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Garden Club meeting

The Northville Garden Club is kicking off the New Year with a meeting and luncheon at noon Monday, Jan. 11, at the Cady Inn in Mill Race Village. The general meeting will begin at 12:30 p.m. and speaker Ed Blondin, a master gardener and certified landscape designer, will present “The Rise of the Monastic Garden Aesthetic.” A members social and luncheon is at noon. Guests are welcome. For more information, call Claire Krehner at 248-924-3486.

No school

Northville Public Schools will be closed Monday, Jan. 18, in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Olympiad

Attention Thornton Creek third-, fourth- and fifth-graders and parents interested in the Science Olympiad: the sign-up deadline is extended to Monday, Jan. 11. Coaches are still needed for several events; no experience is necessary. Contact the school office at 248-344-8475.

Area clerks expecting longer poll lines for Nov. 8 election

Gov. Rick Snyder signs law eliminating straight-ticket voting

Joanne Maliszewski
Staff Writer

Voters can expect to spend a bit more time voting ballots in the November general election now that Gov. Rick Snyder on Tuesday signed into law Public Act 268 of 2015, which eliminates straight-ticket voting. Many municipal clerks in Michigan were hoping against



Massa



Hillebrand

all hope that the Michigan Legislature in December would not eliminate straight-ticket voting — if only because of the time it will take voters at the polls. But Snyder's signature Tuesday morning means that voters will be forced to vote for candidates individually in order to complete their ballots. Previously, voters could simply vote for either all Republicans or all Democrats on the ballot in one swift action.

“It's going to be a long ballot. It will extend the time in the voting booth,” Northville Township Clerk Sue Hillebrand said.

In addition to anticipated longer lines and longer times in the booths on Nov. 8, Hillebrand suspects voters will skip voting certain races, such as state college boards. The new law will not affect the March presidential primary, which is closed, meaning voters must declare which ballot they choose to vote. It also will not affect the August primary.

“We are encouraging voters to be prepared,” said city of Northville Clerk Dianne Massa, adding that sample ballots will be online for review. “I really do think it will take some time to vote.”

Hillebrand reminds voters that the March presidential primary is actually a primary requested by the Democratic and Republican parties, not the federal government.

Meanwhile, Hillebrand and Massa are gearing up for the November election and the expected longer voting time that will be required to complete

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Jim Nield and Jim Lapham, Northville High School class of 1953, hang class composites in the academic wing at the high school.

STILL LOOKING

Northville couple search for remaining early 1900s high school class photos

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For some 26 years, Martha and Jim Nield have worked tirelessly to gather photos of each class graduating from Northville High School. And they aren't quite done yet, but have composites as far back as 1901.

“It is a labor of love. Other than my husband and my children, I have never worked so hard on anything. It seemed like a good thing to do,” Martha Nield said.

After more than two decades, Northville High School boasts a wall full of class photos. “The kids are so kind to these composites,” Nield said, adding she often sees current students studying the old photos.

“You can literally see they were immigrants (in the school photos) — Irish, Polish, German — coming into Northville.”

The labor of love continues. Nield is now in search of a photo — if it exists — of the class



FILE PHOTO

Martha and Jim Nield have furnished a lot of the funds needed to restore the graduating class photos and others have been sponsored by local groups, like this one by Northville's Early Bird Kiwanis

of 1920.

Photos from the 1900s would typically be a group of students seated around a table because the classes were that small. The 1920 photo, Nield suggests, would be a board featuring individual classmate shots.

The class of 1920 included the following graduates: Helen A. Miller, Gerald C. Woodworth, M. Ethel Limpert, Mary Helen Fuller, Margaret Stucey, Pauline M. Pickett, Helen Millard,

salutatorian, Ruth E. Cattermole, valedictorian, Stuart N. Colf, Genevieve C. Parmenter, Gladys A. Ryal, Gibson M. Carpenter, Gladys C. Black, George E. Wilcox and Clifford N. Stevens.

The photos are literally a visual history of the Northville community because many of the students' names remain as street names and on buildings,

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N'ville City Council to hold goal-setting meeting Monday

Joanne Maliszewski
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The Northville City Council will host a meeting to discuss its goals for 2016 at 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 11, at city hall.

Expected to be a bit longer than the council's typical shorter meetings, the discussion will include not only suggestions from Mayor Ken Roth but other council members, as well.

“We're not in a position where we are sitting on a large reservoir of cash,” said Mayor Ken Roth, when asking council members to provide topics for the meeting. He suggested topics that deal with processes or carry minimal costs.

Meanwhile, Roth has his own list that will be distributed to the council. One of the topics he intends to discuss — and was raised by councilwoman Nancy Darga on Monday night — is the process of appointing members to the city's various commissions, such as historic and the Board of Appeals.

Darga asked about the review process of commissioners, including new applicants, as well as those who may serve on more than one board simultaneously. She raised the issues just prior to the council approving two appointees to commissions. Chuck Murdock was approved for the historic district commission and Janice Cantelon was seated on the Board of Appeals. She was formerly an alternate.

Typically, the appointments commission, comprised of two council members, reviews applications for appointment. “If there is a renewal of an existing (member) that renewal doesn't have to submit an application,” Roth said.

He said that he wants to discuss next Monday a more defined process for appointments, as well as establish a standard of performance with which to review individual commissioners — “so commissioners know what is expected to them..”

While Darga raised questions on the appointment process, she also added that, “it's hard to find

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people who are willing to devote their time.”

In response to Darga’s questions, Roth said that the city does not have term limits on board commissioners. Darga said she wants to see more people involved on the commissions so that residents are not serving on multiple boards.

Roth agreed, adding he, too, would like to

“cast a wider net. It takes an awful lot of time to serve. You have to have time in your schedule.”

Darga suggested next week discussing how to inform the community of the need for applicants, as well as term limits and serving on multiple commissions.

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Nield said.

In addition to the 1920 photo, the Nields are also looking for photos for the classes of 1903, 1904, 1906 and 1907. In many cases, the photos that now hang in the high school have come from families who have come across them stored in boxes or as part of old family albums.

In other cases, original photos may have been lent to reunion committees and were never returned. Class yearbooks may also be another source of photos or perhaps a way of tracking down missing photos.

When the Nields have hung the photos at the high school, they are not the originals, but composites. Originals have been presented to the Northville Historical Society and kept at Mill Race Village for safe



FILE PHOTO
Martha and Jim Nield have spent more than 20 years searching for class photos for Northville High School.

keeping. “They are really protected,” she added.

The idea for the Nields’ long-term project really started when Northville resident Tom Sechler found some composites in a dumpster in the 1970s, and after some others were donated

from an old Northville restaurant.

Organizations and community members have supported the Nield search and helped turn the original photos they have found to composites for the high school..

Nield asks that if any-

one has the missing photos to contact her at 586-918-7000.

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ballots. Both urge voters to apply for absentee ballots that they can vote at home rather than waiting in line to vote. The Wayne County ballot, for example, could be as long as two pages, considering the potential for a number of proposals.

Hillebrand suspects there will also be lengthy lines at each tabulator — the person ballots are given to following voting. “We only have one at each location.” But Hillebrand is considering what to do about that potential problem.

To save the township money and to make more voting booths available at the polls, Hillebrand recently consolidated the number of precincts from 16 to 12. Right now, the township can provide a voting booth per 100 or fewer voters. According to the state, a municipal-

ity should have one booth for every 300 voters or more when warranted.

Hillebrand said she has a great team of election workers in place, but is seeking additional workers. Election workers are required to attend a training session one week prior to elections. The job pays \$150 for the day (without taxes). For more information, contact the clerk's office at 248-348-5800.

Disappointing to Hillebrand and Massa is that the Legislature decided against a so-called tie-bar between the legislation and another bill that would have allowed for no-reason absentee voting. No-reason absentee voting was seen as a way to address the anticipated long lines at the polls.

Supporters of eliminating straight-ticket voting, however, say it would prompt more voters to research candidates individually and make better-informed decisions, rather than just voting for one party. Critics say the extra time it will take to mark ballots will lead to longer wait times at polling places and leave some voters disenfranchised.

State Rep. Kurt Heise, R-Plymouth Township, a member of the House of Representatives’ elections committee, favored doing away with straight-party voting, but also favored the tie-bar to the no-reason absentee measure.

Heise said he was disappointed the state Senate removed the tie-bar, sending back to the House only the bill to eliminate straight tickets. The bill also came with a \$5 million appropriation for new voting equipment and voting software updates.

“They really had us over a barrel at that point,” Heise said. “It’s not like we could reattach the tie-bar and reach a deal.”

Heise said he hopes the Legislature can revisit no-reason absentee voting next year and that he sees momentum to do so in the House elections committee.

Sen. Patrick Colbeck, R-Canton, had a similar view. He also voted to eliminate straight-ticket voting, but voted against removing the tie-bar.

“I am an advocate of no-reason absentee voting, provided we include provisions that would mitigate the risk of voter fraud,” Colbeck wrote in an email.

Colbeck is vice chairman of the Senate’s elections and government reform committee and said the Senate plans to look at the issue again next year.

Most states, Heise and Colbeck said, do not allow straight-party voting.

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By artist Susan Moran, these are called “Fava I and II” and will be on exhibit at the Northville Art House.

N’ville Art House presents textile and mixed media exhibit

The Northville Art House, 215 W. Cady St., will present an exhibition of textiles and mixed media by Barbara Bushey and Susan Moran, two established fiber artists whose work develops from close observation of the Michigan landscape. They find inspiration in the details of surfaces and structures, of our woodlands and waterways, throughout the seasons of the year. They use the techniques of resist dyeing, quilting, collage and stitching to construct, enhance and emphasize their imagery.

“My work is an exploration of what is hidden and what is revealed — whether in a visual, emotional or historical sense. Working with layers, both physically and visually, allows me to explore this complexity,” Barbara Bushey, Associate Professor and Chair of the Hillsdale College Art Department.

Both of these award-winning artists have had their work in exhibitions and collections throughout the United States. Barbara Bushey has work in the White House permanent collection in Washington, D.C., and Susan Moran’s work is collected in both the Cardiovascular Center and the Medical School of the University of Michigan.

Susan Moran, instructor at the Center for Creative Studies in Detroit, said her goal as an artist is “to study and master the traditional techniques of dyeing and printing on fabric, and adapt them to my own purposes. I find inspiration for my work in daily walks through the wooded places of southeast Michigan. These walks are a kind of meditation,

allowing me the time to observe subtle, daily changes and appreciate the seasonal cycles of growth, decay and weather.”

The exhibit opens with a reception from 6-9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 8. The exhibit runs through Jan. 30, during Art House hours, noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Friday and noon to 4 p.m. Saturday. Admission: Free

For more information, call the Northville Art House at 248-344-0497 or visit northvillearthouse.org.



Northville Garden Club member Julie Mantay worked to fill the holiday wreath order placed by Allan Inglis, left, during the club’s Nov. 16 delivery date at Mill Race Village.

2015 holiday season scenes

It was a holiday season to remember in Northville, from school celebrations to the famed lighted parade with the arrival of Santa.

Throughout the community, organizations such as the Northville Garden Club and Civic Concern, Rotary — you name it — pulled out all the stops to be sure everyone had a good holiday. Kids celebrated with their own parties and activities, not to mention concerts, to fill the season with festive music.

As the New Year gets underway, here are some photos to remember of the 2015 holidays.



Tom Lee of the Knights of Columbus helps dish out food during the December Cooke School holiday party.

The popular Northville Lighted Parade set the tone for the holidays as crowds filled the sidewalks along Main Street.



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High School choirs celebrate holidays in song

Northville High School choirs — BackBeat, Chamber Choir and TrebleMakers — celebrated the holidays in song with concerts in December.

The three choirs also made it over to FOX 2 for a performance and recorded eight songs for use on Christmas Day.

Mary Kay Pryce is director of the BackBeat and TrebleMakers, while Mark Krempski is the director of the Chamber Choir.

The choirs received standing ovations at least once for each performance, according to parents.



KATY BAETZ-MATTHEWS

Pictured in the back row from left are Conner Elliot, Ryan Nelson, Sean Smith, Nick Barba. In the front row from left are Maddie Green, Mercy Rede, Claire Matthews, Lidia Drury.



KATY BAETZ-MATTHEWS

Showing off their Christmas sweaters are Carly Bins, Conner Elliot, Nikki Skinner, Andrew Lewis, Carleigh Ray, Jack Maibach.

Northville Educational Foundation awards grants to 49 teachers

On Dec. 14, the Northville Educational Foundation awarded 49 teachers and 20 projects across the Northville Public Schools district with Innovative Grants totaling \$27,892.66.

Thirty-six applications were received requesting over \$68,000 in funding. The applications were reviewed by a panel of seven judges and then scored based on their innovation, how they address curriculum standards, their ability to be replicated, the number of students impacted and the goals for the outcome of the project. The top scores that fit within the \$28,000 budget allocated were selected.

Among the winners includes 3D printers and Auto Inventor software for both middle schools to assist with Project

Lead The Way's STEM courses; Google Cardboard Virtual Reality devices at both middle schools and the high school to help bring what students are learning in textbooks to life; and resources to build a production area for students at Ridge Wood Elementary complete with a green screen and recording and videotaping equipment. To see the full list of winners, visit northvilleed-foundation.org/Innovative-Grants.html.

The Northville Educational Foundation truly appreciates these teachers who are willing to go above and beyond to bring extra programming into their classrooms so that their students can better experience what they are learning in class. "I think that is what amazes

me most about the Innovative Grant competition," NEF Executive Director Jennifer Roosenberg said.

"The teachers who win are genuinely excited and appreciative. However, the money we grant isn't for them. It's money given to the district so they can purchase the materials they need to make their projects a reality for their students. In actuality, they are creating more work for themselves to take on these additional projects for their students ... and they are ecstatic about the opportunity. They know these are the kind of class projects that students come home and say 'guess what we did at school today!' and will remember for years to come," Roosenberg added.



SUBMITTED

Kathryn Bellows at Northville High School gets a surprise when her grant is awarded.

The 20 projects will be implemented in the classrooms beginning second semester of this school year and will impact nearly 4,300 students this year alone at eight of Northville's 10 schools. Many of them will be able to be replicated year after year.

This is NEF's seventh year of providing Innovative Grants

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Happy New Year! Making weight loss resolutions that stick

Susan Bromley
Staff Writer

Two days before the start of the new year, Monika Foedisch had a plan for achieving her goal to be healthier in 2016 — charging her Fitbit batteries that died before Thanksgiving.

She laughed as she explained that she didn't even pretend during the last month of the year to keep up healthy habits she resolved to make at the start of 2015. Foedisch instead is starting anew with the ever-popular resolution to lose weight and be healthy.

"Losing 20 pounds would be nice, but I'll probably aim for five, because I'll be sad if I don't make it," she said. "I'm going to eat better and move more. I'm not cutting out cookies or candy. You have a certain amount of calories, so if you want chocolate, you should also have a salad."

Patrick May, manager and personal trainer at Anytime Fitness on Grand River Avenue in Novi, said he believes Foedisch is setting goals in an achievable manner.

"It's good to make resolutions — the most important thing is to set realistic expectations and make small goals and keep yourself accountable," he said.

Losing one to three pounds per week is a reasonable goal, he added, while dropping 20 pounds in a month is not.

May has extensive experience in helping people lose weight and keep it off as a personal trainer for eight years and manager of the Anytime Fitness Novi location for the past three years.

Gyms packed

Right now is the gym's busiest time and May is signing up new members, including Abe Raina, who is setting a new year's resolution for the first time in his life.

"I want to lose weight and get stronger," Raina said as May showed him a treadmill. "I want to start the new year on a good note."

While the treadmills, elliptical machines and stationary bikes at the



SUSAN BROMLEY
Abe Raina learns about treadmill features from Patrick May, owner of Anytime Fitness in Novi.

gym offer good cardio workouts, they are relatively small pieces of the weight-loss puzzle. The strength training equipment at the gym is at least equally important. Exercise participants burn calories for 24 hours after doing a cardio workout, but after a strength session can still burn calories up to 72 hours later.

More important than either cardio or muscle-building in the battle against weight gain, however, is nutrition. Weight loss is 20 percent exercise and 80 percent the food you consume.

Instead of going cold turkey from a pop addiction, reduce the amount of soda you drink per day or limit drinking soda to only certain days, for example. Do not fall into the trap of using a fad diet such as Atkins or South Beach. Such diets are not maintainable nor healthy long term for most people, May said, and often lead people to gain even more weight after they stop.

Lifestyle changes

What is needed is a lifestyle change. Track calories using an app such as My Fitness Pal. Get a baseline of the number of calories you currently consume and learn the calorie counts in various foods to gain the ability to make better choices.

"Stick with clean foods," May said. "When

you are reading the ingredients and there are words you can't pronounce, there's a good chance your body can't break that down."

Avoid hydrogenated oils and high-fructose corn syrup. Sugar should be less than half the total carbohydrates, he added.

May recommends kick-starting your metabolism each day with breakfast and consumption of 16 ounces of water in the morning. Water is essential to weight loss and he suggests drinking between two and three liters total per day. Eating small meals throughout the day, roughly 200-300 calories every two or three hours, is also better than large meals several hours apart, May said, adding that many people get into trouble by skipping breakfast, having a light lunch and then, ravenous, eating a 2,000-calorie dinner.

"Results take time," May said. "It takes two to four weeks for a body to make adjustments to a lifestyle change. It can take up to four to six months to start seeing benefits. ... You have to change up your routine when your body adjusts to what you are doing and you hit a plateau. Pack your gym bag the night before and leave it by the door. Set a schedule and stick to it. It's good to set a goal, but you have to stick with it."

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Two Muses Theatre forced to find new home for 2016

The show must go on. And for Two Muses Theatre, there's no exception.

For the past five years, Two Muses Theatre, a professional, non-profit theater, has produced award-winning plays and musicals inside the Barnes & Noble bookstore on Orchard Lake Road.

Unfortunately, Two Muses' Artistic/Executive Director Diane Hill recently received notice from California-based Starpoint Property Management that the company is closing down the building this month.

Barnes & Noble in West Bloomfield shut its doors Dec. 31. Two Muses Theatre packed up everything and moved out of Barnes & Noble following the close of its November musical production of *The Light in the Piazza* that played to delighted sold-out houses.

Two Muses officials are giving a standing ovation to Monster Box Theatre Managing/Artistic Director Paul Stark, who offered his performance space at 2529 Elizabeth Lake Road in Waterford as the new home for Two Muses Theatre.

Two Muses Theatre will resume its current season April 1 with the Pulitzer Prize-winning serio-comedy, *How I*



Beginning this month, Two Muses Theatre will be located at 2529 Elizabeth Lake Road in Waterford, inside the Monster Box Theatre.

Learned to Drive and will end its season as planned with the musical *I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change*.

"The intimate performance space at Monster Box Theatre is perfect for our audience and will ensure a familiar environment," Hill said. "The location of Monster Box Theatre in Waterford is not too far from our original space and we look forward to gaining a new following in the area."

In addition, Two Muses patrons, who have become accustomed to enjoying refreshments at the soon-to-be-closed Barnes & Noble Starbucks, will appreciate similar hospitality at the

Monster Box Café.

Hill and Stark are collaborating to develop a cohesive performance schedule that will allow both theater companies to independently and, in rotation, produce their own shows, but do it under one roof, at Stark's Monster Box site.

Tickets for the remaining two shows of Two Muses' season, *How I Learned to Drive* in April and *I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change* in June, can be purchased at www.twomusetheatre.org or by calling 248-850-9919 starting in March.

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Walled Lake Schools' education foundation chair dies



Bernhardt

The Walled Lake Schools' Foundation for Excellence mourns the loss of Michael Bernhardt, foundation chairman and principal co-owner of M3 Investment Services in Royal Oak.

Bernhardt sustained a massive heart attack and died Dec. 24, 2015, according to release from the Walled Lake school district.

"This news remains such a shock," said Mi-

chelle Bianco, foundation executive director. "Michael was truly committed to our community and school district. The foundation was so fortunate to have been the recipient of his time and most generous support. Michael made sure I knew I had his commitment to the foundation and was known for his kindness among all of us."

Bernhardt's support

for the foundation began in 2004. He fulfilled the role of vice chairman from 2010-15, became chairman this past fall and also served on the foundation's operations and grant committees.

M3 Investment Services has been presenting sponsor for the foundation's past six annual golf scrambles and contributed the outings' welcome gifts. Bernhardt consistently assisted

with promoting sales for the foundation's annual Tuition Expedition 50/50 Scholarship Raffle and also purchased blocks of tickets.

"Michael always availed himself to confer regarding foundation business and lend support to make a difference for the students and faculty of our Walled Lake school district," said Chuck Phillipson, foundation vice chairman. "We

have certainly lost a tremendous friend and advocate."

The family of Bernhardt requests gifts to the Foundation for Excellence in his honor and memory.

Go to the Foundation for Excellence website www.wlcsd.org/foundation.cfm to make donations and to learn more about its effort to build a strong foundation ... one child at a time.

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ARBANAS, THOMAS
March 5, 1928 -
December 11, 2015
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BALLINGALL, ANNE
98, born in Scotland and a long-time resident of Highland, passed away peacefully in the care of her family on January 1, 2016. She was preceded in death by her husband, Neal and is survived by her son, Don (Iris) Ballingall; granddaughter, Vanessa (Randall) Westmoreland; great-grandchildren, Janeane and Paul; and dearest friend, Carol Jacobs. Services will be held privately. For further information phone Lynch & Sons, Milford at 248-684-6645 or visit ww.w.LynchFuneralDirectors.com.

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CIAPALA, CELESTE
December 24, 1942 -
December 25, 2015
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CORTE, VIRGINIA
June 16, 1922 -
December 12, 2015
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DOOLIN, RODGER
September 25, 1960 - December 28, 2015. Arrangements by: PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME.
www.phillipsfuneral.com

FURKIOTI, NICHOLAS
March 31, 1924-December 26, 2015 L. J. Griffin Funeral Home-Northrop Sassaman Chapel

HOYER, MARTHA
February 28, 1939 -
December 23, 2015
obriensullivanfuneralhome.com

JONES, ELIZABETH
July 16, 1930 -
December 19, 2015
obriensullivanfuneralhome.com



KAUFFMAN, MARIANNE ELIZABETH
Of Stockbridge Twp., Michigan, formerly of Hamburg, age 83, passed away on Monday, December 28, at her son's home. She was born on July 29, 1932, in Detroit, MI, the daughter of James D. and Evelyn (Everson) Kauffman. She worked as a Registered Nurse at Botsford Hospital for several years and also served in the U.S. Navy, being discharged in 1952. Her hobbies included making jewelry, sewing, crafts, interior design and shopping. Surviving are five children: David (Jeanine) Cruickshank of Washington, MI, William (Dianne) Cruickshank of Stockbridge, Sandra Cruickshank-Pettibone of Pennsylvania, Christopher Cruickshank of Hamburg, Kenneth (Barb) Cruickshank of Milford; eight grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; one brother, Robert (Ruth) Kauffman of Traverse City; one sister-in-law, Joanie Kauffman of Plymouth. She was preceded in death by her son Thomas Cruickshank, sister Rose Marie Downey, brother James Delmer Kauffman. A graveside service will take place at Rural Hill Cemetery in Northville, MI. Expressions of sympathy may be made to the humane society of one's choice or to the Arbor Hospice Foundation. Arrangements by Caskey-Mitchell Funeral Home, Stockbridge.

LEWIS, PATRICIA
February 28, 1943 -
December 23, 2015
obriensullivanfuneralhome.com



MCCARTHY, JUNE L.
Age 70, of Northville passed away December 25, 2015. She was born June 13, 1945 in Brunswick, Maryland; daughter of Cecil and Ethel (nee Houser) Webb. In 1963 she graduated from Harpers Ferry High School in Harpers Ferry, West Virginia. June was united in marriage to George J. McCarthy on October 11, 1964; they made Northville their home in 1986. She was a Yoga Instructor and Massage Therapist in the area for over 30 years; many will remember her from the classes she taught in Novi and Dearborn. June was a member of the Yoga Association of Greater Detroit, the International Myomassethics Federation and Friends of Maybury State Park. She was also a member of Bolivar United Methodist Church in Harpers Ferry, West Virginia. June was very active and loved being outdoors; especially taking long walks with her dog, kayaking, and traveling. She was an advanced master gardener and enjoyed tending to the organic vegetable garden and the many beautiful floral gardens at her home. June was also very skilled at refinishing furniture. She was a talented pianist; she mentored her granddaughters who were learning to play. June was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, and friend. She is survived by her husband George McCarthy; her children, Carol McCarthy, Mark McCarthy, and Tyler (Rebecca) McCarthy; her sister Laureda Mills; and her granddaughters, Rhiannon Campbell, Tessa McCarthy and Reese McCarthy. She was preceded in death by her parents and her brother Ernest Webb. Memorial visitation will be held Saturday, January 16, 2016 from 10 a.m. until Noon with a celebration of life beginning at Noon at Casterline Funeral Home, 122 West Dunlap, Northville. In lieu of flowers the family would appreciate memorial contributions to the Multiple Myeloma Research Foundation, 383 Main Avenue – 5th Floor, Norwalk, CT 06851. Please share online condolences: www.casterlinefuneralhome.com



MCDONNELL, ROBERT L.
Age 87, of Portage, went home to be with the Lord on December 23, 2015. Bob grew up in Detroit, Michigan, the son of Leo and Victoria McDonnell. A graduate of Cooley High School, he was in the Navy Reserves, serving his country in active duty during the Korean War. Many heard the exciting stories of his time spent in the military. When honorably discharged, he pursued his electrical profession with the IBEW Local 58. This allowed him to work on the Alaskan Pipeline which was most memorable for him. Married 58 years to Louise, they had four children. He is survived by: Jeanne (John) Caswell, Portage, WI, Robert (Colleen) McDonnell, Milford, MI, and Patrick (Lori) McDonnell, Highland, MI; eight beloved grandchildren, and seventeen treasured great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife, Louise McDonnell, first born son, Robert Patrick McDonnell, a grandson, and a great grandson. Isaiah 60:19 "The sun will no more be your light by day, nor will the brightness of the moon shine on you, for the LORD will be your everlasting light, and your God will be your glory." Always in our hearts, we look forward to seeing you again....The Pflanz Mantey Mendrala Funeral Home (www.pmmfh.com) in Portage is assisting the family.

PODNAR, HARRY A.
August 24, 1923-December 25, 2015. L.J. Griffin Funeral Home-Northrop Sassaman Chapel.

ROACH, ARLENE
September 2, 1930 -
December 18, 2015
obriensullivanfuneralhome.com

SHANK, MYRNA J.
Age 85, of Northville, passed away December 31, 2015. Share condolences at casterlinefuneralhome.com.

SHOEMAKER, WILLIAM
September 28, 1950 -
December 15, 2015
obriensullivanfuneralhome.com

SINELLI, JOSEPH
November 16, 1929 -
December 22, 2015
obriensullivanfuneralhome.com



VAN DUREN, OPAL McDONALD
Age 91, of Lyon Township, died January 1, 2016 in Novi, Michigan. Survived by her husband of 64 years, Donald J. Van Duren, Opal was born in Lansing, MI to Nona and Elza McDonald. She lived in Lansing and worked for Michigan Bell until 1952. Opal then moved to Holland, MI, where she and Don raised their family. They owned Van Duren Tailors in Holland until their retirement in 2005. Mother of Linda (Glen) Margrave of Novi, Donald W. (Jennifer Peter) of Ada, Robert J. (Annette) of Naperville, Illinois; grandchildren, Kyle (Lauren) and Ryan Margrave, Eric (Emily), Kevin (Zoey), Eddie, Ellie and Dana Van Duren; great-grandchildren, Elliott Van Duren and Finley Margrave. She is also survived by her sister, Joyce Miller of Lansing and many extended family members. Opal loved family. In lieu of any memorial contributions, please give something in her honor to someone within your own family. Celebration of Opal's life will be held in Holland at a later date.



VESTICH, JOHN
April 5, 1978 -
December 14, 2015
obriensullivanfuneralhome.com



WRIGHT, RANDALL ALLEN
Age 57, of Gaines, died December 31, 2015. A Memorial service was held 3 p.m. Sunday January 3, 2016 at Swartz Creek Church of the Nazarene, 7154 Morrish Road, Swartz Creek. Pastor Lawrence Gill officiating. Those desiring may make contributions to the Humane Society of Genesee County. Randall was born March 4, 1958 in Mobile, Alabama the son of Roland R. and Bonnie M. (Watkins) Wright. He was a musician at the Swartz Creek Church of the Nazarene. He was an avid bicyclist. He loved the outdoors and was also an avid hunter. Randy was a generous uncle to all his nieces and nephews. He is survived by siblings, Martin Wright of Milford, Debra Godin of Detroit, Starla Adly of Concord, California, Julie Marino of Novi, Eric Wright of South Lyon; several niece and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, brother, Edward Wright; sister, Laura Fisher. Tributes may be shared on the obituaries page at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com

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Location: 24505 Meadowbrook Road, Novi
Contact: 248-349-8847
Web: 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
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
Web: 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
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
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.dfcnazarene.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
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@fpcsouthlyon.org
office@fpcsouthlyon.org

First United Methodist Church of Northville
Location: 777 W. Eight Mile, Northville
Contact: 248-349-1144
Web: www.fumcnorthville.org

Frank Turner Ministries
Location: Novi Civic Center 45175 W. 10 Mile Road
Contact: 810-599-7392
Web: www.FrankTurner.org
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Good Shepherd Evangelical Lutheran Church (WELS)
Location: 41415 Nine Mile, Novi
Contact: 248-349-0565, 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
Web: 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
Immanuel Lutheran Church
Location: 330 E. Liberty, South Lyon
Contact: 248-437-2289
Pastor: Pastor Scott Miller

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
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
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
Web: 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
Contact: 734-464-6722; churchoffice@5milechurch.org

Metropolitan Seventh-day Adventist Church
Location: 15585 N Haggerty Road, Plymouth
Contact: 734-420-3131
Web: www.metrodachurch.org
Bible Study: 9:30 a.m. Saturday
Worship Service: 10:45 a.m. Saturday
Bible Study/Prayer: 7 p.m. Wednesday

NorthRidge Church
Location: 49555 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth Township
Contact: 734-233-3621; pheaton@northridgechurch.com

Northville Christian Assembly
Location: 41355 Six Mile
Contact: 248-348-9030
Web: 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.

Novi-Northville Center for Jewish Life
Details: Events, programs and activities for all ages throughout the year — children's programs, Sunday school, adult Jewish classes, youth clubs, holiday services and programs and community social events.
Contact: Rabbi Avrohom and Leah Susskind; 248-790-6075; rabbino@novijewishcenter.com
Web: www.novijewishcenter.com

Novi United Methodist
Location: 41671 W. 10 Mile, Novi
Contact: 248-349-2652
Web: www.umcnovi.com
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Novi-United-Methodist-Church/59782031433>
Sunday Worship: 9:45 a.m.
Healing Service and Holy Communion: 9:45 a.m. first Sunday
Peace Vigil: noon first Sundays in front of the church. Members of the congregation and the community will stand united in prayer for peace.

Tipping Point Theatre presents ‘Odd Couple’ with a twist

Unger and Madison are at it again in Neil Simon's famous update of his contemporary comic classic beginning this month at the Tipping Point Theatre in Northville.

Slobbish and easygoing Olive Madison has invited the girls over for an evening of Trivial Pursuit. But when up-tight, neat freak Flo-



Cochrane Banks

rance Unger shows up – just separated from her husband – the game is over before it gets start-

ed.

The Odd Couple runs Jan. 28 through Feb. 28, with a special “leap year” performance Monday, Feb. 29. The curtain rises at 8 p.m. Thursday through Saturday, with matinees at 3 p.m. Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday. A special matinee performance has been added at 3 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 17.

The theater is at 361 E. Cady St. in Northville. Tickets are \$30 to \$33 for adults, \$28 to \$31 for students and senior citizens and \$22 for the two preview shows Jan. 28-29. Tickets are on sale now. For tickets or more information, call the box office at 248-347-0003.

For more good news about Unger and Madison, the Purple Rose and

Tipping Point theaters are teaming up for a special deal as the two theaters are performing *The Odd Couple*. While Tipping Point performs the female version of the famed show, Purple Rose is sticking with the traditional, male roles.

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OUR VIEW

Work as team to end school bullying

A staffer of this newspaper had a great idea for the new year — end school bullying. Too often, school bullying leads to fear and pain, abandoned hopes and dreams, and even tragic violence. It takes a team to address the issue.

Parents, school staff and other caring adults have a role to play in preventing bullying. They can:

- » Help kids understand bullying. Talk about what bullying is and how to stand up to it safely. Tell kids bullying is unacceptable. Make sure kids know how to get help.

- » Keep the lines of communication open. Check in with kids often. Listen to them. Know their friends, ask about school and understand their concerns.

- » Encourage kids to do what they love. Special activities, interests and hobbies can boost confidence, help kids make friends and protect them from bullying behavior.

- » Model how to treat others with kindness and respect.

Help kids understand bullying

- » Kids who know what bullying is can better identify it. They can talk about bullying if it happens to them or others. Kids need to know ways to safely stand up to bullying and how to get help.

- » Encourage kids to speak to a trusted adult if they are bullied or see others being bullied. The adult can give comfort, support and advice, even if they can't solve the problem directly. Encourage the child to re-

port bullying if it happens.

- » Talk about how to stand up to kids who bully. Give tips, like using humor and saying “stop” directly and confidently. Talk about what to do if those actions don't work, like walking away.

- » Talk about strategies for staying safe, such as staying near adults or groups of other kids.

- » Urge them to help kids who are bullied by showing kindness or getting help.

- » Watch the short webisodes at www.stopbullying.gov and discuss them with kids.

Keep the lines of communication open

Research tells us that children really do look to parents and caregivers for advice and help on tough decisions. Sometimes spending 15 minutes a day talking can reassure kids that they can talk to their parents if they have a problem. Start conversations about daily life and feelings with questions like these:

- » What was one good thing that happened today? Any bad things?

- » What is lunch time like at your school? Who do you sit with? What do you talk about?

- » What is it like to ride the school bus?

- » What are you good at? What would do you like best about yourself?

Talking about bullying directly is an important step in understanding how the issue might be affecting kids. There are no right or wrong answers to these questions, but it is important to encourage kids to an-

swer them honestly. Assure kids that they are not alone in addressing any problems that arise. Start conversations about bullying with questions like these:

- » What does “bullying” mean to you?

- » Describe what kids who bully are like. Why do you think people bully?

- » Who are the adults you trust most when it comes to things like bullying?

- » Have you ever felt scared to go to school because you were afraid of bullying? What ways have you tried to change it?

- » What do you think parents can do to help stop bullying?

- » Have you or your friends left other kids out on purpose? Do you think that was bullying? Why or why not?

- » What do you usually do when you see bullying going on?

- » Do you ever see kids at your school being bullied by other kids? How does it make you feel?

- » Have you ever tried to help someone who is being bullied? What happened? What would you do if it happens again?

- » Get more ideas for talking with children about life and about bullying. If concerns come up, be sure to respond.

More discussion on ending school bullying is online at www.stopbullying.gov.

LETTERS

School board appreciation

January is School Board Recognition Month — a time to say a formal “thank you” for the work of the volunteer members of the Northville Public Schools Board of Education. Their commitment to service and public education affects the present and future lives of our children and our entire

community.

These are exciting and challenging times in public education. The decisions that must be made are difficult ones. Together with district leaders, the seven members of the Northville Board of Education develop policies and make tough decisions that help shape the future of our school district, and in turn our community. They bear the responsi-

bility and oversight for an annual general fund budget of approximately \$70 million, 7,200 students, 950 employees, and 11 buildings.

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

Their job is to establish the district's vision, mission and goals and develop policies to achieve them; to strongly encourage continuous improvement in student learning; and to advocate at the local, state and

national level in support of public education. This work includes an endless string of meetings and school functions to attend; reams of reports, agendas, proposals and other documents to read and study; and a never-ending commitment to thoughtful consideration of the issues, balancing perspectives, and making difficult decisions that are both fiscally responsible and focused on what is best for students.

Our Board of Education members generously give of themselves to ensure that decisions directly affecting our schools are made by representatives of our community — people who are close to our schools and know our teachers, parents and students.

Their primary goal is always focused on the success of the children in our school district. We applaud their willingness to serve as advocates for our children and the voice of public education.

While we make a special effort in January to show appreciation to our school board members, we realize their many contributions reflect a year-round commitment. With this in mind, I invite all the members of our community to make a special effort during School Board Recognition Month to tell our Board of Education members that their hard work, dedication and commitment of time on behalf of our community's children has been noticed, and is truly ap-

preciated and valued. It can be as simple as writing a note, sending an e-mail, making a phone call or simply saying “thank you” the next time you see a Board member out in the community.

The men and women serving Northville Public Schools and their years of service are:

Cynthia Jankowski, president four years; Adam Phelps, vice president three years; James Mazurek, secretary five years; Matthew Wilk, treasurer three and one-half years; Roland Hwang, trustee one year; Ann Kalass, trustee, two years; Sarah Prescott, trustee four months;

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Addicted to games ... not drugs

The city of Novi, Novi Police Department, Novi Youth Council and Lucky Strike Lanes recently hosted a morning of fun for area kids, encouraging them to get addicted to games, not drugs.

Kids in kindergarten through eighth grade had access to the games, bowling, entertainment, food and drinks for the morning at a discounted price.

"Addicted to Games is a great event that allows kids to make new

friends," said Ashna Jain, Novi Youth Council representative. "Kids always have a lot of fun and the turnout is amazing. I love going to the event, because kids are always excited and happy."

Members of the Novi Youth Council, Novi Fire and Police departments and Lucky Strike staff supervised the event, as parents joined in the fun. Proceeds benefit local anti-drug initiatives in Novi schools.



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Mia Herbst (right) plays air hockey with her friend Sydney Ostrofsky during their Dec. 29 visit to Novi's Lucky Strike complex as they and many other kids took advantage of the city's Addicted to Games program. The fun allowed kids to play all the video and skill games they wanted for \$10, with some snacks thrown in as well. The day was sponsored by the city of Novi, Novi Police Department and Novi Youth Council, among others.



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Jason Strohl tries his hand at a game that shows how strong his punch is.



Ryan Kelly, 9, and Connor Ryan, 8, play a boxing video game.

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A group of kids plays a basketball game during their Dec. 29 visit to Novi's Lucky Strike.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Send Novi calendar items to pallmen@hometownlife.com and Northville calendar items to jmaliszews@hometownlife.com by 9 a.m. Monday for consideration for the Thursday edition.

Garden Club meets
Time/Date: 6:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 11
Details: Gardeners of Northville and Novi present The Scented Garden with Pam Palechek Fiani of Petal Pushers. The program starts at 7 p.m. after 30 minutes of social time at Novi High School, 24062 Taft Road, in the Forum Room. \$5 for guests.

Novi Choralaires
Time/Date: 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 12
Details: Do you love to sing? Would you like to meet new people and take part in sharing the joy of music within our community? Join the Novi Choralaires, a community chorus of men and women from Novi and the surrounding area. Rehearsals at Novi Middle School choir classroom, 49000 West Eleven Mile at Wixom Road in Novi.

The Choralaires will present a joint concert with the Novi Band at 3 p.m. March 6; a “Sneak Peek Concert” at the Novi Public Library at 7 p.m. April 5; and the spring show “Songs of Nature” at 7:30 p.m. May 7. For more information about the Choralaires, go to novichoralaires.org or www.facebook.com/novichoralaire.

Compassionate Care Hospice
Time/Date: Jan. 12 volunteer orientation
Details: Compassionate Care Hospice seeks

caring, compassionate volunteers with big hearts to help with patient care and companionship, office support, group activities and more. Volunteer training sessions will cover mission and values, confidentiality, communication and listening skills, grief, loss, the dying process and information pertinent to serving the needs of the patients. Interested volunteers may also choose to receive additional training and serve as specialized spiritual or bereavement volunteer.

Interested volunteers must complete the online application process prior to training. Early registration is encourages as several steps are to be completed prior to the start of the training sessions. Contact the Volunteer Coordinator with questions or to apply for a brief interview 888-983-9050.

Art on display
Time/Date: Opening reception 6-9 p.m. Jan. 8. Exhibit through Jan. 30.
Details: The Northville Art House presents an exhibition of textiles and mixed media by Barbara Bushey and Susan Moran, two established fiber artists whose work develops from close observation of the Michigan landscape. Art House hours, 215 W. Cady Street, Northville, run noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and noon to 4 p.m. Saturday.

Reach Northville Art House at 248-344-0497 or www.northvillearthouse.org.

Masquerade charity ball
Time/Date: 7 p.m. to midnight Saturday, Feb. 6.

Donation helps NYA



Novi Youth Assistance caseworker Lisa Shields (left) and vice chair and volunteer Julie Abrams (center) talk Dec. 17 to Kappy Trott, wife of U.S. Rep. Dave Trott, at the Novi Civic Center. Trott learned a bit about the agency's efforts that day as she dropped off a \$1,000 donation to help its services of local youth.

Details: Kyyba Kidz Foundation, dedicated to improving the lives and education of orphans and underprivileged individuals, will host its 2016 Charity Fundraiser Gala Dinner at the Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi (46100 Grand River). Evening features a silent auction and raffle, dinner and dancing. All are welcome to bring their own masks or purchase them on-site by making a donation. Open to those 18 years and older, individual tickets are \$150 each and a table of 10 is \$1,000. The deadline for pre-registration, which is mandatory in order to attend, is Friday, Jan. 22, and can be completed at www.kyyba-kidzfoundation.org.

“From gowns and gararas to suits and sherwanis, we encourage all

to put on their most festive formal wear for a night of fun, mystery and giving back,” said Tel Ganesan, president of the Kyyba Kidz Foundation's Board of Trustees. Farmington Hills-based Kyyba Inc. is a technology and staffing services company.

Widowed Friends
Time/Date: 9 a.m. the second and fourth Thursday of each month.
Details: Join Widowed Friends, a peer support group, hosting a Men's Only Breakfast and Fellowship at Steve's Family Restaurant, 15800 Middlebelt Road, Livonia. Contact Dick at 313-534-0399.

Time/Date: 9 a.m. the first and third Monday of each month.
Details: Join Widowed Friends, a peer support group, hosting a Ladies Only Breakfast and Fellowship at Connor's Restaurant, Haggerty/Five

Sweet gifts



Novi Library librarian Lindsay Fricke assists Ananya Gupte, 5, in making a holiday cookie mix jar Dec. 17. About two dozen kids signed up to prepare a jar mix of chocolate chip cookies that they could then decorate in holiday wrappings.

Mile Road, Northville. To save a seat, contact Carol at 313-562-3080.

Time/Date: 9 a.m. the first Thursday of each month.
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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, January 13, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. in the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider **VALENCIA SOUTH. SITE PLAN NUMBER 13-75. FOR PRELIMINARY SITE PLAN, WETLANDS PERMIT, WOODLANDS PERMIT, AND STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN APPROVAL. THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IS CURRENTLY ZONED R-3, ONE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL WITH A PLANNED REZONING OVERLAY (PRO) AND IS LOCATED IN SECTION 29, SOUTH OF TEN MILE ROAD AND WEST OF BECK ROAD.** The subject property totals approximately 41.31 acres and the applicant is proposing a 64 unit single-family residential development. Plans are available for review at the Community Development Department in the Novi Civic Center.

Subject Property Parcel ID's: 50-22-29-226-011, 50-22-29-226-028, 50-22-29-226-029, 50-22-29-226-004, 50-22-29-226-031, 50-22-29-226-030, 50-22-29-226-018, 50-22-29-226-019, 50-22-29-226-022, 50-22-29-226-023

All interested persons are invited to attend. Verbal comments may be heard at the hearing and any written comments may be made to the Community Development Department, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 during the City's regular business hours, Monday thru Friday, from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., and must be received by 4:00 P.M., Wednesday, January 13, 2016.

Novi Planning Commission
Michael Lynch, Secretary

Published: January 7, 2016

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, January 27, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. in the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider **ARKIN BUILDING FOR MARTIN TECHNOLOGIES, JSP 15-74 FOR SPECIAL LAND USE AND PRELIMINARY SITE PLAN APPROVAL. THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IS CURRENTLY ZONED I-1, LIGHT INDUSTRIAL AND IS LOCATED IN SECTION 26, EAST OF NOVI ROAD AND NORTH OF NINE MILE ROAD.** The applicant is requesting a Special Land Use Permit for proposing outside storage that is related to the current use of the existing building on site. No additional improvements to the site are being proposed.

Plans are available for review at the Community Development Department in the Novi Civic Center.

Subject Property Parcel ID: 50-22-26-300-010

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Novi Planning Commission
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Colder weather draws guests to ski slopes

Philip Allmen
Staff Writer

It hasn't been ideal for winter-based businesses. Monday's cold weather was closer to what people expect when thinking about frigid January temperatures.

"This is the first time I've come out to ski this season," 17-year-old Nicci Sterling said. "It stinks. I haven't been able to ski as often as I want to."

Sterling spent Monday at Alpine Valley in White Lake, along with scores of others enjoying the winter weather. White Lake isn't the only place in the area for residents interested in downhill skiing without driving too far. Farther north in Oakland County there's Pine Knob (skipineknob.com) in Clarkston and Mt. Holly (skimtholly.com) in Holly for downhill aficionados.

Or head west, a bit past U.S. 23, to Mt. Brighton in neighboring Livingston County to get your ski or snowboard fix.

Alpine Valley, at 6775 Highland Road in White Lake Township, offers 25 slopes, nine chair lifts, four tow ropes, a magic carpet and four terrain parks. Conditions Tuesday included a 6- to 20-inch snow base and limited runs open.

Learn more online at skialpinevalley.com.

Mt. Brighton, 4141 Bauer Road in Brighton, has 25 trails and five lifts. Ski conditions earlier this week included a 16- to 22-inch base and limited runs.

Go to www.mtbrighton.com for more.

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Christian Gradowski, 16, gets some air after hitting a ramp on his snowboard during a visit to White Lake Township's Alpine Valley. The ski resort was making lots of snow that day, benefiting from some natural white stuff and had most of its runs open by late afternoon. Gradowski is a student at Orchard Lake St. Mary's.



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A skier rides up a chair lift at Alpine Valley.



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Max Stanecki, 15, smiles as he readies to hit the slopes of Alpine Valley.

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Lakeland High School senior Marissa Gallmeyer gets ready Jan. 4 to make her first run down the slopes of Alpine Valley. Gallmeyer is on the school's ski team.



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Camden Murphy, a junior at Novi High School, was the Speedo East Junior National champ in the 100- and 200-yard butterfly events.

MONYKA MURPHY

BRIGHT FUTURE

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Those daily 45-minute commutes to Waterford and back are paying dividends for Camden Murphy. The 16-year-old junior from Novi High School posted a breakthrough performance last month at the USA Swimming Speedo East Winter National Championship when he captured both the 100- and 200-yard butterfly events at Georgia Tech University's McCauley Aquatic Center in Atlanta.

Novi teen Murphy setting standards on national level; eyes U.S. Olympic Trials

Murphy, entering his fourth season as a member of the Kingfish Aquatic Club, posted a time of 47.21 in the 100 butterfly prelims and came back to capture the finals in 46.25, a 1.56-second personal improvement and 0.96 seconds faster than the current Michigan High School Athletic Association all-class

record of 47.21. Murphy also held the short course junior national mark in the 100 butterfly for approximately an hour before age-group sensation Michael Andrew of Lawrence, Kan., who turned pro at age 14, regained the record by 0.02 seconds Dec. 11 at the Speedo West Junior Nationals in

Austin, Texas. Andrew, now 17, with pro sponsors such as Mutual of Omaha and adidas, holds 78 national age-group records.

Another first

And not to be outdone, the 6-foot, 185-pound Murphy came back to win the 200 butterfly using his crisp and powerful underwater dolphin kicks with a commanding two-second win in 1:44.31. Both his 100 and 200 butterfly times were state age-group records

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BOYS BASKETBALL

6-0 Mustangs seize Holiday title

Zimbo nets 21 in 54-39 victory vs. Black Hawks

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

It was a December to remember for Northville boys basketball as the host Mustangs capped off a 6-0 month Dec. 29 with a convincing 54-39 victory over Bloomfield Hills.

"I thought this was our best overall game from start to finish against a really good team," said Northville coach Todd Sander, whose team earned the Northville Holiday Basketball Tournament title. "We really defended well and I thought took them out of some of their stuff early on in the first half and made them work for every shot and score that they got."

After going 1-of-12 from the floor and scoring just two points Dec. 27 in a 51-48 first-round overtime win over Walled Lake Northern, Northville senior guard Justin Zimbo made personal amends by scoring a game-high 21 points.

The crafty 6-foot left-hander made 7-of-10 shots from the field, including five shots from 3-point range.

"I was just off," Zimbo said of his outing against Northern. "Every night is



BRAD EMONS

The Northville boys basketball team won the Holiday Tournament crown Dec. 29 with a 54-39 win over Bloomfield Hills.

different. You're going to have cold nights, you're going to have hot nights. Tonight was obviously a lot better for our team and myself."

Northville, paced by Zimbo's three triples, put the Black Hawks on their heels by jumping out to an 18-9 first-quarter advantage in the championship game, which was delayed a day because of icy weather Dec. 28.

Bloomfield Hills closed the deficit to 28-21 at halftime and trailed by only five, 36-31, after three quarters thanks to a triple by junior guard Justin Henry with 22 seconds left.

But that was as close as

the Black Hawks could get as Zimbo nailed back-to-back triples to spark an 18-8 fourth-quarter run.

"He's a winner; he's a leader," Sander said of the senior guard. "He's the type of kid that we can give a hard time about a day like (Dec. 27) and he comes back ready ... to fill it up."

Senior forward Nick Wilds, coming off a 22-point outing against Northern, contributed 10 points, while senior forward Justin Gibbons added nine points and eight rebounds.

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JUNIOR HOCKEY

Northville's Robertson cut above in OHL rookie class

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Despite turning 16 in September, Jason Robertson is one of the youngest players in the Ontario Hockey League.

But the Northville resident is playing well beyond his years while making a considerable impact during his rookie season for the Kingston Frontenacs, who occupy first place in the East Division of the OHL's Eastern Conference at 23-11-2.

The right winger currently ranks fifth on the team in scoring with 16 goals, including three power-play goals, to go along with eight assists for 24 points.

"Scoring goals is part of my game and, more than anything else, I try and create plays," Robertson said. "I try to finish them and start them. The coach wants me to be a goal-scorer and create plays."

Robertson also owns a plus-2 rating and ranks among the top 10 OHL rookie scorers. He holds the distinction of being top rookie scorer born in 1999.

Late last month, Robertson had a nine-game point streak end, but rebounded the next game for a natural hat trick and one assist against the Sault



KINGSTON FRONTENACS

Northville resident Jason Robertson, 16, is enjoying a productive rookie season with the Ontario Hockey League's Kingston Frontenacs.

Ste. Marie Greyhounds.

Great start

"First of all, no 16-year-old is expected to have 15 goals by Christmas and he's done a great job of continuing to get better each and every day since he's gotten here," Kingston coach Paul McFarland said. "I think the better he plays away from the puck, the more scoring chances he gets."

"As far as what we like about him is that he's got great hockey sense and he's a driven player. He's not satisfied with a good first half of the season.

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GIRLS BASKETBALL



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Northville's Roan Haines (right) takes the ball to the basket against a Dexter defender.

Dreadnaughts steal victory away from Northville, 41-38

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

The Northville girls basketball team would like to have this one back. The underdog Mustangs held a five-point lead with only 2:24 left, but committed six costly turnovers over the final two critical minutes and Dexter rallied for a 41-38 win Dec. 29 in the finals of the Northville Holiday Basketball Tournament.

It was the first loss in six starts for Northville. The Dreadnaughts (5-1) nailed eight straight free throws over the last 90 seconds, coupled with a go-ahead basket from Taylor Olson with only 0:30 remaining, to spark an 8-0 run and secure the victory.

Following the setback, in which Northville fought back from a 13-3 first-quarter deficit, the mood was somewhat subdued in the locker room afterward.

"The kids were down," Northville coach Todd Gudith said. "We were 5-0 going in. I think they were fully confident going in and feeling good about themselves. I told them, 'Hey, it's one game.' We did the opposite to Wayne (Memorial) a couple of weeks ago when we came back and won at the end. Those things happen, but I told them, 'Hey, Dexter is one of the better teams in the Ann Arbor area, for sure, one of the two or three best teams and I said, 'Guys, we can play with those guys' and now wipe this away, take a couple of days off before school gets back and the division starts up.' And that's the big thing. I told them there are bigger prizes and the division is one of the bigger prizes."

Senior foward Anna Love scored 10 of her team-high 17 points in the second half to lead Dexter. She made six straight free throws, including a pair with 11.2 seconds left, to put the Dreadnaughts up by five, 41-36.

Olson, a senior guard, con-



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Jessica Moorman (left) dribbles against Dexter's Hannah Wing.

tributed 11 points, while senior guard Cayla Schlaff had nine (all on triples).

"When you get situations like this, you've got to try and figure out how to make some plays to try and get back in the game," Dexter coach Mike Bavineau said. "We were able to make a couple, but that was certainly an ugly game, certainly not the way we wanted to play. We wanted to play a little more better, a little more smooth. We didn't, but we figured out a way to grit it out and get a win. I guess that's what good teams do. They don't necessarily play their best, but figure out ways to win. I thought Northville played great. We were pretty fortunate."

Junior forward Brook Adams paced the Mustangs with 16 points. Her conventional three-point play with 5:36 remaining in the game gave Northville its biggest lead of the night, 34-27.

"Brook has been playing really well lately," Gudith said. "The last two or three games, she's really been assertive attacking basket and she's a good foul shooter. And she's really made some big shots down the stretch for us the past couple of weeks. It's nice to see her turn that corner."

Northville rallied in the third quarter with a 16-3 run to take a 29-25 lead as Adams

scored seven and sophomore guard Roan Haines added five of her seven.

But Haines fouled out late the final quarter and her absence down the stretch as another able ball-handler against Dexter's full-court pressure was noticeable.

Northville had a total of 20 turnovers, while shooting 11-of-30 from the floor (36.6 percent). But the Mustangs connected on 16-of-19 free throws (84.2 percent).

"Offensively, we were able to attack and get to the basket," Gudith said. "We got to the foul line in the second half to keep our lead going. But the last two minutes down the stretch their pressure, I think, got to us and we coughed it up a couple of times."

After trailing by 10 after one quarter and 22-13 at halftime, Northville regrouped and resorted to a zone defense to try to slow down the Dreadnaughts.

"Teams are going to play zone defenses to force you to shoot from the perimeter," said Bavineau, whose team was 12-of-38 from the floor (31.5 percent) and 14-of-18 from the line (77.7 percent). "If you don't knock shots down and you don't try and get on the offensive glass, you're going to make your job that much harder."

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ROBERTSON

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He wants to continue to improve and develop his whole game."

Robertson, born in California, moved to Northville at age 10 and played youth hockey for three different teams, including Detroit Little Caesars, the USA Selects '99 and the '98 Kings Selects U16 (in his final bantam-age season).

Robertson, accompanied by his mother Mercedes, then packed his bags for the Greater Toronto Hockey League, where he played last season for the Don Mills Flyers.

Attracting the attention of OHL scouts, Robertson tallied 23 goals and 33 assists (61 points) while helping his minor midget team reach the finals of the OHL Cup, impressing with 11 goals in the playoffs.

Great competition

"I went to Toronto because I wanted to get drafted in the OHL, so I made a decision to play in the OHL and, by going to Toronto, I could play better hockey," said Robertson, who went in the fourth round (62nd overall) to the Frontenacs.

Instead of opting for a possible landing spot with an American junior team in either the USHL or NAHL, which could eventually lead to a college scholarship, Robertson decided he was best suited to play in one of Canada's top three junior circuits and give up his NCAA eligibility.

"I wanted to play in the highest place possible and the OHL was that way to go, so I chose the OHL," Robertson said. "We sat down many hours, my parents and I, but in the end we just made a decision that I want to play in the National Hockey League. And in order to do that, you've got to play the best hockey possible and that's what it really came down to."

Robertson is four years younger than some of his competitors and teammates in the OHL, which allow roster spots for players as old as 20. But he has adapted well to his role, despite his youth.

Learning curve

"I just had to learn from my teammates, the coaches and the organization to adjust as far as the speed and style of play," Robertson said.

McFarland said Robertson has blended in well and has been accepted by his teammates.

"He's a quiet kid, quiet and confident, who definitely believes in himself," McFarland said. "He goes about it the right way and he's fit in very well with the whole team. It's not always easy for young guys to feel like they belong right away. But right from the start, he's continued to fit in well with the older guys and gained their respect with his play and has handled himself very well away from the rink."

Robertson began playing organized hockey at age 6. He has an older brother Michael, 17, who plays for Detroit Belle Tire, while his younger brother Nicholas, 14, plays in the GTHL.

Robertson has continued his schooling by taking online classes, which allows him a flexible schedule to practice, while living with a billet family in Kingston.

"It's different, but I kind of lived like this last year with mom in Toronto away from my family in Detroit," Robertson said. "But it's given me more responsibility and given me a chance to really adapt to a bigger responsibility and bigger roles."

Eyes the NHL

Robertson will be draft eligible for the NHL in 2017 and his dream is to play there one day. His favorite NHL team is the New Jersey Devils and his favorite player is the ageless wonder, 43-year-old Jaromir Jagr of the Florida Panthers.

With his size and reach, the 6-foot-2, 182-pound Robertson impressed the Frontenacs' scouts and coaches while competing for a roster spot during training camp.

"He definitely came in and made a huge impression," McFarland said. "At the time, when a player comes in and makes a team out of camp, it's a great story for him. He put the time in last summer and was in a lot better shape. He needs to improve in all areas, but he's off to a great start for us and he's part of our success in the first half of the season."

Robertson would probably be the first to admit hockey is both his life and his only hobby.

"Other than school, I like to hang out with my teammates, bunch of good guys," Robertson said.

And as far first half of his OHL season?

"It's going great right now," Robertson said. "I want to keep it up."

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THE WEEK AHEAD

BOYS BASKETBALL

Friday, Jan. 8

South Lyon at Northville, 7 p.m.
Salem at Novi, 7 p.m.
Detroit CC at DeLaSalle, 7:30 p.m.
Liggett at Franklin Road, 7:30 p.m.
S.L. East at Stevenson, 7 p.m.
Howell at Milford, 7 p.m.
W.L. Northern at Lakeland, 7 p.m.
Monday, Jan. 11
Franklin Rd. at Bradford Academy, 7 p.m.
Tuesday, Jan. 12
Northville at Salem, 7 p.m.
Novi at S.L. East, 7 p.m.
Detroit CC at A.A. Richard, 7 p.m.
Harper Wds. at Franklin Rd., 7 p.m.
Stevenson at South Lyon, 7 p.m.
Milford at Hartland, 7 p.m.
Lakeland at Kettering, 7 p.m.
Friday, Jan. 15
Northville at Stevenson, 7 p.m.
South Lyon at Novi, 7 p.m.
Salem at S.L. East, 7 p.m.
Milford at Grand Blanc, 7 p.m.
Wat. Mott at Lakeland, 7 p.m.
Detroit CC at Country Day, 7 p.m.
Oak. Christ. at Franklin Rd., 8:30 p.m.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Friday, Jan. 8

Liggett at Franklin Road, 6 p.m.
Northville at South Lyon, 7 p.m.
Novi at Salem, 7 p.m.
Stevenson at S.L. East, 7 p.m.
Milford at Howell, 7 p.m.
Lakeland at W.L. Northern, 7 p.m.
Tuesday, Jan. 12
Salem at Northville, 7 p.m.
S.L. East at Novi, 7 p.m.
South Lyon at Stevenson, 7 p.m.
Hartland at Milford, 7 p.m.
Kettering at Lakeland, 7 p.m.
Friday, Jan. 15
Luth. N'west at Franklin Rd., 5:30 p.m.
Stevenson at Northville, 7 p.m.
Novi at South Lyon, 7 p.m.
S.L. East at Salem, 7 p.m.
Grand Blanc at Milford, 7 p.m.
Lakeland at Wat. Mott, 7 p.m.

BOYS HOCKEY

Thursday, Jan. 7

Northville vs. Salem
at Novi Ice Arena, 7:45 p.m.
Friday, Jan. 8
Novi at Callumet, 7 p.m.
Detroit CC vs. U-D Jesuit
at Hazel Park Arena, 7 p.m.
Lakeland vs. Bay Area
at Bay County Civic, 7 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 9
Novi at Hancock, 1 p.m.
Milford vs. Lakeland
at Lakeland Ice Arena, 5:30 p.m.
Northville vs. Stevenson
at Novi Ice Arena, 6 p.m.
South Lyon vs. Franklin
at Kensington Valley I.H., 7 p.m.
Detroit CC vs. Cranbrook
at USA Hockey Arena, 7 p.m.
Monday, Jan. 11
Northville vs. Canton
at Arctic Edge, TBA
Wednesday, Jan. 13
South Lyon vs. Brighton
at Kensington Valley I.H., 6 p.m.
Novi vs. Salem
at Ply. Cultural Center, 7 p.m.
Friday, Jan. 15
South Lyon vs. Sag. Heritage
at Kensington Valley I.H., 5:30 p.m.
Northville vs. Churchill
at Edgar Arena, 6 p.m.
Lakeland vs. Howell
at Lakeland Ice Arena, 6:20 p.m.
Milford vs. Pinckney
at Hartland Sports Ctr., 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 16
Northville vs. Novi
at Detroit's Clark Park, 4 p.m.
GIRLS HOCKEY
Thursday, Jan. 7
Northville vs. Country Day
at Edgar Arena, 4 p.m.

PREP WRESTLING

Saturday, Jan. 9

Novi at B.C. Western Inv., 8:30 a.m.
South Lyon Team Duals, 9 a.m.
Northville, Milford
at A.A. Huron Inv., 9 a.m.
Detroit CC Super Duals, 9:30 a.m.
Wednesday, Jan. 13
N'ville, Novi at Salem Quad, 5:30 p.m.
South Lyon at S.L. East, 5:30 p.m.
Milford Quad, 5:30 p.m.
Lakeland at W.L. Central, 5:30 p.m.
Friday, Jan. 15
Detroit CC at Brighton, 6 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 16
N'ville, Novi at Chelsea Inv., 9 a.m.
Milford at Dakota Inv., 9:30 a.m.
Sunday, Jan. 17
CC vs. Hartland, Grandville
at CMU's McGuirk Arena, 10 a.m.

BOYS SWIMMING

Thursday, Jan. 7

Pinckney at S. Lyon (East), 6 p.m.
Milford at W.L. Central, 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 9
Lakeland at Brighton Inv., 7:30 a.m.
Novi at W. Bloomfield, 7:30 a.m.
Northville Quad, noon.
Detroit CC at Salem Inv., TBA.

Thursday, Jan. 14

Northville at Stevenson, 6:30 p.m.
South Lyon at Novi, 6:30 p.m.
Hartland at Milford, 6:30 p.m.
W.L. Northern at Lakeland, 6:30 p.m.
Friday, Jan. 15
South Lyon at Wayne Inv., TBA.

Saturday, Jan. 16

CC at E. Grand Rapids Inv., noon.
South Lyon at Wayne Inv., noon.
PREP GYMNASTICS
Thursday, Jan. 7
Northville at Brighton, 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 12

Northville at Plymouth, 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 16
Caruss Inv. at Lakeland, TBA.

PREP BOWLING

Thursday, Jan. 7

Detroit CC vs. U-D Jesuit
at Bowl One, 3:30 p.m.
(at Striking Lanes)
Milford vs. Brighton, 3:30 p.m.
S.L. East vs. Howell, 3:30 p.m.
Friday, Jan. 8
(at WonderLand Lanes)
Lakeland vs. W.L. Central, 3 p.m.

Sunday, Jan. 9

(at Canton's Super Bowl)
CC at Plymouth Tourney, 3:30 p.m.
Monday, Jan. 11
(at Canton's Super Bowl)
Northville vs. John Glenn, 3:30 p.m.
(at South Lyon's Pinz Bowl)
South Lyon vs. Brighton, 3:30 p.m.
Milford vs. S.L. East, 3:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 12

(at Town 'N Country Lanes)
Novi vs. Canton, 3:30 p.m.
Northville vs. Plymouth, 3:30 p.m.
Friday, Jan. 15
Detroit CC vs. DeLaSalle
at Oak Lanes, 3:30 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 16
(at Howell Bow-E-Drome)
Milford vs. Howell, 10 a.m.
South Lyon vs. Pinckney, 10 a.m.

Sunday, Jan. 17

Oakland County Tourney
at Astro Lanes, 8 a.m.
COMPETITIVE CHEER
Saturday, Jan. 9
Novi Invitational, TBA.
Wednesday, Jan. 13
N'ville, Novi at Stevenson, 6 p.m.
South Lyon at S.L. East, 6 p.m.
Milford at Pinckney Quad, 6 p.m.
Lakeland at W.L. Northern, 6 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 16
Plymouth Invitational, TBA.
TBA – time to be announced.

BOYS BASKETBALL

Adams guard torches Novi in 68-63 win

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Rochester Adams featured a one-man wrecking crew Dec. 29 against Novi in the 19th annual Roundball Classic at Harper Woods.

Spencer Littleleson, a 6-foot-3 shooting guard, lit it up for a game-high 38 points as Adams held off the Wildcats, 68-63.

The Duquesne University connected on five 3-pointers and went 9-of-10 from the foul line as the Highlanders, expected to be ranked among the top 10 in Class A, im-

proved to 4-0 overall.

Joey Ciniti added 13 points for Adams, which trailed 16-15 after one quarter and 33-32 at halftime before taking a 46-45 advantage heading into the final quarter.

Novi senior point guard Kam Hankerson, a Wisconsin-Green Bay signee, scored 17 of his team-high 21 points in the opening half.

Sophomore guard Traveon Maddox added 19 points, while senior forward Johnny Davis and Naji Ozeir chipped in 11 and 10, respectively, for the Wildcats (3-3) who were outscored 22-18 in the fourth

quarter.

Adams made 18-of-20 free throws (90 percent) on the night, while Novi was 10-of-15 (66.6 percent).

"It was a hard-fought game on both sides and we took a top 10 team to the limit," Novi coach Brandon Sinawi said. "Littleleson is a heck of a player. We just couldn't get enough stops defensively when we needed to and we missed some key shots. But playing a team like this will only help us moving forward."

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PREP WRESTLING

CC invite brings out state's best

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Many of the state's elite wrestlers collided during Saturday's annual Detroit Catholic Central Invitational wrestling tournament, with two-time defending MHSAA Division 1 state champion Lowell emerging with the team title.

The Red Arrows scored 138.5 points to earn the crown, while Brighton (111.5) and Macomb Dakota (111) placed second and third.

Rounding out the top 10 were Hudson (106.5), Westland John Glenn (105.5), Grand Rapids Catholic Central (101), Grandville (95.5), Oxford (94), New Baltimore Anchor Bay (92.5) and the host Shamrocks (77).

"This is the toughest tourney in the state, bar none," CC coach Mitch Hancock said. "I thought our guys fought hard and wrestled to win. We have to learn how to overcome obstacles and stay focused during difficult matches and we learned that this weekend."

Freshman Kevon Davenport was CC's top individual finisher, earning second place at 119 pounds as Grand Rapids CC's Devin Schroeder took the title with a 6-0 decision.

Other placers for the Shamrocks included junior Tyler Morland, third (171); and senior Nick Jenkins (285) and freshman Cam Amine (130), fourth.

"Our schedule doesn't get any easier the next few weeks, so we have to get back to work immediately," Hancock said. "We don't have time to feel sorry for ourselves. We get what we earn."

Other individual champions included Kole Krauss (Grand Rapids CC), 135; Layne Malczewski (Dakota), 140; Owen Donovan (Utica Eisenhower), 145; Kameron Bush (Grandville), 152; Foster Karmon (Grand Rapids CC), 160; Jelani Embree (Warren Lincoln), 171;



SCOTT CONFER

Tyler Morland placed third at the Catholic Central Invitational and won the Medina (Ohio) Invitational.

Max Dean (Lowell), 189; Lucas Ready (Brighton), 215; Dan Perry (Lapeer), 285; Tucker Sholl (Hudson), 103; Elijah Weaver (Warren Woods Tower), 112; Jackson Renicker (Brighton), 125; and Tyler Sanders (Dakota), 130).

Medina tourney

On Dec. 27-28, Morland finished 5-0 and came away with an individual title at 182 pounds in the 30-school Medina (Ohio) Invitational.

One of his five victories came in the finals against the fourth-ranked wrestler in Ohio, Lancaster's Eric Deluse, 7-4.

New Brunswick (Ohio) captured the team title with 174.5 points, while Olmsted Falls (157) and Wadsworth (154.5), both from Ohio, placed second and third.

Catholic Central was 12th with 105 points.

Davenport finished fifth at 120 pounds with a 6-2 record, while Amine (126) and Jenkins (285) both finished 4-2 to earn seventh place.

"I thought our guys did a nice job of mentally preparing for this tournament," Hancock

said. "Ty Morland put together a solid tournament and looked really aggressive and composed. Nick Jenkins bounced back nicely and finished in seventh. Our two freshmen, Cam Amine and Kevon Davenport, looked confident and competed hard. They are both getting better each time they step on the mat."

Elks champions

The Catholic Central White team exited 2015 in dominating fashion Dec. 30 by winning the Plymouth Salem Elks Varsity Wrestling tournament with 150 points, while Greenville placed second with 142.5.

Rounding out the top five were Livonia Franklin (109.5), Livonia Churchill (103.5) and the host Rocks (100).

The Shamrocks were led by freshman Joe Urso and junior Kale Kazyak, who both won their weight class with a 4-0 record.

Urso edged Ann Arbor Pioneer's Bobby Sanford in the finals, 9-8, while Kazyak pinned Greenville's Matt Jefferey in the finals in 0:42.

Dan Flynn was runner-up, while Devon Johnsen was third.

MURPHY

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as Murphy broke his own 2015 standard of 47.81 in the 100, while shattering the previous 200 mark of 1:48.14 set in 2014.

"I swam really good, but I wasn't really expecting to break the record," said Murphy, who qualified last spring in the 100 butterfly for the 2016 U.S. Olympic Trials in Omaha, Neb. "I was just going into the finals wanting to win, so it was really unexpected for me. I'm really, really happy about it."

Murphy began as a competitive age-group swimmer at age 7 with the Spartan Aquatic Club out of Novi High School before switching over to Kingfish Aquatic and coach Brad Brockway, who trains competitive club swimmers at both Waterford Mott and Kettering high schools.

"I saw great potential," Brockway said of Murphy. "He was a very good swimmer as a young kid, a little bit ahead of the curve. He had more of a liking to the shorter distance races and, when he came to me, we kind of got to do some longer distance races like the 200 butterfly. His 100 butterfly has always been better than his 200 butterfly, but we've got the 200 butterfly pretty much on a par with his 100 butterfly. He has even greater potential to beat those times even more now."

On the rise

Those first-place showings not only cleared a major hurdle, but also demonstrated what kind of promise the future holds for Murphy, 16, who holds a national age-group mark in the 50 butterfly.

"Stepping up and getting first place is a big breakthrough for him psychologically, as far as being able to battle with the top kids in the nation, along with the senior national kids, too," Brockway said. "He should do real well at the Olympic Trials next summer. I could possibly see him placing in the top 16 and probably getting close to a national record in his 15-16 age group."

Murphy, currently on the USA Swimming's Junior National team for the 100 butterfly, takes a humble and cerebral approach to his sport.

"He's a real, quiet competitor, looks at the competition and sees what it's going to take to beat them," Brockway said. "He's one of the quieter kids, but once he steps on the deck, he's quite a competitor who doesn't like to lose at all."

Murphy, who ranks third nationally in short course (yards) and fifth nationally in long course (meters) in the butterfly events for juniors 18-and-under, also has shown his versatility.

"He's a solid IMer," Brockway said. "He does the backstroke, breaststroke and freestyle all real well. He has the potential to be a national champion in all those events as well."

Olympic dreams

Murphy is probably four years away from realistically competing for a spot on the U.S. Olympic Team on an American roster that generally features world-class swimmers.

"Going to the (Olympic) Trials, I want to make the (top 16) swimming finals," Murphy said. "That's my goal. I enjoy a lot of the swimmers on national team. I like watching all of them. I don't know when (he might make the Olympics); it's pretty hard, but it's definitely one of my goals for the next few years."

Murphy is following in the footsteps of Nick Arakelian, another stellar Kingfish Aquatic Club swimmer and a former MHSAA Division 1 state champion from Livonia Stevenson High who is now one of the top swimmers in the NCAA Division II ranks with Queens (N.C.) University.

The two remain in contact and Arakelian has proven to be a mentor.

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MONYKA MURPHY

Novi's Camden Murphy came away with two Speedo East butterfly titles last month in Atlanta, Ga.

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CAMDEN MURPHY
on breaking 100 fly record

meets, how to swim, how to prepare when we warm up and it's really crowded and how to prepare ... just a lot of things," Murphy said.

Before he got his driver's license, Murphy rode along with Arakelian and now chauffeurs some of his younger teammates to and from Waterford in the family's Subaru Crosstrek.

Practice time

During the summer months and off-school days, Murphy will put in double workouts at Kingfish, doing upward of 16,000 yards.

There's a possibility he may swim his senior year at Novi High, but remains committed for now to the high-mileage training program with Kingfish.

"I just like the coaches and my teammates definitely push me in practice," he said. "I just like the yardage, what we do in practice and how you rest for things."

Murphy seemed destined to become a swimmer – even at an early age. His father Jamie was an age-group competitor into his high school years.

"He gravitated toward it as a toddler," mother Monyka Murphy said. "We'd just take him to the pool to get acclimated to the water. We've always been sport-orientated. He tried other sports as a younger child, but he pretty much had a knack for that as far as the competitive and the racing aspect of that realm."

Murphy tried other sports as a youth, but he quickly found his niche.

"I've always just naturally been a good swimmer," he said. "When I was young, I never took swimming lessons and then I just joined the club team and I just started to progress from there."

2016 season

Murphy's next big meet is in March at the National Club Swimming Association Juniors in Orlando, Fla.

And after the U.S. Olympic Trials, he'll begin to look at possible college destinations.

"Still in the process; it's still kind of early," said Murphy, who carries a 3.0-plus grade-point average. I want to study business; one of the classes I'm taking now is international business and marketing, also taking business law. It's still kind of early, but I don't know yet."

When he's not attending classes at Novi or making the commute to Waterford, Murphy tries to maintain a normal lifestyle as a teen. He also likes the travel to national meets and spend time sightseeing afterward.

"I like to hang out with my friends or go to the movies, go out to eat," he said. "After a big meet, I love traveling or going on vacation anywhere. At a meet a few years ago in California, after the meet we went to Disneyland and Six Flags, the beaches and all that."

The trips have certainly been rewarding — in more ways than one.

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YOUTH WRESTLING

Matcats rack up wins in tourneys

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

The South Lyon Matcats wrestling club celebrated the new year by racking up 22 first-place finishes in a pair of weekend youth wrestling tournaments.

At the North Eastern Michigan Wrestling Association tourney Saturday at Sanford, the Matcats' 39-member contingent won the team title on points with a total of 102 victories, including most pins (55).

Among the age-group and weight class winners for the Matcats were Bronson Shinkonis, Dominic Nauss, Brandon

Oliver, Anthony Madafferi, Hunter Oliver, Julien Kimling, Ryan Henderson, Andrew Slevin, Travis Richardson, Simeon Mardossian, Antonio Nauss and Scott Cann.

Placing second were Carter Lucier, Jaxton Kimling, Cobey Lucier and Brayden Bishop.

Third places came from Wes Honiss, Gabriel Rzyzi, Tayden Plave, William Shaeffer, Aiden Smith and Robert Cann, while Shane Allen, Ryan Chanko and Jonah Koilpillai were all fourth.

The Matcats captured 10 firsts Sunday at the Michigan Youth Wrestling Association in New Haven, led by Shinkonis,

Smith, Cayden Bradburn, Russell Hollister, Liam Seaver, Carter Bradburn, Hollister, Brandon Oliver, Nathan Walkowiak and Jace Garcia.

Finishing second were Jacob Gardner, Aiden Garcia, Kaiden Rutterbush and Richardson.

Mason Rakoski, Drake Pollins and Kimling were all third, while Hunter Oliver, Benjamin Leece and Andrew Garcia each placed fourth.

Meanwhile, the Matcats' Billy Morris finished third at the MYWAY tourney last weekend in Livonia.

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SPORTS SHORTS

Gymnasts second

Jessica Weak and Bri Rhoad paced Livonia Blue to a 140.55-130.725 gymnastics victory over Huron Valley in a KLAA crossover meet Monday night at Churchill High School.

Both teams stand 2-2 overall.

Weak took first in the vault (9.2), uneven bars (9.225) and balance beam (9.1), while winning the all-around (36.35). Rhoad captured the floor exercise (9.425) and was second all-around.

Top vault scorers for Huron Valley included Madeline Speck, 8.65; Aly Mrofchak, 8.6; and Ciara Charlick and Emily Hale, 8.5 each.

On the uneven bars, Mrofchak and Erin Murphy were the top performers with scores of 7.85 and 7.375, respectively.

Murphy was the top scorer on the balance beam with a season-best 8.75, followed by Sam House and Mrofchak with 8.7 and 8.6, respectively.

Mrofchak led the way on floor exercise with 8.4, followed by Sara Restum's 8.35.

"We struggled a little bit on bars," Huron Valley coach Shannon Gohrmann said.

"Beam was our strongest event today, which has not been typical, so we're pleased. We had no-fall beam routines by Claire Sysko (7.75), Mrofchak, Murphy and House. Floor looked good. too."

Huron Valley returns to action Saturday, Jan. 16, when it hosts the Jeanne Caruss Memorial Invitational at White Lake Lakeland.

Novi bowlers fall

The Novi boys and girls bowling teams were swept Monday by Plymouth in a KLAA Central Division match at Super Bowl in Canton.

The Novi boys fell, 29-1, losing both Baker sets, 159-148 and 177-132, along with boys regular games, 760-666 and 878-795. Peter Koollmen scored Novi's lone point with 145 as Novi fell to 2-3 overall and 0-2 in the Central.

Plymouth improved to 3-1 overall and 2-0 in the division.

On the girls side, Plymouth (1-4, 0-2) rolled to a 23-7 victory, taking both regular games, 751-713 and 630-575. Novi took the second Baker set, 121-111, after losing the first, 140-121.

Madison Murphy (181),

Nicole Kilikevicius (126) and Khadeeja Zahoor (98) each scored a single point for Novi (1-4, 0-2).

Baseline Classic

The Northville High School boys hockey team will face off against rival Novi in the Baseline Outdoor Classic beginning at 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 16, at Clark Park in Detroit.

Tickets will go on sale the week of Jan. 11 in the athletic offices of Northville and Novi.

For more information, email Northville athletic director Bryan Masi at masibr@northvilleschools.org or Novi athletic director Brian Gordon at bgordon@novischools.net.

Girls lacrosse

The South Lyon Pumas, a kindergarten through eighth-grade girls lacrosse club program, will hold registration 5:30-7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 12, at Centennial Middle School, 62500 W. Nine Mile Road, South Lyon.

For those unable to attend or for more information, call LouAnn Nicholas at 248-207-0635 or email remmiema-ma@yahoo.com.

only 11 turnovers.

"You just got to take care of the basketball," Zimbo said. "Their pressure is pretty crazy and we beat the press and then we got great looks, open threes."

Senior forward Jacob Hecker scored nine points for Bloomfield Hills, which shot 17-of-42 from the floor (40.4 percent) and 0-of-3 from

the foul line.

Finishing the 2015 portion of the season at 6-0, Sander is hoping to duplicate that record in January, when KLAA Central Division play starts.

"We've got fantastic kids that love to compete, they make each other better every day in practice and they just hate to lose," he said. "And they'll find a way to gut one

out."

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Northville shot 19-of-49 from the floor (38.7 percent) and 9-of-11 from the foul line (81.8 percent).

"They play team basketball, they're physical and they can shoot the ball," Bloomfield

Hills coach Mike Maryanski said of the Mustangs. "They have the green light. They play together and rebound hard. All credit to them. They earned that tonight. They proved it on the floor that they were the better team."

Northville, meanwhile, withstood the Black Hawks' constant defensive pressure and quickness, committing

Staying in touch with your finances

One week into 2016 and by now we have probably broken or forgotten just about every New Year's resolution we've made. The holidays are behind us and our day-to-day routine is back to the norm. That being said, every year at this time I take the opportunity to remind you there are two things that will significantly help you.

The first is to do a personal family balance sheet. A personal family balance sheet is nothing more than a listing of all your assets and liabilities. Subtracting assets from liabilities gives you your net worth. That number is important, particularly for those who do personal family balance sheets at least once a year. You can see if your finances are moving in the right direction or the wrong direction.

One of the mistakes in doing a personal family balance sheet is overestimating the value of assets. This is particularly true when it comes to collectibles. Just because you think an autographed baseball signed by Al Kaline is worth \$10,000 doesn't make it so. It is important that you value an asset not at what you think it's worth, but what someone else will actually pay for it. In most cases, I tell people not to include collectibles in their personal family balance sheet. For some people with significant value in their collectibles, those



Rick Bloom
MONEY MATTERS

obviously should be valued. The true value is not what you think they're worth, but what someone would be willing to pay.

The same is true with your home. Many people overestimate the value of their home. You can use some of the real estate websites, such as Zillow, to get an estimate for your home. To overvalue your home may make you feel good, but it won't help you in understanding your finances.

The other document that everyone should do is a cash flow statement. A cash flow statement is nothing more than a statement that keeps track of what comes into the family household and what goes out. Particularly from an expense standpoint, it is important that you know what is coming out of the family finances. If it actually costs you \$5,000 a month to live, but you estimate it only costing \$3,000, you will run into problems down the road. It is important to be accurate when doing these statements.

You ought to be able to determine within a few hundred dollars every month where your money is going. I cannot stress enough how important it is to know what it costs you

to live. In doing any sort of retirement planning, whether someone is in retirement or preparing for retirement, what it costs to live a month is a key element. It doesn't matter what it costs your next-door neighbor to live a month or what the national average is; those are immaterial. The key is what it costs you to live a month.

It is not sufficient to do a personal family balance sheet and a cash flow statement once and then forget about them. At a minimum, you should do them every six months. This will allow you to stay in touch with your personal financial affairs. I believe once you start getting in touch with your finances, it will create a domino effect and you'll be surprised how fast things can improve from a financial standpoint.

Like everything else in life, the first step is the most difficult. The first time you do a personal family balance sheet or cash flow statement, it will take some time. Once the first ones are completed, future statements are much easier. Being in touch with your finances will result in more money in your pocket, exactly where it belongs.

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Send in apps now to sell fireworks this year

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Staff Writer

The Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs and the Bureau of Fire Services is now accepting applications for those interested in selling fireworks in 2016.

Most communities have seen an influx of tents, shipping containers and brick-and-mortar stores opening since the Michigan Fireworks Safety Act was signed by Gov. Rick Snyder in 2011. For the most part, at least locally, those businesses open in late spring and stick around through the July 4 holiday, traditionally the most popular time for Michigan residents to launch the explosions of red, white and blue.

Historically, Michigan has banned anything that's loud or launches into the air. The 2011 law changed that, giving the OK to formerly prohibited type of fireworks capable of flying high in the air and exploding with a loud bang: bottle rockets, reloadable shell devices, missile-type rockets, roman candles, firecrackers, single-tube devices with report and more.

Jeff Cunmulaj was among those who took advantage of the new law. He opened Jeff's Fireworks in Howell and, last year, a second location in Highland Township. He said 90 percent of what he sold falls under the new consumer law. Eric Konopka, a financial adviser, was another to take advantage of the new law. Last year, he sold fireworks in Lyon Township, Plymouth and Canton.

"No one stands up and claps when I finish a round of golf," he said.



FILE PHOTO

Eric Konopka opened a Michigan Fireworks Co. storefront for the Independence Day holiday season in Lyon Township last year. Anyone interested in selling consumer-grade fireworks must apply with the state first.

"They all stand up and clap and cheer at the end of my fireworks shows."

Selling fireworks, however, isn't as simple as just setting up shop.

The state requires people be licensed to do so and have various reporting requirements.

All consumer fireworks applications and required plans must be submitted by midnight, April 1. Low-impact registrations can be submitted at any time, but must be completed at least 10 days prior to sales. For permanent structures, like a storefront, the application fee is \$1,000. For temporary facilities, like tents, it's \$600 to apply.

State officials said the application process is similar to last year, with minor updates.

The 2016 applicants will continue to have the ability to report their monthly sales and submit their safety fees online. However, applications will be denied for any

applicants who have unpaid safety fees or are missing reports (all zero sales must be reported for the 2015 certificate fireworks season).

When submitting documents for 2016 applications, applicants must submit all of the required documents at the time of application or the application will be denied. Also, each document submitted must include the 2016 Certificate number that was issued during the application process.

To start the log-in and application process, go to the Bureau of Fire Services website and click on the Fireworks link, then "Consumer Fireworks Application and Low Impact Fireworks Registration" to apply.

Call 517-241-8847 or 517-373-7441 or email fireworks@michigan.gov for more information.

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CITY OF NOVI PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, January 13, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. in the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider **AUTONEUM, SITE PLAN NUMBER 14-80, FOR PRELIMINARY SITE PLAN, WETLANDS PERMIT AND STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN APPROVAL. THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IS LOCATED IN SECTION 12 SOUTH OF THIRTEEN MILE ROAD AND BETWEEN HAGGERTY ROAD AND CABOT DRIVE.** The subject property is approximately 7.64 acres and the applicant is proposing to construct a 2-story office/ research & development building,



consisting of 47,170 square feet of office space, 31,404 square feet of high bay and technical areas and 8,132 square feet of warehouse area. Plans are available for review at the Community Development Department in the Novi Civic Center.

Subject Property Parcel ID's: 22-12-200-023, 22-12-200-024

All interested persons are invited to attend. Verbal comments may be heard at the hearing and any written comments may be made to the Community Development Department, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 during the City's regular business hours, Monday thru Friday, from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., and must be received by 4:00 P.M., Wednesday, January 13, 2016.

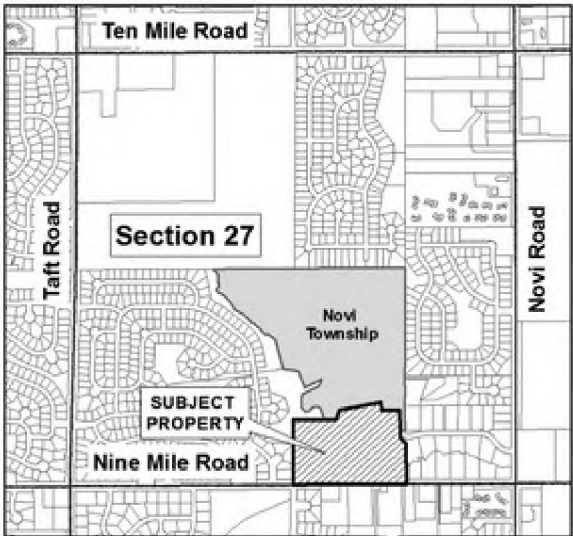
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Subject Property Parcel ID's: 50-22-27-452-001

All interested persons are invited to attend. Verbal comments may be heard at the hearing and any written comments may be made to the Community Development Department, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 during the City's regular business hours, Monday thru Friday, from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., and must be received by 4:00 P.M., Wednesday, January 13, 2016.

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Welcome the new year by letting go

The whole of human life is a process of letting go. As children, we let go of old friends to make room for new ones, let go of our parents' homes to make our own mark in the world. We let go of old for the sake of the new, we let go of our needs for the sake of the family's, let go of our children so they, too, can make their mark in the world.

As the letting go in our youth seemingly leads to expansion of our outer world (creating a family, home and all the material comforts of the world), the letting go in our later years leads to expansion of our inner world, if we let it. We go full-circle and end up where we started. We may go back to what used to inspire us, invest in our growth, rediscover ourselves or redefine our purpose. All of this prepares us for the ultimate letting go, letting go of our body and returning to the source.

There is a flow to life; to resist that flow is to cause suffering, but to dive in the flow is to gain momentum in finding our truth. A letting go that makes us more of who we are; one that brings ease and lightens the load is a good letting go.

Here are the five key points to ease the process:

Shift your perspective

Letting go is painful when our focus is on what we are giving up. However, when we shift the focus on what we are getting or where we are headed it can give us that much needed relief.

It is better to focus on where we are going instead of where we have been. We can choose how we see the process. If we keep our eyes focused on the rose that has just



Meena Puri
GUEST COLUMNIST

bloomed instead of the bud that it was before, we enjoy the flower.

The truth of the rose lies in its bloom and the fragrance it shares. In the same way, our essence/truth is in our deeper self, our inner self. Every experience that takes us closer to our true self is a good experience. Life is an evergreen rose bush, new roses continue to bloom.

Be in the moment

We are usually frightened after or in anticipation of what will happen, but very rarely in the moment. As we master staying in the moment, we are continuously letting go of the moment past and are not anticipating the next.

So we can begin to let all our life become one big letting go experience.

Be quick and adaptable

By not reacting, we can turn any situation around and create an exhilarating victory for ourselves.

This all comes from developing and culturing our nervous system through self-care, self-investment and meditation practices.

Be vulnerable

This is our ultimate strength and defense as it brings lightness, freedom, flow and happiness.

Allow yourself to feel what you feel. Let go of clutter, grudges, limiting beliefs and notice how you feel. Become empty of all that is weighing you down and get full again with what you consciously choose.

Realize that you do not have to do it all and figure it all out! Why would you impose on your soul to figure out the why of others?

Think of letting go as the ultimate act of self-love. You are only responsible for your actions. Do what you know to do. Create boundaries, cut the emotional cords and invest time in unlocking the treasure that lies within you. That is when the answers will come.

Recognize the process

Realize that resistance is not the final picture. It means you are not there yet — yet being the operative word — and the process is underway. The resistance does not have to mean anything other than that it is natural, it is movement and it is superficial and transient.

The human purpose is evolution as it paves the road to our next life. Letting go is not giving up, it is becoming more of who we are. It is not emptying, it is approaching our true self which is fulfilling.

What we let go becomes part of ourselves, strengthening and carving us into our true self — much like the leaves, when fallen, become part of the tree, strengthening its roots and sustaining it for years to come. It is a beautiful process that continuously fills the gaps and comes back to us multi-fold.

Meena Puri, certified yoga and meditation teacher and registered ayurvedic practitioner, is founder of The Yoga School of Milford and Ayurvedic Healing Center. For more information, go to www.theyogaschool.com or www.ayurvedichealingcenter.com or call 248-685-3489.

Industry Leadership Awards showcase commitment to region

The Home Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan (HBA) announced its 2015 Industry Leadership Awards honorees. Awards were presented Dec. 9 at the association's Awards Night and Holiday Celebration held at The Diamond Center at Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi.

Nearly 300 members and guests attended the event, which has been reestablished as an annual celebration now that that the economy has improved for local builders, land developers, remodelers and suppliers to the home construction industry.

"These individuals and companies are outstanding examples of what can be accomplished in the regional home-building industry. They are making a positive impact on our industry and enhancing our communities," said Michael Stoskopf, CEO of the HBA. "It is our honor to acknowledge them."

Award honorees include:
HBA President — Norman Finkelstein, Norwood Homes
Hall of Fame — Stuart Michaelson, Windmill Group Inc.

Bert L. Smokler Builder of the Year — James V. Clarke, Robertson Homes

Young Builder of the Year — Vito Castellana, V.I.P. Homes

Developer of the Year — David Compo, Compo Builders Inc.

Development of the Year — River Walk of Farmington by Windmill Homes

Samuel Kreis Annual Award for Distinguished Service to the Building In-



Kristin Andrews



Barbara Burnham



Vito Castellana



James V. Clarke



David Compo



Norman Finkelstein



Bruce R. Johnson



Stuart Michaelson



Don Nelson



Elizabeth Heiss Wyss

dustry — Don Nelson, D.R. Nelson & Associates
Distinguished Service Award To Government — Michigan Rep. Bruce R. Rendon, 103rd District
Thomas Ricketts Award to the Region's Outstanding Building Official — Bruce R. Johnson, City of Birmingham
Distinguished Service Award for Urban Home

Building — William Phillips, Windham Development, Inc.
Distinguished Service Award to the Housing Industry — Don Pratt, CGB, CGR, CGP, CAPS, CECS of Michigan Inc.

Don Maillho Memorial Award In Banking — Eric Burgoon, Lake Michigan Credit Union
Subcontractor of the Year

— David Alexander, D.A. Alexander Landscape
Associate of the Year — Kristin Andrews, Infusion Kitchen & Bath Showroom by Etna Supply
Professional Services to the Building Industry Award — Philip Seaver, Seaver Title Agency
Distinguished Service to HBA's Charitable Endeavors — Elizabeth Heiss Wyss, Habitat for Humanity of Oakland County
Special Recognition Award — Mandell "Bill" Berman, MLB Investments
Distinguished Service to the Professional Women in Building Council — Barbara Burnham, B.J. Burnham & Associates
Remodeler of the Year — Tim Saling, CAPS, CGR, Transitions Remodeling LLC
Distinguished Service To The Remodeling Industry — Keith "Rich" Kulka, GRQ Construction Services
Headquartered in West Bloomfield, the Home Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan (HBA) and the Apartment Association of Michigan (AAM) are trade associations representing 800 builders, remodelers, multi-family property owners, developers and suppliers to the single family and multi-family residential construction industry. HBA is affiliated with the Home Builders Association of Michigan in Lansing and the National Association of Home Builders in Washington, D.C.

It pays to shop around for good legal representation

Q: We are in the process of retaining a professional management company for our condominium association. We asked the management company who they recommend as a law firm. They gave us one name and said that practically all of their associations used this law firm. Do you think that is a good idea?

A: I would have asked that management company why they believe that law firm is the only that they could recommend and I would seriously question what type of relationship they have with that law firm. Unfortunately, several management companies in the Detroit metropolitan area use one law firm regardless of the opportunity to use, perhaps, even better law firms only because they have a "special relationship" which means that the law firm may well cover any mistakes or liabilities of that management company for the benefit of that management company given that they are primary source of business for the law firm. Unfortunately, that is not being ethical, but that happens frequently and you should be on notice of it.

Q: My husband and I contracted with a builder to make repairs to our home without realizing that the contractor's builder's license had been recently revoked. Our insurance company paid the builder for the repairs, but we are still unsatisfied with the work performed and the builder is now ignoring us. Can we successfully sue the builder and recover the payments that he already received? Also, could the builder countersue us for anything even if he is not licensed?

A: In Michigan, a statute (MCL 339.2412(1)) exists that requires residential builders to be licensed as a condition of bringing a lawsuit to recover monies due against a homeowner for work performed. The Michigan Supreme Court recently ruled that the statute does not give homeowners an independent cause of action to seek damages for its violation, and does not prevent unlicensed builders from defending a lawsuit. (The court reasoned that the language of the statute bars an unlicensed builder from "bringing and maintain an action," not from asserting a defense). As a result, I would not recommend alleging that the contract with the builder is void under the statute and that he is therefore disallowed from asserting a setoff for the value of the work.

The better option may be to argue that, as an innocent homeowner that contracted with an unlicensed builder, the court should declare the contract *voidable*. If the contract is declared voidable by you, it would thereby be effective in conveying rights and obligations to both parties and third parties, which may be lost if the contract is simply considered void in its entirety. This approach may also assist you in arguing that, due to the builder's breach of contract, damages should be awarded in your favor by the court.

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HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-WAYNE COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Aug. 24-28, 2015, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses and sales prices.

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43551 Applewood Rd	\$169,000
41672 Bedford Dr	\$85,000
44251 Brandywyne Rd	\$245,000
46381 Briargate Dr	\$279,000
839 Burlington Rd	\$235,000
6586 Carriage Hills Dr	\$195,000
6627 Carriage Hills Dr	\$200,000
838 Cherry Stone Dr	\$300,000
8455 Congress Dr	\$234,000
729 Eastwind Dr	\$100,000
40422 Glen Eagle Ln	\$150,000
1168 Hampshire Dr	\$180,000
45414 Harriet Ct	\$311,000
1994 Hawks Nest Ct	\$170,000
2208 Hogan Way	\$225,000
1837 Knollwood Dr	\$143,000
43536 Laurelwood Ct	\$177,000
616 McKinley Cir	\$365,000
45585 Morningside Rd	\$340,000
8142 N Canton Center Rd	\$110,000
7817 N Royal Ct	\$189,000
8476 Orhan St	\$150,000
47511 Pembroke Dr	\$208,000
49578 Potomac Rd	\$120,000
970 Princess Dr	\$200,000
41747 Princess Dr	\$295,000
538 Prospect Hill St	\$410,000
3993 Radcliff Cir	\$140,000
1973 S Cavalier Dr	\$191,000
45031 Saltz Rd	\$195,000
733 Scottsdale Ct	\$17,000
45302 Seabrook Dr	\$308,000
2309 Stanton St	\$34,500
1201 Terrell Ct	\$205,000
1741 Thistle Dr	\$265,000
4277 Timberline Dr	\$270,000
51129 Topper Ct	\$325,000

8490 Westchester Ln	\$230,000
7480 Willow Creek Dr	\$250,000
137 Woodward Rd	\$445,000
GARDEN CITY	
31430 Alvin St	\$90,000
33255 Alvin St	\$107,000
28441 Block St	\$135,000
28420 Bock St	\$23,000
30098 Cherry Hill Rd	\$100,000
31506 Cherry Hill Rd	\$88,000
32725 Florence St	\$65,000
31095 Hennepin St	\$80,000
28628 James St	\$80,000
31615 Pardo St	\$97,000
861 Radcliff St	\$78,000
33204 Sheridan St	\$95,000
LIVONIA	
34050 Ann Arbor Trl	\$242,000
19625 Antago St	\$82,000
9591 Arcola St	\$132,000
11429 Arden St	\$153,000
14589 Broadmoor St	\$172,000
20250 Beatrice St	\$172,000
29502 Bobich St	\$25,000
31580 Bridge St	\$46,000
10010 Camden St	\$75,000
11894 Cavell St	\$143,000
11894 Cavell St	\$104,000
17512 Dolores St	\$100,000
11451 Fairfield St	\$97,000
18363 Foch St	\$135,000
20500 Gary Ln	\$314,000
31191 Garton St	\$135,000
31630 Haldane St	\$135,000
16232 Houghton Dr	\$298,000
15901 Huff St	\$309,000
9349 Iowa St	\$134,000
30576 Jeanine St	\$180,000
18841 Lathers St	\$87,000
8965 Lenville St	\$153,000
9348 Melrose St	\$165,000
28228 N Clements Cir	\$145,000
28500 N Clements Cir	\$128,000
33600 Norfolk St	\$305,000
29575 Nottingham Cir	\$114,000
19115 Osmus St	\$129,000
29508 Ravine Dr	\$173,000
9605 ShadySide St	\$140,000
14080 Susanna St	\$175,000

33415 Vargo Dr	\$260,000
30881 W Nye Ct	\$199,000
15574 Woodside St	\$233,000
NORTHVILLE	
18325 Blue Heron Dr E	\$540,000
44848 Broadmoor Cir S	\$425,000
16116 Crystal Downs E	\$615,000
17575 Hilltop View Dr	\$593,000
20001 Longridge Rd	\$590,000
16023 Morningside	\$160,000
19567 Northridge Dr	\$111,000
19681 Northridge Dr	\$105,000
18986 Overlook Trl	\$734,000
15496 Prestwick Cir N	\$600,000
19480 Scenic Harbour Dr	\$294,000
17281 Summit Dr	\$420,000
19000 Valencia St	\$409,000
50069 Venice Ct	\$374,000
523 W Dunlap St	\$630,000
PLYMOUTH	
46133 Amesbury Dr	\$390,000
41141 Ann Arbor Rd E	\$305,000
575 Arthur St	\$278,000
11541 Aspen Dr	\$206,000
8831 Ball St	\$215,000
50509 Beechwood Ct	\$217,000
40739 Crabtree Ln	\$235,000
340 E Union St	\$377,000
1754 Gloucester St	\$225,000
12238 High Meadow Ct	\$253,000
48244 Hilltop Dr E	\$475,000
1300 Palmer St	\$261,000
11699 Parkway Dr	\$206,000
12341 Pinecrest Dr	\$220,000
40530 Pinetree Dr	\$149,000
163 Riveroaks Dr	\$112,000
1192 S Harvey St	\$365,000
9204 S Main St	\$395,000
1199 S Sheldon Rd	\$60,000
101 S Union St	\$235,000
15250 Northridge Dr	\$232,000
47665 Walnut Tree Ln	\$450,000
10845 Wellington Ct	\$440,000
1471 Woodland Pl	\$765,000
12218 Woodlands Ct	\$372,000
1095 York St	\$235,000
REDFORD	
25301 S Mile Rd	\$22,000

9914 Arnold	\$56,000
12920 Berwyn	\$57,000
26527 Cathedral	\$92,000
11721 Eileen	\$75,000
9372 Garfield	\$76,000
26120 Grand River Ave	\$130,000
17371 Indian	\$102,000
18732 Inkster Rd	\$65,000
9245 Jerome	\$84,000
20430 Macarthur	\$5,000
17271 Sumner	\$95,000
WAYNE	
3330 Cadillac Ave	\$29,000
33194 Forest Ave	\$120,000
37921 Franklin St	\$60,000
4251 Randolph St	\$87,000
4524 Treadwell St	\$90,000
37160 Van Born Rd	\$25,000
4803 Winifred St	\$25,000
WESTLAND	
8112 August Ave	\$140,000
8237 August Ave	\$135,000
33914 Beechmont St	\$90,000
30786 Birchwood St	\$59,000
34033 Blackfoot St	\$114,000
29039 Brody Ave	\$117,000
308 Brookfield Dr	\$122,000
8609 Cardwell St	\$129,000
38585 Deer Creek Blvd	\$145,000
7730 Donna St	\$151,000
36638 Fairchild St	\$135,000
8227 Fremont St	\$130,000
37580 Garden Ct	\$80,000
31728 Glen St	\$82,000
31321 Grandview Ave	\$139,000
29535 Joy Rd	\$92,000
36827 Joy Rd	\$187,000
32135 Mackenzie Dr	\$149,000
29170 Manchester St	\$34,000
89 Pear St	\$105,000
7836 Rivergate Dr	\$94,000
1061 S Sutton St	\$137,000
35272 Sheridan St	\$70,000
7695 Terri Dr	\$20,000
659 Van Lawn St	\$54,000
6205 W Morgan Cir	\$121,000
38195 Warner Farms Dr	\$90,000
7535 Woodview St	\$53,000

HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-OAKLAND COUNTY

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

BEVERLY HILLS	
32100 Arlington Dr	\$395,000
15580 Birwood Ave	\$210,000
BIRMINGHAM	
967 Ann St	\$535,000
295 Argyle St	\$425,000
541 Bannville Ave	\$275,000
1933 Derby Rd	\$900,000
1556 Emmons Ave	\$279,000
940 Floyd St	\$375,000
1905 Maryland Blvd	\$520,000
783 Pilgrim Ave	\$916,000
550 S Glenhurst Dr	\$425,000
654 Shepardbush St	\$1,388,000
1691 Shipman Blvd	\$1,345,000
458 Smith Ave	\$705,000
BLOOMFIELD HILLS	
4966 Whispering Pine Ln	\$410,000
2334 Cherrylawn Ave	\$75,000
104 E Hickory Grove Rd	\$78,000
2703 Middlebury Ln	\$939,000
248 Westbourne Dr	\$299,000
BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP	
1277 Ashover Dr	\$165,000
3671 Berkshire Dr	\$315,000
1963 Eagle Pointe	\$212,000
5520 Lakeview Dr	\$425,000
2614 Marie Cir	\$259,000

3147 Middlebury Ln	\$450,000
2383 Mulberry Sq	\$100,000
3751 Quarton Rd	\$320,000
331 Roanoke Dr	\$337,000
350 S Gleggary Rd	\$389,000
1220 S Timberview Trl	\$249,000
1596 South Hill Cir	\$196,000
3541 W Bradford Dr	\$350,000
4740 W Maple Rd	\$250,000
COMMERCE TOWNSHIP	
1925 Baylis St	\$399,000
8110 Flagstaff St	\$350,000
2781 Greenlawn Ave	\$295,000
164 Longspur Ln	\$97,000
5292 Vineyard St	\$399,000
FARMINGTON	
22611 Brookdale St	\$166,000
22743 Brookdale St	\$138,000
31791 Folkstone Dr	\$140,000
23206 Hawthorne Dr	\$128,000
32191 Marblehead Rd	\$182,000
35455 Tall Pine Rd	\$290,000
22788 Violet St	\$95,000
FARMINGTON HILLS	
37743 Amber Dr	\$248,000
37761 Aranel St	\$230,000
27065 Arden Park Cir	\$125,000
32247 Bonnet Hill Rd	\$210,000
22238 Boulder Dr	\$395,000
30161 Briarton St	\$225,000
23107 Commerce Dr	\$700,000
20833 Deerfield	\$445,000
23180 Fox Crk	\$350,000
37060 Fox Gln	\$369,000
27039 Hempstead Blvd	\$503,000
31480 Hunters Circle Dr	\$177,000
35275 Lone Pine Ln	\$234,000
29664 Pine Ridge Cir	\$138,000

23087 Purdue Ave	\$126,000
36201 Quakerstown Ln	\$235,000
33533 Rhonswood St	\$153,000
32061 Shrewsbury St	\$200,000
22122 Springbrook Ave	\$130,000
23381 Springbrook Dr	\$172,000
26435 Springland St	\$320,000
32310 Sprucewood St	\$240,000
29242 Sunridge	\$275,000
27952 Trailwood Ct	\$485,000
22831 Vacri Ln	\$355,000
26405 Valhalla Dr	\$315,000
31536 W Stonewood Ct	\$300,000
24483 Walden Woods	\$198,000
28393 Wellington St	\$269,000
FRANKLIN	
32350 Susanne Dr	\$449,000
HIGHLAND	
1511 Ludean Dr	\$291,000
3259 Oakgrove	\$155,000
3379 W Clarice Ave	\$224,000
LATHRUP VILLAGE	
27853 Cathalton	\$278,000
18186 Glenwood Blvd	\$230,000
28010 Sunset Blvd W	\$234,000
MILFORD	
1995 Charles Ct	\$425,000
531 Elizabeth St	\$210,000
618 Florence Ct	\$353,000
741 Panorama Dr	\$115,000
2233 Stony Blf	\$375,000
NORTHVILLE	
21047 E Glen Haven Cir	\$132,000
101 Ely Dr S	\$215,000
43541 Galloway Dr	\$305,000
46985 Grasmere Rd	\$300,000
NOVI	
24619 Bashian Dr	\$120,000

22417 Cranbrooke Dr	\$140,000
22186 Daleview Dr	\$525,000
24015 Glen Ridge Ct	\$180,000
23756 Harvest Dr	\$292,000
27871 Middleton Dr	\$227,000
25520 Portico Ln	\$164,000
23644 Stonehenge Blvd	\$124,000
26147 Sunbury Ct	\$220,000
22892 Talford St	\$88,000
27183 Victoria Rd	\$300,000
45527 Violet Ln	\$365,000
23705 Wintergreen Cir	\$565,000
SOUTH LYON	
60655 Deer Creek Dr	\$265,000
53711 Edgewood Dr	\$315,000
61218 Greenwood Dr	\$77,000
24323 Heatherwood Dr	\$257,000
621 Mayfair	\$184,000
57133 Meadowcreek Cir N	\$472,000
24875 Valleywood Dr	\$284,000
88935 Winnowing Cir S	\$97,000
SOUTHFIELD	
9430 Goldwin St	\$107,000
22406 Greenview Rd	\$155,000
7150 Hilton St	\$285,000
8649 Lowell Ct N	\$58,000
80768 Marshall St	\$92,000
27436 Pierce St	\$164,000
7351 Roseland Blvd	\$96,000
25594 Saint James	\$128,000
10338 Tamarack Cir	\$175,000
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Make sure your résumé is ready for 2016

**BY MATT TARPEY
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If you're one of the millions of people whose New Year's resolution list includes getting a new job, the first step is sprucing up that old résumé. Here are some key considerations to ensure that your résumé is up to date in 2016.

Mobile compatibility
Much of a job seeker's searching and applying can now be done with mobile technology, and much of the employer's side of the process has gone mobile as well. Luckily, the systems and tools employers use will often take care of adjusting your document to fit a smaller screen.

There is a chance that your résumé will be read on a smartphone or tablet, so be sure to take that into consideration, especially in terms of layout and style. Above all, make sure you're using Web-safe fonts to help ensure that the content is correctly transferred.

Cross-channel consistency
One thing that always stands out to an employer on a résumé is a URL to a job seeker's professional webpage or online profile. You already know that recruiters and employers are likely to look at



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your Web presence. Providing the relevant links simply makes it easier for them and demonstrates that you have nothing to hide.

However, keep in mind that any page you link to effectively becomes a part of your résumé. That doesn't mean you need to maintain a stilted, professional tone across all platforms, but there should be a clear, consistent undertone of respect and professionalism.

Customization
This isn't exactly a new trend, but it remains one of the most important. Just as you can probably spot a

cookie-cutter job posting or email, employers can tell if they're reading a generalized version of your résumé.

A good strategy for easy customization is to create a master résumé, which includes every single piece of information any employer might want to know about you. Then, for each new job application, copy and paste the portions that relate to the specific opportunity. After fine-tuning some phrasing to tie your content back to the position, you'll have a freshly tailored résumé.

Executive summaries
Whether to include an ob-

jective statement on a résumé is a question that has plagued job seekers for years. While there's no universal answer, there are alternatives. One that is increasing in popularity is the executive summary.

The executive summary is a brief overview of your skills and noteworthy accomplishments, all of which are supported by the information in the rest of your résumé. Essentially, it is your elevator pitch in print. One of the chief benefits is that an executive summary focuses on what you offer the employer, as opposed to an objective statement that emphasizes your personal goals.

Minimalism
In the early stages of the hiring process, recruiters and employers typically don't spend much time on individual résumés. Only after the initial quick pass will they really delve into the details.

With this in mind, keep your résumé simple. Providing too much detail at the point when an employer is looking only for broad strokes can actually have an adverse effect, making it harder for them to find the information they want. Include the most relevant content on your official résumé, and reserve the rest for your professional website. This way, your résumé doesn't get bogged down with too much text.

There are rarely sudden, sweeping changes to the characteristics that make an ideal résumé. Nor are there hard-and-fast style guidelines that get thrown out and rewritten each year. However, making these small adjustments to keep your résumé up to date is still an effective way to increase the likelihood that you'll land a great new job in 2016.

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- Two story ceramic foyer with vaulted ceiling
- First floor laundry
- Finished three car garage

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A Warm and Inviting Home!!

- Four bedrooms, two and half bath located in a family neighborhood.
- Granite countertops, main floor laundry
- Walk out basement
- Beautiful garden with large deck

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This is not a Ranch but looks like it!

- Four bedrooms, two bathrooms
- Completely Updated
- Great yard for pets or children
- Move in Ready

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Step inside and fall in love!

- 1.5 story home on a 3/4 acre lot.
- First floor master suite with large fenced yard.
- Beautiful yard with deluxe pool, deck, fire pit and play-structure.
- Move in Ready!

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Ranch Style Condo!

- Three bedroom, three bathrooms in desirable community
- Large master suite with walk in closet
- Lots of storage
- Beautifully landscaped with wood deck

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Charming Three Bedroom!

- Three bedrooms, one bathroom
- Open floor plan
- Large wooded lot with covered front porch
- First floor laundry

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Enjoy the Lake Community Lifestyle!

- Four bedroom, one bathroom across from White Lake
- Spacious master bedroom, large great room
- Secluded property
- Fenced yard

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Brand new home waiting for you!

- Four bedrooms, three and half bathrooms on over two and half acres
- Large Kitchen with granite counter and Island
- Two story great room
- Hardwood flooring throughout

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Custom Built Home in Lake Neighborhood!

- Three bedrooms, two and half baths
- Skylights, natural fireplace, ceramic floor
- Wrap around deck
- Heated Garage

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Just minutes from Milford!

- Custom home on five lush acres
- Four bedrooms, Five bathrooms
- First floor laundry, pantry, dining room and office.
- Finished walkout with bedroom, bathroom, second laundry, kitchen and wet bar.

MLS 215075647 248.684.1065 \$610,000

Charming Home in Dunham Lake!

- Four Bedroom, Two Bath Dutch Colonial
- 40 Acre Lot
- Short Walk to Lake
- New roof and many more updates

MLS 216000479 248.684.1065 \$209,900

Brick Ranch in the Village of Milford!

- Three Bedrooms, Two Full Baths
- Wood Floors Throughout
- Finished Basement with Full Bath
- Extra Large Garage with Workshop

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