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DIA artists
highlighted
at program

“Through Her Eyes: Women Artists in the DIA’s Collection” will be the topic of the Northville Woman’s Club’s program at 1:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 19, at the First United Methodist Church of Northville, 777 W. Eight Mile Road.

Detroit Institute of Arts docent Connie Corrigan will discuss the work of women artists in the DIA’s collection and how their art heightens the awareness of the creative contributions of women across cultures and time and provides a lens through which to explore issues of gender, relationships between generations, politics and culture.

Works explored include Artemisia Gentileschi’s *Judith and Maidservant with the Head of Holofernes*, painted in 1695. Gentileschi was one of the first women artists to achieve recognition in the male-dominated world of post-Renaissance art.

For more information about Northville Woman’s Club, contact president Maryann Cotterill at 248-344-8235.

School board members
announce reelection plans

Adam Phelps won’t
seek another term

Danielle Alexander
Staff Writer



Phelps



Jankowski



Prescott



Wilk

Four of the Northville Public Schools Board of Education members’ terms are up in December: President Adam Phelps, Vice President Cynthia Jankowski, Treasurer Matthew Wilk and Trustee Sarah Prescott. As of now, Jankowski, Wilk and Prescott plan to run for reelection;

however, Phelps does not. According to northvilleschools.org, the primary function of the Board of Education is “to lead the district by establishing a balanced district budget, set-

ting district policy, hiring district personnel and giving leadership to the overarching mission and vision for the schools” while connecting the school district with the Northville com-

munity. The seven-panel board is made up of community members who live in the Northville Public School District; they are not compensated.

“I thought it’d be great being on the board, and it’s been better than I thought it’d be,” Prescott, who filled a vacancy in September, said. “Being able to sit in on presentations given directly from local administrators, teachers and kids and interacting with them has been so

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KATHY NEIRYNCK

As a celebration of Catholic School Week, Our Lady of Victory students collected water for schools affected by the Flint water crisis.

Our Lady of Victory
delivers water to Flint

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Staff Writer

According to the National Catholic Educational Association (NCEA), Catholic Schools Week is the annual celebration of Catholic education in the United States, and a time when schools focus on the value Catholic education provides to young people and its contributions to churches, communities and the nation.

This year, students at Our Lady of Victory School in Northville decided to celebrate by delivering cases of either donated or purchased water to two Catholic schools directly affected by the Flint Water Crisis: St. John Vianney and St. Pius X.

“Our school takes part in a lot of donations,” Dean of Students Kate Szuba said, “but this year, the students wanted to physically be part of something.”

On Feb. 2, fifth through eighth grade students were transported to the two schools where they not only delivered the water, but were also able to witness the water coming out of



KATHY NEIRYNCK

Our Lady of Victory students take water into two Catholic schools affected by the Flint water crisis.

drinking fountains and have face-to-face conversations with the affected students.

“The Flint kids were more than willing to share their stories,” middle school English teacher Nick Aiello said. “One

story that came up time and time again that really seemed to blow away our kids was that all Flint students had to have their blood drawn at school. Our

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Duncan
Disposal
maintains trash
fees for N’ville
Township

Joanne Maliszewski
Staff Writer

As municipalities anticipate likely water rate increases again this year, Northville Township officials are more than happy to report that monthly trash collection fees will remain the same this year — and for another five years beyond.

“They are pretty good and responsive,” said Tom Casari, Northville Township public services director.

Duncan Disposal, which the township contracted with beginning in 2011, has agreed to hold prices at \$14 per month or \$158 per year for residential customers in an extension of an original contract that has one more year. The extension is for five years. “We think that is pretty good for complete disposal,” Casari added.

In the extended contract, Duncan will also take care of billing and handle garbage carts for the township. In the original contract, the township handled billing and the carts. “Duncan was willing to do all of the services if we gave them an extension to the contract,” Casari said.

The contract extension includes biweekly recycling and yard waste, Casari added.

“We saw it as a win-win for the township and us,” said Scott Duncan, Duncan Disposal vice president and owner. The family-owned business in South Lyon serves surrounding communities, including Novi.

“We are able to take the administrative cost and do it all more efficiently and affordably,” Duncan said. “It’s a wonderful process working with the township. They have treated us well as vendors.”

In the city, Waste Management four years ago decreased its rates 10 percent in a contract extension. The extended contract included a 2.5-percent increase last year and this year. Still, the city is paying less than it did in previous years. “Overall, we got a reduction. We are still under what we were. Waste Management has been good with us.”

City residents pay \$36 every two months. Last year, they paid \$32.30 every two months.

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VFW Post 4012 Auxiliary hosts soup and salad fundraiser

The Auxiliary for VFW Post 4012 in Northville will host a fund-raising soup and salad night from 5-7 p.m. March 5, at the post, 438 S. Main.

Proceeds from the event will go to support the VFW's Memorial Day Parade and help for wounded soldiers, said member Roxanne Castlerline.

Tickets are \$5. Anyone who would like to donate a soup or salad should contact Betty at 248-348-0992. The public is invited.



John Heider | Staff Photographer
Nancy Ostin walks toward a candlelight vigil gathering in Highland Township on Feb. 15 — to honor David and Jackson Lyons, the father and son who drowned on Alderman Lake two weeks ago.

Lights for Lyons: Vigil held in memory of father, son

About two dozen people gathered Monday at the former Highland Middle School property in Highland Township for a candlelight vigil in memory of David and Jackson Lyons, the father and son who drowned on Alderman Lake two weeks ago.



John Heider | Staff Photographer
A Chinese lantern is released during a candlelight vigil for David and Jackson Lyons in Highland Township.

BOARD

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rewarding, interesting and beyond what my expectations were.”

Prescott said the other six board members are fantastic to work with and have the district’s best interest in mind, so to run for re-election is a “no-brainer.”

Phelps said he has really enjoyed giving back to the community during his term, but after four years, he is ready to step down and give someone else the opportunity.

“I’ve been very impressed with the board and our central administration and staff in Northville,” Phelps said. “With the collaboration and shared vision between the district and community, I have a lot of confidence in the direction we’re going, which makes it that much easier for me to step aside.”

Board of Education meetings are held generally twice per month on Tuesday evenings at various school buildings, most commonly in the Forum at Hillside Middle School. Committee meetings take place in Room 302 at the Central Office Administration Building, and sub-committee meetings are scheduled on an as-needed basis, generally on Tuesdays, and include up to three members of the Board of Education.

The deadline for interested candidates to file for the November 2016 school board election is July 26, and the four-year term will commence on Jan. 1.

More information pertaining to school board elections can be found at northvilleschools.org.

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Teenagers partake in art therapy and social groups at Living & Learning.

Special needs enrichment center comes to Northville

Danielle Alexander
Staff Writer

Living & Learning, a new enrichment center in Northville that provides services to youth (starting at age 2), teens and young adults who struggle socially, academically and emotionally in reaching their full potential, opened its doors in October.

“We moved back to Northville because we did our research and found that the schools had great services for kids with special needs,” said Laurie Kondek, a mother of two autistic children. “The problem was that we were still having to drive to Ann Arbor, Ypsilanti and Royal Oak for additional services and therapies. There was nothing local.”

When Kondek heard about the center opening so close to home, she said she felt it was a miracle. Owner Rachelle Vartanian opened the center at 150 Mary Alexander Court after taking an early retirement from Farmington Schools where she taught special education for 20 years. She said she was always a good teacher before but became a very different kind of teacher after her son was diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder at age three.

Like Kondek, Vartanian could not find any local programs for her son (now 15), so she rented a room at the Farmington Library and met with a small group of kids once a week.

“Eventually, I was turning families away

Tipping Point accepting short play submissions

Tipping Point Theatre is now accepting submissions of 10-minute plays for the Sandbox Play Festival (part of Northville Arts & Acts).

The spirit behind the festival is to encourage and increase exposure for Michigan theater artists. Tipping Point will also search for actors and directors looking for opportunities to “get in the sand” and work on creating new theater. This is an excellent opportunity for actors, directors, and playwrights looking to showcase their work.

For submission of materials, provide full contact information. Playwrights or plays that have specific ties to Michigan are given preference. Submissions must be emailed or post-marked no later than April 1.

The exact number of plays that will be presented at the Festival depends on available space, time, and production requirements after the selection of the top prizes. Prizes includes \$100 for first place; \$50 for second place. Awards will be given for audience favorite and honorable mentions. Email submissions to andy@tippingpointtheatre.com or mail to: Tipping Point Theatre Sandbox Play Festival, 361 E. Cady St. Northville, MI 48167.



Teenagers partake in art therapy and social groups at Living & Learning.

because I didn’t have the room,” Vartanian said. “It was during this time that I was able to take an early retirement and decided to take a leap of faith and open up Living & Learning.”

Living & Learning offers both private and small-group music, art and speech therapies, as well as tutoring. Social groups, summer camps and a rock band class are currently in the works, too. Now through June 1, free speech therapy is being offered.

“Everyone’s so grateful that we opened our

doors and I didn’t expect that everyone would be thanking us,” Vartanian said. “We are already looking to move to a bigger location in May.”

Living & Learning’s mission statement is “Our children’s disability does not define who they are or what they have the potential to become”.

For more information or volunteer opportunities, visit the website: livingandlearningllc.com.

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Our Lady of Victory students gather for a group photo.

WATER

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students were really taken aback by that. Also, some students shared that the National Guard showed up at their doorstep to deliver water, which many of our students also reacted with a, ‘Wow!’”

Aiello said that he gathered many of the students had misconceptions about the Flint students and seemed to assume these children would be very different from them.

“But once they got to interact with the other children, they realized they were kids just like them,” Aiello said. “They realized they were only one hour away from home, and these kids are at a loss for something that we take for granted: normal drinking water.”

Due to the fact that both Flint schools have



Students at Our Lady of Victory in Northville.

been so busy dealing with the water crisis, Our Lady of Victory School did not hear back from them until a few days before they made the delivery.

“The beautiful thing was just how quickly our school and parish community came together to make this happen,” Aiello said. “Since it was thrown together last minute though, we did not get a final count.”

“I know for sure it was over 500,” Szuba added. “One family donated 84 cases alone.”

Both Szuba and Aiello agreed it was an overall powerful experience for students at Our Lady of Victory School and also that the other two schools were tremendously grateful.

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Northville and P-C school chiefs support bills to end redundant reporting rules

Danielle Alexander
Staff Writer

Northville Public Schools superintendent Mary Kay Gallagher and Plymouth-Canton Public Schools' newly appointed superintendent Monica Merritt said they support Senator Patrick Colbeck's (R-Canton) and other Senate Republicans' plan to end "burdensome" reporting requirements for schools.

School districts in Michigan are mandated to prepare and submit hundreds of reports, which are known to be time-consuming and tedious to pro-



Gallagher



Merritt

duce. Senate Bills 754-767 would eliminate unnecessary and redundant reports and better streamline the reporting requirements.

"I definitely support any legislation that would eliminate the need for burdensome reporting that has to take

place," Merritt said, "especially in a time of limited resources."

Merritt said she is definitely excited about the plan, and any legislation that can free district employees of duplicative paperwork, including both those who work in central office, as well as individual schools in the district, is a great opportunity to remain student-focused.

Gallagher agreed: "I fully support the idea that massive reporting, systems that don't coordinate, etc. creates unnecessary burden and takes time away from our core work:

student learning."

Gallagher said she supports the idea behind the legislation but does not feel knowledgeable enough at this time to completely advocate for each individual proposed bill.

"I also don't know how many reports will actually be eliminated and what actual impact this will have on time," Gallagher added.

For the past few years, Colbeck has been requesting input from districts on the redundancy of reporting.

"By bringing an end to these burdensome, duplicative reporting requirements, educa-

tors can focus more resources on the classroom and less in the back office," Colbeck said. "We've been working on this set of bills for quite a while and believe that we now have a better grasp of what reports can be eliminated without impacting the delivery of education in our state."

The proposed bills were referred to the Senate Education Committee on Feb. 9.

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New instructional video adopted for girls health curriculum

Danielle Alexander
Staff Writer

A new fourth-grade health instructional DVD was unanimously approved after a second public hearing at Tuesday night's school board meeting.

Just Around the Corner, a 2011 Marsh Media puberty DVD for girls, will be implemented into Northville Public Schools' fourth-grade health curriculum this academic year, replacing the current 1992 instructional video.

The new DVD covers several topics: when to expect the onset of puberty, the physical and emotional changes of puberty, the maturation of the female reproductive system, menstruation, the importance of good hygiene, healthy habits and sleep and maintaining health through good nutrition and exercise.

Originally recommended by neighboring districts, as well as an NPS parent, "Just

Around the Corner" was reviewed back in September by the district's Health Advisory Board, which is comprised of parents, NPS teachers and administrators, community health representatives, clergy, a community representative and high school students. Two fourth-grade parents on the HAB said the content was appropriate; however, some NPS parents shared concerns.

The DVD was later presented at public viewings and discussed within the district's Curriculum Council, Board of Education and Committee of the Whole prior to its first public hearing on Jan. 19 and the second public hearing Tuesday night, both of which were facilitated by Director of Curriculum and Instructional Programs Dr. Sandra Brock.

Brock said there will be permission slips provided to parents of fourth-grade females, giving them the choice to decide whether or not

they feel comfortable allowing their child to take part in this portion of the reproductive health curriculum. Parents who select the "opt-out" option will have the opportunity to check out the DVD, which will be accompanied by a list of chapters, so they can show their child whichever content they deem appropriate. If permission slips are not returned, the child will not be able to view the video at school.

Board of Education Treasurer Matthew Wilk said that he, a parent of an 8-year-old, understood parents' apprehensions that the material shown in the DVD was advanced; however, he added that he supports its adoption.

Agreeing with Wilks, Board of Education President Adam Phelps said it was "very appropriate" and a "great update."

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NORTHVILLE SCHOOL NEWS

Water drive

Starting Tuesday, Feb. 16, Northville's Student Congress will be running a water drive for Flint. During lunches and seminars, students can purchase a "donation slip" for a minimum of \$5. These slips will be displayed in the cafeteria to raise awareness for the cause.

Reflections

The National PTA Reflections program encourages students of all ages and abilities to explore and be involved in the arts. The following students were recognized for their interpretation of this year's theme "Let Your Imagination Fly:"

» Literature: Alexis Aulepp, first place; Neha Am-doskar, second place; and Anoushka Ravindran, third place

» Photography: Alexis Aulepp, first place; Ashlyn Doner, second place; and Anoushka Ravindran third place

» Virtual Arts: Kristen Lam, first place; Ava Kalous-

tian second place; and Lauren Had, third place

» Artist Photography: Malcolm Wang first and second place.

Congratulations

The Northville High School Chamber Choir, TrebleMakers, and BackBeat made their at a recent District Solo & Ensemble Festival

» Excellent with Superior Distinction: Sierra Dattilo, Camille Tish, Maddie Green, Natalie Corrigan, Alex Jones

» Excellent: Jake Gourd, Kevin Yan, Medha Sripada, Joanna Colovas, Lauren Watson, Simrit Brara

» Good: Ryan Gourd, Ariana Khan, Zach Gaiski

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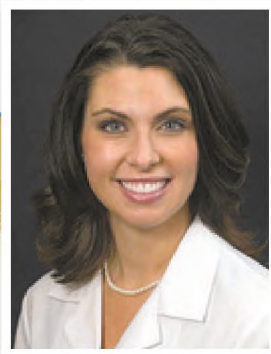
At the recent Mid-American State Championships at Michigan State University, the NHS Mustang Pom Pon Team placed fifth in the state.

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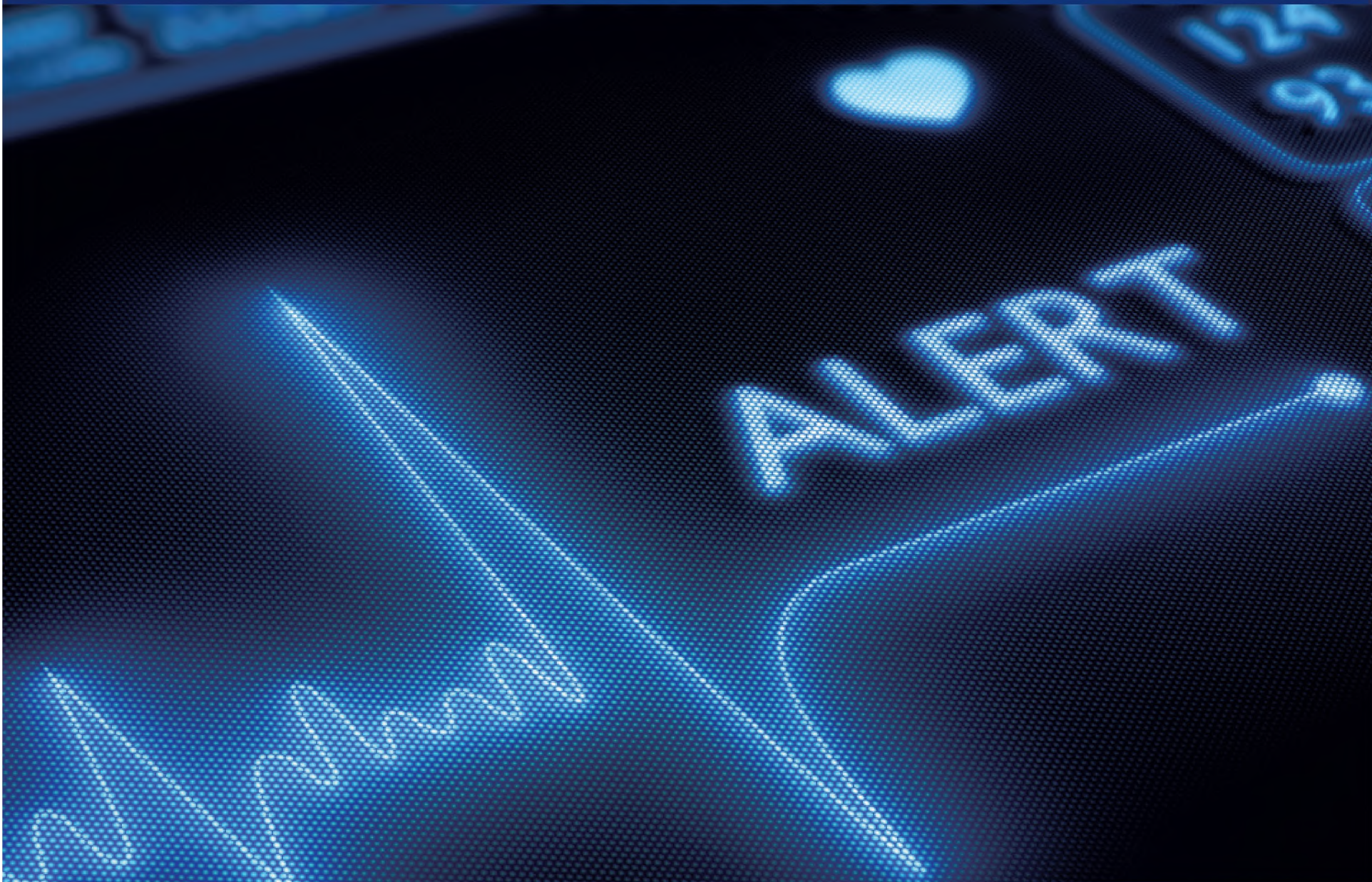
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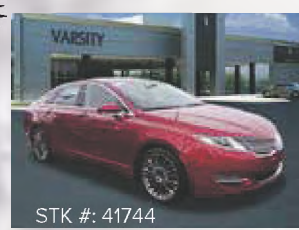
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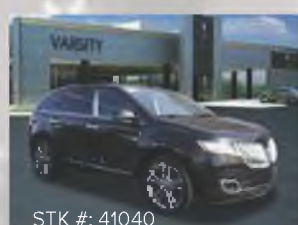
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Judge, court workers try to teach students impact of ‘momentary lapse in judgment’

Philip Allmen
Staff Writer

While working as an intern at the 52-1 District Court, Novi High School student Alexa Rathí recognized a classmate in the court. At first, she thought the honors student was an intern, like her. She soon found out he was there as a defendant, “a student who almost burst into tears, begging the probation officer to not tell his parents.”

The longer Rathí worked there, the more she noticed there were a lot of young people filtering through the court. About one in five people on probation out of the Novi court is 21 years old or younger.

Like that honors student, many of the people making their way through court have a “momentary lapse of judgment, someone not thinking for one second” defense attorney Daniel Bain said. That lapse, he said, can change your life forever.

Rathí invited Bain, 52-1 Chief Judge David Law and Sue Garrett, the court’s director of probation, to Novi High School to talk to 10th-graders about the legal system and their observations of those who work their way through the court system.

Their point? Decisions have consequences.

Rathí said “sophomore year is the time you really solidify your friend group and the people you talk to.” And it’s peer pressure, Garrett said, that often drives teens to make mistakes.

At the Novi court, which hears cases from throughout southwest

Oakland County, judges most often see charges of theft, driving with a suspended license, drug possession and minor in possession. And unlike 20 years ago, when those caught misbehaving often got a “mulligan,” Law said that’s not the case anymore.

Matter of choice

Law said he’s not one to preach of the dangers of drinking or drugs, but he wants everyone to know that if you break the law, it’s a choice.

“It’s your decision to do something,” he said. “Doing something stupid ... that decision to do that has consequences.”

Those consequences include probation, random drug testing, court fees and fines, counseling and possibly jail.

“The last thing I want to do is put someone in jail,” he said, adding that it’s the defendant that forces him to do so.

Law shared two such stories with the students. One involved a 21-year-old Milford woman arrested on a drug possession charge and back in court on a probation violation. Law said the woman originally was addicted to pain pills, then moved on to heroin. She told the judge she knew she would violate probation yet again, prompting jail time, and preferred to be sent to jail right away for 93 days, instead of facing time behind bars a month or two later.

The second story involved a 22-year-old South Lyon woman, addicted to heroin, who was arrested on a drunken driving charge. The defendant’s mother was in the courtroom and ad-



52-1 District Judge David Law addresses a class Feb. 4 at Novi High School. The lecture gave students an insight into how their choices on drugs, alcohol, thefts and other legal issues can affect their lives for a long time.

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ressed the judge before he sentenced the young woman to jail time.

“I know what you’re going to do. Thank you for sending my daughter to jail,” the mother told Law, adding her family had spent tens of thousands of dollars trying to get treatment for their daughter.

“There’s a heroin epidemic out there,” Law warned the students. “It’s growing. Watch out.”

Garrett said she has no sympathy for those placed on probation, not because she’s unsympathetic, but because they put others at risk.

A 17-year-old woman who attended her first party and had her first drink ended up in the Novi court after driving home that night.

“When she chose to

drive drunk, she put my family in jeopardy and all of your families in jeopardy,” Garrett said.

And getting probation can affect a student’s future, Garrett noted. She’s seen a student lose a full-ride scholarship to college for a high school indiscretion. She’s also found promising candidates for jobs in the court, but a criminal record prevented an actual hire.

“Employers are looking at social media,” Garrett added. “Once you put it out there, it’s forever.”

Everyday people

Bain shared several anecdotes on clients he represented. One client pulled out his summer car to enjoy the weather and was out cruising on Interstate 96. Speeding

along, weaving in and out of traffic, he clipped another car, which lost control and flipped. That driver died.

Another story involved four teens at a graduation house party where alcohol was provided. The group decided they wanted to drive 100 mph along a rural dirt road. Things were going fine, he said, until the driver collided with a tree. The three passengers died. The driver went to jail, but apparently didn’t learn her lesson, Bain said. After getting out, she was soon arrested again on another drinking and driving charge.

“These are all regular people,” he said. “This stuff happens every day.”

And he warned drivers that the law puts you

at fault if you’re under the influence of alcohol, even if an accident is not your fault. Someone else could drive through a red light and broadside you, he said, but if you’ve been drinking, you would be ticketed.

And for those using drugs, a blood draw after an accident can find drug use weeks later.

Rathí said she was happy with the presentation to about 600 Novi students and hopes it makes a difference.

“Even if 10 percent of students would think twice about the next time they chose to smoke or drink or post a picture, I think that’s really huge,” she said.

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Cleaning up



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Hillside Middle School Principal Jim Cracraft smiles as he takes a special mop to the tables at the cafeteria Feb. 12. Cracraft, who had just urged his students to help him keep the cafeteria as clean as possible – in order to win Spirit Points – was using a special mop reserved solely for the tables and not used on the floors, so that the tables could be readied for the next batch of hungry students.

Staying warm



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Hillside eighth-grader Peter Jaghab works his way around the court Feb. 12 while playing basketball with some friends during recess. Jaghab and other students were enjoying inside recess that day due to temperatures outside that were well below 20 degrees.

Education foundation off to the races

Derby-themed decorations and video thoroughbred horse racing will transform 2016's A Night for Northville into a night at the races that will benefit the Northville Educational Foundation and the many programs it supports throughout the Northville Public Schools district.

NEF invites the community to a casual evening of video horse racing, hearty hors d'oeuvres from Schoolcraft College's culinary artists, a cash bar, horse betting with funny money, an amazing silent auction, a \$1,000 prize raffle and great company.

A Night for Northville, presented by Community Financial Credit Union, will be 7-11 p.m. Saturday, March 12, at the VisTa Tech Center at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, Livonia. Tickets to the event are \$50 each, \$15 of which is tax-deductible.

In its fifth year, A Night For Northville is the premier fundraising event for the Northville school district, attracting an average of 250 guests each year.

The easiest way to purchase both the event tickets and horse sponsorships is through the event website: Night-For-Northville.com. Those buying both an event ticket and a horse sponsorship will receive two free drink tickets. Tickets can also be purchased in person at the NEF office, 501 W Main Street, Northville, or by calling 248-344-8458.



Julia Raspbury-Greenspan, a senior, practices her original composition. Along with several other soloists and small vocal groups, she will perform Saturday, Feb. 27, at "Cabaret on Campus-2016" at Northville High School.

'Cabaret on Campus' spotlights high school vocalists, musicians

"Cabaret on Campus-2016" is Northville High School's annual celebration of the individual and small group talents of its choir department. Surrounded by decorations from Michigan colleges and universities, this year's event is at 7 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 27, in the high school cafeteria.

From original compositions to an eclectic array of piano, guitar and vocal options, performers select their own material. Their diverse personalities shine through their unique choices and interpretations. Additional choir students willingly join in the festivities as they eagerly greet attendees and serve tailgate-style snacks, desserts and refreshments.

Attendees are encouraged to dress "campus casual" with their favorite college spirit wear. Count on NHS choir students to serve up a fun evening of terrific music, tasty treats and warm camaraderie.

"Without a doubt, this is one of my favorite events every year," NHS vocal music director Mary Kay Pryce said. She's coordinated the programs with creative students and enthusiastic parent volunteers for approximately 16 years.

The \$15 tickets support the NHS Choir Department. Seats are on a first-come, first-served basis. Tickets will be available at the door. Contact nhscabaret2016@gmail.com.



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Brightmoor Christian

Location: M-5 and 13 Mile, Novi
Contact: 248-668-7014; celebratercovery@brightmoorcc.org

Web: www.brightmoorchurch.org

Celebrate Recovery

Time/Dates: 7 p.m. Monday
Details: Worship, teaching or testimony and open-share recovery groups. Organizers offer the principles and tools to bring healing for the hurts, deliverance from life-controlling habits and freedom from the hang-ups that keep us from developing strong and healthy relations with God and others. Enter at Door D on the south side of the building. No cost; free child care is available for children birth through fifth grade. Pre-register.

Church of the Holy Family

Location: 24505 Meadowbrook Road, 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

Waiting for winter



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Snow melts from the hillside of Novi's Lakeshore Park. This winter seems a bit unpredictable in regards to weather conditions. So far this winter, there's been little time for sledding or cross country skiing in area parks. There's still plenty of time, however, for more of the white stuff.

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.fcfnazarene.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 Oggle; 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@fpsouthlyon.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

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

Good Shepherd Evangelical Lutheran Church (WELS)

Location: 41415 Nine Mile, Novi

Contact: 248-349-0565, www.goodshepherdnovi.org

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 Avrohhom and Leah Susskind; 248-790-6075; rabbini@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.

OakPointe Church

Location: 50200 W. 10 Mile, Novi

Contact: 248-912-0043

Web: www.oakpointe.org/lifegroups

Worship Services: 5:15 p.m. Saturday; 9:15 a.m., 11:15 a.m. Sunday.

ReNew Life Group Ministries: 7-9 p.m. Monday (groups meet weekly)

Women's Life Groups Ministries: 7 p.m. Tuesday; 9:30 a.m. Wednesday

Men's Life Groups Ministries: 6 a.m. Friday; at the church and various locations

Oakland Baptist Church

Location: 23893 Beck Road, Novi

Contact: 248-982-4041

Web: www.oaklandbaptist-novi.org

Orchard Grove Community Church

Location: 850 Ladd Road, Walled Lake

Contact: 248-926-6584

Web: www.orchardgrove.org

Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church

Location: 47650 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth Township

Contact: 734-453-0326, Ext. 221

Our Lady of Victory

Location: 132 Orchard Drive, Northville

Contact: 248-349-2621

Web: www.olvnorthville.org

Saturday Worship: 5 p.m.

Sunday Worship: 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m.

Our Savior Apostolic Lutheran Church

Location: 54899 Eight Mile, Northville

Contact: 248-374-2268

Children (5-10) & Adult Sunday School: 10 a.m.

Bible Study: Wednesdays at 7 p.m.

Our Shepherd Presbyterian Church

Location: 1200 S. Sheldon, Plymouth

Contact: pastor Bill Burke; 734-927-0891

Wednesday Bible Study: 7 p.m.

Sunday Bible Study: 9:30 a.m.

Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m. with fellowship and food after service

Pentecostals of Novi

Location: Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. 10 Mile

Contact: 248-697-8158

Web: www.thepentecostalsof-novi.org

Plymouth St. John's Episcopal Church

Location: 574 S. Sheldon in Plymouth

Contact: 734-453-0190, Ext. 16

Web: www.stjohnsplymouth.org

Praise Baptist Church

Location: 45000 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth Township

Contact: 734-748-3898

Prince of Peace Lutheran

Location: 28000 New Market Road, Farmington Hills

Phone: 248-553-3380

Web:

www.princeofpeacehills.org

ESL (English as a Second Language): lessons from 1:30-3 p.m. Mondays; 11 a.m. to noon conversational sessions on Saturdays.

St. James Catholic

Location: 46325 10 Mile, Novi

Contact: 248-347-7778

Web: www.sjnovi.net

Pastor: Monsignor John Kasza.

Mass schedule: 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Sunday; 9 a.m. Monday-Tuesday; 7 p.m. Wednesday; 5 p.m. Saturday.

ART HOUSE HAPPENINGS

The Northville Art House is at 215 W. Cady Street in historic downtown Northville and is celebrating 10 years of providing art enrichment and education to the community through classes, art shows and public art. Online registration is now available for winter and spring classes and workshops for artists, children, teens and adults at www.northvillearthouse.org.

org. Register early as classes fill quickly. Art House hours are noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday; noon to 4 p.m. Saturday and 1-9 p.m. each First Friday. Contact 248-344-0497.

Upcoming events
The Northville Art House is proud to present its 10th annual Member Exhibition showcasing a wide range of fantastic

art in this all-media, non-juried member show. New, emerging and experienced artists come together to present some of their favorite works of art in this highly anticipated exhibition. This exhibit will continue through March 19 during regular Art House hours. The Art House will be hosting a series of DIA "Behind the Scene" art talks this season. Each

talk will be delivered by a DIA docent in the Upper Gallery. Check www.northvillearthouse.org for specific dates and times.

Store
The Northville Art House Store is proud to feature Jennifer Helner through April. Helner is a Northville resident who is a realist watercolor painter of flowers, landscapes

and creative lettering. She teaches watercolor, drawing, pastels and calligraphy and is also well-known for her custom framing. Helner's artwork and framing compositions are in many private residences throughout the U.S. and she receives many requests for her calligraphy work on a commissioned basis. Visit Helner beautiful work, as well as the

work of more than 40 local artists at the Art House Store.
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AARP Tax Aide volunteers George Linker and Chuck Murdock (right) assist Sharon Duncovich in filling out her federal and state 2015 tax forms at the Northville Community Center.

Community center offers seniors free tax prep help

Danielle Alexander
Staff Writer

Northville Community Center is providing senior citizens free income tax preparation assistance each Thursday through April 14.

From 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., AARP volunteers will be assisting seniors in filling out tax forms and helping them seek a refund.

“The volunteers assist seniors in completing the whole process electronically,” senior and adult enrichment coordinator Suzie Johnson said. “They are plugged in and ready to go.”

According to aarp.org, AARP Foundation Tax-Aide is the nation’s largest volunteer-run tax preparation and assistance service and almost four out of five people who utilize it are 60 or older.

“It’s a wonderful service for our seniors, since many are on fixed incomes,” Johnson said.

Seniors will need to bring the following with them: a copy of last

year’s income tax return, W-2 forms from each employer, unemployment compensation statements, SSA-form if paid Social Security benefits apply, all 1099 forms (1099-INT, 1099-DIV, 1099-B, etc.) showing interest and/or dividends and documentation showing original purchase price of sold assets, 1099-Misc showing any miscellaneous income, 1099-R form if pension or annuity was received, all forms indicating federal income tax paid, dependent care provider information name, employer ID and Social Security number, all receipts or canceled checks if itemizing deductions, property tax statement, PIP insurance for automobile, utility heating statements and Social Security card or other official documentation.

If interested, call 248-349-4140 to pre-register since appointments are required and spots are filling up quickly.

Maybury Farm to offer summer camp

Maybury Farm will offer Day Camp for Kids once again this summer. Maybury Farm Day Camp is a hands-on experience that offers a variety of activities that are educational and fun. Campers will enjoy learning all about farm animals including grooming, feeding and walking them. Kids will have fun taking nature hikes, doing crafts, playing games and learning team building skills as they get to know all about farm life and the importance of farm animals in our everyday lives.

Maybury Farm Summer Day Camp is open to boys and girls ages 5-12. Camp hours are 9 a.m. to

4 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from June 21 through Aug. 18. There will be no camp the week of July 4. The cost is \$60 per camper per day or \$150 per week (Tuesday through Thursday). Kids can sign up for one day or join for a whole week.

To register for Day Camp, 248-374-0200 or go to www.northvillecommunityfoundation.org.

Maybury Farm is at 50165 Eight Mile, west of Beck Road. It is operated by the Northville Community Foundation, a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization. Maybury Farm is a historic farm that provides interactive educational opportunities for the public.



FILE PHOTO

Kids get close to nature at the Maybury Farm Day Camp.

LIBRARY LINES

Drop-In Morning Storytime

Time/Date: 10:15 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 18 through Mar. 3

Details: Storytime fun for toddlers and preschoolers, all ages welcome to attend. Caregivers must attend with children 3 and younger. Just drop in!

Drop-In Super Saturday Storytime

Time/Date: 11-11:30 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 20

Details: Make the most of your weekend with this fun storytime

featuring stories about birthdays, music and wiggles. Best for children ages 2 – 4, but entire families are welcome. Just drop in!

Drop-In Computer & Device Help

Time/Date: Noon to 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 20

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

Foreign Film @ Your Library

Time/Date: 6:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 22

Details: View the film *The Pool*, a Hindi film with English subtitles. A young worker in India hopes for a better future and devises a plan to make it happen. Just drop in.

University of Michigan Northville Health System: Your Lungs

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Monday, Mar. 7

Details: Dr. Arenberg, from the U-M Northville Health Center, presents on these vital organs. Register. 248-349-3020 or online.

MILL RACE MATTERS

Mill Race Historical Village is at 215 Griswold Avenue., north of Main Street, near Ford Field. Buildings will re-open each Sunday starting in June. Grounds open daily dawn until dusk. Mill Race relies on rentals and

memberships to maintain the Village. Consider becoming a member or making a donation today; go to www.millracenorthville.org for details.

Upcoming events

Lecture Series: Michigan Native American Lecture: 7 p.m. Feb. 24. Michigan Lumbering Days and Camp Life. New School Church at Mill Race Village. No fee. Donations accepted. This lecture sponsored by the Northville Gallery, Spice Merchants. Lecture Series sponsored by the Water Wheel Centre.

Vintage Jewelry Tea: 1-3:30 p.m. May 1. SOLD OUT

General info

Website: www.millracenorthville.org

Volunteers: The Northville Historical Society at Mill Race Village accepts volunteers

in many different areas. Contact the office for more details.

Rentals: Call or email the office to rent the Cady Inn or Church for a wedding or party. Many dates are available. More information on our website.

Donations: Accepted only from 9 a.m. to noon each Tuesday.

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2016 DOOR REPLACEMENT PROGRAM at AMERMAN ELEMENTARY, SILVER SPRING ELEMENTARY AND HILLSIDE MIDDLE SCHOOL NORTHVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

The Board of Education of Northville Public Schools is accepting Prime Contractor firm bids for all labor, materials, equipment and all other services to complete the interior door and frame work at the Northville Public Schools listed above.

Plans and specifications may be downloaded via PlanWell and are available for review at the office of the George W. Auch Company, 735 S. Paddock Street, Pontiac, MI 48341 248.334.2000, on or after **February 12, 2016**. Bid Package consists of Instruction to Bidders, Proposal Forms, General and Supplementary Conditions, drawings and pertinent trade specifications. Contact Scott Oswald or Shawn Debo for download instructions.

Your proposal will be accepted **NO LATER THAN 2:00PM, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2, 2016 TO: NORTHVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION-ROOM 307, 501 WEST MAIN STREET, NORTHVILLE, MI 48167**. Oral, telephone, fax or electronic mail bids are invalid and will not receive consideration.

All bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at 2:00 P.M., March 2, 2016 at the Northville Board of Education-Room 104, 501 West Main Street, Northville, MI 48167.

A pre-bid walk through is scheduled for Monday February 22, 2016 beginning at 11:00 am beginning at Silver Springs Elementary main entrance lobby, 19801 Silver Springs Drive, Northville MI. then continuing on to Amerman Elementary and Hillside Middle School. This meeting is not mandatory but highly recommended.

All contracts to be entered into by the Northville Public Schools must and will comply with the equal opportunity laws of the State of Michigan.

All bids must be submitted on the forms provided in the bid packet.

All bidders must provide familial disclosure in compliance with MCL 380.1267 and attach this information to the bid proposal. The bid proposal will be accompanied by a sworn and notarized statement disclosing any familial relationship that exists between the owner or any employee of the bidder and any member of the Northville Public Schools, Board of Education or the Northville Public Schools, Superintendent. The District will not accept a bid proposal that does not include this sworn and notarized disclosure statement.

Proposals must include a Treasury listed bid bond or certified check made payable to Northville Public Schools for not less than five percent (5%) of the contract for each proposal over \$23,230 and must be submitted on the bid proposal form furnished with the specifications. All proposals shall remain firm for a period of sixty (60) days.

The Board of Education reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, either in whole or in part; to award contract to other than the low bidder; to waive any irregularities and/or informalities; and in general to make awards in any manner deemed to be in the best interests of the owner.

Roland Hwang, Secretary
Northville Public Schools, Board of Education

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2016 MECHANICAL UPGRADES at SILVER SPRINGS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NORTHVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Another bill to modify state fireworks use is introduced

Kathleen Gray
Michigan.com

Perhaps the 12th time will be the charm for a change in the state's policy on when and where people can shoot off fireworks.

State Rep. John Chirkun, D-Roseville, introduced a bill — the 12th to be introduced in the past year — that would allow local governments to modify when people can use the bigger, stronger fireworks that were made legal in Michigan in 2011.

It became a thorny issue as soon as the law went into effect in the summer of 2012 when people started shooting off the high-powered pyrotechnics in their neighborhoods, causing thousands of noise complaints, some fires as well as freaking out pets, senior citizens and parents trying to calm crying babies.

The Michigan Legislature responded in 2013 by modifying the law so that

the bigger displays could only be ignited on the three days surrounding 10 national holidays.

That did not stop the complaints and legislators have been trying to change the law ever since. There are proposals to repeal the fireworks law altogether, only allow fireworks on the Fourth of July and better regulate where and when the fireworks can be sold.

Complicating matters further is that it costs the state more to enforce Michigan's fireworks' law than the fees associated with the law generate. In the latest report from the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, the fees charged in the law brought the state \$796,592, but the cost to regulate the program was \$826,151. Similar imbalances were reported in 2013 and 2014.

But fireworks is big business in Michigan, according to LARA. In 2015, approximately \$35

million in fireworks sales were recorded, generating \$2.1 million in sales tax revenue for the state.

None of the laws introduced in the past year have gotten a hearing and many have been assigned to committees that virtually guarantee that the proposals will die without any action.

But Chirkun remains optimistic that, perhaps, his plan is the one that might catch fire.

"Unfortunately, I don't think under this current Legislature that we will ever see a repeal of the fireworks law," he said in a statement. "What I am offering is a modification of that law that I hope we can all agree on so that people who enjoy fireworks still can, and people who want more peace and quiet will have it."

Bills introduced last week in Lansing:

House bills

HB 5315: Exclude painters and decorators from licensing requirements for residential

maintenance and alteration contractors. Sponsor: Rep. Tom Barrett, R-Pottersville.

HB 5316: Allow schools to be used as presidential election polling places without penalties for missing instructional time. Sponsor: Rep. George Darany, D-Dearborn.

HB 5317-5324: Abolish automatic waiver and trial of juveniles to adult court for specific crimes. Sponsor: Rep. Jeff Irwin, D-Ann Arbor.

HB 5325: Allow property tax exemptions for property used for Masonic associations. Sponsor: Rep. Ken Goike, R-Ray Township.

HB 5326 and SB 778: Allow drugs that will reverse the effects of heroin or opioid drug overdoses to be sold over the counter. Sponsors: Rep. Anthony Forlini, R-Harrison Township and Sen. Tonya Schuitmaker, R-Lawton.

HB 5327: Allow local units of government to restrict use of fireworks

to specific hours on the three days surrounding Memorial Day, Fourth of July and New Years Day. Sponsor: Rep. John Chirkun, D-Roseville.

HB 5328 and SB 768: Apply rules regarding occupational health and safety to unpaid workers, like interns. Sponsors: Rep. Robert Wittenberg, D-Oak Park; Sen. David Knezek, D-Dearborn Heights.

HB 5329: 2016-17 budget bill for the state Department of Transportation. Sponsor: Rep. Ed Canfield, R-Sebawaing.

HB 5330: Allow land owned by the state Department of Natural Resources to be conveyed to Sullivan Township in Muskegon County. Sponsor: Rep. Holly Hughes, R-White River Township.

HB 5331: Expand eligibility to participate in the health professional recovery program to emergency medical services personnel. Sponsor: Rep. Henry Yanez, D-Sterling Heights.

HB 5332-5348: Modify the definition of veterans in state laws to include reserves. Sponsors: Reps. Tom Barrett, R-Pottersville; David Maturen, R-Vicksburg; David Rutledge, D-Ypsilanti; Gary Glenn, R-Midland; Holly Hughes, R-White River Township; Laura Cox, R-Livonia; Hank Vaupel, R-Handy Township; Peter Lucido, R-Shelby Township; John Bizon, R-Battle Creek; Lana Theis, R-Brighton; Robert Kosowski, D-Westland; Jason Sheppard, R-Temperance; Larry Inman, R-Williamsburg; Lee Chatfield, R-Levering; Triston Cole, R-Manacelona; Eric Leutheuser, R-Hillsdale.

HB 5349: Create a fund-raising license plate for No-Kill Animal Shelters. Sponsor: Rep. Charles Brunner, D-Bay City.

HB 5350: Provide for free credit reporting freeze for active duty military personnel. Sponsor: Rep. Robert Kosowski, D-Westland.



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Linda Colwell (middle) brings lunch and smile to the face of Shirley DeLeon during the Novi Senior Center's Valentine's Day luncheon Feb. 11. The luncheon, at the center's Meadowbrook Commons facility, featured a tasty lunch, live music, trivia and door prizes.



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A good-sized turnout fills the auditorium at the Novi Senior Center for its Valentine's Day luncheon.

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OUR VIEW

AAA on-target on speed limit legislation; urge no vote by your legislators

This newspaper recently received a letter from AAA Michigan with which we agree wholeheartedly. AAA has long advocated for traffic safety measures and its AAA Michigan president, Steve Wagner, raises safety issues about current state legislation. The Michigan House of Representatives will soon be voting on a package of bills aimed to increase the speed limits on Michigan's roadways. AAA Michigan has serious concerns with the legislation, Wagner says. This proposal could potentially increase the speed limit to 80 mph. Wagner writes, "We recognize the need for a speed limit that keeps all traffic moving at a safe rate, but do we really want large commercial vehicles traveling at speeds of 70 mph and cars driving

at 80 mph? Given the current conditions of our roadways, we question the safety of traveling the current speed limit, let alone driving at increased speeds." Wagner also cites driver distraction, including cellphones, texting, GPS and other evolving technology. Drivers at 80 mph are a greater safety risk when distracted, AAA notes. Wagner adds, "Proponents will argue individuals are already driving faster than the posted speed limit and people tend to drive at a speed which they feel comfortable. We are also concerned about the negative effect a speed limit increase will have on newly licensed drivers and senior drivers." He praises the House Transportation Committee for incorporating the requirement of a safety study

into the bills, an AAA recommendation, but adds there are additional factors to consider including roadway design, vehicle crash data and roadside development. This newspaper also urges legislators to vote "no" on House Bills 4423, 4424, and 4425. Distracted driving is more prevalent than ever these days and puts all motorists and their passengers at greater risk, including young drivers just learning the rules of the road. Make your voice heard by letting your representatives in the state Legislature know your views on this measure. "Safety first" is a common refrain, but it applies here and should be heeded by all who share Michigan's roadways.

LETTERS

Thanks for Peter's Pals

I would like to thank all of the people in Northville who support my charity, Peter's Pals. Peter's Pals collects toys and gifts for children of all ages who are in the hospital. The charity was started in memory of my friend, Alec Cunningham. This past December, we delivered almost 700 toys to three local hospitals: Children's Hospital of Michigan in Detroit, University of Michigan CS Mott Children's Hospital, and Beaumont Hospital. We are very thankful and appreciative of all the

support of our family and friends, who continue to donate and help us each year. This year, almost 500 of the toys were donated by Tim Dalton and his students at Northville High School. It was amazing! We want to say thank you to everyone who has donated to this cause over the years, as it means a lot to our family.

Peter Weir, 16
Northville

Bills would weaken historic districts

Even with the protections written into Michigan's Local Historic Districts Act; Act 169 of 1970, which should have precluded any anachronistic

structures from compromising the historicity of Northville's or any other Michigan Historic District, mistakes, some of them glaring, have been made. The problem with such architectural mismatches is that, for all intents and purposes, they are permanent. As solid as PA 169 is, historic authenticity still, in too many cases, took a back seat to revenue considerations.

Now along comes state Rep. Chris Afendoulis (R-District 73) proposing amendments to PA 169 — namely HB 5232 and SB 72 — that would make our current, obviously flawed law even weaker. Under provisions of those amendments, historic districts would be automatically dissolved every decade unless "re-upped" by the local electorate. An overwhelming majority of property owners (two-thirds) would have to petition to allow the issue of recertification of the district to even show up on a ballot. The amend-

ments would disempower historic district commissions, which try, however flawed their efforts, to keep historic districts on track.

Individuals, most notably unscrupulous developers with even less expertise than that which has already been brought to bear, would be given the prerogative of deciding what is and is not worth preserving. And these amendments would allow dissolution of historic districts at the whim of local governments, especially local governments under pressure from developers who see historic districts as impediments to their developmental goals.

I think Mr. Afendoulis (ChrisAfendoulis@house.mi.gov) is in need of our feedback.

Ken Kilpatrick
Northville

Don't up speeds

The Michigan House of Representatives will soon be voting on a package of bills aimed to in-

crease the speed limits on Michigan's roadways. As a leading traffic safety advocate, AAA Michigan has serious concerns with the legislation.

This proposal could potentially increase the speed limit to 80 mph. We recognize the need for a speed limit that keeps all traffic moving at a safe rate, but do we really want large commercial vehicles traveling at speeds of 70 mph and cars driving at 80 mph? Given the current conditions of our roadways, we question the safety of traveling the current speed limit let alone driving at increased speeds.

An additional concern with increased speeds is driver distraction. More than ever, drivers are faced with numerous distractions in the vehicle — cell phones, texting, GPS, the list continues to grow. The reaction time of a distracted driver will be reduced even further if they are driving 80 mph. Proponents will argue individuals are

already driving faster than the posted speed limit and people tend to drive at a speed which they feel comfortable. We are also concerned about the negative effect a speed limit increase will have on newly-licensed drivers and senior drivers.

We commend the House Transportation Committee for incorporating the requirement of a safety study into the bills at our suggestion, but we believe there are additional factors to consider such as roadway design, vehicle crash data and roadside development. In addition to these physical attributes, we also need to consider the interaction of large commercial trucks and passenger vehicles and speed limit enforcement.

On behalf of AAA's commitment to traffic safety across Michigan, we urge legislators to vote "no" on House Bills 4423, 4424, and 4425.

Steve Wagner
President, AAA Michigan



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Myths, facts about winter driving conditions

A myth is a wildly held but false belief. Saying the government is going to tax the Internet would be a myth, even if people honestly thought it was going to happen.

In turn, a fact is something that is indisputably the case. Winter begins Dec. 21; that's a fact. Funny you would mention winter and freezing cold. I was just thinking of some myths and facts about winter. Here are some to ponder.

Myth: Ice and snow cause most accidents.
Fact: Most accidents are caused by people



Sgt. Micheal Sura
ASK A TROOPER

driving too fast for the current road conditions. Remember, just because the speed limit says 70 mph doesn't mean you want to drive that fast in snowy and icy conditions. Drive an appropriate speed that allows you to maintain control of your vehicle and allows you to react to changing road conditions.

Myth: Using my cruise control during

winter is no big deal.
Fact: A sudden loss of traction could cause your wheels to slip, making the car skid. In winter, keep cruise control off. The more traction you have, the more control you maintain.

Myth: You should use hot water to unfreeze car windows and doors.

Fact: Using hot water on cold windows can cause thermal shock. This can cause the window to crack and turn a small chip into a bigger problem. The same goes for doors. Hot water will seep into the cracks of the door handle and un-

locking mechanism, it will then freeze again, damaging the door. It can also damage the electronics in the vehicle that help operate it.

Myth: I should warm my car up before driving it in the cold.

Fact: Starting your vehicle up and letting it run for a long period of time actually only warms up the coolant. It does not warm up the engine oil, the brake system, the transmission and the power steering. These things remain cool. It is a better idea to let your vehicle run for only a minute or two and then

drive the vehicle slowly until the rest of the vehicle is warmed up. Driving it too fast, too soon can put stress on the engine, which could cause future engine problems.

Myth: As long as I can see out the window of my vehicle, I'm good to drive.

Fact: You should clear all snow off the vehicle, even the roof. Pieces of ice can detach from the vehicle, striking motorists behind you, damaging cars and causing other drivers to take evasive action. Think how many times you

have seen ice or snow come blowing off a vehicle and shatter on the freeway.

Myth: Troopers are forgiving when I cause a motor vehicle accident.

Fact: If you cause an accident, you can count on the trooper taking the proper action. You see, it's also a fact that enforcing the motor vehicle code saves lives.

If you have questions or comments, email them to askatrooper12@gmail.com, or mail them to Ask A Trooper, Michigan State Police Brighton Post, 4337 Buno Road, Brighton, MI 48116.

Winter presents challenges for seniors and good nutrition

When the temperature drops, healthy eating can become less of a priority. As winter settles in, staying inside and piling extra cheese on a chili dog may sound more inviting than squeezing fresh lemon on an arugula salad. Keeping a healthy diet in winter can be a challenge, especially if you are an older adult.

With age, the body naturally starts to become less efficient in absorbing essential nutrients. Some seniors also face chewing, swallowing and digestion challenges or experience a decreased appetite from diminished taste buds. Certain health conditions and medications also can interfere with the elderly



Barry Paxton
GUEST COLUMNIST

consuming nutritious foods and the right amount of calories. Add in wintertime cocooning and decreased activity, and many seniors opt for a diet of convenient, comfort foods laden with empty calories.

As adult home care providers, we see the importance of ensuring that the elderly are eating well and eating enough every day. Winter is tough on seniors because the harsh weather limits them from getting out to buy fresh foods or to exercise.

During winter, seniors

benefit from better nutrition through resistance to illness, an emotional boost against "cabin fever" and better management of overall health conditions. Wintertime nutrition should include the following:

» **Dark, leafy green vegetables.** Choose antioxidant-rich, dark greens such as spinach, broccoli, kale and chard and select yellow and orange vegetables including yams, carrots and squash.

» **Citrus fruits.** Oranges, lemons, grapefruit and limes are popular vitamin C-packed citrus fruits also rich in flavonoids that promote good HDL cholesterol. For greater health benefits, it is best to consume whole fruits instead of processed juices, which often

contain extra sugars.

» **Protein.** Eating protein sources at meals and snacks throughout the day helps with blood sugar and energy levels. Beyond red meat, seniors can vary protein sources with eggs, fish, dairy and nuts.

» **Soups and stews.** Adding vegetables, beans and lentils to stews and soups is an easy, inexpensive way to increase fiber and nutrients. Cook a larger pot of a recipe and divide into smaller portions to freeze.

» **Vitamin D.** With less sunshine in winter, the

body needs other sources of vitamin D to help absorb calcium and strengthen muscles. Foods naturally higher in vitamin D include egg yolks, seafood, grains and fortified milk.

As a general nutrition guideline, older adults are advised to consume most of their daily calories from plant-based foods — grains, nuts and greens — closer to their whole or natural state.

For an overview of optimum dietary choices, WebMD lists a number of nutrients that may be missing from the diet of

seniors including vitamin B12, calcium and magnesium.

No matter what age you are, an occasional wintertime cheesy chili dog is OK, but don't forget the carrot sticks and glass of fortified milk.

Barry Paxton is owner of Right at Home of Central Michigan, which offers in-home companionship and personal care and assistance to seniors and disabled adults who want to continue to live independently. Contact www.rah-mi.com, 888-997-4724 or 810-225-4724.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS – PUBLIC HEARING
March 16, 2016 – 7:00 P.M.

The Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) has scheduled a public hearing for Wednesday, March 16, 2016 at the Northville Township Municipal Office Building, located at 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI. The ZBA will consider a variance request to Chapter 170, Zoning Ordinance, for residential property as follows:

15349 Lakeside Street (Property ID#77-055-01-0142-000); Article 18, Schedule of Regulations Limiting Height, Bulk, Density and Area by Land Use, to allow a side yard setback of six feet where the ordinance requires 15 feet and to allow less than 30 feet between dwellings as required by the ordinance.

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

Paul Slatin, Chair
Zoning Board of Appeals

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE
2016 MARCH BOARD OF REVIEW DATES

The Northville Township 2016 Board of Review will conduct hearings on the following dates for appeals from citizens, regarding the 2016 assessment, at the Northville Township Hall, 44405 Six Mile Road. All appeals are by appointment. **Starting Friday, February 26, 2016 please call (248) 348-5800, extension 10133 to schedule an appointment. Letters of appeal must be received by 8:00 p.m., on March 17, 2016. Postmarks are not accepted.**

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| Tuesday | March 08, 2016 | 9:00 am | Organizational Meeting |
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Appointment Dates for Hearings:

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| Saturday | March 12, 2016 | 9:00 am to 12 Noon | |
| Monday | March 14, 2016 | 9:00 am to 12 Noon and 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm | |
| Tuesday | March 15, 2016 | 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm and 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm | |
| Thursday | March 17, 2016 | 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm | |

All persons protesting their assessment must complete a petition (form L-4035) which can be obtained at Northville Township Hall or on the Township website twp.northville.mi.us click on Board of Review or at www.michigan.gov/treasury.

Sue A. Hillebrand, M.M.C.
Clerk

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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, March 09, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. in the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider COVINGTON ESTATES SITE PLAN NUMBER 15-02, LOCATED IN SECTION 31 OF THE CITY OF NOVI, NORTH OF EIGHT MILE ROAD AND WEST OF GARFIELD ROAD AND SEEKING APPROVAL OF A RESIDENTIAL UNIT DEVELOPMENT (RUD). The applicant is proposing a Residential Unit Development (RUD) on a 48.83 acre parcel north of Eight Mile and West of Garfield in order to construct 38 single-family residential units. The applicant is proposing a possible relocation of the emergency access drive along the north property line from Garfield Road as an alternate to the current proposed emergency access drive location from neighboring property to east in the event easements are not acquired.

Plans are available for review at the Community Development Department in the Novi Civic Center. Subject Property Parcel ID's: 22-31-400-011

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, March 09, 2016.

Novi Planning Commission
Michael Lynch, Secretary

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CITY OF NORTHVILLE
PUBLIC ACCURACY TEST

Notice is hereby given that the City of Northville Election Commission will meet at 8:00 a.m. on February 26, 2016 at the City of Northville Municipal Building, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan, 48167, 248-349-1300, to conduct business related to the March 8, 2016 Presidential Primary Election.

The Public Accuracy Test for the March 8, 2016 Presidential Primary Election will be conducted as part of this meeting. The public accuracy test is conducted to demonstrate that the computer program used to record and count the votes cast at the election meets the requirements of Election law.

DIANNE MASSA, CMC, CITY CLERK
ELECTION COMMISSION CHAIRPERSON

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CITY OF NORTHVILLE
2016 BOARD OF REVIEW
WAYNE AND OAKLAND COUNTIES

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Board of Review of the City of Northville, Wayne and Oakland Counties, will meet at the City Hall, 215 West Main Street, for the purpose of reviewing and adjusting the 2016 Assessment Rolls of the City of Northville on the following dates:

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| TUESDAY, | MARCH 8, 2016: | 10:00 a.m. Administrative Meeting |
| MONDAY, | MARCH 14, 2016: | 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. |
| WEDNESDAY, | MARCH 16, 2016: | 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. |

Unless otherwise specified the dates above are for Public Hearings

Pursuant to Act 165 of 1971 and based on the proposed changes to assessed value for 2016, the Wayne and Oakland County Equalization Departments have set the following tentative equalization factors relative to the 2016 Real and Personal Property Assessments: **WAYNE COUNTY** - Commercial Real 1.00; Industrial Real 1.00; Residential Real 1.00; All Personal Property 1.00. **OAKLAND COUNTY** - Commercial Real 1.00; Industrial Real 1.00; Residential Real 1.00; All Personal Property 1.00.

Mail-in Petitions must be received by March 15, 2016 before 5:00 p.m. ALL TAXPAYERS wishing to petition their property's taxable value or assessment in person with the Board of Review will be seen by **APPOINTMENT ONLY. To ensure every appeal is heard it is requested that appointments be scheduled prior to Tuesday, March 9, 2016. Please contact the City of Northville Tax Department at (248) 449-9901 for an appointment or with any questions you may have regarding your 2016 taxable or assessed value.**

BOARD OF REVIEW

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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, March 09, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. in the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider **DIXON MEADOWS JSP 14-46 AND ZONING MAP AMENDMENT 18.709 FOR PLANNING COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATION TO CITY COUNCIL FOR A PLANNED REZONING OVERLAY ASSOCIATED WITH A ZONING MAP AMENDMENT FROM RA (RESIDENTIAL ACREAGE) TO RT (TWO-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) WITH A PLANNED REZONING OVERLAY (PRO).** The subject property is approximately 22.36-acre and is located on the east side of Dixon Road, north of Twelve Mile Road (Section 10) and the applicant is proposing a development of a 90-unit single-family residential detached site condominium. The applicant is currently proposing a revised layout as an alternate to the previously recommended Concept plan with a change to the entry location.

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

Subject Property Parcel ID's: 22-10-400-002, 22-10-400-003, Part of 22-10-400-004, 22-10-400-005, 22-10-400-006, Part of 22-10-400-007

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, March 09, 2016.

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Michael Lynch, Secretary

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Huron Valley arts council seeks vendors for summer festival

Huron Valley Council for the Arts presents the fifth annual Huron Valley Arts Festival from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. July 30. This celebration of the arts will be held at Ralph Richardson Memorial Park, across from Walled Lake Central High School, a beautiful park in the heart of Commerce Township. This

year's festival will feature a Michigan-focused fine art and craft market, artist demonstrations, Milford Music's Celebration of Talent performances, the North Oakland County Story Tellers Theater, special all ages projects from the DIA and Cranbrook, the Mustard Seeds Children's Craft Station and

more. Organizers are seeking artists to take part in the festival. The 2016 application is now available. The deadline for submitting an application is March 18, with notification by email by March 31. The Huron Valley Arts Festival seeks to represent unique fine artists and

fine crafters from around Michigan and beyond. "We have many wonderful artists that we know will return to the festival again for this fifth-year anniversary, but we are seeking to create new excitement by looking for artists that present work that is either out of the box or

shows artists creating more traditional work in a unique and exciting way," festival director Lean Ohmer said. All artists that are juried into the show will receive a 12-foot by 12-foot space. In addition the festival will present several prizes to artists including a juror's choice

award and people's choice award that will have a cash prize. Find the artist application online. Go to huronvalleyarts.org and click the artist opportunities button on the front homepage for more detailed submission information and to submit as an artist, musician or food vendor.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

Novi Concert Band performs

Time/Date: 7-8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 18
Details: The Novi Concert Band is performing at the Novi Public Library. Music will feature music from the movies, popular music and a flute section feature. Donations accepted.
Time/Date: 3-4:30 p.m. Sunday, March 6
Details: The Novi Concert Band will perform a combined concert with the Novi Choralaires at the Novi Civic Center on 10 Mile Road. The theme for this concert is "Stage and Screen." Each ensemble will perform their selections and combine for two songs. Donations accepted at the door.

Preschool open house

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Feb. 20
Details: A Growing Place Preschool, 40700 W. 10 Mile Road in Novi, will hold its annual open house, which includes free activities, crafts and snacks. It will give prospective parents an opportunity to visit the school, meet the staff and learn about the classes and programs offered. A Growing Place Pre-



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER
Alisha Thomas with Wildlife Encounters gets some assistance as she introduces — with some fierceness — an Australian carpet python during a recent visit to Novi's Village Oaks Elementary.

school will continue to offer a Young 5s program, full and half day preschool classes for 3s and 4s as well as pre-kindergarten sessions for children going off to kindergarten next fall. For more information, call 248-471-2333.

Motorcycle swap meet

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 21
Details: Motorcycle enthusiasts are expected to pack the Suburban Collection Showplace during the Detroit Area Motorcycle Swap Meet. With a new event manager, the swap meet re-

turns after a one-year absence. The event will be a one-stop-shop for bikers looking to buy, sell and swap motorcycles. Individuals attending the event will also have the opportunity to shop a variety of vendors offering one-of-a kind accessories, bike parts, leather apparel and more. Admission for the event will be \$8 per person and free for children 12 years of age and younger. For more information on the Detroit Area Motorcycle Swap Meet, call 989-225-1244 or go to www.hugeswap-meets.com.

Preschool open house

Time/Date: 6-8 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 23.
Details: Novi Cooperative Preschool is hosting an open house. Bring your preschooler to visit the classroom and meet the teachers. Enrollment materials for the 2016-17 school year will be available. The preschool has programs for 2-, 3- and 4-year-olds. It is located on 10 Mile at Meadowbrook Road. Go to www.novipreschool.com for more.

Choralaires concert

Time/Date: 3 p.m. Sunday, March 6
Details: Novi's community chorus and community band are joining forces to host a community concert: "Music of Stage and Screen." The Novi Concert Band and The Novi Choralaires are both made up of men and women from Novi and the surrounding area with a passion for music and performing. A free will donation is accepted. The Choralaires perform at many community events during their season from January through May, while the Concert Band performs nearly a dozen annual public concerts throughout the region. Go to novichoralaires.org, email noviconcertband@live.com or find each group on Facebook.

Bollywood Bash

Time/Date: 6 p.m. to midnight Friday, March 11
Details: Third annual Bollywood Bash to benefit Good News India, which rescues children from bonded labor, sex slavery, providing them a safe haven. It runs the largest network of care centers for orphaned and destitute children, seeing them through University and Vo-Tech training. GNI currently owns and operates 30 "Dream Centers." To be held at Novi

Christian Community Center, 45301 W. 11 Mile Road in Novi. Tickets are \$12 online or \$15 at the door. Email novibollywoodbash@gmail.com or go to www.facebook.com/nccc78 for more.

Older Adult Services programs

Have you been diagnosed with "cabin fever"? Friends and fun are the prescription for feeling better and events hosted by Novi's Older Adult Services are the perfect place to begin treatment.
Time/Date: Noon to 2 p.m. Thursday, March 17
Details: Leaping Leprechauns Luncheon. An afternoon of toe tapping music is just what the doctor ordered. A traditional Irish meal will be on the menu along with entertainment by musician Tom Slatton. Don't forget to wear green to prevent getting pinched by a sneaky leprechaun. This program is proudly presented in partnership with Enriched Life Home Care Service. Tickets are \$7 per resident and \$8.50 per non-resident. Tickets for special events must be purchased in advance and are available at the Older Adult Services office, 45175 10 Mile Road, and the Meadowbrook Activity Center, 25075 Meadowbrook Road. For more information, contact city of Novi Older Adult Services at 248-347-0414.



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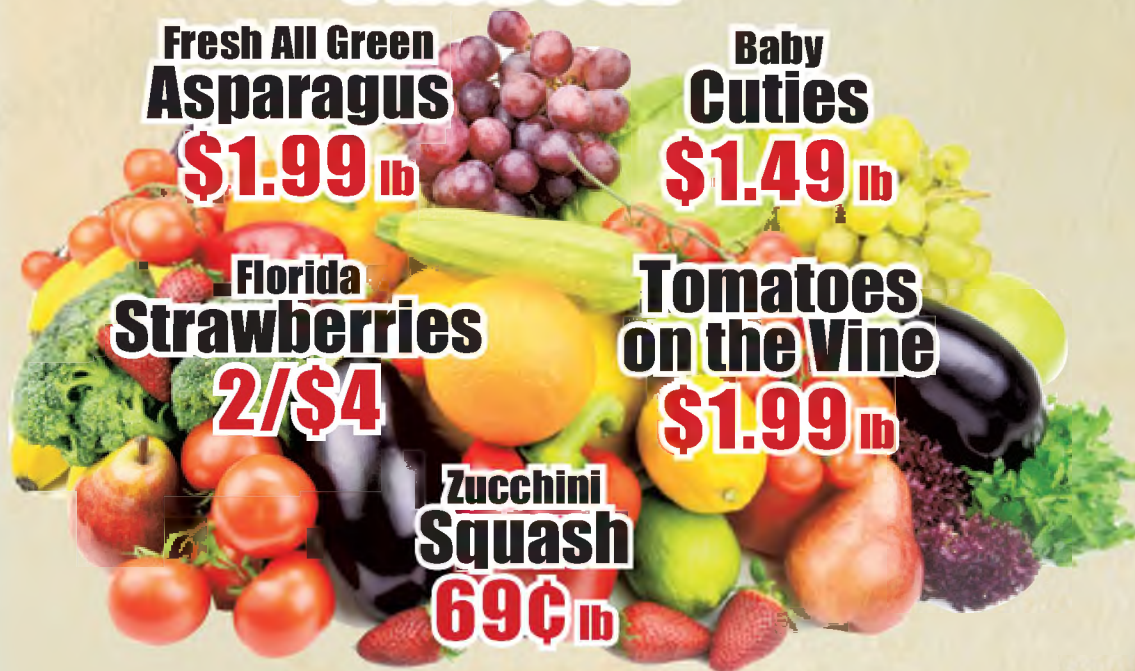
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PREP WRESTLING

Shamrocks qualify 13 for regional

Catholic Central boasts six individual district champions

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

As expected, Novi Detroit Catholic Central made strong showing in Saturday's MHSAA Division 1 wrestling individual district tournament hosted by Canton.

The top-ranked Shamrocks, the defending Division 1 team state champs, garnered six individual titles, four runner-up finishes and will be sending a contingent of 13 to next Saturday's Saline regional.

Among the weight class winners for the Shamrocks were Ben Kamali (103 pounds), who improved his record to 12-0 overall; Stone Moscovic (112), 24-9; Kevon Davenport (119), 38-3; Cameron Amine (125), 31-7; Aaron Rehfeldt (130), 26-15; and Tyler Morland (171), 36-1.

"I thought those six who won titles looked solid," CC coach Mitch Hancock said. "They did a nice job in dictating the pace of the match and scoring points."

Placing second for the Shamrocks

were Nick Jenkins (285), Aiden Wagh (140), Conor Cox (160) and Jackson Ross (215).

Jenkins, a junior, lost a tight 3-2 decision to Dearborn Heights Crestwood's Ali Wahab.

"I thought Nick Jenkins wrestled tough and hard and had an opportunity to win the match," Hancock said. "Aidan, Jack and Conor did a nice job in getting to the finals. We have to be a little bit smarter and more competitive in those matches. We'll go to the drawing board this week and game plan for those match-ups next weekend."

Meanwhile, CC's Davis Rastigue (112) placed third, while Rhett Newton (103) and Tyler Johson (145) each were fourth to advance to the regional.

Additional qualifiers

South Lyon got two wrestlers through to the Saline regional, as freshman Tanner Bryan (125) and junior Dawson Moll (160) both placed fourth in their weight class.

Bryan is 26-18 overall, while Moll is 27-17.

Also making it through was Novi



Catholic Central's Ben Kamali (top) defeated third-ranked Isiah Berry of Plymouth for the 103-pound district title by a 13-5 major decision.

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GIRLS BASKETBALL



NORTHVILLE CAPTURES DIVISION

Northville Mustang Jasmin Prince (right) lunges for a loose ball ahead of South Lyon East's Peyton Jones.

JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Mustangs clinch Central crown with win over South Lyon East

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

After his team clinched the KLAA Central Division title outright Feb. 9 with a convincing 48-19 win over South Lyon East, Northville girls basketball coach Todd Gudith got a Gatorade shower – confetti-style.

Even without the water, the host Mustangs had reason to immerse themselves in a post-game celebration as they earned their first division

crown since becoming a member of the Kensington Lakes Activities Association in 2008.

And it was first division crown of any kind since 2001, as Northville improved to 14-1 overall and 9-0 in the Central.

"You know this division is hard with Salem and Novi usually perennial powers in this division and this year this division has a lot of teams that are really tight," Gudith said. "It's a young division this year, without a lot of seniors. It's super-competitive and I'm really proud of our kids, not only to win it on senior night, but to basically run the table up until this point and not

leave it until the end. We wanted to solidify it tonight and not wait until Novi came to town (7 p.m. Friday at Northville)."

The last time the two teams met was Jan. 19 at South Lyon East, when the Mustangs escaped with a 51-47 overtime victory.

But Northville played suffocating defense in the rematch, limiting the Cougars (6-9, 4-5) to four field goals in 27 attempts (14.8 percent).

"I think we knew that we needed to get one more win tonight and be sure to win this division, so I think we were

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BOYS BASKETBALL

Northville's victory keeps Novi out of KLAA playoffs

Zimbo, Gibbons lead the charge for Mustangs in 61-44 triumph

Tom Morelli
Correspondent

No spot was safe on the floor for Novi defenders in the Baseline Classic, as Northville buried shots from all possible angles Friday to pull off a 61-44 boys basketball win.

Leading the charge for the unbeaten Mustangs were seniors Justin Gibbons (21 points) and Justin Zimbo (16 points), who both had a trio of triples to their credit on a night where no distance was too distant.

With both squads neck-and-neck to close out the first quarter, Gibbons added a pair of long-range heaves, the last of which gave Northville a 14-12 lead, one it would keep the rest of the way.

As if that didn't inject the necessary offensive mojo the Mustangs (16-0 overall, 10-0 KLAA Central) needed in this rivalry game, Gibbons launched a defining shot from the top of the key as time expired to make it 28-19 at the half.

"We give our guys a lot of options," Northville coach Todd Sander said. "We want them to read the defense and they're really figuring out how to play based on what their defender is doing. (Gibbons and Zimbo) both have unlimited range, but they both did a nice job, too, when guys challenged their shots in getting to the line and making free throws."

Just like his teammate, Zimbo's shots from beyond the arc came with some devastating effects, as Novi continued to see the gap on the scoreboard widen in the third quarter.

Immediately after the Wildcats' Naji Ozeir knocked down a jumper to pull

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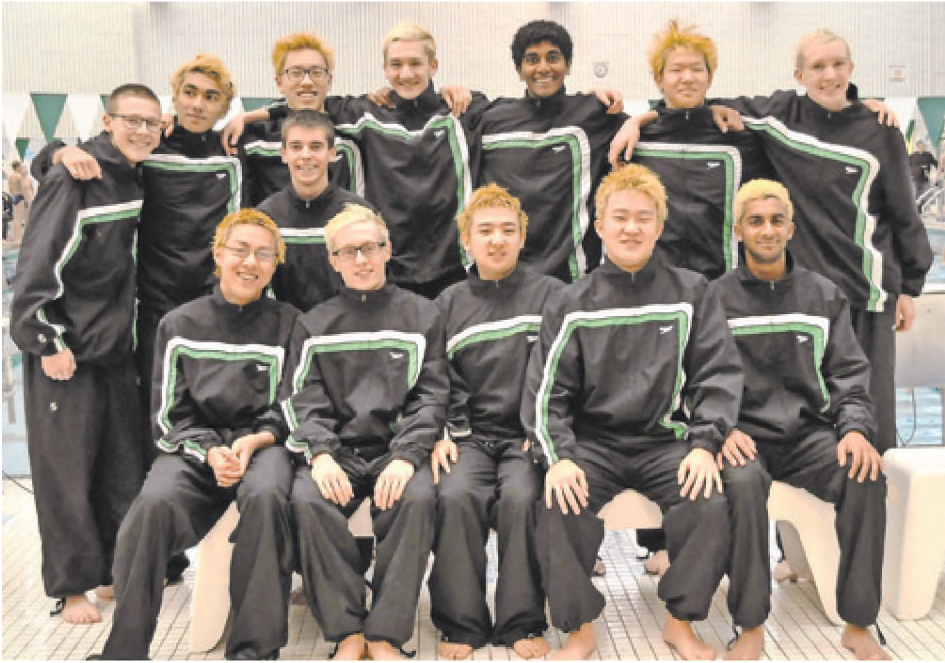
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BOYS SWIMMING



ANA WILLIAMS

Novi's senior class went out a winner Feb. 11 with a 113-73 KLAA Central Division dual meet victory over Stevenson.

Novi squad earns KLAA Central title

Wildcats finish dual season at 9-1

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Novi swept both the 1-meter diving and 100-yard breaststroke events Feb. 11 as the Wildcats honored their seniors with a 113-73 boys swim dual meet victory over visiting Livonia Stevenson. With the victory, Novi capped its season with a 9-1 dual meet record and clinched the KLAA Central Division title outright at 4-0. Nathan Pellertio led a one-two-three Novi sweep in diving by scoring 251.80 points. James Ciollit and Mitchell Russell placed second and third with 233.50 and 177.35, respectively. In the 100 breaststroke, the Wildcats' Bradley Huang took first in 1:05.82, followed by teammates Andrew Kiponen (1:07.7) and Daniel Chung (1:07.81). Novi's Phillip Billiu swept the 50 and 100 freestyle events with times of 22.82 and 49.76, respectively. He also teamed with Joey Berman, Narayan Manivannan and Alexander Yuan for first in the 200-yard medley relay (1:42.74). Brian Son was first in the the 200 individual medley (2:05.47), while Maxwell Williams captured the 100 back-

stroke (58.77). Jackson O'Dowd figured in four first-place finishes for Stevenson, with individual firsts in the 200 freestyle (1:43.18) and 100 butterfly (54.52). He also helped the Spartans, who slipped to 2-2 in the KLAA Central, edge Novi for victories in the 200 freestyle (1:30.07) and 400 freestyle (3:19.63) relays.

**DUAL MEET RESULTS
NOVI 113, LIVONIA STEVENSON 73
Feb. 11 at Novi**

200-yard medley relay: 1. Novi (Joey Berman, Narayan Manivannan, Phillip Billiu, Alexander Yuan), 1:42.74; 2. Novi (Erik Halboth, Andrew Kilponen, Maxwell Williams, Bradley Huang), 1:47.35.

200 freestyle: 1. Jackson O'Dowd (LS), 1:43.18; 2. Ryan Katulski (Novi), 1:45.54.

200 individual medley: 1. Brian Son (Novi), 2:05.47; 2. Yuan (Novi), 2:07.33.

50 freestyle: 1. Billiu (Novi), 22.82; 3. Berman (Novi), 23.21.

1-meter diving: 1. Nathan Pellertio (Novi), 251.80 points; 2. James Ciollit (Novi), 233.50; 3. Mitchell Russell (Novi), 177.35.

100 butterfly: 1. Jackson O'Dowd (LS), 54.52; 2. Son (Novi), 56.38.

100 freestyle: 1. Billiu (Novi), 49.76; 2. Berman (Novi), 50.8.

500 freestyle: 1. Benjamin Rojewski (LS), 4:52.23; 2. Katulski (Novi), 4:55.33; 3. Yuan (Novi), 5:09.01.

200 freestyle relay: 1. Stevenson (Parker Wasielewski, Connor Beck, Luke Santi, O'Dowd), 1:30.07; 2. Novi (Yuan, Manivannan, Siddhardha Kareddy, Katulski), 1:30.84; 3. Novi (Williams, Joely Kotyk, Son, Huang), 1:37.46.

100 backstroke: 1. Williams (Novi), 58.77.

100 breaststroke: 1. Huang (Novi), 1:05.82; 2. Kilponen (Novi), 1:07.7; 3. Daniel Chung (Novi), 1:07.81.

400 freestyle relay: 1. Stevenson (Wasielewski, Beck, Santi, O'Dowd), 3:19.63; 2. Novi (Kareddy, Billiu, Berman, Katulski), 3:19.78; 3. Novi (Son, Stephen Siitari, Kilponen, Kotyk), 3:38.42.

Dual meet records: Novi, 9-1 overall, 4-0 KLAA Central Division (clinched title); Stevenson, 2-2 KLAA Central.

BOYS SWIMMING

Mustangs secure more state cuts

Shamrocks' Lee, Loniewski add strong efforts at MISCA meet

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

There were some noteworthy performances in the final big tune-up before next month's MHSAA state finals as the Michigan Interscholastic Swim Coaches Association held its annual boys swim meet Saturday at Eastern Michigan University's Jones Natatorium. Northville posted six additional state qualifying times in Division 1, while getting a fourth-place finish from Kirk Maibach in the 100-yard backstroke (52.94) in a meet that attracted the top individuals from all four divisions. Among those achieving state cuts for the Mustangs were: Trevor Degroot, 200 freestyle, 29th (1:47.74); James Xue, 200 individual medley, 16th (2:01.32); Travis Nitkiewicz, 19th, 200 IM (2:01.84); David Alameddine, 16th, 500 freestyle (4:54.56); Larry Zhao, 18th, 100 backstroke, 18th (55.35); Nikolai Arton, 100 breaststroke, seventh (1:00.28); and Chris Geng, 100 breaststroke, 14th (1:01.57). Degroot also recorded a 14th-place finish in the 500 freestyle (4:53.54), while also teaming with Zhao, Taiyo Ichikawa and Xue for 11th in the 400 freestyle relay (3:18.09). Northville's 200 medley relay team of Zhao, Arton, Xue and Nitkiewicz also finished 10th (1:36.0). "The boys swam pretty well," Northville coach Rich Bennetts said. "We got some more state cuts, which is always a positive. This team is showing signs of some toughness that I have been looking for since November. We are better now than we were two or three weeks ago ... that much I know. Whether or not that will continue is up to the boys, but I'm liking this team more and more each week."

CC swims strong

Novi Detroit Catholic Central made its presence known at the MISCA meet as Jonathan Lee earned a run-



ANNE XUE

Northville's Kirk Maibach finished fourth in the MISCA meet in the 100-yard backstroke (52.94).

ner-up finish in the 100 breaststroke with a time of 59.14 (Saline's Matt Lau took first in 58.81). CC's Matt Loniewski took fifth in the 100 butterfly (52.41) and seventh in the 100 backstroke (53.83). He also teamed with Tommy Wiaduck, Kyle Tschannen and Lee for sixth in the 200 freestyle relay (1:28.7). Tschannen, a freshman, was 13th in the 100 butterfly (53.51). Meanwhile, Saline's Dakota Hurbis scored 515.75 points to capture the 1-meter diving, with White Lakeland's Shinya Kondo eighth (373.65) and Novi's James Ciolli 21st (332.00).

**MICHIGAN INTERSCHOLASTIC SWIM COACHES ASSOCIATION
BOYS MEET RESULTS
Feb. 13 at EMU's Jones Pool**

200-yard medley relay: 1. Warren DeltaSalle (P.J.Desmet, Jack Kucharczyk, Mitch Livingston, Zach Milke), 1:36.0; 10. Northville (Larry Zhao, Nikolai Arton, James Xue, Travis Nitkiewicz), 1:39.58.

200 freestyle: 1. Carl Spencer (Holland West Ottawa), 1:041.05.

200 individual medley: 1. Craig Cameron (Monroe), 1:47.17; 16. Xue (N'ville), 2:01.32.

50 freestyle: 1. Jackson O'Dowd (Livonia Stevenson), 21.1.

1-meter diving: 1. Dakota Hurbis (Saline), 515.75 points; 8. Shinya Kondo (Lakeland), 373.65.

100 butterfly: 1. Alec Nyboer (Hamilton), 51.23; 5. Matt Loniewski (Detroit CC), 52.41; 13. Kyle Tschannen (Detroit CC), 53.51.

100 freestyle: 1. Cameron (Monroe), 44.08.

500 freestyle: 1. Mitch DeJonge (Zeeland), 4:32.71; 14. Trevor Degroot (N'ville), 4:53.54; 16. David Alameddine (N'ville), 4:54.56.

200 freestyle relay: 1. East Grand Rapids (Nathan Hein, Cade Vrugginik, Christian Bart, Andy MacGregor), 1:25.71; 6. Detroit CC (Tommy Wiaduck, Tschannen, Lee, Loniewski), 1:28.7.

100 backstroke: 1. Rob Zofchak (Dexter), 51.24; 4. Kirk Maibach (N'ville), 52.94; 7. Loniewski (Detroit CC), 53.83.

100 breaststroke: 1. Matt Lau (Saline), 58.81; 2. Lee (Detroit CC), 59.14; 7. Arton (N'ville), 1:00.28; 14. Chris Geng (N'ville), 1:01.57.

400 freestyle relay: 1. East Grand Rapids (Hein, Vrugginik, Bart, MacGregor), 3:07.8; 11. Northville (Zhao, Degroot, Taiyo Ichikawa, Xue), 3:18.09.

BOYS SWIMMING

Northville crushes Rocks in dual

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Northville wrapped up its boys swim dual meet season Feb. 11 with an impressive 113-56 KLAA Central Division triumph at Salem. James Xue and Larry Zhao figured heavily in the win for the Mustangs, who improved to 9-3 overall and 3-1 in the division. Northville won 10 of the 12 events, sparked by Xue, who was a double-winner in the 200-yard freestyle (1:49.98) and 100 backstroke (59.10). He also teamed with John, Duan, Ryan Smelt and Nikolai Arton for first in the 200 freestyle relay (1:35.09). Meanwhile, Zhao swept the 50 and 100 freestyles in 23.79 and 50.21, respectively. The foursome of Zhao, Arton, Jason Nitkiewicz and Cameron Heaven also won the 200 medley relay in 1:42.93. Zhao, Taiyo Ichikawa, Trevor Degroot and Xue capped the meet with a victory in the 400 freestyle relay (3:25.33). Other individual winners for the Mustangs included Christain Field, 1-meter diving (203.15 points); Heaven, 500 freestyle (5:10.93); and Arton, 100 breaststroke (1:03.02). "We had a couple of nice swims in the 50, 100 and 500 freestyle events," Northville coach Rich Bennetts said. "This marks the end of our regular season. We have the division meet

(Feb. 20 at Novi) and the conference meet (Feb. 26-27 at South Lyon East). We still have a lot of questions going into the conference meet. We have always managed to swim our absolute best when it matters the most, so we will be counting on that and then some at the end of the month."

Salem's top performer was Eugene Li, who captured the 200 individual medley (2:02.0) and 100 butterfly (55.79).

**DUAL MEET RESULT
NORTHVILLE 130, SALEM 56
Feb. 11 at Salem**

200-yard medley relay: 1. Northville (Larry Zhao, Nikolai Arton, Jason Nitkiewicz, Cameron Heaven), 1:42.93; 3. Northville (Arthur Greenlee, Chris Geng, John Duan, Shane Boran), 1:47.05.

200 freestyle: 1. James Xue (N'ville), 1:49.98; 2. Travis Nitkiewicz (N'ville), 1:52.38; 3. David Alameddine (N'ville), 1:53.79.

200 individual medley: 1. Eugene Li (Salem), 2:02.0; 2. Trevor Degroot (N'ville), 2:05.62; 3. Taiyo Ichikawa (N'ville), 2:10.17.

50 freestyle: 1. Zhao (N'ville), 23.79; 3. Ryan Smelt (N'ville), 24.26.

1-meter diving: 1. Christain Field (N'ville), 203.15 points; 2. Thomas Rys (N'ville), 178.25.

100 butterfly: 1. Li (Salem), 55.79; 3. J. Nitkiewicz (N'ville), 57.04.

100 freestyle: 1. Zhao (N'ville), 50.21; 2. Degroot (N'ville), 51.44.

500 freestyle: 1. Heaven (N'ville), 5:10.33; 2. Connor Lepish (N'ville), 5:20.11.

200 freestyle relay: 1. Northville (Xue, Duan, Smelt, Arton), 1:35.09; 2. Northville (Boran, J. Nitkiewicz, Troy Stacer, Degroot), 1:36.4.

100 backstroke: 1. Xue (N'ville), 59.1; T. Nitkiewicz (N'ville), 59.2.

100 breaststroke: 1. Arton (N'ville), 1:03.02; 2. Chris Geng (N'ville), 1:04.19.

400 freestyle relay: 1. Northville (Zhao, Ichikawa, Degroot, Xue), 3:25.33; 3. Northville (Lepish, Heaven, Smelt, T. Nitkiewicz), 3:30.93.

Dual meet records: Northville, 9-3 overall, 3-1 KLAA Central Division; Salem, 0-4 KLAA Central.

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THE WEEK AHEAD

**BOYS BASKETBALL
Thursday, Feb. 18**
Novi at Waterford Kettering, 7 p.m.
(KLAA Playoffs-1st round)
Plymouth at Northville, 7 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 20
(Catholic League A-B Playoffs)
Detroit CC at Divine Child at Birm., Marian, 1:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Feb. 23
Waterford Mott at Novi, 7 p.m.
Franklin Rd. at Greenhills, 7 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 26
Novi at Pinckney, 7 p.m.
Inter-City at Franklin Rd., 8:30 a.m.
**GIRLS BASKETBALL
Friday, Feb. 19**
Franklin Rd. at Taylor Bapt., 7 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 26
Inter-City at Franklin Road, 7 p.m.
**BOYS HOCKEY
Friday, Feb. 19**
Novi vs Howell at Grand Oaks Arena, 6 p.m.
Northville vs. Salem at Novi Ice Arena, 7:30 p.m.
**GIRLS HOCKEY
Thursday, Feb. 18**
Northville vs. Cranbrook at Livonia's Edgar Arena, 4 p.m.
Sunday, Feb. 21
Northville vs. Warren Regina at Livonia's Edgar Arena, 5 p.m.
**PREP WRESTLING
Saturday, Feb. 20**
(MHSAA Individual Regional)
Division 1 at Saline, 10 a.m.

**BOYS SWIMMING
Thursday, Feb. 18**
Detroit CC vs. Brother Rice at Livonia Comm. Rec., 7 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 19
KLAA Central Diving at Novi, 4 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 20
KLAA Central at Novi, noon.
Friday, Feb. 26
Kensington Conference diving at South Lyon East, 4 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 27
Kensington Conference meet at South Lyon East, noon.
**PREP GYMNASTICS
Saturday, Feb. 20**
KLAA Inv. at Plymouth, TBA.
**PREP BOWLING
Friday, Feb. 19**
KLAA Journey at 300 Bowl, TBA.
Saturday, Feb. 20
Catholic League Journey at Oak Lanes, 9 a.m.
Friday, Feb. 26
Division 1 regional at Super Bowl, 10 a.m.
Saturday, Feb. 27
Division 1 regional at Super Bowl, 10 a.m.
**COMPETITIVE CHEER
Saturday, Feb. 20**
(MHSAA Districts)
Division 1 at Novi, 10 a.m.
Division 4 at Lake Orion, 4:30 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 27
Div. 1 regional at Brighton, noon.
TBA – time to be announced.

GIRLS BASKETBALL ROUNDUP

Mackay perfect from the foul line in Novi victory

Sophomore guard sinks all 17 free-throw attempts to lead Wildcats against Stevenson

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Sophomore guard Ellie Mackay made all 17 of her free-throw attempts en route to a game-high 22 points as Novi pulled away in the second half Feb. 9 for a 39-26 KLAA Central Division girls basketball win at Livonia Stevenson.

Mackay also added five steals, two assists and two rebounds as the Wildcats improved to 13-2 overall and 7-2 in the division.

Senior forward Allie Lipson chipped in nine points, 13 rebounds and five steals for the Wildcats, who shot 27-of-36 from the foul line (75

percent), but only 5-of-34 from the floor (14.7 percent).

Mikayla Lynch added four rebounds, two steals and three points for Novi, which led 17-13 at halftime and 29-21 after three quarters.

Diane Senkowski scored a team-high seven points, while Grace Lamerson grabbed seven rebounds for the Spartans (6-9, 2-7), who shot 8-of-34 from the floor (23.5 percent) and 8-of-12 at the foul line (75 percent).

Stevenson had 22 turnovers on the night, while Novi had 20.

FRANKLIN ROAD 47, PLYMOUTH CHRISTIAN 45: Senior Hannah Rayburn scored a game-high 20 points Feb. 9, propelling host Novi Franklin Christian (6-10, 3-6) to a Michigan Independent Athletic Conference Blue Division victory over Plymouth Christian Academy (4-10, 0-9).

Junior Daria Boboc added nine points and 15 rebounds for the Warriors, who rallied from a 32-28 third-quarter deficit with a 19-13 fourth-quarter run.

Kennedy Horne and Taylor Mistele scored 12 and 10 points, respectively, for the Eagles, who made only 9-of-23 free throws (39.1 percent).

The Warriors went 18-of-32 from the foul line (56.2 percent).



BRAD EMONS

The Northville girls basketball team celebrates its first division crown since 2001 after a 48-19 win over South Lyon East.

CROWN

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just all mentally into it and we were ready to come out and play the defense we know how to play," said Northville junior forward Jessica Moorman, who finished with a team-high 14 points. "Today, we played a lot more of our 1-3-1 (defense) press and we made sure to stop (Peyton) Jones from her shooting because, obviously, she's a great shooter."

Jones, a senior guard, scored 14 of East's 19 points, but was limited to only 2-of-9 shooting from the floor.

"Jess was outstanding on Jones; the whole team was outstanding defensively," Gudith said. "The biggest thing (about) last time is that they got to the line 35 times. They cut our lead last time going to the foul line and making foul shots, not necessarily by making baskets. That's why it went double overtime the last time."

"This time, we challenged our kids, 'Make them make shots.' They (East) are a good shooting team. Any time you let a kid get to the foul line and free chances uncontested ... that helps them on the scoreboard and we didn't want them to do that tonight."

Northville led, 23-9, at halftime as Jones was limited to just three shot attempts and no field goals. The Mustangs then upped their lead to 36-15 after three quarters.

"We were trying to mix up our defenses, give them some different looks and, obviously, make sure we had somebody sticking to Jones and make sure she had no space between her and the basket and make sure every basket they get is going to be earned," Gudith said.

Sophomore guard Kendall Dillon chipped in 11 points, while sophomore guard Roan Haines added six for the

Mustangs, who made 22-of-49 shots from the field (44.8 percent).

"We expected that (Northville) would play well," East coach Rob Leadley said. "We knew they were playing for the championship outright and it was a big game for them. And they were ready. We just need to prepare a little bit better and Mackenzie (Mallory) is still coming back from her concussion injury. With her, it might have made a little bit of difference, because she can hit shots when we move the ball."

"It is what it is. It was just one of those games where we didn't play well and we didn't see each other well. We didn't pass the ball well and we didn't give ourselves a chance even to play defense, because we were giving it to them and giving them layups."

The inability to get the high-scoring Jones more shot attempts, particularly in the first half, put the Cougars in a deep hole.

"We didn't see her when she was open — and she was open quite a few times — and we were just not seeing open players tonight," East coach Rob Leadley said. "We did not move the ball well. Northville is very good, but we made them look a lot better."

"You can't stay in a game against team like that and have 25 turnovers. It can't happen and there were a lot of live ball turnovers, too, where they were getting layups."

Meanwhile, there was a lot of anticipation coming into the game for the Mustangs, who were seeking their first division crown in 15 years.

"We were all aware of that, but we were putting that aside and we were just coming out and playing the way we know how to play today," Moorman said, "and it worked out for us."

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within eight, Zimbo tossed up a trey to make it 34-23 with 4:31 remaining. The Mustangs maintained a double-digit margin the rest of the way.

By the end of the third, Northville was ahead, 46-30.

When asked about who was the better long-range shooter, Gibbons quickly deferred to Zimbo.

"Making long-range shots is his job," Gibbons said. "Zimbo is a long-range shot kind of guy. Everyone on the team contributes and we've never had a game where everyone's been off. We always have one guy who's hot and, when they're hot, we just feed him the ball and we just play around him. That's the strength of our team and we don't have one guy who does it all. We have five guys who do it all."

One of the bright spots for Novi (7-9, 4-6), which missed qualifying for the KLAA playoffs, was the play of sophomore guard Traveon Maddox, who connected on four 3-pointers to finish with 17 points.

Also reaching double figures was Ozeir with 10, including a 4-of-4 performance from the free-throw line.

"We had two or three things in line in what we wanted to do," Novi coach Brandon Sinawi said. "When one thing wasn't working, we tried Plan B. And when that wasn't working, we went to Plan C. We had different combinations of lineups as well. We didn't execute as well as we wanted to, but we were trying to execute against a really, really good team. The stuff that we had laid out in terms of schemes offensively and defensively was ineffective and that's a credit to them."

The Mustangs shot 16-of-25 at the free-throw line, while the Wildcats were 6-of-9.

Sander reflected on how the rivalry win added to the exciting run his team has had this season.

"It's a special game and there's always a lot of energy and there's always a lot of atmosphere," said Sander, whose team opens the KLAA playoffs at 7 p.m. Thursday at home against Plymouth. "Like we have all year, we've had different guys stepping up at different moments making key plays. When you do that, it's going to be a good end result. They do all the little stuff that a lot of people don't notice. They get all the loose balls, are machines on the offensive glass and they're so unselfish on offense. It really is a special group."

GIRLS BASKETBALL



DEBRA BROWNE

Novi's Carson Garguilo makes the pass in Friday's victory over Northville.

Novi turns tables on KLAA Central champs

Fourth-quarter surge powers Wildcats over Mustangs, 46-37

Tom Morelli
Correspondent

Going into Friday's girls basketball game between Novi and Northville, the Mustangs already had the KLAA Central Division championship in their possession.

They also had yet to lose a divisional game and had already beaten the Wildcats three weeks prior.

So how exactly does a perfect storybook ending go awry?

When there's a deadly shooter named Ellie Mackay on the opposing team to help play the role of spoiler.

A sophomore guard, Mackay poured in 14 points to lead Novi to a 46-37 win in the Baseline Classic, but none mattered more than her spot-up 3-pointer midway through the fourth quarter.

With Novi down by three points, Mackay not only connected on the triple, but was fouled in the process and sank the corresponding free throw to give the Wildcats the lead for good.

Ireland Whalen added a layup for good measure with 2:40 remaining, followed by two makes at the charity stripe from senior Allie Lipson (14 points) to make it a five-point affair.

Mackay, who went a flawless 7-of-7 on free throws, sank four of them in the last 1:20 to help secure the upset.

The clutch shooting on Mackay's part was nothing out of the usual, according to Novi head coach Bill Kelp.

"Ellie runs the show as a point guard, but she also has to score a lot and play defense, so she has a lot on her shoulders," said Kelp, whose team improved to 14-2 overall and 8-2 in the KLAA Central. "She does all those things and is a good shooter and a smart player."



DEBRA BROWNE

Novi's Ellie Mackay (left) is guarded by Northville's Jenna Lauderback.

Up until the Wildcats' burst late in the game, neither squad held a lead more than six points, making every possession matter.

Northville (14-2, 9-1), without junior Brook Adams for the third straight game due to injury, was still able to rack up points in the paint with the duo of senior Lindsey Rathsburg (14 points) and junior Jessica Moorman (nine points).

Rathsburg scored eight of her points in the first half, which ended with the teams tied at 18-18.

"Lindsey stepped up big tonight," Northville coach Todd Gudith said. "She's not one to look to score offensively, but they kind of left her open, especially in the first quarter there. We were able to get a couple at the rim and really helped us to stay back and forth all game."

Both teams sank 11-of-16 free throws.

BOYS BASKETBALL ROUNDUP

Shamrocks simmer Rice in Catholic League encounter

Franklin Road stops Oakland Christian, 41-35, in MIAC Blue

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Novi Detroit Catholic Central tuned up for the upcoming A-B Division boys basketball playoffs with a 63-45 triumph Friday against visiting Birmingham Brother Rice.

The Shamrocks, who improved to 8-6 overall and 4-4 in the Catholic League's Central Division, used a balanced scoring attack while jumping out to a 42-19 halftime lead.

Junior C.J. Baird led the Shamrocks with 11 points, while Tom Smulsky and David Weber contributed 10 each. Connor Nally added eight.

Varcelus Smith led the Warriors (3-13, 0-8) with a game-high 15 points.

Catholic Central, which will be the fourth seed, was 10-of-11 from the foul line, while Rice was 8-of-11.

FRANKLIN ROAD 41, OAKLAND CHRISTIAN 35: Novi Franklin Road Christian (12-5, 7-3) controlled the tempo from start to finish Friday en route to a Michigan Independent Athletic Conference Blue Division win at Auburn Hills Oakland Christian (4-11, 2-8).

The Warriors put the clamps on Oakland Christian's Eric Unger, who was limited to 10 points after scoring 47 in a 72-57 loss Jan. 15.

"Everything time (Unger) touched the ball and gave it up, we made sure he didn't get it back," said Franklin Road coach Matt Mikel, whose team led 16-14 at halftime before outscoring Oakland Christian 14-8 in the third quarter.

Senior center Joshua Bause paced Franklin Road with 11 points and 12 rebounds, while senior guard Keith Hearn contributed nine points, 10 rebounds and seven assists. Junior forward Joshua Betcher also had nine points and 10 boards.

ST. MARY'S 51, DETROIT CC 50: The final whistle proved to be a bitter pill to swallow Feb. 9 as Novi Detroit Catholic Central (7-6, 3-4) watched C.J. Wilson split a pair of free throws with only

0.05 seconds left, giving host Orchard Lake St. Mary's (7-7, 4-3) the Catholic League Central Division win.

Wilson, who was fouled just before the horn sounded in regulation, finished with a team-high 22 points.

Joshua Ross added nine points for St. Mary's, which rallied from a 28-22 halftime deficit by outscoring the Shamrocks 14-10 in the third quarter and 15-12 in the fourth.

Junior guard Gio Genrich, who made four 3-pointers, paced Catholic Central (7-6, 3-4) with 22 points.

Junior guard Tyler Laurentius, whose basket tied the game at 50-50 with 10 seconds remaining, contributed 10 points, along with junior forward C.J. Baird.

St. Mary's went 13-of-17 from the free-throw stripe (76.4 percent), while CC went 7-for-9 (77.7 percent).

NORTHVILLE 49, SOUTH LYON EAST 35: Senior forward Nick Wilds scored all 14 of points during the second half Feb. 9 as the unbeaten Mustangs (15-0, 9-0) got past stubborn South Lyon East (0-15, 0-9) in a KLAA Central Division tussle.

Senior forward Justin Gibbons added 13 points and junior Kevin Morrissey added nine for the division champs, who led 20-13 at halftime and 34-23 after three quarters.

Junior Darius Lanier paced East with 10 points.

"It's nice to win when you aren't at your best and that was certainly the case tonight," Northville coach Todd Sander said. "We looked a little sluggish and missed some good looks, but we'll take it. We did a terrific job of attacking the basket and scoring from the foul line in the second half."

Northville, which shot only four first-half free throws, was 12-of-15 from the foul stripe, while the Cougars were 1-of-3.

STEVENSON 65, NOVI 56: Sophomore Devin Dunn scored 14 of his game-high 22 points in the second half Feb. 9 to spur Livonia Stevenson (9-6, 5-4) to a KLAA Central Division triumph against the host Wildcats (7-8, 4-5).

Junior Ian Knoph chipped in 16 points, including 14 in the first half as the Spartans trailed 34-32.

But Stevenson came on with a 19-10 third-quarter run to take control and earn the victory.

"We put more pressure on Ian in the second half, but then Devin took advantage in the third quarter," Novi coach Brandon Sinawi said. "We had some mental letdowns and, like the first time, Stevenson wanted it more than we did and they proved it with their play."

Stevenson went 12-of-15 from the foul line (80 percent), while Novi was 7-of-12 (58.3 percent).

FRANKLIN ROAD 72, PLYMOUTH CHRISTIAN 60: Senior center Joshua Bause scored 22 points and pulled down 16 rebounds, while senior guard Austin Hearn recorded a triple-double to carry Novi Franklin Road Christian (11-5, 6-3) to a MIAC Blue Division win Feb. 9 at Plymouth Christian Academy (6-8, 2-7).

Hearn finished with 13 points, 10 assists and 10 rebounds, while senior Rahsaan Scruggs chipped in 14 points.

PCA, which trailed 35-32 at halftime before being outscored 18-8 in the third quarter, got 15 and 13 points, respectively, from brothers Luke and Levi Yakubur.

Franklin Road shot only 9-of-23 from the free-throw line (39.1 percent), while the Eagles made 17-of-27 (62.9 percent).

PREP WRESTLING

CC captures 22nd straight team district

Shamrocks put on pin parade against South Lyon, W.L. Western

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Novi Detroit Catholic Central pitched a pair of shutouts in capturing its 22nd consecutive MHSAA Division 1 wrestling team district title.

The host Shamrocks improved to 13-5 overall and advanced to the Salem regional with victories over South Lyon, 83-0, and Walled Lake Western, 82-0.

Western advanced to the district final with a 42-24 semifinal victory over Novi.

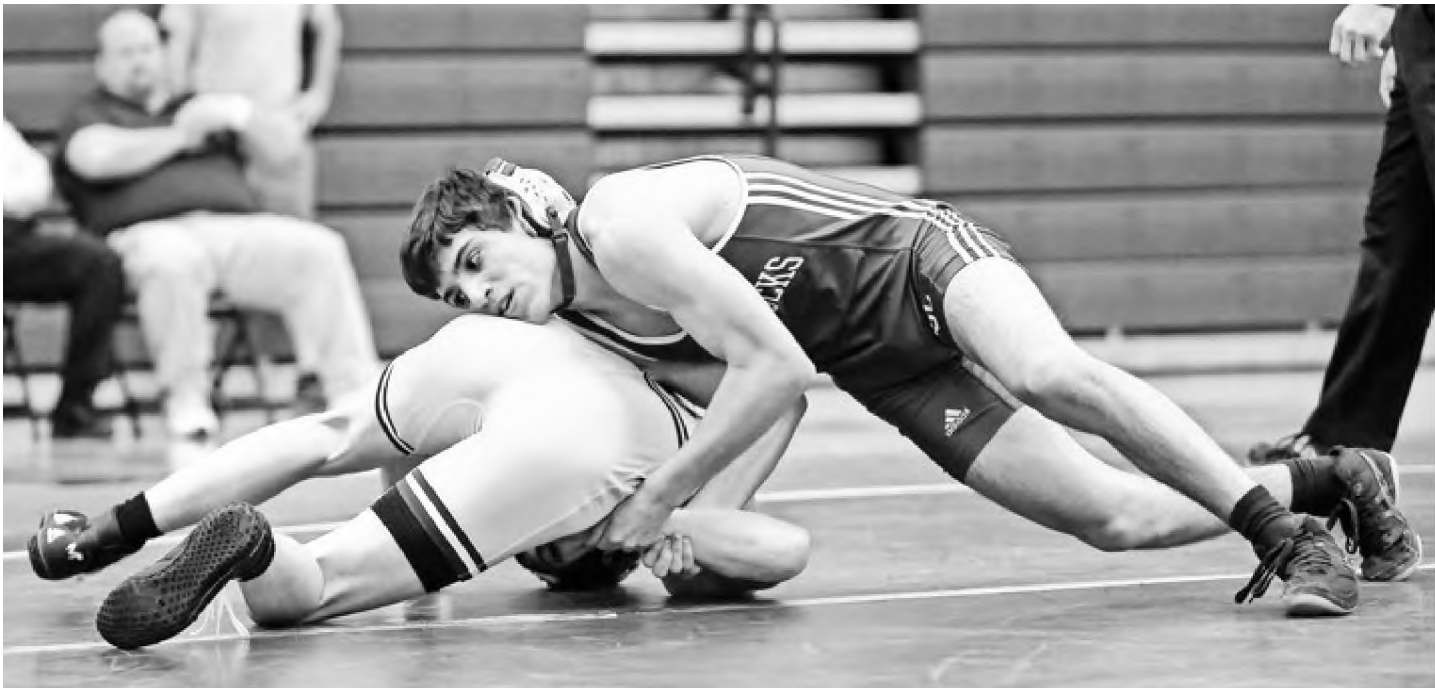
CC won 10 of the 14 matches against Western by fall as Kevon Davenport (130 pounds) started off the match with the fastest pin in four seconds against Bibhas Lamsal.

Against South Lyon, CC won eight matches by pin, one by technical fall and five by void.

Tyler Johnson (145) recorded the fastest pin for the Shamrocks against the Lions, in 1:23 over Ben Buchler.

CC were scheduled to face the host Rocks in one regional semifinal, while Livonia Franklin and Dearborn Fordson squared off in the other semifinal.

The winners met for a chance to go to the Division 1 quarterfinals Friday, Feb. 26, at Central Michigan University's McGuirk Arena.



SCOTT CONFER

Catholic Central's Joe Urso (right) pinned South Lyon's Brendan Goins at 135 pounds.

DIVISION 1 TEAM DISTRICT WRESTLING RESULTS
Feb. 11 at NOVI DETROIT CC (Championship final)
DETROIT CATHOLIC CENTRAL 83
WALLED LAKE WESTERN 0
130 pounds: Kevon Davenport (CC) pinned Bibhas Lamsal, 0:04; **135:** Chase Moscovic (CC) p. Vincent Savaya, 5:15; **140:** Aidan Waugh (CC) p. Andre McCaskill, 0:51; **145:** Tyler Johnson (CC) won by void; **160:** Connor Cox (CC) p. Iliya Yanev, 0:37; **171:** Easton Turner (CC) p. Troy Williams, 1:07; **189:** Tyler Morland (CC) p. Quinn Murphy, 2:39; **215:** Philip Calhoun (CC) p. Christopher Harris, 1:10;

285: Nick Jenkins (CC) p. Justus Sheppy, 0:50; **103:** Rhett Newton (CC) p. Micah Woodruff, 0:55; **112:** David Rastgue (CC) won by void; **119:** Nicholas McGrath (CC) p. Adam Tran, 2:29; **125:** Cameron Amine (CC) won by void.
CC's dual meet record: 13-5 overall.

(Semifinal matches)
WALLED LAKE WESTERN 42
NOVI 24
DETROIT CATHOLIC CENTRAL 82
SOUTH LYON 0
125 pounds: Kevon Davenport (CC) won by void; **130:** Aaron

Rehfeldt (CC) pinned Travis Starr, 5:42; **135:** Joseph Urso (CC) p. Brendon Goins, 3:21; **140:** Joe McGrath (CC) p. Luke Evangelista, 4:40; **145:** Tyler Johnson (CC) p. Ben Buchler, 1:23; **152:** Seth Swihart (CC) won by void; **160:** Rory Cox (CC) p. Dawson Moll, 5:23; **171:** Easton Turner (CC) won by void; **189:** Connor Curnutte (CC) p. Brandon Buchler, 2:35; **215:** Jackson Ross (CC) p. Kyle Rutterbush, 2:35; **285:** Dane Flynn (CC) p. Jon Lay, 2:29; **103:** Devon Johnson (CC) won by void; **112:** David Rastigue (CC) won by void; **119:** Stone Moscovic (CC) won by technical fall over Dylan Thieleman, 15-0.
Dual meet records: Detroit CC, 12-5 overall; South Lyon, 12-10 overall.

PREP SKIING

Novi boys grab second place in Alpine Division

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Mitch Goodman placed first in slalom and fifth in giant slalom Feb. 11 as Novi captured runner-up honors to White Lake Lakeland in the Southeast Michigan Ski League Alpine Valley Division championship.

Goodman posted times of 41.22 and 33.66, respectively.

Jack Grove also added an eighth-place finish (44.67) in slalom for the Wildcats, who advance to the SEMSL championship Tuesday, Feb. 23, at Mt. Holly to face the top three division finishers from Mt. Brighton, Pine Knob, Mt. Holly and Alpine Valley.

Other top finishers for Novi in slalom included Andrew Jamison (12th, 46.17) and Austin Dubois (28th, 51.8).

In giant slalom, Jamison and Grove finished 13th and 14th, respectively, with times of 34.24 and 34.35, while Ross O'Donnell was 24th in 35.23.

Meanwhile, the Novi girls placed fifth in the SEMSL Alpine Division as Marian, Livonia Ladywood and Milford took the first three places.

Unie Gu was the Wildcats' top finisher in both slalom (14th, 49.64) and giant slalom (17th, 35.81).

Other top finishers for Novi in slalom were Adeline Zamora (24th, 55.17), Tori Engler (28th, 55.96) and Claire Krueger (33rd, 57.38).

In giant slalom, Zamora took 22nd in 36.99, while Rachel Cascassia and Engler placed 26th and 27th, respectively,

in 37.43 and 37.51.

Boys win duals

Goodman and Jamison led the way as Novi completed its SEMSL dual meet season Feb. 8-9 with a pair of Alpine Division victories against Walled Lake Central (27-48) and Hartland (35-38).

In slalom against Hartland, Goodman and Jamison finished first and third, respectively, as Novi prevailed, 15-21. The duo added third and fourth, respectively, in giant slalom in a 17-20 setback.

Against Central, Goodman and Jamison placed first and third in a 16-20 slalom triumph. They also finished one-two in an 11-28 giant slalom win over the Vikings.

Girls split meet

Meanwhile, the Novi girls defeated Hartland, 31-55, but fell to Central, 31.5-40.5, to end their dual meet season at 5-4 overall.

In a 17-27 slalom win over Hartland, Engler took second and fourth, respectively. The Wildcats' Zamora and Casaccia finished second and third, respectively, in a 14-28 giant slalom victory over the Eagles.

In a 16-20 slalom loss to Central, Engler (second) and Gu (fifth) earned top finishes. Zamora and Casaccia took second and fourth, respectively, in a 15.5-20.5 giant slalom setback.

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SCOTT CONFER

Novi senior Willy Jackson (left) reached the district finals at 135 pounds before losing to Franklin's Jeremy Nelson, 9-3.

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senior Willy Jackson (135), who was defeated by Livonia Franklin's Jeremy Nelson in the finals, 9-3. Jackson owns a 28-13 overall record.

Crestwood had six regional qualifiers, led by champions Wahab (285) and Kasem Saleme (152).

MHSAA DIVISION 1-DISTRICT 6 INDIVIDUAL WRESTLING RESULTS

Feb. 13 at Canton (top 4 advance to regional)

189 pounds: Roy Foster (Salem) won by major decision over Joshua Harvis (Dearborn Heights Crestwood), 13-4; **third place:** Quinn Murphy (Walled Lake Western) pinned Ethan Shulaw (Plymouth), 2:10.

215: Josh Rettig (Livonia Franklin) dec. Jackson Ross (Detroit Catholic Central), 5-1; **third:** Joe Fortin (Franklin) dec. Tyler Moore (Salem), 3-1.

285: Ali Wahab (Crestwood) dec. Nick Jenkins (Detroit CC), 3-2; **third:** Nathan Root (Crestwood) dec. Drew Kimmey (U-D Jesuit), 3-1.

103: Ben Kamali (Detroit CC) won by major dec. over Isiah Berry (Plymouth), 13-5; **third:** Mojahid Ahmed (Dearborn Fordson) p. Rhett Newton (Detroit CC), 2:45.

112: Stone Moscovic (Detroit CC) dec. Ethan Englehart (Livonia Churchill), 3-0; **third:** David Rastigue (Detroit CC) dec. Tarik Shalhout (Crestwood), 9-8.

119: Kevon Davenport (Detroit CC) p. Hassan Makled (Dearborn), 0:16; **third:** Josh Mussen (Churchill) dec. Tyler Droste (Livonia Stevenson), 8-4.

125: Cameron Amine (Detroit CC) p. Cameron Shaughnessy (Salem), 1:22; **third:** Harrison Samoy (Canton) won by major dec. over Tanner Bryan (South Lyon), 11-2.

130: Aaron Rehfeldt (Detroit CC) dec. Collin Reed (Plymouth), 5-2; **third:** Justin Winnie (Canton) dec. Hassaan Al-Hussein (Crestwood), 6-3.

135: Jeremy Nelson (Franklin) dec. Willy Jackson (Novi), 9-3; **third:** Zolifkar Bazzi (Crestwood) p. Walter Beavers (Canton), 3:44.

140: Abe Ajami (Fordson) p. Aiden Wagh (Detroit CC), 3:05; **third:** Bruce Haslitt (Salem) p. Tarik Alcodray (Stevenson), 1:51.

145: Nathan Atienza (Franklin) won by default over Dylan Dwyer (Plymouth); **third:** Youssef Danaoui (Dearborn) p. Tyler Johnson (Detroit CC), 2:39.

152: Chase Gardner (Churchill) p. Seth Dunn (Salem), 3:14; **third:** Abdelhadi Shuab (Canton) p. Jacob Griffith (Plymouth), 3:14.

160: Kasem Salameh (Crestwood) dec. Connor Cox (Detroit CC), 9-5; **third:** Zack Leck (Churchill) dec. Dawson Moll (South Lyon), 6-2.

171: Tyler Morland (Detroit CC) won by injury default over Demetrius Fields (Salem); **third:** Aldo Bella (Churchill) p. Andrew Garza (Franklin), 0:43.

PREP GYMNASTICS

Northville falls just short against Livonia Blue team

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

The Northville gymnastics team put together some of its highest scores of the season on balance beam, but came up just short Monday night in a 137.675-136.275 KLAA Kensington Division dual meet loss to host Livonia Blue at Churchill High School.

Waterford United was a distant third in the tri-meet with 122.750 points on senior night as Livonia Blue honored four members, along with Northville manager Katie Bederka.

Top event scorers for the Mustangs, who fell to 8-6 overall, included Maggie Dragon, beam (9.1); Erin McCallum, vault (9.0); Maddy Lewis, uneven parallel bars (8.725); and Mackenzie Willson, floor exercise (8.5).

In a 137.800-134.875 non-conference dual meet setback Feb. 11 to host Saline, Willson tied for the highest score of the evening with 9.175 on beam.

Other high scorers for the Mustangs included McCallum, floor exercise (8.925); Lewis, uneven parallel (8.775); and freshman Lora Haupt,



KAREN MCCALLUM

Mackenzie Willson competes on the balance beam Feb. 11 against Saline.

vault (8.5).

Freshman Alicia Lubus and sophomore Lauren Shanahan also competed in the all-around for the first time this season.

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PREP BOWLING ROUNDUP

Pryson, Hartmus propel Wildcats to big victory over rival Mustangs

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Novi bowling coach John Osborne could be heard Feb. 9 at the Novi Bowl proclaiming "How about them 'Cats?" after his boys and girls teams bested rival Northville.

In the final dual meet of the season, the Novi boys came out smoking and scored an impressive 26-4 victory, winning both Baker games, 182-176 and 192-166.

The momentum continued into the first regular game as the Wildcats held on, 973-954, while also taking three individual single points to secure the match win.

The regular game, as well as the Bakers, came down to the final frame, where Scott Pryson, needing a strike, struck out with six in a row for a 236 game.

Novi continued its momentum into the second game with a 926-851 victory.

Peter Koomen finished with a 195-223—418 two-game set to lead Novi, while Pryson finished added 236-175—411.

Novi, which improved to 4-11 overall and 2-10 in the KLAA's Central Division, posted season-best two-game total of 1,899, along with a season-high 973 in the first regular game.

Turning in top single games for the Mustangs (2-12, 1-10) were Liam Munro (230), Simon Long (202) and Collin Fowler (194).

Catholic Central triumphs

Novi Detroit Catholic Central (4-6, 4-6) ended Catholic League action Monday with a 27-3 victory over Detroit Loyola (0-10, 0-10) in a match at Sterling Lanes.

The Shamrocks won both Baker sets, 157-129 and 209-117, to take a 10-0 lead.

In the first set of individual games, CC's Nathan Geddes, Peter Ebaugh

and Andrew Lack earned victories in 858-782 decision. Ari Washington (213) and Jaron Taylor (194) led Loyola in the first match.

In second game, the Shamrocks kept rolling earning victories in four of five matches as Alex Roelant (192), Nathan Gaissert (197), Peter Ebaugh (203) and Sean Ebben (235) paced a 976-751 win.

Valentine's Invitational

In Sunday's Valentine's Invitational at Novi Bowl, the Novi girls shot 2,392 to place eighth out of 12 teams as Heather Gregory and Nicole Kilikevicius took 14th and 16th individually with scores of 523 and 519, respectively.

On the boys side, Novi placed 14th in the 14-team field with a total of 3,154 in the six Baker, three regular game format as Peter Koomen took 42nd with a three-game series of 509.

Novi girls triumph
In a KLAA Central match Feb. 9, Novi (3-12, 2-10) posted a 25-5 victory over Northville (2-12, 2-9) at Novi Bowl.

Northville captured the first Baker, 118-113, but Novi took the second, 165-106.

The Wildcats then captured both regular games, 771-623 and 824-603, to go along with none of the 10 singles points as Megan Hartmus posted a personal best 193-202—395 two-game set.

Other top scorers for Novi included Nicole Kilikevicius (174-178), Heather Gregory (119-203) and Madison Murphy (136-124).

The 824 first regular game was also a season high, while Wildcats' 1,595 total was also a season best.

Beatrice Nayh paced Northville with a 175-169—344 two-game set.

In the first meeting between the two schools Jan. 5 at Novi Bowl, the Northville boys won, 19-11, while the Mustang girls took a 15-15 tiebreaker.

BOYS HOCKEY ROUNDUP

Surprising Grandville posts 4-2 triumph over Shamrocks

Legace stars in net for Wildcats in 4-1 victory

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Sixth-ranked Grandville made the most of its limited shot opportunities Saturday, scoring on four out of seven shots, to stun top-ranked Novi Detroit Catholic Central, 4-2, in a non-league boys hockey game at Livonia's Edgar Arena.

Catholic Central, which had its six-game winning streak snapped, falls to 15-7 overall, while the Bulldogs improved to 16-5.

CC's Nick Macari opened

the scoring just 40 seconds into the opening period off assists from Brian Kearns and Alex Kreutzer, but Grandville's Tyler Moore answered at 12:21 of the same period off assists from Eric Neitzel and Jacob Baum.

The Bulldogs took the lead for good with a pair of second-period goals, first by Zach Tykock at 7:06 from Thomas Breazeale, followed by Neitzel's power-play goal from Baum and Moore at 9:12.

CC's JoJo Mancinelli cut the deficit to 3-2 at 3:52 of the second period, assisted by J.P. Lafferty, but Grandville's Chris Northhouse put the game away with another power-play goal from Breazeale and Tre-

vor Gelfius at 12:14.

Grandville goaltender Will Ignatovich made 17 saves, while CC's Alec Calvaruso had three.

NOVI 4, EISENHOWER 1: Goalie Manny Legace Jr. stopped made 28 saves Saturday to spur the Wildcats (7-14-1) to a non-league victory over host Utica Eisenhower (11-11) at Suburban Ice Macomb.

Brennan Martin also had a goal and assist, while David DeNova also scored a goal for Novi, which led 2-0 after one period and 2-1 after two.

Brendon Rybicki scored the lone goal for the Eagles.

Ivan Kuzmak and Cody Denison split time in goal and combined for 32 saves for Eisenhower.

NORTHVILLE 6, FRANKLIN 1: Ian Welsch and Sam Bradley both scored a pair of goals Friday as the Mustangs (15-6-1, 8-3 KLAAs Central) defeated Livonia Franklin (14-7, 6-5) in a battle of state-ranked teams at Novi Ice Arena.

Jack Sargent and Alex Iafrafe each added a goal and assist for Northville, which led 1-0 after one period and 3-0 after two.

Other assists went to Brendan Hicks, Nick Bonofiglio, Jimmy Dales, Kyle Dann and Nick Williams for

the Mustangs, ranked No. 5 in Division 1.

Northville goalie Brett Miller, who stopped made 27 saves, had his shutout bid spoiled in the final minute by Franklin's Jack Engel.

Jake Penny made 33 saves for the Patriots, who are ranked No. 10 in Division 2.

DETROIT CC 3, STEVENSON 1: Brian Kearns' unassisted empty-net goal with 15 seconds left ended the suspense Friday as Novi Detroit Catholic Central (15-6) held off host Livonia Stevenson (15-5-1) in a battle of highly-ranked teams at Edgar Arena.

The Division 1 top-ranked Shamrocks, who improved to 15-6 overall, captured their sixth straight by jumping out to a 2-0 first-period lead on goals by Brendan West at 1:49 (from Sheldon Wasik and Jared Lee) and Zachary Sprys-Tellner at 8:02 (from Anthony Esser).

Stevenson, ranked No. 2 in Division 2, cut the deficit to 2-1 on Shane Leonard's second-period goal, from Kevin Stefanick and Alec Allen at 5:34, but the Spartans could not get the equalizer against CC goaltender Alec Calvaruso, who finished with 23 saves.

Stevenson goaltender Cullen Barber made 16 saves. **HARTLAND 2, NOVI 1:** Luke Cowan scored a pair of goals Feb. 10 as the host Eagles (19-2) held the off upset-minded Wildcats (6-14-1) in a KLAAs crossover at the Hartland Sports Center.

Shane Kelly assisted on the first goal, while Josh Albring and Kyle Mazur added assists on the second for the state-ranked Eagles (No. 3 in Division 2).

Novi's Jake Cyr scored on a rebound off a shot by Alex Cai at the end of the second period to make it 1-1, but Cowan scored the go-ahead goal going into the third.

Novi goaltender Manny Legace Jr. made 25 saves for the Wildcats.

"It was back and forth in the third period, with both goalies playing well," Novi coach Mike Vellucci said. "Legace played outstanding. We played really well."

Christian Spangler made 18 saves for Hartland.

DETROIT CC 4, G.P. SOUTH 1: Sheldon Wasik figured prominently in the scoring Feb. 9 as Novi Detroit Catholic Central (14-6) earned a non-league victory over Grosse Pointe South (14-6-1) at Fraser Hockeyland.

The senior forward had a pair of goals and an assist as the defending MHSAA Division 1 state champions won their fifth straight.

CC's JoJo Mancinelli opened the scoring at 1:38 of the first period off an assist from Brendan West.

The Blue Devils tied it at 5:07 of the same period on Marshall Vyletel's unassisted goal.

But Wasik's unassisted goal at 3:21 of the second period put CC ahead for keeps. Wasik also scored from Austin Roell and Jared Lee at 14:26 of the same period to make it 3-1.

Lee's goal from Wasik with 8:16 in the third period sealed the win.

CC senior goalie Mitchell Kieffer made 12 saves, while South's Cam Mills had 20.

FIVE NATIONS TOURNEY

HEARTBREAKER FOR TEAM USA

Tournament title eludes Americans as Russia wins at USA Hockey Arena

Tim Smith
Staff Writer

One minute, USA Hockey Arena was rocking louder than it ever has. The U.S. team had just scored twice in a bit over a minute to tie Saturday's Under-17 Five Nations Tournament winner-take-home finale against Russia.

"U-S-A! U-S-A!" chants filled the air as nearly 3,300 spectators wanted nothing better than to see the U.S. NTDP U17s score again and win the title.

"We were just trying to thrive off the energy," U.S. forward Sean Dhooghe said. "It was great; we love hearing the building get loud. We were loud on the bench. The energy was there, it was great. We were just trying to feed off it."

The next minute, however, it got so quiet one could hear a pin drop. That pin — courtesy of Klim Kostin's unassisted goal at 17:15 of the third period — burst Team USA's red-white-and-blue balloon as Russia went ahead to stay.

An empty-netter in the final seconds closed out the 5-3 decision, which ended with Russian players flinging their sticks into the air and enjoying a wild on-ice celebration while the Americans and their fans tried to stomach the sight.

"I couldn't even watch," said U.S. defenseman David Farrance, whose one-timer at 14:35 made it a 3-3 game, sending the Beck Road arena into a frenzy not witnessed since the days of the Plymouth Whalers making championship runs in the Ontario Hockey League.

Farrance took a centering pass from forward Scott Reedy and drilled a shot past Russian goaltender Maxim Zhukov, who was brilliant all night stopping while making 36 saves.

"Scotty made a great pass to me; he did all the work on that goal," Farrance said. "We had to push and pressure them on the offensive side. So I went to the net, Scotty just made a great pass to me."

That goal closely followed one scored at 13:24 by U.S. defenseman Reilly Walsh, brought in for the tournament along with forward Vanya Lodnia of Novi. Walsh and Lodnia were outstanding all week long as injury replacements.

"They weren't among the 22 originally brought in, but they fit in extremely well and did a great job," U.S. coach Don Granato said. "For Reilly, it was his second event. We took him to Slovakia in December (for a tournament) and he was very good there. That's why we wanted him back."

"And Vanya we've been watching; we've known who he is for quite a while."

What a downer

But just as fans anticipated an overtime session, the left-handed shooting Kostin skated down the right side and whistled the puck past U.S. goalie Dylan St. Cyr (Northville) for the winner.

"We had four guys back and their best player made one heck of a play," Granato said. "We allowed him to cut back into his forehand shot. We should have kept him on his backhand."

"Mistakes happen. I think that was a mistake late in a shift. There were some tired guys out there and he made us pay."

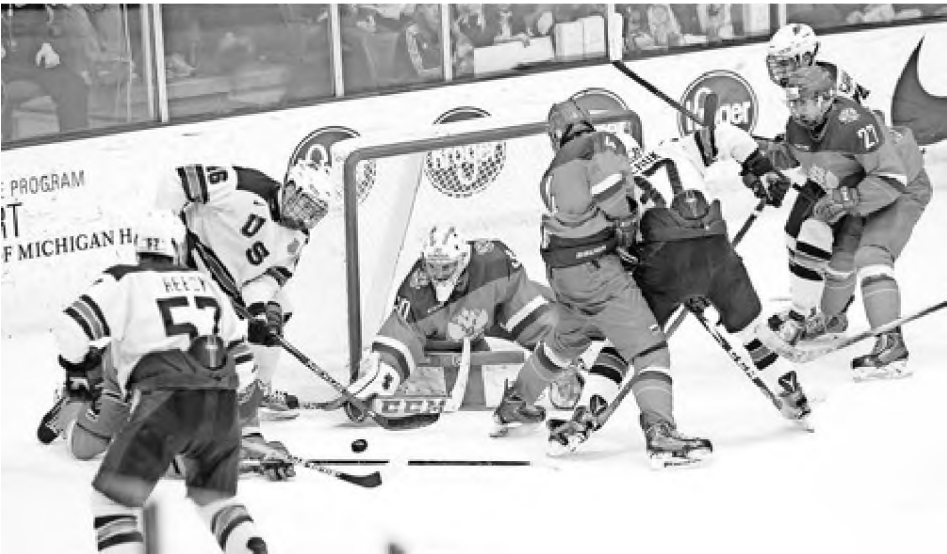
Granato wanted to pull St. Cyr for an extra attacker, but the coach was able to do so with only about 30 seconds left.

Russia (3-1-0-0, nine points) did not allow the U.S. (2-1-0-1, seven points, third in the tourney) a chance to set up



RENA LAVERTY | USA HOCKEY

Klim Kostin (left), who scored the winning goal for Russia, greets Sean Dhooghe of the U.S. team during the traditional post-game handshake line.



RENA LAVERTY | USA HOCKEY

Grant Mismash of the U.S. tries to jam the puck past Russian goalie Maxim Zhukov.

on offense and Ivan Kozlov made the outcome official with an empty-netter at 19:50.

"Even though it's a bitter pill to swallow, it was a great night for these guys," Granato said. "They'll remember it both positively and, with the loss, there'll be some negative to it. But what a great experience and we're better as a result."

The contest was an up-and-down entertaining one from the opening puck drop. Getting Russia on the board at 13:36 was Kirill Maximov, tipping in Alexey Rarov's slap shot from the left circle.

Answering on the power play with 2:48 left in the first was Walsh, slamming in a cross-crease pass from Brady Tkachuk (with Grant Mismash also assisting).

Getting aggressive

Despite Team USA's 17-7 edge in shots in the second period, the lone goal of the period was scored on a break-

away by Russia's Iaroslav Alekseev.

In the third, a goal by Mikhail Bitsadze at 4:27 opened up a 3-1 lead for the Russians. Bitsadze scored from short range against St. Cyr, who made some big stops despite facing less of a workload than Zhukov. St. Cyr stopped made 18 saves.

But then the U.S. cranked up the offensive urgency, with defensemen such as Walsh and Farrance pinching in more frequently and being rewarded with their goals.

"When you're behind, you're a little more aggressive," Granato said. "We knew they were going to sit back, which they did, much like the Czechs did against us the other day."

"We wanted our defensemen to skate a bit more and I thought they did a nice job on that."

Despite the way the game ended, having the Five Nations tourney in Plymouth made a favorable impression on the team.

"Bringing it back to your own coun-

try, in your own building, it's something really special," said Dhooghe, a 5-2, 136-pound forward who scored twice, in tourney wins Wednesday over Finland and Friday over Sweden. "Even just putting on the jersey every day, representing your country, it's something you can never pass up."

"I wish we could have brought the championship home."

Concurring was Granato, who emphasized that the tournament is part of a "two-year process" in preparation for next year's Under-18 World Junior Championship.

"I told the players after the game, their progress through the course of the year's been outstanding," Granato said. "I wish they would have got it today, because in many respects they deserved a better fate. It didn't happen, we'll be better because of it."

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SPORTS ROUNDUP

Northville spring training baseball camp March 19-20

The ninth annual Northville Mustang Spring Training Baseball camp for boys and girls ages 7-14 will be Saturday and Sunday, March 19-20, at the high school gymnasium.

The cost for each camp is \$45 (if registered by March 15). Registration at the door is \$50. Included in the cost is a camp T-shirt.

For more information, email Kris Yanagi at KristineYanagi@gmail.com or baseball coach John Kostrzewa at kostrzjo@northvilleschools.org.

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Two Men and a Truck opened in Northville.

Two Men and a Truck opens new location in Northville

Two Men and a Truck® of Livonia has expanded its coverage area with the opening of a secondary office at 10070 Marilyn Street, Northville.

The new office opened Jan. 1 to better serve the transportation needs of its customers west of I-275. The opening of the

secondary office was necessitated by 33-percent growth in 2015.

The franchise purchased five new trucks over the last 18 months and will purchase three new trucks in February 2016, bringing its truck fleet up to 10.

Two Men and a Truck will launch its Movers

for Moms campaign in late February and is already accepting donations of personal care items for women and children living at First Step Shelter.

To contact the new office, call 734-249-6072 or go to womenandatruck.com/locations/mi/northville.

Get sand between your toes at Cottage & Lakefront Living Show

The ninth annual Cottage & Lakefront Living Show, for property and vacation homeowners or those looking to buy, build or rent, runs Feb. 25-28 at the Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi.

“Our preseason event can help bring about your dream cottage or vacation home this year,” said Dawn Baker, show manager of ShowSpan, Inc. “Show-goers will find plenty of exhibits for building or renting a cottage, replacing a dock or seawall and adding cottage furnishings or water toys.”

Adults and children are welcome to build sand castles at The Beach, the show’s giant sandbox. Everyone can try walking on water inside a giant inflatable transparent plastic Zorb Globe at the Cran-Hill Family Fun Zone full size

pool.

The Log and Timber Frame Showcase will include floor plans, profiles, roof options, log species, cedar siding, full logs, post and beam and do-it-yourself or contractor-built home packages. Scheduled private consultations with builders, remodelers and contractors can be arranged in advance through the show’s website.

Cottage Living Stage experts will explain how to set up a cottage family succession plan; guidelines for smart gardening by the lake; what to watch for when buying lakefront property; advice on finding your dream cottage; fishing tips; information on vacation homes as an investment property; and the opportunity to explore other ways to make it the best season at the cottage yet. Check out custom

stand up paddleboards and kayaks; photography, art, furniture, jewelry, cottage décor and paintings for sale; and get landscaping ideas to increase outdoor living space.

“Break away from winter and get ready for summer fun, create some new family memories and come put your toes in the sand at our comprehensive showplace,” Baker said.

Suburban Collection Showplace is located at 46100 Grand River, between Novi and Beck roads. Show hours are 3-9:30 p.m. Thursday, noon to 9:30 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$10, \$4 for children 6-14 and children 5 and younger admitted free.

Go to www.novicottageshow.com for more.

File your income tax returns using free software through IRS program

It’s that time of year again, to start thinking about filing our 2015 tax returns. By now, most of you have gotten the majority of your tax information; the question is, now what? There are a number of ways of completing and filing your tax return. For example, you can buy a software package and do it on your own, you could do it by hand (something I don’t recommend for most people) or you can hire a professional.

There is another way and the great benefit of this way is that it’s free. Yes, there is a way for most of you to complete and file your return electronically without cost. There are no gimmicks — it is legitimate.

For more than a dozen years, the Internal Revenue Service has partnered with tax software companies to allow you access to their software for free. Many of the major tax software companies, such as TurboTax, H&R Block and TaxSlayer, participate in this program. In order to qualify for the free software, your adjusted gross income must be less than \$62,000. If your income is less than \$62,000, you can take advantage of this program.

Some people may think that because this is



Rick Bloom
MONEY MATTERS

a program sponsored by the IRS, there must be some gimmick or some catch. That’s wrong. The software is basically the same software these companies sell on the open market. Therefore, you don’t have to worry that it’s somehow designed to favor the IRS; it’s not. In addition, the question and answer format is designed to make sure you are taking all the deductions to which you are entitled. You do not have to be a tax expert to take advantage of the free software.

This year, you have 13 software packages to choose from. The key is that you can’t go directly to these companies’ websites. You must go through the IRS website. Go to <http://www.irs.gov/freefile> to begin the process. Although the IRS program does not include state of Michigan tax returns, some of the software companies will also provide you with free state of Michigan tax preparation services.

We all know that taxes have become more complex and it is more ex-

pensive than ever to have your return professionally prepared. According to the IRS, about 70 percent of Americans are eligible to use the free tax software service. People who have straightforward tax situations — such as income from wages, bank accounts and normal deductions such as mortgage interest, property tax and charitable contributions — should look to take advantage of this program. Those who have complex tax situations may wish to consult a professional. A substantial number of people can save significant money by taking advantage of the IRS program.

My philosophy has always been that money looks better in your pocket than it does anywhere else. I encourage you to take advantage of the IRS program. After all, just think how good you will feel knowing that as opposed to paying the IRS, you actually received something worthwhile for free.

Good luck!

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The Big Salad and Madonna University launch business education project

The Big Salad is teaming with Madonna University to introduce a new reality-based learning project for the school’s business majors.

“Seal the Deal” is a semester-long project in which teams of students compete to create, design, test and market a new menu product for The Big Salad. According to John Bornoty, The Big Salad founder and CEO, the concept was successfully piloted at Grosse Pointe North High School and is now being introduced at the university level in for-credit courses.

“Seal the Deal” student teams meet in groups, in classroom settings and on-site at The Big Salad Novi location, 43168 Grand River, to develop, test and market their menu creations.

The four teams will have the opportunity to market their proposed menu items during the weeks of March 28 and April 4, with the winning team to be announced at the university April 11.

“We’re pleased to have the opportunity to have this partnership with The Big Salad as part of our continuing work to provide our students with more reality-based learning



The Big Salad founder and CEO John Bornoty is excited for the start of the “Seal the Deal” program

experiences,” said Cleamon Moorer, dean of Madonna University’s School of Business.

Students in the principles of marketing course taught by Nidhal Bouazizi, Madonna University assistant professor, International Business, are participating in the “Seal the Deal” experience.

“Students are showing great enthusiasm for this opportunity to put into practice what they are learning in the classroom about marketing,” he said.

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