodachurch.org](http://www.metrodachurch.org)

**Bible Study:** 9:30 a.m. Saturday

**Worship Service:** 10:45 a.m. Saturday

**Bible Study/Prayer:** 7 p.m. Wednesday

## Northville Christian Assembly

**Location:** 41355 Six Mile

**Contact:** 248-348-9030

**Web:** [www.ncalife.org](http://www.ncalife.org)

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

**Wednesday Family Night:** 7 p.m.; Adult elective classes; junior and senior high ministries; children's programs, Nursery and Preschool Program on Sundays and Wednesdays Home of Northville Christian School (day care; preschool through eighth grade); call 248-348-9031.

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### BULMON, MELVIN

Age 78, passed away November 21, 2015. He was born on February 25, 1937 in Lyon Township; son of the late Harold and Mildred Bulmon. Melvin was a proud Army veteran. He retired from Michigan Seamless Tube after 44 years of dedicated service. Melvin will always be remembered as a loving and devoted husband, father and grandfather. He is survived by his wife of 55 years, Leona; his children: John Bulmon, Theresa (Joseph) Springer, and Denice Bulmon. He is also survived by four grandchildren; two sisters and three brothers. Visitation and funeral services were held on Friday, November 27 at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, 122 W. Lake St., South Lyon. [www.phillipsfuneral.com](http://www.phillipsfuneral.com)

### BULMON, MELVIN

February 25, 1937 - November 21, 2015. Arrangements by: PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME. [www.phillipsfuneral.com](http://www.phillipsfuneral.com)

### CAMERER,

### ANICE RUTH

Dec. 15, 1931-Nov. 23, 2015 L. J. Griffin Funeral Home-Northrop Sassaman Chapel

### FISHER, SR.,

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June 29, 1934-November 17, 2015. [www.obriensullivanfuneralhome.com](http://www.obriensullivanfuneralhome.com)

### GORNALL,

### FLORENCE

March 1, 1922 - November 26, 2015. L.J. Griffin Funeral Home Northrop-Sassaman Chapel



### HEIRMAN, GREGORY

Age 77, of Northville and formerly of East Detroit, passed away on November 23, 2015. He is preceded in death by his loving wife and best friend, Margaret (Zitny); children, Catherine Marie (Paul) Edwards, Suzanne Marie Krueger, Gregory David (Heidi) Heirman; grandchildren Andrew Krueger, Monica Heirman and Stephanie Heirman. He also leaves loving family members and friends including his dear companion, Charlie. Greg was a graduate of Servite High School ("56) and attended Henry Ford Community College. He was a long time employee of Rockwell International and retired in 1997. Greg was a passionate philanthropist, donating time and money to many causes. He enjoyed nature and was an avid gardener, enjoyed growing succulent plants, bird watching and fishing. He spent countless hours enjoying time with his grandchildren encouraging and providing them the opportunity to lead successful lives. Friends and family are encouraged to make contributions to The Servants of Mary, 7400 Military Avenue, Omaha NE 68134-3351, phone: 402-571-2547. Arrangements are being handled by Lynch & Sons Funeral Directors, Brighton 810.229.2905. [www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com](http://www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com)

### KANNEY, ROBERT

December 27, 1923-November 15, 2015. [www.obriensullivanfuneralhome.com](http://www.obriensullivanfuneralhome.com)

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### ROBERT

April 19, 1937-November 18, 2015. [www.obriensullivanfuneralhome.com](http://www.obriensullivanfuneralhome.com)

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### HENRY PAUL

July 13, 1928-November 27, 2015 L. J. Griffin Funeral Home-Northrop Sassaman Chapel

### LOREE, PATRICIA

### JULIENNE

August 22, 1933-November 28, 2015. L.J. Griffin Funeral Home-Northrop-Sassaman Chapel

### MARINELLI, GLORIA

April 29, 1927 - November 23, 2015. Arrangements by: PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME [www.phillipsfuneral.com](http://www.phillipsfuneral.com)

### MROWKA, RICHARD

November 7, 1931 - November 23, 2015. Service held by: PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME. [www.phillipsfuneral.com](http://www.phillipsfuneral.com)



### OLEKSY, JOHN J.

Age 67, passed away November 18, 2015. He was born on August 6, 1948 in Detroit, son of the late James and Marie Oleksy. John retired from the Ford Rouge Plant after 30 years of service as a Millwright. He was an avid outdoorsman and loved to hunt and fish. He will always be remembered as a loving and devoted husband. He is survived by his beloved wife of 40 years, Kathy; his sisters: Dawn (Rick) Brabant and Sandra Trominski; his niece, Ashley; and his nephews: Jamie and Alan. Private family services have been held. [www.phillipsfuneral.com](http://www.phillipsfuneral.com)

### PAPSON, DENNIS

January 25, 1952-November 13, 2015. [www.obriensullivanfuneralhome.com](http://www.obriensullivanfuneralhome.com)

### ROSE, LORAIN

March 25, 1927 - November 24, 2015. Arrangements by: PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME. [www.phillipsfuneral.com](http://www.phillipsfuneral.com)



# State parks see banner year for camping

**Kathleen Lavey**  
Michigan.com

Low fuel prices and an improved economy have helped boost the number of nights spent camping in Michigan's state parks and recreation areas past 1 million for 2015.

That's the first time the state has hit that number since 2012 and it's 9 percent higher than

2014 reservations. Even better news: Campers say they like what they're getting.

"Overall, the numbers are up and the customer feedback we're getting has been really positive," said Jason Fleming, resource management chief for the Michigan Department of Natural Resources' parks division.

Fleming said surveys of campers during the 2015 year show that 89 percent rate the experience as "good" or "very good."

"First of all, they really like the services," Fleming said. "They like the fact that we go in and we take care of the facilities." Fleming said the state is always working on off-season improve-

ments such as updating facilities or upgrading electrical service throughout a campground. Another priority is improving accessibility.

He said campers also gave the state parks' reservation system good marks.

The majority of campers in state parks use tents or recreational

vehicles, but Fleming said cabins, mini-cabins, yurts and a handful of lodges that once served as residences for park supervisors are popular. They're also a good choice for first-time visitors or people who want less-rustic lodging in the outdoors.

"How do we reach out to people who don't camp?" Fleming said. "Is that through cabins or our camping 101 program?" That program offers all equipment

necessary and help with set up at selected campgrounds to teach newbies the ropes of camping.

Fleming said the state's recreation staffers are trying to find ways to expand on mid-week camping, when parks tend to be less full.

The 1 millionth camper of 2015 was Cameron Wells of New Hudson, who made the 1 millionth camping night reservation at Proud Lake Recreation Area in Oakland County.

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**Milford United Methodist Church**  
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**Children's Church: 10:30 am**  
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**Our Saviour Apostolic Lutheran Church**  
54899 8 Mile Rd. at Durrie Rd. Northville, MI 48167  
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9:45 am Children's & Adult's Sunday School  
10:30 am Fellowship/Coffee  
11:00 am Worship Service  
Wednesday Bible Study at 7 pm  
Pastor Andy Whitten  
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**Worship: 8:15am, 10:45am, 11am & 6:30pm**  
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### IN CONCERT

**Time/Date:** 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 5; and 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 6.

**Details:** The Sounds of Christmas features the BeckRidge Chorale, Cherry Hill Singers, the BeckRidge Youth Choirs and YOU. That's right, our annual Christmas concert will feature all our vocal ensembles and you. Throughout the concert, the audience will add their voices to the music of the season. This is a concert for the entire family. Sure to put you in the holiday spirit.

Tickets \$12 to \$18 for the concert at Hillside Middle School in Northville. Purchase tickets online at [www.beckridge.org](http://www.beckridge.org) or at the door.

### COOKIE WALK

**Time/Date:** 8:30 a.m. to noon, Saturday, Dec. 5.

**Details:** Northville First United Methodist Church is hosting Cookie Walk 2015 as a fundraiser for the Appalachian Service Project, a Christian home repair/home building ministry through which volunteers and staff repair and build homes for low-income families in rural Appalachia. Youth in grades 7-12, along with adult chaperones, travel and stay for a week in Appalachia each summer on this mission to make homes warmer, safer, and drier for families in need.

Purchase fresh, homemade holiday cookies at the church, 777 Eight Mile Road, Northville. Homemade nut-free and gluten-free cookies as well additional holiday treats.

### 'AMAHL AND THE NIGHT VISITORS'

**Time/Date:** 5 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 6

**Details:** Tickets for Arbor Opera Theater's production of *Amahl and the Night Visitors* at Meadowbrook Congregational Church in Novi are available through the church website at [www.mbccc.org](http://www.mbccc.org) and at the door. This short (45-minute long) story of the young boy, Amahl, and his surprise meeting with the Three Wise Men, is a holiday classic for both children and adults. Tickets are \$9 per person. Arbor Opera Theater's production with Meadowbrook soloist Stephanie Rose Kanak in the role of the Mother will be presented in Meadowbrook's stunning sanctuary with its superior acoustics.

The church is located at 21355 Meadowbrook Road, north of Eight Mile and one mile west of Haggerty. Seating is general admission; doors will open at 4:30 p.m.

### SPECIAL LUNCHEONS

**Time:** Noon to 2 p.m.

**Details:** Holiday special event luncheons coming to Meadowbrook Activity Center are a great way to enjoy a delicious meal and entertainment with friends. Tickets (\$7 per Novi resident and \$8.50 per non-resident) must be purchased in advance at the city of Novi Older Adult Services office (45175 10 Mile Road) or the Meadowbrook Activity Center (25075 Meadowbrook Road).

**Thursday, Dec. 10:** Are you a believer? Does Santa exist? Travel on a magical adventure to the North Pole and rekindle the wonder of Christmas at the All Aboard the Polar Express Holiday Luncheon. Join your friends for a gleeful afternoon with sounds of the season presented by Eric Engblade. Wellbridge of Novi Rehab Center will sponsor this event.

For more information about the holiday luncheons, contact Judy Klein, recreation programmer, Older Adult Services, at 248-347-0414.

### LANGSFORD MEN IN CONCERT

**Time/Date:** 8 p.m., Friday, Dec. 11 (Our Lady of LaSalette Catholic Church, 2600 Harvard at Coolidge, Berkley), and 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 13 (Trinity Lutheran Church, 45160 VanDyke at Hall Road, Utica).

**Details:** Langsford Men's Chorus will present its "Celebrate Christmas" concert with a variety of Christmas favorites, ranging from the classical to the traditional to contemporary. The chorus features men from throughout Oakland and Wayne counties. Directed by Steven SeGraves, the 55-member chorus is considered one of Michigan's premier male choruses. Named in honor of its namesake, the late Dr. Harry M. Langsford, founder and director of the Wayne State University Men's Glee Club for more than 45 years. Tickets \$15 at door, \$12 in advance, available online at [www.langsfordmenschorus.org](http://www.langsfordmenschorus.org).

### NOVI CHORALAIRES HOLIDAY CONCERTS

**Time/Date:** 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 12, at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 28000 New Market Road, Farmington Hills, and 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 13, at Church of the Holy Family, 24505 Meadowbrook

**Details:** The Novi Choralaires is a chorus of men and women from the city of Novi and surrounding communities, founded in 1975 and operating under the umbrella of Novi Parks Performing Arts. Directed by their artistic music director Liz Wolber.

This Holiday season the Novi Choralaires present "A Very British Christmas." The program includes songs and carols from Great Britain highlighting music from the 15th century through modern day. Favorites include arrangements by John Rutter. Tickets \$12 adults or \$10 for seniors and children younger than 12. Group rates available.

### CONCERT BAND PERFORMANCE

**Time/Date:** 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 13.

**Details:** The Novi Concert Band, the community band for the city of Novi, will perform its holiday show Music for the Holidays. The group will perform music for all ages and tastes. The performance is free, but donations welcome. The concert will take place at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 10 Mile Road.

### CHILLY SOFTBALL

**Time/Date:** 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 9; registration deadline Dec. 29.

**Details:** The city of Novi Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department hosts the second annual Chili Chilly Softball Showdown at Ella Mae Power Park. The co-ed event features wooden bats, a 16-inch ball, one pitch per at bat, prizes for all participants and a lunch featuring coney dogs from Kerby's Koney Island. 18 years of age or older. \$250 per team. Double elimination format with games lasting six innings.

To register your team, go to [cityofnovi.org](http://cityofnovi.org) or the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services office inside the Novi Civic Center, 45175 10 Mile Road.

## Fun on the run



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

**Orchard Hills Elementary School student Gabby Ansara begins her part of the Nov. 5 Wildcat Run fundraiser. The event, where students and staff took donations to run or walk around the school's track, is to raise funds for its PTO.**

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## OUR VIEW

# Donate and show thieves Civic Concern will continue its work despite ill-timed robbery

Shameful is the only way to describe the reported break-in and theft that occurred a couple days before Thanksgiving at the Northville Civic Concern. The Civic Concern's Marlene Kunz said it best: "They have only taken from the community, which has given us so much."

It's bad enough that someone felt the need to break into a nonprofit and wreak havoc. But the person or persons who committed the reported crime took from a nonprofit that only serves to help others. That's the salt in the wound.

Now there is a need to restock so Civic Concern can take care of families and individuals who are in need in the Northville community. Kunz has urged community members to help replenish the shelves of food items, but mostly the gift and gas cards that are provided to families to help with purchases.

In addition to the Civic Concern's 52-week food pantry, the organization provides meals at the holidays, as well as other items and the gift cards. The families and individuals who benefit from Civic Concern must go through a documentation process to ensure that they are eligible for donations.



The Northville Civic Concern counts on donations to help families in need.

Right now, more than 180 families in the Northville area rely on the Civic Concern for help. The theft took a large chunk out of what the organization had to pro-

vide these families.

Anyone who is able is urged to help Civic Concern. Donations can be taken to Northville Civic Concern's office at 43261 W. Seven Mile Road in the Highland Lakes Shopping Plaza. Drop-offs may be made from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday, Wednesday or Friday.

During other hours, items can be dropped off at Cassel's Restaurant or World Wide Alterations also in the Highland Lakes Shopping Plaza. If you are in the downtown area, food donations are accepted at Genitti's Restaurant, The UPS Store, Great Harvest Bread Company, and Northville City Hall.

The "Simply Give" program at the Northville Meijer (Eight Mile and Haggerty) continues through the first of the year. The purchase of a \$10 donation card at each register directly benefits Civic Concern. Look for the "Simply Give" display boards near the registers. The Meijer Corporation matches each \$10 donation.

Refilling the Civic Concern's shelves is the only way to show the thieves that, no matter what, they cannot hurt the organization's work or the generosity of the Northville community.

## LETTERS

### Religious liberty attacked

State Sen. Patrick Colbeck's op-ed that appeared in the *Northville Record* edition of Nov. 26 nails the current state of attack on religious liberty that is taking place in our country today.

If a sitting U.S. president were to issue a Thanksgiving Proclamation today and invite fellow citizens "to set apart, and observe the last Thursday of Novem-

ber next, as a day of Thanksgiving and Praise to our beneficent Father who dwelleth in the Heavens" and also "... fervently implore the interposition of the Almighty Hand to heal the wounds of the nation ...," I dare say the liberals and secularists of today would come down on Abraham Lincoln with much vitriol and disdain for violating church and state.

Sadly, this movement on religious freedom is getting away with paint-

ing the historical fact that our country was founded on Judeo-Christian principles and seeks to ban any reference to God in public. We also would not have Thanksgiving today except for the fact that Lincoln made this proclamation Oct. 3, 1863, a time when invoking religion in public was acceptable and, dare I say it, tolerated.

Ray Ferrer  
Northville

### No place in government

Religious freedom has another side from Sen. Patrick Colbeck's op-ed piece in the Nov. 26 edition of the *Northville Record*.

Most of us believe in religious freedom. But then, we were blasted Nov. 27 with the news of an abortion-crazed man

attacking a planned parenthood clinic in Colorado, killing three people.

The majority of Americans have made abortion legal in this country. But abortion doctors continue to be stalked and murdered by religious fanatics. The Catholic Church and Right to Life organizations do not condone such illegal activation. However, they continually push anti-abortion bills in the Legislature.

Fanatics grab onto these religious crusades and use it as an excuse for killing. ISIS is also a religion. It has killed thousands in it's wars against Christians and other religions in the middle east.

Religions can be destructive and have been throughout history. Read about the Spanish Inquisition and the Crusades.

We must have freedom

from religion when it begins to trample on the rights and lives of law-abiding citizens and disrupts our government's equal representation of all citizens.

There is plenty of room for practicing religion in our private lives and homes and churches.

Organized religion has no place in our government, which has to equally serve citizens of many different religions.

Bob Moreillon  
Northville

### Right-wing theme

A recent letter by one Bernie Mastey attempts to debunk another writer's theory that Patrick Colbeck is pro-birth, not pro-life. When I read the original letter in this paper by Mitch Dubanik, it appeared to me that the point was that the ultra-right has consistently cut a family's benefits and

livelihood while attacking a woman's right to control her own body.

Mastey, with his gobbley-gook writing in this letter and the past, has shown his Tea Party fondness. Colbeck and his brethren remind me of an episode of *Family Guy*. In that show, Peter, the father, falls in with a right-to-life group and browbeats a destitute young woman into not having an abortion.

After the birth, Peter and Brian, the talking dog, are shown leaving the hospital. Brian asks Peter what they can do to help the baby. Peter looks at Brian with astonishment and says, "Help him? We got him born. Screw him."

And there, in a nutshell, you have the entire right-wing theme: we got him born, screw him.

James Huddleston  
Canton

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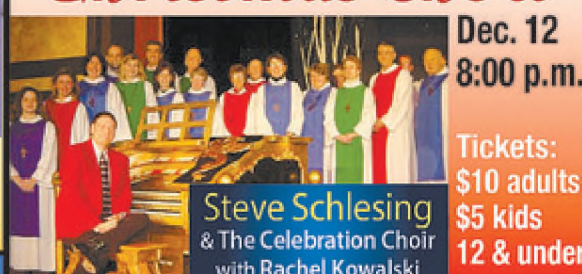
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# In Lansing, majority rules on number of bills passed

**Kathleen Gray**  
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There are many ways to determine the effectiveness of elected representatives in the state Legislature: leadership positions, constituent services and length of service.

But another way is how much influence a lawmaker has in actually making laws. So far this year, 202 bills passed by the Michigan Legislature have been signed into law — everything from a package of bills to fix the state's roads to allowing religiously affiliated adoption agencies to decline services to clients based on religious or moral reasons.

The one thing in common with most of the bills: the vast majority were sponsored by Republicans, who have clear control of the House (61-46) and Senate (27-11). Of the 202 bills signed into law, 179 were sponsored by Republicans and 23 by Democrats. Meanwhile, 22 Republicans and 35 Democrats have had none of the bills they've sponsored passed this year. And only two Detroit members have gotten any bills passed and signed into law.

"Obviously, the party that's in power passes the most bills," said former Speaker of the House Rick Johnson, R-LeRoy.

"But when I was there, I always tried to make sure that everybody had some type of legislation that got passed. I wanted to make sure that everyone was part of the process."

In Johnson's first year as Speaker, 49 of the 506 bills passed and signed into law in 2001 were sponsored by Democrats. By Johnson's last year as Speaker in 2004, 89 of the 596 bills signed into law were sponsored by Democrats.

"It is frustrating, particularly when you're working in good faith on issues and most of my bills are non-partisan. I've had some bills pass the Senate, but nothing that's gone through the House yet," said state Sen. Steven Bieda, D-Warren, who has sponsored 25 bills, but hasn't seen one pass. "You don't get a ton of bills in the minority, but you get some."

"It bites being in the minority."

It's not that Democrats aren't trying to influence policy. Of the 1,081 bills introduced so far this year, 377, or 35 percent have been introduced by Democrats while 704 have been put in the legislative hopper by Republicans.

At the other end is state Rep. Al Pscholka, R-Stevensville, who has the most sponsored bills, at 51, and the most that

have passed, at 14. Most of that is a function of his role as chairman of the Appropriations Committee, with budget bills introduced with him as the lead sponsor. But he also has had bills that require school attendance for families with children to qualify for state assistance and that prohibit the Michigan Economic Development Corp. from participating in any more venture capital programs.

"I've always been known as an active legislator," he said. "The other side has had some opportunities this year to get things done, but I think their leadership has failed them. They could be a more effective minority, but their unwillingness to meet us halfway has led them to be ineffective."

State Rep. Harvey Santana, D-Detroit, is the exception to that rule. He has the most bills passed of any Democrat, at five, but that's because he has worked with Republicans on the Appropriations Committee and supported some controversial issues that, in part, have caused him to get kicked out of the Democratic caucus. Santana is often the only Democratic vote on controversial bills, and he doesn't meet with Democrats during closed-door caucus meetings.

As a result, five of the

19 bills he has sponsored, including some of his pet issues like expanding the eligible age for young people convicted of a crime to be granted youthful trainee status and regulating mixed martial arts competitions, have been brought up for hearings and passed in the House and Senate.

"I've done a good job of trying to strengthen relationships on the other side of support for my bills," Santana said. "Democrats don't allow me in the caucus room and by the time the issue comes down where they've taken a caucus position, I'm never part of that discussion. What that has left me with is, I'm the guy who is the Republican go-to when they need a critical vote."

For others, like state Rep. Sam Singh, D-East Lansing, the lack of movement on Democratic bills is a disappointing reality of serving in the minority.

"I understand that for a variety of political reasons, our bills won't be brought up," said Singh, who has introduced 14 bills, but seen only one pass. "But many of our bills have bipartisan support, and those are the bills I'd like to see brought forward in committees for a hearing."

The one he'd really like to see more action on is a bill that would provide limited amnesty for people who are suffering from an overdose from an illegal drug, like heroin, and who seek assistance for that health crisis. The House has passed legislation — sponsored by Pscholka — that would provide that amnesty for minors who are experiencing an overdose on prescription drugs or their friends who are trying to find emergency health care for them.

"Both prescription drugs and heroin are significant issues," Singh said. "It was a great first step by Pscholka, but it didn't go far enough."

At the far end of the bill-passing spectrum are three legislators who have no bills under their belts, either introduced or passed, including Speaker of the House Kevin Cotter, R-Mt. Pleasant, state Rep. Frank Liberati, D-Allen Park, and Sen. Tory Rocca, R-Sterling Heights.

But that doesn't necessarily mean they have little influence. Cotter, like Johnson before him, spends more time setting the agenda for the majority Republicans than sponsoring bills.

"Under the rules, the Speaker could get unlimited priorities on bills and a super priority is when the Speaker and the ma-

jority leader are asking for something together. I never did either," Johnson said. "When I became Speaker, I never even cosigned on a bill. I always thought that was a good rule because it didn't influence a bill one way or another."

"I always said it doesn't matter who introduces the bills, it's how people vote on them. Nobody remembers that so and so introduced the bill."

Now that the roads improvement package has passed the Legislature, with little Democratic support (only Santana and Sen. Virgil Smith, D-Detroit, voted for the main bills in the package) state Rep. Kurt Heise, R-Plymouth, said he hopes some other things come to the forefront. He has sponsored 33 bills this year and gotten only four passed.

"Things got slowed down because of the roads debate, and this is going to free up quite a few items. We have several bills, perhaps a dozen dealing with old and outdated laws. I've also got the whole presumptive parole as well and criminal justice reform," he said. "I've got a lot of bills out there. I think they're very worthwhile, and it takes time to get them through the system. But I'm also very patient."

# Proposed bill would give some state workers police powers

**Justin A. Hinkley**  
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Critics say a bill giving new police powers to certain state workers would create "welfare police" to punish the poor, but supporters say it's a stride toward efficiency and protecting taxpayer dollars.

State Sen. Peter MacGregor's Senate Bill 384 would give arrest

powers to employees of the Department of Health & Human Service's Office of Inspector General. That agency investigates welfare fraud, such as when food stamps are sold for cash or used for ineligible items such as cigarettes.

Under the bill, which passed the state Senate 27-11 in September and is awaiting a committee vote in the House, OIG

agents could arrest people for trafficking food stamps or other benefits or if the agents have "probable cause" to believe a person committed a felony.

A companion bill from state Sen. Rick Jones, R-Grand Ledge, would exempt those agents from certain firearm restrictions.

DHHS spokesman Bob Wheaton wrote in an

email there are 240 employees in the OIG, but the department plans to have fewer than 10 inspectors with the new police powers.

Wheaton said DHHS supports the bill because its agents can currently only take action against the benefits recipients for violations, but must rely on U.S. Department of Agriculture agents to handle the retailers who



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The Michigan Capitol is seen at the end of Michigan Avenue. State Sen. Peter MacGregor's Senate Bill 384 would give arrest powers to employees of the Department of Health & Human Service's Office of Inspector General.

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participate in fraud. There are only five federal agents across Michigan, he said, and "our Office of Inspector General receives daily tips on retailer trafficking."

But the bill has both bipartisan support and bipartisan opposition.

Speaking against the bill on the Senate floor in September, Democratic state Sen. Coleman Young II said the bill "seeks to criminalize the very act of being a member of the working poor."

"This bill would allow the Department of Health & Human Services to create its own police force," Young said. "That's right, welfare police. Literally, the welfare police. This is insane; it's crazy."

Republican state Sen. Patrick Colbeck said on the floor that he opposed the bill because DHHS typically implements

federal policy, including the Affordable Care Act, and the bill would lead to "the camel's nose under the tent giving more and more credence to the concern of the federal government's overreach into areas where they have no authority."

In Michigan, the OIG found \$2.4 million in fraud from trafficking last year, according to the office's annual report. The office claims every dollar invested in enforcement yields \$26 in taxpayer savings.

According to the House Fiscal Agency, DHHS would spend about \$300,000 to arm and train eight agents in a Michigan State Police training program.

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# Pelican Foundation, Lowe's help family

**Diane Gale Andreassi**  
Staff Writer

Dave and Kim Strange knew it would only be a matter of time before one of them would fall down the steps of their South Lyon home while carrying their 14-year-old daughter Breanna from her second floor bedroom to the main level.

Once the Pelican Foundation, a local non-profit organization, heard about their plight, it enlisted the help of Lowe's and got to work on making life a little easier for the Strange family with a new addition on the ground level.

Just like that, the perilous descent down the steps was eliminated and no more wondering and worrying about carrying Breanna, who weighs 90 pounds. Breanna has dystonia, which causes her muscles to become so tight she can't do much for herself. When she is medicated, she becomes very limp, Dave said.

Foundation volunteers and Lowe's employees came together to build a



Kim Strange (left) watches as Lowe's employee Todd Amprim (right) cuts a piece of flooring for the Strange home in South Lyon recently during Lowe's Local Heroes effort. Lowe's and its employees were helping to renovate and make the house more accessible for their daughter Breanna, who has dystonia.

first-floor bedroom, a caregiver's room and a bathroom in the Strange home. The renovation and amenities cost \$80,000, said Jay Howie, Pelican Foundation vice president.

"I don't have the

words to express our gratitude," Dave Strange said. "It wasn't a matter of if, but when we would have fallen. We are so incredibly grateful. The people in the Pelican Foundation are amazing people. Jay has led the

charge on this and he's been awesome to work with."

Fulfilling the need for Breanna, Dave and Kim Strange was exactly what the Pelican Foundation is all about, Howie said.

"We have to recognize



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Lowe's employees Russ Bruner (left) and Jeff Stroble work on adding wood flooring to the Strange house.

a problem in our community and solve it," he said. "The community really did this. It was the residents from Northville to Milford and Brighton to Novi who come to our fundraisers and spent the money to put into these causes and if it wasn't for them we couldn't do this. It's about our community. When we take our kids out there they see why we are doing it."

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St. Amour earned her BBA in accounting from Western Michigan University. She is employed as an accountant for New Mind Group, Inc., in Kalamazoo.

Wilde earned his bachelor of science in biometric security from Davenport University. He is employed as a software developer for IBM in East Lansing.

A June 25, 2016, wedding is planned in Kalamazoo.



Alissa K. St. Amour and John R. Wilde

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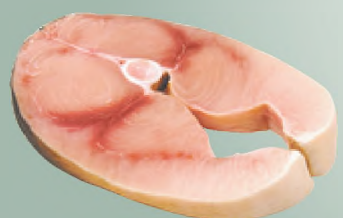
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GIRLS BASKETBALL PREVIEW

# Northville and Novi will rely on youth movement

Mustangs, Wildcats boast only two seniors each

**Brad Emons**  
Staff Writer

Youth will be served – and then some – for both the Northville and Novi girls basketball teams this season. Both teams posted a 13-8 record a year ago and boast a roster full of underclassmen, as Northville and Novi feature only two seniors apiece. “We lost a few more players than expected – initially only graduating one starter from

last year – but it wasn’t a total surprise to us as we knew late last season that Mariah (Modkins) most likely was moving and that Bryce (Quick) would focus on volleyball, so we were prepared for those changes,” Northville coach Todd Gudith said. “That opened the door for us to bring in a few more newcomers.” Modkins, a speedy point guard, transferred to Solon (Ohio) High School, but Northville’s back court remains in good shape with the return of 6-foot junior guard Jessica Moorman, who averaged 8.6

**INSIDE**  
Girls basketball team capsules, B3.

points per game, along with 5-7 sophomore guard Kendall Dillon, who averaged 6.3 points. Moorman, who shot 38 percent from the field and 71 percent from the foul line, earned first team All-Area honors last season. Other key returnees include junior Brook Adams and sophomore Roan Haines, while foreign exchange student

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Novi sophomore guard Ellie Mackay (middle) returns after averaging 10.2 points per game.

BOYS HOCKEY



Northville's Jack Mitchell (front) seizes possession of the puck and heads toward the Novi goal.

JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

# MUSTANGS WIN GOALTENDER BATTLE AGAINST WILDCATS, 1-0

Miller, Richardson star in defensive struggle

**Brad Emons**  
Staff Writer

It was pretty cut-and-dry determining the three stars Nov. 24 following the KLAA Central Division boys hockey game between Northville and Novi. Northville goaltender Brett Miller, who stopped all 26 shots he face, got the nod for No. 1, while Novi netminder Josh Richardson, who made 28 saves, was No. 2.

No. 3, meanwhile, went to Northville senior forward Kyle Dann, who scored the game's only goal with 4:09 remaining in the second period to give the host Mustangs a rare 1-0 triumph over the Wildcats at Novi Ice Arena. “Really a great defensive game for us,” Northville first-year coach Jon Gates said. “Miller in goal played outstanding. He played great on Saturday (4-1 win over Lake Orion), a real asset for us in between the pipes. Our team is really buying into team defense.” Sam Bradley and Riley

Brass picked up assists on the game-winning goal by Dann, who ripped a shot from 18 feet. near the left slot and past Richardson. “We’re not going to light up the scoreboard like we did last year with (Jack) Meacham and (Alec) Morgan, but we’re going to win a lot of games,” said Gates, whose team improved to 2-1 overall. “We’re going to be in a lot of games, these one-goal games. It was just the determination. The grit of our team just kind of got us over the hump today.” Miller, a junior, has be-

come a welcome addition for the Mustangs after playing two seasons for Belle Tire's Under-15 AAA team, and prior to that for the Oakland Junior Grizzlies. “Best defense is good goaltending and he got his first shutout today,” Gates said. “He’s quality, great technique. He’ll keep us in all our games.” Miller helped preserve the victory when he denied Ryan Wexler from point-blank range with 8:59 left in the third period.

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BOYS HOCKEY

# Late goals boost CC in victory over Rice

CC senior Mancinelli tallies game-winner vs. Warriors win early showdown, 3-1

**Brad Emons**  
Staff Writer

The Catholic Central-Brother Rice hockey rivalry had all the Thanksgiving eve trimmings and more Nov. 25 at USA Hockey Arena. The battle between state champions did not disappoint as the host Shamrocks, the defending MHSAA Division 1 champs, got a late goal from senior JoJo Mancinelli, followed by Brian Kearns' empty-netter in the waning seconds, to upend the defending Division 2 champion Warriors, 3-1. CC, which improved to 3-0 overall and 2-0 in the North Division of the Michigan Interscholastic Hockey League, scored the game-winner with only 3:27 remaining on a power play to break a 1-1 deadlock just 11 seconds after Rice's Jack Clement was sent to the penalty box for an inadvertent high stick. Catholic Central's Kyle Mulka then won the face-off to set up Mancinelli's game-winner. Nick Macari and Luc Krasicky got credit for assists. “I think there was a scrum in the middle, we got the puck high, did a little criss-cross up top, (Luc) Krasicky pulled the ‘D’ over, passed it right back to me and I had a clear lane to shoot the puck and just got it to the net,” Mancinelli said. “I saw it the whole way.” Getting pucks to the net was the main focus late in the game, according to CC coach Brandon Kaleniecki. “We win the draw, we get possession of it, move it around the top and a net-front guy, Macari did a great job in front of the net and JoJo (Mancinelli) puts it on net and there you go,” the first-year coach said. “The goalie (Daniel Sendek) couldn’t see it. That’s how you score in



Mancinelli

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STATE GOLF

# Novi’s Johnson named GAM Player of Year



Novi resident Ryan Johnson was recently named Golf Association of Michigan Player of the Year.

**Gregory Johnson**  
Correspondent

Novi’s Ryan Johnson is a quiet guy who prefers to let his golf clubs do the talking — and in 2016, the clubs sounded off.

Johnson, a 30-year-old club fitter for Carl’s Golfland, has been named the Golf Association of Michigan Men’s Player of the Year.

The announcement was made recently by Ken Hartmann, senior director of rules and competitions for the GAM.

“I look back on the year and this caps it off with the way I played,” said Johnson, a New Boston native. “It’s pretty exciting. There are always things I could have done better, but I’m very pleased with how it turned out.”

Johnson, who won the 104th Michigan Amateur Championship at Plum Hollow Coun-

try Club to highlight his year, finished with 735 Honor Roll points.

Reed Hrynewich of Muskegon, a University of Michigan golfer who plays out of Muskegon Country Club and made it to match play in the U.S. Amateur, was second with 610.

Tom Werkmeister of Kentwood and Sunnybrook Country Club and John Quigley of St. Clair Shores and Scalawags Country Club tied for third with 465. Anthony Sorentino of Shelby Township and the Michigan Publinx Golf Association rounded out the top five with 410.

Johnson captured the Michigan Amateur with a 3 and 1 win over Kory Roberts of Battle Creek in the final match and was part of a three-way sudden death playoff in the GAM Championship at Country Club of Lansing. He tied for second with Max Kollin of Farmington when Mus-

kegon’s Mitchell White made a birdie on the second hole of the playoff to win.

“At the beginning of the year, I was talking to my dad and out of that I kind of developed a different mindset,” Johnson said. “I didn’t put too much pressure on myself. In the Amateur, even in the later matches, I just didn’t think about losing or even winning. I thought about just having fun, keeping a cool head and going about my business. It worked all season and it was a good year for me.”

Johnson said his goals in golf are to compete in significant tournaments and get in contention to win.

“To be a Player of the Year is a great bonus and pretty cool,” he said. “I’m honored. This state has so many good golfers. It’s tough competition every tournament.”

## THE WEEK AHEAD

- BOYS BASKETBALL**  
**Monday, Dec. 7**  
Novi at Rochester, 7 p.m.  
**Tuesday, Dec. 8**  
Northville at Hartland, 7 p.m.  
Detroit CC at Farmington, 7 p.m.  
**Friday, Dec. 11**  
Northville at Fordson, 7 p.m.  
Det. Edison at Novi, 7 p.m.  
Franklin Rd. at Riv. Richard, 7:30 p.m.  
**Saturday, Dec. 12**  
Detroit CC at Windsor CC, 4:30 p.m.  
Franklin Road vs. Waterford Mott at North Farmington, TBA.

**GIRLS BASKETBALL**  
**Friday, Dec. 4**  
Dearborn at Northville, 7 p.m.  
Novi at Hazel Park, 7 p.m.  
Franklin Rd. at St. Catherine, 7 p.m.  
**Monday, Dec. 7**  
Novi at Hazel Park, 7 p.m.  
**Tuesday, Dec. 8**  
Northville at A.A. Skyline, 7 p.m.  
**Friday, Dec. 11**  
Novi at W.L. Central, 7 p.m.  
**Saturday, Dec. 12**  
Franklin Rd. at O.L. Lakes, 1:30 p.m.

**BOYS HOCKEY**  
**Friday, Dec. 4**  
Novi vs. Stevenson at Livonia’s Edgar Arena, 6 p.m.  
Detroit CC at O.L. St. Mary, 7:30 p.m.  
Northville at Trav. City West at Howe Arena, 7:30 p.m.  
**Saturday, Dec. 5**  
Detroit CC vs. O.L. St. Mary at USA Hockey Arena, 5:30 p.m.  
**Wednesday, Dec. 9**  
Brighton at Novi (Ice Arena), 6 p.m.  
Northville vs. Hartland at Hartland Sports Ctr., 7 p.m.  
**Friday, Dec. 12**  
CC at St. Andrew’s (Ont.), 7 p.m.  
**Saturday, Dec. 12**  
Northville at Plymouth, TBA.  
S. Lyon at Novi (Ice Arena), 3:30 p.m.  
CC at St. Andrew’s (Ont.), 12:15 p.m.
- GIRLS HOCKEY**  
**Thursday, Dec. 3**  
Northville vs. Grosse Pte. North at Livonia’s Edgar Arena, 4 p.m.  
**Monday, Dec. 7**  
Northville at Liggett (McCann), 5:30 p.m.  
**Saturday, Dec. 12**  
Northville vs. Grosse Pte. South at G.P. Community Rink, 5:30 p.m.  
**Sunday, Dec. 13**  
Northville vs. Walled Lake at Livonia’s Edgar Arena, 5 p.m.

**WRESTLING**  
**Wednesday, Dec. 9**  
Bedford at Detroit CC, 1:45 p.m.  
Northville, N. Farmington, Farm. at Novi Quad, 6 p.m.  
**Saturday, Dec. 12**  
Northville Invitational, 9 a.m.  
Detroit CC at Rocket Duals, 9 a.m.  
Novi at Romeo Inv., 9:30 a.m.

**BOYS SWIMMING**  
**Saturday, Dec. 5**  
Novi, Milford at Fenton Tiger Relays, 9 a.m.  
**Tuesday, Dec. 8**  
Canton at Novi, 6:30 p.m.  
**Thursday, Dec. 10**  
Northville at Churchill, 6:30 p.m.  
Detroit CC at G.P. North, 6 p.m.  
**Friday, Dec. 11**  
Novi at Okemos, 6:30 p.m.  
**Saturday, Dec. 13**  
Detroit CC at EMU Inv., 1 p.m.

**PREP BOWLING**  
**Monday, Dec. 7**  
Northville at South Lyon, 3:30 p.m.  
**Tuesday, Dec. 8**  
Northville vs. S. Lyon East at Novi Bowl, 3:30 p.m.

**GIRLS GYMNASTICS**  
**Wednesday, Dec. 9**  
Northville at Canton, 6:30 p.m.  
**TBA** – time to be announced.

## SPORTS ROUNDUP

### Novi to stage Chili Chilly Softball Showdown at Power Park

The city of Novi Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department will stage its second annual Chili Chilly Softball Showdown from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 9, at Ella Mae Power Park.

The co-ed event features the use of wooden bats, a 16-inch ball, one pitch per at bat, prizes for all participants and a lunch featuring coney dogs from Kerby’s Koney Island.

Players must be 18 years of age or older to participate. The price is \$250 per team. Teams will take part in a double-elimination format, with games lasting six innings.

“The tournament offers a unique outdoor experience for both the participants and the spectators,” recreation supervisor Greg Morris said. “The Chili Chilly Softball Showdown is designed to break the notion of winter hibernation and provide the opportunity to play softball, eat a delicious meal and create memories not to be forgotten.”

To register your team, go to cityofnovi.org or the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services office inside the Novi Civic Center, 45175 10 Mile Road.

The deadline to register is Tuesday, Dec. 29. For more information, call 248-347-0400.

### Reinig earns all-Big Ten honors

Michigan State University junior outside hitter Chloe Reinig (South Lyon) was recently named an honorable mention all-Big Ten selection in women’s volleyball.

Reinig was a first-team selection in 2014, but missed seven matches and the start of Big Ten play this season with a thumb injury.

She has battled her way back into form and is averaging 3.00 kills, hitting .195, and contributing 0.65 blocks per set. Over the last five matches, she is hitting .340 while averaging 3.74 kills, 0.79 blocks and 0.42 digs per set.

Reinig has had double-digit kill efforts in her last six matches and nine of her last 10. This included her season-bests of kills (18 vs. Northwestern), hitting (.382 at Indiana) and three times matching her season-high in block assists with four.

“Chloe’s injury was a tough one to come back from, but as the season has worn on, I think that people are really taking notice that she’s getting back to her form,” MSU coach Cathy George said.

Michigan State (18-13) will open NCAA tournament play Friday against Arkansas State in Seattle, Wash. The Spartans will play the winner of Denver or host University of Washington on Saturday.



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# HOCKEY

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tight games.”

The loss dropped the Warriors to 2-1 overall and 0-1 in the MIHL North.

“I think we just ran out out of a little bit of steam towards that third period,” Rice coach Lou Schmidt said. “And, of course, we took that fluky penalty. Our defenseman turned around and hit their guy in the head with his stick. It was an accident and, the next thing, you’re on a penalty kill with three minutes left. They win the face-off and it’s in the net.”

The Shamrocks were on their heels during the opening period. But despite being out-shot 9-4, they took a 1-0 advantage into the first intermission after sophomore Kam Ottenbreit went top shelf into the upper left corner, with Jared Lee and Cody Borke drawing assists, with 4:33 left in the period.

“(Rice) came out in the first period and kind of took it to us,” Kaleniecki said. “I thought we adjusted well in the second and the third and kind of turned it around. The first period, we end up 1-0 when we really didn’t deserve to be. Our goalie (Alec Calvaruso) played really well. We made one nice play at the end and we got out of there with a 1-0 lead when we really didn’t deserve that, I think.”

Rice tied it 1-1 with 11:44 remaining in the second period, as Mitch Schultz intercepted a pass just outside his own blue line along the boards and streaked in unassisted to beat Calvaruso.

“I felt like we carried the play in the second period and the one they took advantage of the turnover on ours and it ends up in the back of our net,” Kaleniecki said. “That’s what happens when you play good hockey teams. You can give them one chance and it can go the other way. The third period, I thought, was a very even period. I thought at times we were controlling the play and at times they were. That’s what you expect in a rivalry game like that.”

Calvaruso, who finished with 16 saves, made big back-to-back stops with just under five minutes remaining against Rice’s Garrett Moore to keep it deadlocked.

“I think the game kind of boiled down to a goalie contest,” Schmidt said. “I thought both guys played outstanding. Their guy made some great saves when he had to and, of course, Danny Sendek, I think, stood on his head.”

And once CC got the lead, Rice was forced to pull Sendek (19 saves) for an extra attacker with just over a minute to play.

During a timeout, the Shamrocks went over their defensive assignments.

“That’s the nitty-gritty time, when you just have to make sure on everything,” Kaleniecki said. “We weren’t designing any specific face-off play. We were just making sure where we needed to be.”

The two teams will meet again Wednesday, Jan. 20, at Oak Park Arena.

“I know when we go there in a couple of months, it will be another fun hockey game,” Kaleniecki said. “They’re a good hockey team. That’s the fun part of this league (MIHL) we’re playing in. It’s going to be like that. We turn around from (Thanksgiving) break and play Trenton and Orchard Lake (St. Mary’s) twice. Probably going to be very similar hockey games. I’m going to get older every day.”

Meanwhile, Schmidt is looking forward to the second encounter with the Shamrocks, as well.

“Again, I’m proud of the kids,” he said. “I thought they played really, really hard. I thought it was two good teams out there today. We’re going to have another battle with them later in the season.”

**BROTHER RICE 3, LIVONIA STEVENSON 1:** Birmingham Brother Rice won this rematch from the Division 2 championship game Nov. 21 at Oak Park Ice Arena.

Warriors goalie Daniel Sendel was perfect, except for the third-period goal he allowed to Stevenson’s Joe Alcantara, who was assisted by Zach Finzel.

Brother Rice grabbed a 1-0 lead in the first period thanks to a power-play goal from Michael McInerney, assisted by Garrett Moore and Nick Bowman.

Following a scoreless second period, Bowman scored an insurance goal for the Warriors off assists from Mitchell Shults and McInerney.

McInerney then capped his dazzling season debut with an empty-net goal in the waning seconds.



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Novi’s David DeNova (back) tries to send the puck past Northville defenseman Nick Williams.

## ICE RIVALS

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“We got off to a really good start,” the junior goaltender said. “They played a hard first period. They bailed me out a few times, a two-on-one in the third period. We were able to get a good goal in the second (period) and just kept playing good defense and kept it to a 1-0 win.”

Northville defenseman Shane Bryans also came up with a sliding save to break up a dangerous Novi two-on-one situation with 11:59 remaining in the game.

“Those two-on-ones, those are hard to stop, so my defense really helped me out,” Miller said.

Not to be outdone was Richardson, who robbed Northville’s Nick Bonofiglio on a breakaway with 6:08 left in the second period. He also kept it a one-goal game when he denied Northville’s Brendan Hicks on a short-handed breakaway attempt with 10:43 remaining in the third.

“He was our number one star,” Novi coach Mark Vellucci said of his senior backstop. “That was his best game as a varsity player in his two years here and

since he’s been part of the program, for sure. Their goal (Miller) played well, too. He made some nice, timely saves.”

Northville was whistled for six penalties, while Novi had only three, but one was a costly five-minute major that occurred with 1:10 to go in the first period and carried over for another 3:50 to start the second.

But the Wildcats were able to fight it off.

“The last couple of games, we’ve had a couple of five-minute penalties that we had to kill off,” Vellucci said. “For the most part, we’ve killed them off. That’s how they’re calling high school hockey. There’s a lot more five minutes for boarding and five minutes for checking from behind. As much as we tell the guys to be careful and play smart, but you want them to be aggressive, too.”

Midway through the second period, Novi was unable to convert after having a two-man advantage for nearly 40 seconds.

“We had a couple of power plays, a couple of chances, but (Northville) worked hard on their PK,” Vellucci said. “They’re aggressive on their PK and we tried to work on it in practice yesterday, but we still have a lot of work to do.”

Vellucci pulled Richardson for the extra attacker with 1:15 left, but the Wildcats were unable to score the equalizer as Northville survived a pair of face-offs in its own end with 15 seconds remaining.

Novi’s Cam Czapski lifted a backhandler during the final seconds, but Miller was able to make the save.

“We had chances, a couple of open nets where we flubbed a shot on, the puck was bouncing,” Vellucci said.

Gates remembers back in 2009, when Northville was on the short end of a pair of 1-0 setbacks to Novi Detroit Catholic Central, once during the regular season and the other in the state tournament. This time, Northville was on the winning side of a 1-0 ledger.

“So they do happen,” Gates said.

Meanwhile, the loss dropped the Wildcats to 1-2 overall.

“We just told our guys it stinks losing to your rival, but when you play hard ... both teams played competitive and that’s all you can ask out of the boys,” Vellucci said. “It was a good night for high school hockey, a good night for Novi and Northville, for sure.”

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## PREVIEW

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Julia Calderon and Lindsey Rathsburg are the team’s lone seniors.

“We’re just average size-wise, but athletic and we’ll have to rely on our athleticism and defense every night,” Gudith said.

### Wildcats ready

Novi, meanwhile, will be led by 5-7 sophomore guard Ellie Mackay, who averaged 10.2 points, 4.5 rebounds, 2.0 assists and 2.7 steals per game in her inaugural season en route to first team All-Area honors.

Juniors Carson Garguilo, Cara Ninkovich and Mary Grace Sinkovich also return, along with sophomore Julia Lalain.

“I’m excited to see what these kids can do, but keeping in mind there are only two seniors with three juniors, six sophomores and a freshman,” said Novi coach Bill Kelp, entering his 13th season. “It’s the youngest team we’ve had. It all depends on how quickly they come together. We’ve got to make up for that senior class.”

The Wildcats’ lone two seniors are centers Allie Lipson and Marissa Dunn.

“I thought we’d be a little more athletic than last year, but maybe not as strong,” Kelp said. “They had a really good summer and, in the summer, we had a really good team camp and did some good things. We’re just trying to get back to where we were at the end of the summer.”

### Central race

Last season, Salem won the KLAA Central, Kensington Conference and Association titles, but after the Rocks were hard-hit by graduation losses, the playing field appears to be more even entering 2015-16.

“The division should be interesting and fairly balanced,” Gudith said. “I’d say Salem, Novi and us are probably the teams that will be



FILE PHOTO

Northville’s Jessica Moorman, a 6-foot junior, returns after earning first team All-Area honors.

there at the end. Salem graduates a bunch of seniors that took them a long way, but they have the Petree sisters that will carry the load. Novi is always in the mix and brings back their talented point guard for her sophomore campaign.

“East lost (Gabi) Bird, but Peyton Jones is back and she has a couple of teammates that will help them battle it out every night. (Livonia) Stevenson is big and brings back a couple of players that were young last year and that experience should bode well for them. South Lyon is still in a rebuild mode, but going into year two with their coach (John Mackson), it should make things a little easier for them.”

### Warriors primed

Novi Franklin Road Christian (11-11), a member of the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference Blue Division, reached the Class D district final last season before losing to Bloomfield Hills Roeper.

Third-year coach Tiffany Butler returns three starters, including second team All-Area selection Hannah Rayburn, a 5-6 senior guard who averaged 11.7 points, 5.0 rebounds and 4.3 assists per game.

Rayburn is joined by 5-3 junior guard Danielle Fusco, along with 5-11 junior center Reagan Mumford.

Chanelle Lochrie, a 5-7 freshman forward, and Haley Thrift, a 5-7 sophomore forward, will round out the Warriors’ starting five.

“We lost Katie Larabell, which was a big hit for us,” Butler said. “But we have a freshman in Chanelle Lochrie, who is stepping up big and we’re looking for a breakout season from one of my sophomores Haley Thrift. She looked fantastic in our scrimmages. Hannah (Rayburn) is back. She had a great season last year. We’re hoping our junior center Reagan Mumford will step up this year.”

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## GIRLS HOOPS 2015-16 TEAM OUTLOOKS

### NOVI

**Head coach:** Bill Kelp, 13th season. **League:** KLAA Kensington Conference (Central Division).

**Last year’s record:** 13-8.

**Notable losses to graduation:** Alex Felice (second team All-Area), Kelsey Miller, Jenna Lowney.

**Leading returnees:** Ellie Mackay, 5-7 Soph. PG (first team All-Area, 10.2 ppg, 4.7 rebs., 2.7 steals); Allie Lipson, 5-11 Sr. C; Marissa Dunn, 5-10 Sr. C; Carson Garguilo, 5-8 Jr. G; Cara Ninkovich, 5-8 Jr. G; Mary Grace Sinkovich, 5-3 Jr. G; Julia Lalain, 5-10 Soph. F.

**Promising newcomers:** Mikayla Lynch, 5-9 Soph. G; Ireland Whalen, 5-7 Soph. G; Ally Pringle, 5-8 Soph. G-F; Macenzie Kwaskiewicz, 5-8 Soph. F; Jessie Bandyk, 5-2 Fr. G.

**Kelp’s 2015-16 outlook:** “We’re even younger than last year, but we’re athletic and hope to surprise some people. I’m excited to see what these kids can do, but keeping in mind there are only two seniors with three juniors, six sophomores and a freshman. It’s the youngest team we’ve had. It all depends on how quickly they come together. We’ve got to make up for that senior class.”

### NORTHVILLE

**Head coach:** Todd Gudith. **League:** KLAA Kensington Conference (Central Division).

**Last year’s record:** 13-8.

**Notable losses to graduation:** Emily Maresh (second team All-Area).

**Leading returnees:** Jessica Moorman, 6-0 Jr. F (first team All-Area, 8.6 ppg, 3 rebs.); Kendall Dillion, 5-7 Soph. G (6.3 ppg); Roan Haines, 5-8 Soph. G; Brook Adams, 6-1 Jr. C (6.1 ppg); Lindsey Rathsburg, 5-11 Sr. F (4.1 rebs.).

**Promising newcomers:** Jasmin Prince, 5-7 Soph. G; Julia Calderon, 5-9 Sr. F (foreign exchange student); Sarah Toth, 5-8 Soph. F; Lauren Lambert, 5-9 Jr. F; Sam Cantina, 5-8 Jr. F; Jenna Lauderback, 5-5 Fr. G; Brianna Drummond, 5-9 Jr. F; Ella Duckworth, 5-6 Soph. G.

**Gudith’s 2015-16 outlook:** “This has been a fun group to coach so far. Maybe the most complete team I’ve had from a talent perspective, top to bottom. Real hard-working group that gets after it at practice. With only five returning players, we are searching to find which incoming players can step up and solidify a role. Still pretty young, with just two seniors and half the roster are freshmen and sophomores, but we still have the pieces to compete. All five returners saw significant playing time last season and that should help us, especially early on, while our newcomers find their way. I know our group will play hard every night and our chemistry is good. They care about each others’ success and have been very positive so far. Our work ethic and attitude is going to make all the difference.”

### FRANKLIN ROAD CHRISTIAN

**Head coach:** Tiffany Butler, third year. **League:** Michigan Independent Athletic Conference (Blue Division).

**Last year’s record:** 11-11.

**Notable losses to graduation:** Katie Larabell.

**Leading returnees:** Hannah Rayburn, 5-6 Sr. G (second team All-Area; 11.7 ppg, 5 rebs., 4.3 assists); Reagan Mumford 5-11 Jr. C; Danielle Fusco 5-3 Jr. G.

**Promising newcomers:** Chanelle Lochrie, 5-7 Fr. F; Haley Thrift, 5-7 Soph. F.

**Butler’s 2015-16 outlook:** “We look pretty good. We lost Katie Larabell, which was a big hit for us. But we have a freshman in Chanelle Lochrie, who is stepping up big and we’re looking for a breakout season from one of my sophomores, Haley Thrift. She looked fantastic in our scrimmages. Hannah (Rayburn) is back. She had a great season last year. We’re hoping our junior center, Reagan Mumford, will step up this year.”



ALL-AREA BOYS SOCCER

# Dream Weaver: N’ville defender area’s best

Senior caps season after helping Mustangs to win division, conference titles

**Brad Emons**  
Staff Writer

Garret Weaver stood tall in more ways than one this season as a defender for the Northville boys soccer team. The 6-foot-2 Weaver was the team’s lead sweeper, a Hoover vacuum of sorts, while leading the Mustangs (16-3-1) to both the KLAA Central and Kensington Conference title. Weaver also was selected to the Dream Team by the Michigan High School Soccer Coaches Association, leading to his choice as All-Area Player of the Year. Weaver proved to be a threat on the offensive end, scoring five goals and adding six assists, as he was adept at going high while using his head on corner kicks. The all-KLAA, all-district and all-region performer will be taking his talents next season to the University of Detroit Mercy. “Just a man amongst boys,” Northville coach Henry Klimes said. “Just probably one of the best center-backs Northville has had in quite a long time. Just a tremendous player. Game-in and game-out, just solid.”

**First team**  
**Peter Kirouac, G, Detroit CC:** The four-year varsity player posted a total of nine shutouts, including four in the state tourney with a goals-against average of 0.43 as the Shamrocks reached the Division 1 state semifinals. Kirouac was named to the Dream Team, along with being recognized as all-Catholic, all-region and all-district. “Peter is an outstanding leader, an outstanding person and an outstanding goalkeeper,” CC coach Gene Pulice said. “I couldn’t ask more out of a kid as person or a soccer player and he was huge for us. He came up with some great saves.”  
**Cole Moscovici, D, Detroit CC:** The senior made second team all-state in Division 1 as well as all-Catholic, all-district and all-region for the district and regional champions. “Cole is one of the hardest working guys you’ll ever meet in your life,” Pulice said. “He’s got so much heart and determination. He’s got enough for two teams’ worth of guys. Another morally sound, very good representative for his family and what Catholic Central stands for. As a soccer player, technically and tactically, don’t get much better than him.”  
**Matt Netter, D, Novi:** The first team all-KLAA, all-district, all-region and honorable mention all-state pick anchored the Wildcats’ defense while scoring three goals and adding six assists (third-best on the team). The senior captain also maintains a 3.32 grade-point



Northville’s Garret Weaver (left), taking on Catholic Central’s Noah Walter, was named Area Boys Soccer Player of the Year.

average. “Matt is one of the best leaders I have ever coached,” Novi coach Brian O’Leary said. “He represents the team well in every situation on and off the field. He is one of the best players in the state of Michigan in the air. So he is a huge threat offensively on all set pieces and he does a great job of clearing the ball out of our box on the other team’s set pieces.”  
**Brent Pederson, D, Lakeland:** The senior earned all-KLAA honors and was named the Eagles’ MVP as Lakeland captured the KLAA North Division crown. “Brent was our strongest defender,” Lakeland coach Anthony Ibrahim said. “He was kind of the brains of the entire team. He saved us on so many chances when it looked like we’d concede a goal and he came out of nowhere. On the attack as well, he was very calm on possession. Just overall great for us all season long.”

**Justin Murray, M, Detroit CC:** The senior, who is committed to the University of Detroit Mercy, helped the Shamrocks to a 20-3-3 record, their best season in school history. Murray also earned Division 1 first team all-state honors, as well as all-region, all-district and all-Catholic. “He’s athletic, he’s a big kid who can play,” Pulice said.  
**Nick Toupin, M, Northville:** The senior, a first team Division 1 all-state player, paced the Mustangs with 10 goals to go along with 10 assists. Toupin also earned all-KLAA, all-district and all-region honors. He earned all-academic state recognition as well. “Nick had a very consistent year,” Klimes said. “He was the man in the middle that created everything for us. If he wasn’t scoring, he was definitely setting up Johnny (Rodriguez) and the rest of the boys. You couldn’t ask for a better four-year starter than Nick Toupin.”  
**Connor O’Leary, M, Novi:** The senior earned third team Division 1 all-state, all-region, all-district and all-KLAA honors. The team captain finished second on the team in goals with seven and added 12 assists for a team-high 19 points while playing defensive center-midfield. O’Leary also excels in the classroom with a 3.89 grade-point average. “Connor is a great team-first player, willing to play any role on the team to help the team,” Brian O’Leary said. “He was our best set piece player. His free kicks and long throw-ins were a dangerous weapon for us all season.”  
**David Bonhard, M, Milford:** The senior, an all-KLAA selection, paced the Mavericks offensively with 17 goals to go along with 16 assists. “He was our team captain, a leader on and off the field,” Milford coach Tommy Hipple said.  
**Tyler Green, M, Lakeland:** The junior captain, named all-KLAA, helped the Eagles to their first division championship in 29 years. “Tyler pulled the whole string for us in the midfield and conducted the game,” Ibrahim said. “He scored a couple of big goals for us and had a big goal for us against Walled Lake Western.”  
**Dante D’Aliosio, FP, Milford:** The junior proved to be

a valuable do-it-all player for the KLAA North Division champs as he wound up with three game-winning goals, including two against rival Lakeland. D’Aliosio made all-KLAA, all-district, all-region and honorable mention all-state in Division 1. “Dante controlled the middle and provided both offense and defense for the team,” Hipple said.  
**Second team**  
**Daniel Weaver, G, Franklin Road:** The senior earned team MVP, all-conference and second team Division 4 all-district honors in while averaging double digits in saves and allowing less than three goals per match.  
**Matt Turton, D, Detroit CC:** The senior captain helped solidify the Shamrocks’ defense while also taking penalty kicks en route to all-Catholic League honors.  
**Justin Roelant, D, South Lyon:** The senior captain proved to be a rock on defense as he never came off the field while earning all-KLAA honors.  
**Andrew Long, D, Lakeland:** The senior captain, who made all-KLAA, proved to be a hard-working and aggressive defender while providing muscle in the back for the Eagles.  
**Mario Plachta, M, Northville:** The hard-working junior played a holding midfield spot and proved to be an unsung positional player as he finished with five assists en route to all-KLAA honors.  
**Bobby Lubisco, D, Northville:** The senior, who made all-KLAA, took penalty kicks (scoring twice) and played solid defense all season long for the Mustangs to help complement Weaver.  
**Johnny Rodriguez, M, Northville:** The senior, who earned all-KLAA honors, was a threat facing the goal and finished with nine goals and seven assists despite suffering a knee injury midway through the year.  
**Jake Reitzloff, M, Northville:** The senior, an all-KLAA and all-academic choice, proved to be a very dynamic player, finishing with four goals and six assists.  
**Justin Savona, F, Detroit CC:** The junior provided some much-needed offense for the Shamrocks as he earned all-Central Division honors in the Catholic League.  
**Nick Harder, F, Novi:** The

**2015 ALL-AREA BOYS SOCCER**

**PLAYER OF THE YEAR**  
Garret Weaver, Sr. Northville

**FIRST TEAM**  
Peter Kirouac, Sr., Detroit CC  
Cole Moscovici, Sr., Detroit CC  
Matt Netter, Sr., D Novi  
Brent Pederson, Sr., Lakeland  
Justin Murray, Sr., Detroit CC  
Nick Toupin, Sr. Northville  
Jake Reitzloff, Sr., Northville  
Connor O’Leary, Sr., Novi  
David Bonhard, Sr., Milford  
Tyler Green, Jr., Lakeland  
Dante D’Aliosio, Sr., Milford

**SECOND TEAM**  
Daniel Weaver, Sr., Franklin  
Matt Turton, Sr., Detroit CC  
Justin Roelant, Sr., S. Lyon  
Andrew Long, Jr., Lakeland  
Bobby Lubisco, Sr., Northville  
Johnny Rodriguez, Sr., N’ville  
Mario Plachta, Jr., Northville  
Justin Savona, Sr., Detroit CC  
Nick Harder, Sr., Novi  
Eric Reiter, Sr., Lakeland  
Adam Huber, Sr., Novi

**HONORABLE MENTION**  
**Novi Detroit Catholic Central:** Patrick Fleming, Sr.; Connor Gaskin, Sr.; **Northville:** Mario Plachta, Jr.; Jordan Martindale, Sr.; Evan Treiber, Jr.; **Novi:** Nikhil Mundkur, Jr.; Luke McDonald, Soph.; **South Lyon:** Michael Martinez, Jr.; Owen Jarl, Sr.; **South Lyon East:** Brent Weakland, Sr.; **Highland Milford:** Tyler Welch, Soph.; Brayden Stephen, Sr.; **White Lake Lakeland:** John Jacobs Jr.; Tyler Lauer, Sr.; **Novi Franklin Road Christian:** Gavin Harris, Sr.

## NJCAA champion



Northville native Willson “Sam” Popp, a 2015 Detroit Catholic Central High grad and former Vardar Academy player, helped Louisburg (N.C.) College capture the National Junior College Athletic Association championship with a 1-0 double-overtime victory over defending NJCAA champion Tyler (Tex.) in the final Nov. 21 at the Smith River Sports Complex in Axton, Va. Popp, a freshman starter who played outside midfield and outside back, scored five goals and added 10 assists, fourth highest on the team this season, as the Hurricanes finished 24-1.

all-KLAA selection, a senior, paced the Wildcats with 10 goals after making the switch from midfield halfway through his junior year. Harder also carries at 3.93 G.P.A.  
**Eric Reiter, F, Lakeland:** The senior earned all-KLAA recognition as he finished with team-best 17 goals.  
**Adam Huber, Sr., FP, Novi:** The senior proved to be a jack-of-all-trades as he played forward, defense and midfield, finishing with three goals and four assists, while also carrying a 3.3 GPA.







## BUSINESS BRIEFS

### Creams N' Caps meet and greet

The public is invited Thursday, Dec. 3, to the community meet and greet of Creams N' Caps Pharmacy for an introduction to an innovative pharmacy in Novi. The new company features custom medication formulations for clients. A compounding pharmacy, it fulfills patient specific prescription compounds, nutritional products and services, but does not offer online pharmacy products or services.

The event will take place 2-7 p.m. at the pharmacy, 25875 Novi Road. Guests will be treated to free light refreshments. A ribbon-cutting ceremony takes place at 2 p.m.

Creams N' Caps is open 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday. Go to [www.creamsncaps.com](http://www.creamsncaps.com) for more information.

### C'est La Vie collects for HAVEN

C'est La Vie, purveyor of women's fashion-forward apparel and accessories for more than 30 years, is organizing a donation drive Dec. 4-31 benefiting HAVEN of Oakland County. Items, including children and women's clothing, household goods and gift cards, can be dropped off at the retailers' three locations: its flagship store in Farmington Hills (29977 Orchard Lake Road), Twelve Oaks Mall (27500 Novi Road) and Fairlane Town Center (18900 Michigan Avenue, Dearborn).

HAVEN is Oakland County's only comprehensive program for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. The organiza-

tion provides shelter, counseling, advocacy and educational programming to nearly 30,000 people annually. Relying on the generosity of the community in order to continue its work, donations make it possible for HAVEN to provide its services at no cost to the survivors who turn to them.

"As a retailer serving a wide demographic of women, we felt it was important to help women in need as they work to start a new life," C'est La Vie co-owner Beth Kranyak said in a release. "I encourage everyone who is out shopping this holiday season to pick up an item on the HAVEN's wish list and bring it to one of our conveniently located stores so we can get it into the right hands."

The Farmington Hills store (248-702-0622) is open 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday; Novi (248-859-4617) from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. daily; and Dearborn (313-441-1020) from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday.

### Toys for Tots drop-off

The Culligan Man is partnering with Santa Claus and Toys for Tots to ensure children across the country receive presents this holiday season. Hall's Water Culligan dealers in Ohio and Michigan are now collecting toy donations on behalf of Toys for Tots.

This is the fifth year that Hall's Water Culligan has provided Toys for Tots drop-off locations. Each dealership is collecting new and unwrapped toys through Dec. 11. The local site is Culligan of Ann Arbor/

Detroit, 46902 Liberty Dr., Wixom.

"Every kid deserves a little joy this holiday season," said Leah Hudson, area marketing director for Hall's Water. "We partner with Toys for Tots because it's an incredible organization that aims to bring joy to less fortunate children during this special time of year."

For more information about Toys for Tots donations and the organization, go to [www.toysfortots.org](http://www.toysfortots.org).

### Detroit Dog Rescue drop-off site

Kenny's Lakes Area Auto Experts has been named the newest donation drop-off location for Detroit Dog Rescue. Located at 490 N. Pontiac Trail in Walled Lake, Lakes Area Auto Experts is a family-friendly repair shop that services all makes and models of vehicles.

Items that will be accepted at the shop include canned Pedigree Chicken & Rice puppy and adult food, Pill Pockets dog treats, collars and Kong toys of various sizes, paper towel and other cleaning supplies and new or like-new blankets. For the full wish list, go to [detroit-dogrescue.com/detroit-dog-rescue-donation-wish-list](http://detroit-dogrescue.com/detroit-dog-rescue-donation-wish-list); to donate money, contact the organization directly.

Detroit Dog Rescue, which is the first no-kill shelter in Detroit, is committed to changing the lives of dogs in the city. The organization works closely with municipalities to find, rehabilitate and re-home the toughest dog cases.

Reach the business at 248-668-1200 or go to [lakesareaauto.com](http://lakesareaauto.com) or [www.facebook.com/lakesareaauto](http://www.facebook.com/lakesareaauto).



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A youth and parent yoga session at Verdurous Me Interactive Wellness Center.

## IT'S YOUR BUSINESS Q&A

# Verdurous Me Center focuses on wellness for the whole family

Leesa Hansknecht is owner and executive director of Verdurous Me Interactive Wellness Center. The business opened in early 2014. This fall, she grew the business, moving it to neighboring Wixom. Hansknecht talked a little bit about her business and how it's progressing.

**Q. Tell us about your business, including the types of services and/or products you feature.**

A: In addition to our business specialties — interactive wellness coaching, life coaching, nutrition coaching, therapeutic massage, Pilates, yoga, functional fitness, educational workshop and private wellness parties — we offer enjoyable services for the entire family. Those include areas for youth, teen, men, grandparents and more.

» Youth: Parent and child yoga, animal movements for kids, Play-lates for kids

» Teens: Teen yoga, nutrition for teens workshops

» Men: Yoga for men, Pilates for backs, healthy backs workshops

» Parents: Yoga with meditation, therapeutic affirmations yoga

» Grandparents: Chair yoga

This is just to name a few. We have an extensive list of types of classes and educational workshops for any person interested in overall wellness.

**Q. What are some of the outreach programs you are offering to the community?**

A: We are really excited to offer our Private Wellness Parties to the community. We will work with any group or host that is interested in exposing their friends, families, members or employees to wellness. The host brings their guests and we provide chosen services for the group. We want this to be an opportunity to expose the parties to, not only our services, but the services of our wellness partners.

Our goal is to excite our community about living healthier lives in a fun and interactive way.

**Q. How did you first decide to open your business?**

A: The decision to start Verdurous Me was dual-fold. On one hand, I was working with youth and adults that were having major challenges with understanding what healthy nutrition was and how to decipher all of the information that is available about diets and nutrition fads that were not helpful. On the other hand, I personally have a daughter that is special needs and has had issues with eating disorders. I knew that I needed to have the education behind me for how the metabolism worked in order to help them find answers.

So I went back to school to gain that knowledge. My education has never stopped, but when the concept of Verdurous



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Verdurous Me Interactive Wellness instructor Gailanna Beauvais teaches a youth and parent yoga session at its new expanded location on the northwest corner of Grand River and Wixom Road.

## AT A GLANCE

**Name:** Verdurous Me Interactive Wellness Center

**Address:** 49881 Grand River Ave., Wixom, MI 48393

**Owner:** Leesa Hansknecht

**Opened:** In Novi in February 2014; recent expansion in Wixom in October 2015

**Employees:** One employee (self); seven contractors

**Hours:** 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday, Tuesday and Thursday; 6 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday; 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday; and 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday

**Specialty:** Interactive Wellness Coaching — life coaching, nutrition coaching,

therapeutic massage, Pilates, yoga, functional fitness,

educational workshop and private wellness parties

**Contact:** 248-229-4016, [customer-care@verdurousme.com](mailto:customer-care@verdurousme.com) and [www.verdurousme.com](http://www.verdurousme.com)

Me first began, it was simply to focus on fitness and nutrition. Over the years, it has grown to encompass overall wellness and additional licensed and certified professional that can provide a complete picture of wellness for anyone.

With all of the disciplines that we offer, as well as our elite partners to refer to, we can address goals, triggers, physical hindrances, pain, weaknesses, educational deficiencies, metabolic needs and more.

**Q. Why did you choose the Wixom area?**

A: Wixom is a growing community with amazing potential. It's a great area to start a new wellness mentality. Wixom is now defining, as a community, who it wants to be and we are here to make sure that wellness is part of that definition. If this truly becomes the case, Wixom will be admired for its vital and vigorous community that is active and happy. That's something that other communities will want to imitate and something that our community can be proud of for healthy generations to come.

**Q. What makes your business unique?**

A: We are unique because of our large scope. Yes, we can and do offer that personal touch, that friendly smile, that relaxing atmosphere, but we are also creating a major shift by bringing our various disciplines together. Most business think about maximizing their bottom line, while we are thinking of what

we need to offer to maximize the vitality of the people in our community.

We see people fail or get hurt at gyms, we see people desperate to find answers for nutrition, we see people looking for answers and so we are bringing professionals together to provide answers and education. Our members are learning what is going on with their bodies, why it's happening and how to make long-term changes to remove the issues that challenge them.

**Q. Do you have a funny tidbit or story to share with our readers about your experience so far as a small business owner?**

A: One of our funny tidbits is about our gratitude wall. We have a very large scroll that people come in and write things they are grateful for on. It's great, we all love the joy of reading what someone has written since we were last in the center.

But one question has remained: What the heck do we do as the scroll runs long? My original plan has been to cut it as it gets longer and longer, revealing only the current gratitudes. But it has become a laughing joke that every time I get the scissors out, someone inevitably pleads for it to stay. But no one has a clue as to what we should do with the extra that remains. So our scroll is growing and I'm starting to think that we may one day need a warehouse or a crazy fun event to have reason to bring out the sacred Gratitude Scrolls that no one will part with.

**Q. Any advice for other business owners?**

A: What has allowed us the expansion to this new Wixom location has been: Love what you do, work as hard for others as you would for yourself, keep learning as much as you can to always provide quality service and find other professionals who do the same.

**Q. What's in store for the future of your business?**

A: With the interaction of our local communities, we will become a major anchor in the Wixom area, spreading education and practice for healthier lives and lifestyles. We plan to integrate with the community, empower the community and give back to it as much as we can.

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## Realtor association reaches out to help veterans, service personnel

The Greater Metropolitan Association of Realtors (GMAR), based in Southfield, held its first “Gives Thanks” party on Nov. 6 at the Hard Rock Cafe in Detroit. The party celebrated and honored current service men and women and veterans, as well as the entire GMAR membership.

Over 220 attended the “Rock and Roll” themed party; complete with a red carpet photo shoot, guitar pick-styled drink tokens, and memorabilia stuffed gift bags. Through this event and the Golf Outing held in September, GMAR donated \$6,000 to the 2015 charity, Suits for Soldiers ( “The Vet Program”). GMAR is very proud of its compassionate members for both volunteering their time to put on such a successful event and for raising the most money GMAR has ever donated to charity in a year, an association statement said.

The VET Program/Suits for Soldiers was created and started by Army veteran Scott Fader while he was still boots on ground in Afghanistan. The VET Program/Suits for Soldiers is about serving those who served our county and not just them, their families, too.

After their careers, military personnel and their families need that assistance to help them get back into the civilian life to find jobs, get their benefits, find a home or just get reacquainted with life out of the military. This is a big adjustment for them. The VET Program/Suits for Soldiers helps veterans by offering no red tape services to ensure their transition from military to civilian life is as easy as possible.

The VET Program/Suits for Soldiers strives to end the days of unemployed service men and women. To date, it



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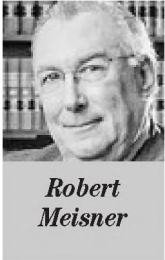
has helped over 1,000 obtain employment, written over 5,000 resumes and given away over 10,000 pieces of business attire.

The Greater Metropolitan Association of Realtors provides services and support to the real estate profession and the communities they serve. With over 6,000 members, GMAR is the largest local Realtor association in the state. GMAR provides many benefits to its members, such as access to the Realcomp MLS, over 220 quality continuing education and designation courses per year, the largest Realtor-specific store in the area, the ToolShop™, *Metropolitan Minute* weekly newsletter and *Metropolitan REALTOR* monthly electronic magazine. GMAR's mission is to be the leading resource for the real estate community in Southeast Michigan.

Visit  
www.GMARonline.com to learn more.



Honoring veterans as well as service men and women was the focus of the Nov. 6 Greater Metropolitan Association of Veterans benefit.



*Robert Meisner*

## Salt Lake City's on the grow, street cars a factor

**Q: Do you have any information concerning the availability of high-rise living in the central city of Salt Lake City, and what it would cost, particularly, being near the University of Utah?**

A: Salt Lake City is growing at a rapid pace which is being assisted by the electric street cars that crisscross the city, including on the way to the University of Utah. While downtown is experiencing growth in terms of condominiums, there are also a number of new projects being developed along the corridor to the University of Utah. Generally speaking, prices are less than would otherwise be experienced in a major metropolitan location, and you are best advised to try to get in on the possibility of preconstruction prices if you are looking for a new structure. As always, it is important to determine whether the location near the University of Utah is best suited for you or whether a suburb is more desirable given the excellent road patterns that permeate Salt Lake City.

**Q: We are thinking of buying a houseboat to be kept on Lake Powell. Where would we start to get information about that and what are the potential restrictions?**

A: There are many agencies and/or dealers that sell and/or lease houseboats for utilization on Lake Powell among other things. It is important that you secure the necessary licenses for the use of a houseboat after inquiring of the appropriate state authorities. It is also important that you obtain adequate insurance and adequate docking facilities, some of which are akin to a marina condominium operation. With that in mind, you should retain legal counsel to assist you in going through the processes of obtaining approval to utilize and/or purchase your houseboat.

There are number of high-end resorts on Lake Powell that cater to houseboats, generally on a seasonal basis, but the more you investigate the situation, the better prepared you will be to deal with that eventuality. Lake Powell, as you know, stretches on a coast length greater than the West Coast of the United States itself. So you should determine what portion of Lake Powell will be best suited for your needs.

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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.

Call the office at 248-782-7130 or email [june.quantum@gmail.com](mailto:june.quantum@gmail.com).

### 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-Eleven, near Trenton Road. Call Bill Beddoes at 734-934-9091 or Wayne Koehler at 313-819-0919.

## HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-OAKLAND COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of July 13-17, 2015, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses and sales prices.

<b>BEVERLY HILLS</b>	
32261 Auburn Dr	\$309,000
17140 Beechwood Ave	\$85,000
18428 Beverly Rd	\$280,000
16321 Binwood Ave	\$298,000
17040 Dunblaine Ave	\$299,000
30043 Fox Run Dr	\$576,000
31740 Glencoe Dr	\$275,000
32110 Lahser Rd	\$500,000
31964 Mayfair Ln	\$270,000
32011 Sheridan Dr	\$320,000
<b>BIRMINGHAM</b>	
598 Abbey St	\$618,000
2215 Avon Ln	\$565,000
1477 Cole St	\$570,000
748 Davis Ave	\$875,000
1716 E Melton Ave	\$220,000
1125 Emmons Ave	\$668,000
941 Forest Ave	\$425,000
1752 Haynes St	\$318,000
631 Humphrey Ave	\$399,000
618 Lewis St	\$350,000
523 Mohegan St	\$599,000
928 N Adams Rd Unit 2	\$119,000
359 N Eton St # 14	\$100,000
910 Rivenoak St	\$484,000
1323 Ruffner Ave	\$335,000
1062 S Glenhurst Dr	\$499,000
1813 Southfield Rd	\$152,000
1465 Stanley Blvd	\$859,000
1285 Westboro	\$740,000
1348 Yosemite Blvd	\$110,000
<b>BLOOMFIELD HILLS</b>	
4559 Grindley Ct	\$335,000
580 Haverhill Rd	\$1,500,000
172 Linda Ln	\$605,000
4293 Margate Ln	\$465,000
2 Vaughan Xing	\$1,100,000
648 Weybridge Dr	\$311,000
554 Whitehall Rd	\$548,000
1231 Woodcrest Cir	\$285,000
<b>BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP</b>	
2740 Alveston Dr	\$225,000
3435 Bradway Blvd	\$1,030,000

1828 Brookview Cir	\$318,000
1417 Cedar Bend Dr	\$1,150,000
5540 Crabtree Rd	\$380,000
3055 E Bradford Dr	\$300,000
2083 Eagle Pointe	\$218,000
5153 Echo Rd	\$444,000
450 Eileen Dr	\$120,000
1962 Klingensmith Rd Unit 20	\$130,000
1989 Klingensmith Rd Unit 47	\$84,000
5562 Lane Lake Ct	\$780,000
423 S Cranbrook Cross Rd	\$344,000
1647 S Hill Blvd	\$140,000
565 Tally Ho Ct	\$625,000
185 Wadsworth Ln	\$327,000
<b>COMMERCIAL TOWNSHIP</b>	
9769 Cooley Lake Rd	\$250,000
3727 Gulfwood Dr	\$392,000
290 Ruppert St	\$190,000
3561 Stoneridge Ct	\$330,000
5869 Strawberry Cir	\$75,000
1558 Trace Hollow Dr	\$297,000
392 W Beechdale St	\$181,000
8929 War Bonnet Dr	\$239,000
<b>FARMINGTON</b>	
22437 Floral St	\$185,000
23086 Floral St	\$115,000
32020 Grand River Ave Unit 26	\$42,000
32040 Grand River Ave Unit 45	\$43,000
23623 Larkshire St	\$140,000
23775 Longacre St	\$287,000
22735 Manning St	\$176,000
33225 Oakland Ave	\$165,000
24010 Pickett Ave	\$178,000
22801 Power Rd	\$165,000
<b>FARMINGTON HILLS</b>	
29793 Beacontree St	\$128,000
23840 Brookplace Ct	\$162,000
36203 Crompton Cir	\$300,000
38518 Darbyshire	\$146,000
29732 Essex Ct	\$263,000
38373 Evonshire	\$145,000
29247 Fieldstone	\$298,000
32260 Firar Cir	\$190,000
30191 Gladstone St	\$282,000
29510 Kings Pointe Ct	\$175,000
26839 La Muera St	\$200,000
30634 Lamar St	\$200,000
24125 Locust St	\$225,000
21214 Middlebelt Rd	\$49,000
30151 Norwalk Ct	\$308,000
36321 Old Homestead Dr	\$300,000
31448 Orchard Crk	\$96,000

30414 Orchard Lake Rd Unit 7	\$76,000
29912 Pipers Ln	\$225,000
30217 Ravenscroft St	\$205,000
39255 Silverthorne Bnd	\$345,000
33630 Stocker St	\$64,000
32259 Tall Timber Dr	\$263,000
22571 Tulane Ave	\$63,000
30060 W 12 Mile Rd	\$58,000
36144 W Lyman Rd	\$275,000
21633 Wheeler St	\$150,000
30557 Woodstream Dr	\$310,000
38322 Wynmar	\$151,000
<b>FRANKLIN</b>	
24517 Bloomington Dr	\$350,000
30350 La Brea Ct	\$779,000
32695 W Haverford Dr	\$176,000
<b>HIGHLAND</b>	
3936 Araby Ct	\$319,000
151 Bishop	\$141,000
4107 Hunters Dr	\$265,000
3389 Kingsway Dr	\$445,000
3887 Taggett Lake Dr	\$273,000
3693 Woodland Dr	\$295,000
<b>LATHRUP VILLAGE</b>	
27601 Lathrup Blvd	\$227,000
<b>MILFORD</b>	
1996 Charles Ct	\$505,000
1219 E Commerce St	\$134,000
846 Knolls Landing Dr	\$305,000
3940 Rivendell Ct	\$210,000
677 River Oaks Dr	\$320,000
1196 Timber Ridge Ct	\$529,000
2258 W Commerce Rd	\$135,000
<b>NORTHVILLE</b>	
21506 Beauford Ct	\$350,000
919 Carrington Dr	\$180,000
39067 Cheshire Dr	\$294,000
20826 E Chigwidden St	\$332,000
37554 E Meadowhill Dr	\$245,000
21611 N Center St	\$385,000
21800 Rathlone Dr	\$290,000
43482 Serenity Dr	\$430,000
326 Sherrie Ln	\$257,000
<b>NOVI</b>	
45475 Andes Hills Ct	\$215,000
24610 Bethany Way	\$368,000
24177 Brentwood Ct	\$435,000
41223 Cherry Hill Rd	\$197,000
41305 Cornell Dr	\$185,000
40006 Crosswinds	\$124,000
22500 Devron Ct	\$415,000
22068 Edgewater	\$150,000

43096 Emerson Way	\$328,000
40360 Franklin Mill St	\$194,000
50988 Glades Ct W	\$540,000
23949 Heartwood	\$225,000
27857 Hopkins Dr	\$173,000
45049 Huntingcross Dr	\$300,000
23210 Inverness Ct	\$661,000
27065 Maxwell Ct	\$297,000
23515 N Rockledge	\$105,000
41510 Oconnor Ln	\$230,000
27483 Sloan St	\$346,000
50004 Streamwood Dr	\$330,000
49609 Timber Trl	\$438,000
49650 Timber Trl	\$430,000
43021 W 13 Mile Rd	\$261,000
45837 Willingham Dr	\$520,000
<b>SOUTH LYON</b>	
565 Center Rdg	\$170,000
25655 Coach Ln	\$415,000
25801 Cobblers Ln	\$330,000
61156 Greenwood Dr	\$85,000
423 Lyon Ct	\$158,000
23555 Millwood	\$449,000
22205 Quail Run Cir Unit 2	\$161,000
61460 Roaring Brook Dr	\$199,000
948 S Parkway Dr	\$220,000
1155 Surrey Ln	\$385,000
24525 Wedgewood Dr	\$410,000
54110 West Ct	\$390,000
<b>SOUTHFIELD</b>	
28745 Aberdeen St	\$194,000
18615 Autumn Ln	\$345,000
28915 Carmel Dr	\$125,000
18629 Greenwald Dr	\$178,000
17116 Jeanette St	\$250,000
24675 Lois Ln	\$219,000
25232 Pierce St	\$195,000
30820 Red Maple Ln	\$195,000
17471 Revere St	\$148,000
28004 Selkirk St	\$60,000
30208 Southfield Rd # A121	\$59,000
30163 Spring River Dr	\$157,000
23750 Twining Dr	\$177,000
28021 W Kalong Cir	\$109,000
29398 Westbrook Pkwy	\$200,000
<b>WHITE LAKE</b>	
645 Burgess Dr	\$417,000
8675 Cooley Beach Dr	\$195,000
2300 Kingston St	\$150,000
60 Oak Pl	\$150,000
9136 Sandy Ridge Dr	\$245,000

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These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Aug. 3-7, 2015, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses and sales prices.

<b>CANTON</b>	
75680 Adams St	\$313,000
43680 Amber Ct	\$235,000
43677 Applewood Rd	\$190,000
2500 Bramble Ct	\$281,000
2783 Brookhaven Rd	\$225,000
716 Buchanan St	\$400,000
43558 Candlewood Dr	\$260,000
6848 Chadwick Dr	\$274,000
329 Charterhouse Ct	\$148,000
133 Cherry Hill Pointe Dr	\$220,000
755 Cherry Orchard Rd	\$190,000
2593 Cleveland Way	\$268,000
505 Constitution St	\$200,000
49500 Great Falls Rd	\$85,000
45657 Holmes Dr	\$228,000
4061 Hunters Cir W	\$105,000
2061 Marlowe St	\$156,000
50476 Monroe St	\$290,000
43866 Nowland Dr	\$270,000
283 Province Ln	\$60,000
2907 River Meadow Cir	\$229,000
42940 Ryegate St	\$222,000
42988 Ryegate St	\$213,000
44583 Savory Dr	\$115,000
41081 Southwind Dr	\$80,000
531 Terrace Ct	\$440,000
43598 W Arbor Way Dr	\$107,000
<b>GARDEN CITY</b>	
5714 Arcola St	\$84,000
29602 Bock St	\$60,000
31237 Brown St	\$150,000
33238 Donnelly St	\$114,000
494 Gilman St	\$76,000
28941 Rosslyn Ave	\$88,000

<b>LIVONIA</b>	
33063 6 Mile Rd	\$156,000
33535 7 Mile Rd	\$110,000
35855 Ann Arbor Trl	\$191,000
27937 Bentley St	\$155,000
14147 Cardwell St	\$157,000
16864 Farmington Rd	\$143,000
20108 Floral St	\$20,000
36870 Gardner St	\$292,000
17558 Golfview St	\$202,000
15014 Houghton St	\$183,000
15645 Hubbard St	\$210,000
14709 Huff St	\$190,000
27817 Lyndon St	\$100,000
30311 Lyndon St	\$211,000
29356 Meadowlark St	\$120,000
29356 Meadowlark St	\$154,000
15098 Merriman Rd	\$129,000
31449 Merriwood Park Dr	\$136,000
18549 Millbrook St	\$125,000
35079 Morlock Ave	\$391,000
36563 Munger Ct	\$210,000
20080 Myron Dr	\$256,000
16370 Rougeway St	\$83,000
32717 Scone St	\$230,000
39134 Stacey Dr	\$265,000
14538 Stonehouse Ave	\$175,000
33042 Summers St	\$242,000
20072 Whitby Dr	\$290,000
16902 Woodside St	\$283,000
14482 Yale St	\$233,000
<b>NORTHVILLE</b>	
16116 Appleby Ln	\$370,000
19600 Beck Rd	\$452,000
16825 Carriage Way	\$144,000
16165 Cherrywood Ct	\$435,000
42477 Corlina Dr	\$232,000
16692 Country Knoll Dr	\$315,000
42035 Crestview Cir	\$400,000
109 Hampton Ct	\$335,000
19486 Inlet Ct	\$130,000
44444 Larchwood Dr	\$685,000
17004 Lochmoor Cir E	\$420,000
42750 Lyric Ct	\$121,000

46061 N Valley Dr	\$390,000
19673 Northridge Dr	\$104,000
540 Orchard Dr	\$641,000
39839 Rockcrest Cir	\$184,000
19143 Surrey Ln	\$103,000
19299 Windridge Dr	\$429,000
40224 Woodside Dr N	\$431,000
<b>PLYMOUTH</b>	
11639 Aspen Dr	\$181,000
449 Auburn St	\$280,000
8897 Ball St	\$315,000
46116 Barrington Rd	\$273,000
47046 Beechcrest Dr	\$292,000
50527 Beechwood Ct	\$213,000
49973 Cooke Ave	\$455,000
8827 Corinne St	\$228,000
40723 Firwood Dr	\$198,000
11180 Gold Arbor Rd	\$210,000
1310 Hartsough St	\$250,000
9420 Hillcrest Dr	\$312,000
44820 Joy Rd	\$130,000
42509 Lakeland Ct	\$160,000
651 N Evergreen St	\$260,000
315 N Holbrook St	\$360,000
42175 Old Pond Cir	\$124,000
857 Palmer St	\$253,000
1317 Park Pl	\$685,000
11799 Parkway Dr	\$205,000
48950 Plum Tree Dr	\$269,000
51313 Plymouth Ridge Dr	\$159,000
1115 S Main St	\$325,000
1414 Sheridan St	\$387,000
9174 Tavistock Dr	\$200,000
9439 Timberline Ct	\$341,000
46289 Westbriar Ct	\$246,000
<b>REDFORD</b>	
9126 Beech Daly Rd	\$88,000
12890 Centralia	\$23,000
17620 Indian	\$80,000
18347 Lexington	\$80,000
19700 Lexington	\$63,000



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## In these growing fields, jobs pay \$50 an hour

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You may have scoffed when your teacher told you that what you learned in math or science class would be useful in real life, but there's no denying that those skills are helpful if you're hoping to land a lucrative job.

Still skeptical? Here are 10 growing occupations that pay an average of \$50 an hour, based on data from Economic Modeling Specialists Intl., a CareerBuilder company that specializes in employment data and labor market analysis. (All growth figures are projected through 2020.)

**1. Political scientists** study the origin, development and operation of political systems. They research political ideas and analyze governments, policies, political trends and related issues.

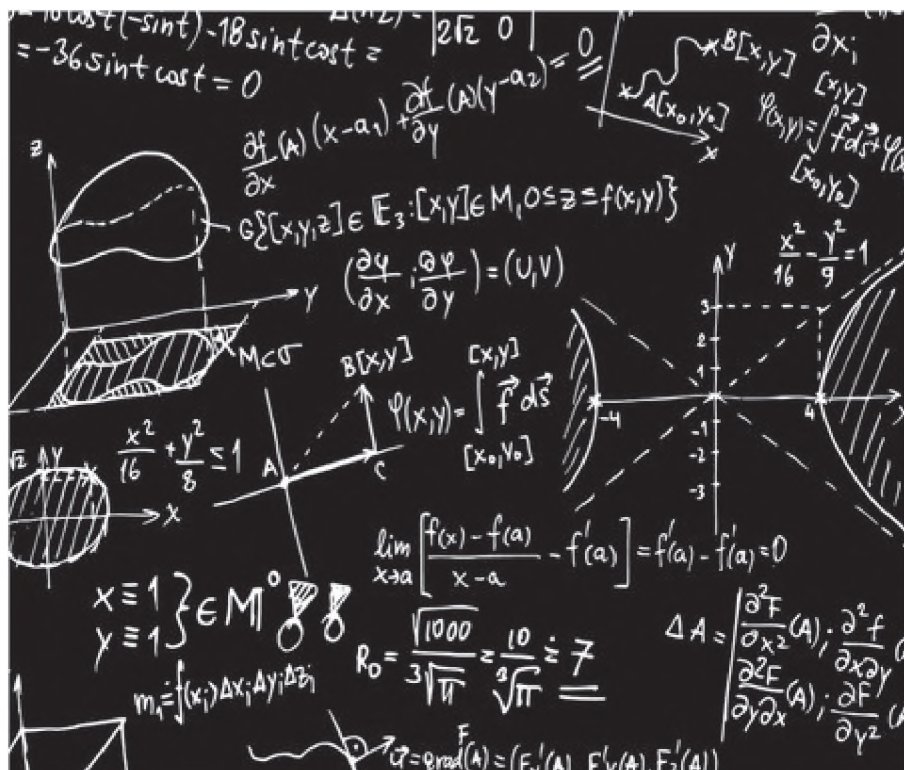
- Projected job growth: 12 percent
- Average hourly earnings: \$50

**2. Mathematicians** use advanced math to develop and understand mathematical principles, analyze data and solve real-world problems.

- Projected job growth: 11 percent
- Average hourly earnings: \$50.17

**3. Geoscientists** (except hydrologists and geographers) study the physical aspects of the Earth, such as its composition, structure and processes, to learn about its past, present and future.

- Projected job growth: 11 percent
- Average hourly earnings: \$50.67



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**4. Chemical engineers** apply the principles of chemistry, biology, physics and mathematics to solve problems that involve the production or use of chemicals, fuel, medications, food and many other products. They design processes and equipment for large-scale manufacturing, plan and test methods of manufacturing products and treating byproducts, and supervise production.

- Projected job growth: 4 percent
- Average hourly earnings: \$49.80

**5. Medical and health-services managers** plan, direct and coordinate medical and health services. They might oversee an entire facility, specialize in a specific clinical area or department, or manage a medical practice for a group of physicians.

- Projected job growth: 10 percent
- Average hourly earnings: \$49.84

**6. Systems software developers** create the systems that keep computers functioning properly. These could be operating systems that are part of computers for the general public or systems built specifically for an organization. They create the operating systems that control most of the consumer electronics in use today, including phones and cars.

- Projected job growth: 10 percent
- Average hourly earnings: \$50.98

**7. Economists** study the production and distribution of resources, goods and services by collecting and analyzing data, researching trends and evaluating economic issues.

- Projected job growth: 8 percent
- Average hourly earnings: \$50.62

**8. Sales engineers** sell complex scientific and technological products or services to businesses. They must have extensive knowledge of the products' parts and functions and must understand the scientific processes that make those products work.

- Projected job growth: 5 percent
- Average hourly earnings: \$50.32

**9. Securities, commodities and financial services sales agents** connect buyers and sellers in financial markets. They sell securities to individuals, advise companies in search of investors and conduct trades.

- Projected job growth: 4 percent
- Average hourly earnings: \$49.64

**10. Nuclear engineers** research and develop the processes, instruments and systems used to derive benefits from nuclear energy and radiation. Many of these engineers find industrial and medical uses for radioactive materials — for example, in equipment used in medical diagnosis and treatment. Many others specialize in the development of nuclear power sources for ships or spacecraft.

- Projected job growth: 4 percent
- Average hourly earnings: \$50.30

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1 Overbrim

5 Lowercase letter with a dot

11 Deg. for a future exec

14 Be snoozing

19 Magic incantation starter

20 Add more criticism

21 OPEC supply

22 Big blood vessel

23 Old Cougar carmaker, for short

24 Sci-fi author Isaac

25 Cry in a party card game

26 Great fear

27 Table in a dictionary

31 Tension

32 Pew, for one

33 "Neon" tank fish

37 Dessert akin to cobbler

38 Smartphone buy

41 It may be true-false

44 Book with many maps

48 Word in a Doris Day song title

49 Oh-so-sentimental

50 Big bother

51 Chief

53 Wall St. manipulator

55 "— Abner"

56 Pro opposite

57 Tidy

58 Printed symphony, e.g.

63 Twistable treat

65 Dol. units

67 Pantheon member

68 Really happy

69 Dunking site

75 The Chiffons' "He's —"

78 Ambience

79 Hither and —

80 Ship pole

84 Jailer

88 Flaky mineral

91 U.S. 66, e.g.

92 Rustic stopover

93 Spam may be in it

94 Plunder

96 Period in history

97 Cowgirl's rope

100 Agenda, informally

103 Concert Steinway, say

105 The West Indies, e.g.

108 Brainpower stats

109 In need of medical care

110 From that place

111 Olds oldies

113 Brain twister

116 Theme of this puzzle

122 Mark-leaving swordsman

125 Utterance of amazement

126 Time of mammoths

127 Trails off

128 Rack up, as debt

129 Sense of self

130 Earth orbits it

131 "Dies —" (Latin hymn)

132 Lions, Tigers and Bears

133 Reality unit

134 Seasonal mall figures

135 Itty-bitty bits

3 Often messing up

4 Lehrer's old PBS partner

5 Arches over

6 Various items: Abbr.

7 Et — (and others)

8 Golf's "Champagne Tony"

9 Plunders

10 Visible

11 Canadian cop

12 Singer Crosby

13 Matty or Felipe of the diamond

14 Makes glum

15 Actress Swit

16 Previous to

17 Theta lead-in

18 Hip home

28 Applied to

29 Scull needs

30 Suffix with Wyoming

34 Scheme anew

35 Shoot for, with "to"

36 Fashioned

38 Invasion

39 River through Nebraska

40 Bear's foot

42 Gillette — II razor

43 Scarlett O'Hara's plantation

44 Texas city

45 Bad smell

46 Had grub

47 Goller Snead

52 Sweetened

54 Chicken cordon —

59 Name for 130-Across

60 In a lazy manner

61 Camera type, for short

62 "Cool" guys

64 Honshu sashes

66 130-Across is one

70 "I'll take that as —"

71 Emailed, e.g.

72 Wish

73 Onetime big name in PCs

74 Hamburger toppings

75 Demon, e.g.

76 Dean of 102-Down books

77 Composition conclusion

81 Middle-school math class

82 Gobs

83 City near Lake Tahoe

85 Ill. neighbor

86 Egyptian symbol of life

87 Minus: Abbr.

89 El — (hero of Spain)

90 Like Swiss mountains

95 — Lankan

98 Childish fit

99 Affixes firmly

101 Range of hearing

102 Food intake

104 "That pleases me"

106 Agnus — (Mass part)

107 Perfect-game feature

112 Comic actor — Baron

113 Makes uniform

114 "Oops, sorry"

115 Stubborn animals

117 Caroling tune

118 Full of energy

119 Harry Potter, for one

120 "... why — thou forsaken me?"

121 Water, in Cuba

122 Nose flaw

123 Indivisible

124 LG rival

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Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

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WORDS

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MESOSPHERE  
PERMAFROST  
SATURATION  
SLEET  
SLOPE  
SNOWFLAKE  
TEMPERATURE  
THAW  
THICKNESS  
VISIBILITY

Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally & diagonally throughout the puzzle.

Crossword Answers

TEEM	SMALL	LI	MBA	SLEEP
ABRA	PILEON	OIL	AORTA	
MERC	ASIMOV	UNO	DREAD	
PRONUN	CIA	UING	GUIDE	
STRESS		SEAT	TETRA	S
PIE	APP	WRITTEN	TEST	
WORLD	ATLAS	SERA	SAPPY	
ADO	OTTAWA	S	ARB	LIL
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	BASKETBALL	COURT		
SOFINE	AIR	YON	SPAR	
PRISON	WARDEN	MICA	RTE	
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ISLAND	CHAIN	IQS	ILL	
THENCE		REOS	ENIGMA	
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Word Search Answers

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1G1YK13R3YR103155

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1N4AL11D94C177031

2001 Buick Lesabre Grey  
1G4HP54K514269530

2004 Nissan Murano Black  
JN8AZ08T24W208221

2005 Cadillac SRX Black  
1GYEE637450126141

1982 AMC Eagle Brown  
2CCK3873CB715515

2000 Mercury Cougar Black  
1ZWH761L2Y5609815

1997 Saturn SL Purple  
1ZWH761L2Y5609815

2007 Chevy Impala Black  
2G1WM15K969195641

2005 Toyota Sequoia Silver  
5TD144A75S250219

2007 Pontiac Grand Prix Gray  
2G2WP55241222833

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN  
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the use of Community Devel-  
opment Block Grant Funds.  
The hearing will be held on  
Monday December 14,  
2015 at 7:30 pm at the  
South Lyon City Hall 335 S.  
Warren Street, South Lyon,  
Michigan 48178 for the  
purpose of hearing public  
comments on the Commu-  
nity Development Block Grant  
(CDBG) Program Year 2016  
application in the approxi-  
mate amount of \$35,261 to  
fund eligible projects. All  
interested citizens are re-  
quested to attend the hear-  
ing. Comments will also  
be received in writing or  
in person at City Hall until  
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2015 at 5:00 pm. arrange-  
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 <p><b>Just minutes from Milford!</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Custom home on five lush acres</li> <li>• Four bedrooms, Five bathrooms</li> <li>• First floor laundry, pantry, dining room and office.</li> <li>• Finished walkout with bedroom, bathroom, second laundry, kitchen and wet bar.</li> </ul> <p><b>MLS 215075647    248.684.1065    \$610,000</b></p>	 <p><b>Don't Miss This Opportunity!</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adorable &amp; well-maintained ranch.</li> <li>• In walking distance to charming Milford!</li> <li>• Large family room in lower level with dry bar, full bath &amp; library.</li> <li>• Updates throughout</li> </ul> <p><b>MLS 215094336    248.684.1065    \$190,000</b></p>	 <p><b>This is not a Ranch but looks like it!</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Four bedrooms, two bathrooms</li> <li>• Completely Updated</li> <li>• Great yard for pets or children</li> <li>• Move in Ready</li> </ul> <p><b>MLS 215063351    248.684.1065    \$199,900</b></p>	 <p><b>Delightful!</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Four bedroom, two and half bath, with open floor plan.</li> <li>• Located in Berwyk sub, conveniently in charming Milford Twp.</li> <li>• Open great room, gas fireplace, formal living and dining room.</li> <li>• Wood and Ceramic floor throughout.</li> </ul> <p><b>MLS 215116596    248.684.1065    \$279,900</b></p>
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