



Garden Club
meets

The Northville Garden Club will hold its Annual Members Plant Auction on Monday, May 9. Members will auction plants from their gardens or purchased plants. Other garden-related items also will be auctioned.

The monthly meeting begins at noon with a social and luncheon. The meeting begins at 1:30 p.m. Meetings are at the Cady Inn, 214 Griswold, Northville.

Guests are always welcome. For more information, call Claire Khreher at 248-924-3486.

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Paul King will perform at the Northville Tipping Point Theater on May 14. His performance is part of the Kittens & Crooners jazz series, brought to the community by 2 Stones Event.

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King

Political newcomers join
race for township trustee

Joanne Maliszewski
Staff Writer

Residents Daniel Biedzen and Sonia Scappaticci have joined Dr. Ghulam Qadir as political newcomers in the race against incumbents for seats on the Northville Township Board of Trustees.

Biedzen, a Republican, is a write-in candidate. Scappaticci is running as a Republican though she is a paid member of the Northville Democratic Club. Qadir declared his candidacy as a Democrat.

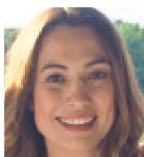
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Biedzen



Qadir



Scappaticci

of treasurer and Sue Hillebrand as clerk.

All of the incumbents are Republicans and with Scappaticci joining the race, there will be a primary election

Aug. 2. Qadir is the lone Democrat in the race. The only way Biedzen will appear on the August and November ballots is if voters write him in.

Biedzen, who is retired as a department manager for the pretrial diversion program in

the Wayne County prosecutor's office, is campaigning as a write-in because he said he didn't realize the filing deadline was April 19. He is running because he wants to bring the township's criminal database "into the 21st century." In a related issue, Biedzen also wants to see "unfettered access to reports," including police and fire reports.

As an opponent of the township's millage renewal and millage proposals in 2014, Biedzen said he also wants to know how tax money has been spent on

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Jonathan Burchard (in VFW vest) and Post 4012 members Betty Burkacki, Linda Burton, Roxanne Casterline and Lyle Avery are offering poppies for your donation.

N'ville VFW to distribute
poppies to help veterans

Danielle Alexander
Staff Writer

The Northville Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4012 will hand out poppies all over town Thursday, May 5 through Saturday, May 7.

"We will give everyone a poppy but do ask that if they cannot make a donation, that they'll say a prayer," VFW Post 4012's Auxiliary President Jonathan Burchard said.

Shortly after World War I, founder of the American and French Children's League, Madame E. Guerin, later dubbed as the "Poppy Lady," became concerned that the free world was "forgetting too soon those sleeping in Flanders Fields."

Inspired by Lt. Colonel John McCrae's poem "In Flanders Fields," which spoke of poppies growing in an Allied Forces graveyard "between the crosses row on row," Guerin decided on the poppy as the most appropriate memorial flower.

The poppy — "the little red flower" that symbolizes the bloodshed in World War I by millions of Allied soldiers in defense of freedom — was originally distributed with the hope of raising funds to provide relief for the people of war-devastated France. Since right before Me-



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Roxanne Casterline holds a handwritten copy of "In Flanders Fields," by Canadian Lt. Col. John McCrae in World War I.

morial Day in 1922, however, the distribution of poppies has raised funds that have directly benefited thousands of disabled and down-and-out American veterans. In 1924, the VFW made the VFW Buddy Poppy trademark a guarantee that all poppies bearing that name and the VFW label are genuine products

of the work of disabled and needy veterans.

Today, VFW Buddy Poppies are still assembled by disabled and needy veterans in VA Hospitals who are provided compensation for assembling the poppies. The VFW Buddy Poppy

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Mike
Ladwig bids
farewell to
Northville,
UPS store

Joanne Maliszewski
Staff Writer

Mike Ladwig has packed up his tape and boxes and after 23 years is saying goodbye to his UPS Store in downtown Northville.

"I just felt it was the right time," the Livonia resident said. "I have enjoyed the customers."

Ladwig has already handed over the reins of the store, number 3011, to Roopa Injeti, who also owns the UPS store at Drake and Grand River in Farmington Hills.

While Ladwig makes his exit and plans a summer off having fun, his employees will remain at the store. That includes Barbara Davies, who has served as the store manager for 16½ years, plus four others.

Like her former boss, Davies talks up the customers and how she enjoys working with them. "They are so respectful and loyal."

Twenty-three years has brought a lot of history for Ladwig who began with a Mail Boxes, Etc. on the east side of Center, south of Main. All these years later, Ladwig and his staff know their customers by name and pretty much what they might be sending.

For example, Ladwig said he has sent a mounted moose head, a 6-foot-wide sailfish, sand for a putting green — and then there are the frozen Thanksgiving dinners. "It's been mostly in the country," he said.

UPS and Mail Boxes, Etc. have been his life for quite some time as he also opened a store in Livonia about 20 years ago and has since sold it to his son Eric Ladwig.

"Our customers trust us with their packages," Ladwig added. "I think we have earned their trust over the years."

As the business gets under new management, Davies plans to take Injeti on a tour of Northville, including other merchants.

"We have been in Farmington for about three years and wanted to expand," said Injeti, who will operate both stores.

In saying goodbye to his business, Ladwig recalls that when he first started his first goal was "to increase sales in high gross

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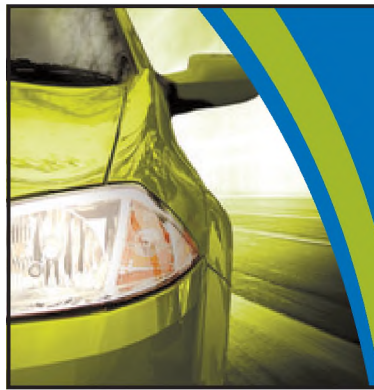
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margin return on investment categories.”

As he grew into his business role, Ladwig said he realized that talk was “business babble.”

“The true way to become successful is to build relationships with your customers based upon the foundation of mutual honesty and respect. If you can do that, the money will follow. I also believe in taking an active role in your community.”

Last Christmas when the Northville Civic Concern was broken into and robbed of items that were to be donated to families in need, Ladwig and other business owners stepped forward. His Holiday Helping Hand collection brought in some \$4,000 for Civic Concern.

“I used to do Toys for Tots,” Ladwig said. “But I saw the article in the paper (about the Civic Concern break-in). We can dwell on what one bad person did, but I wanted to concentrate on what good things are being done.”

Ladwig asked customers — if they chose — to make donations to fulfill wish lists for families in need for the holidays. Some gave \$20, \$30, but there were those who handed him \$100 bills. “We have been very fortunate. It is amazing how generous people are in the Northville area.”

And that’s the part of his work at the UPS store that he will miss. “People here are caring. They care about their community, their families.”

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A changing of the guard includes Mike Ladwig, longtime owner of the UPS Store, Roopa Injeti, who recently purchased the business, and Barabara Davies, store manager, who will remain.

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police and fire services and recreation.

In August, 2014, township voters approved renewal of an existing 5.575 mills for these services and an increase for seven years of up to 1.25 mills to support the operations for the township's public safety department and 0.3 mills for parks and recreation, as well as senior and youth assistance.

“They made no effort to document what they use the millage specifically for,” Biedzen said.

The write-in candidate said he also did not like the township's board approval of salaries — that would be for themselves if re-elected in November.

Scappaticci became interested in township affairs when she, among a number of residents in

the Cascades subdivision, was curious about nearby development. “I was interested in what was going on. We have two little girls and my husband and I thought we should try to be more involved in the community.”

“What's important to me is that I would love for Northville to stay the way it is,” said the co-owner of Montes Construction, a concrete company. “It's important for me to know that my daughters will grow up in a thriving community with the best resources. I also think running for a position to serve my community would teach them the value of contributing to the success of their community.”

A Michigan State University graduate, Scappaticci spent a decade in marketing and advertising with large advertising agencies, such as Leo Burnett and JWT. “My job duties included pitch-

ing new business, being a lead project manager overseeing multimillion dollar budgets and managing various cross functional teams. I'm positive this experience will be beneficial as a trustee as it involves streamlining budgets for the best effectiveness and measured business results.”

Though Scappaticci has paid her annual dues to the Northville Democratic Club, she said she decided to run as a Republican because she is more conservative with tax issues. “On social issues, I am very much a liberal.”

Scappaticci added that while she paid her dues, she “never attended a meeting (of the Democratic Club).”

While this is the first time she has sought elected office, Scappaticci said she was surprised — when she went door-to-door seeking petition signatures — that many homeowners are unaware

of the township board.

“I was really surprised by that,” Scappaticci said, adding she would like see improved ways of informing the public. “I think people really don't realize what the board does.”

Qadir is a psychiatrist with Apex Behavioral Health Dearborn. He also has served as chief of psychiatry for 12 years at Oakwood Hospital & Medical Center in Dearborn, and two years at Oakwood Heritage Hospital in Taylor.

“The township is efficient. But there is a changing makeup of the community. I am a diversity candidate,” Qadir said, adding that he has held a number of leadership positions throughout his career.

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Nine N’ville Girl Scouts earn Gold Award

Danielle Alexander
Staff Writer

Nine Girl Scouts in Northville were honored for their Gold Awards at last week’s board of education meeting at Meads Mill Middle School.

“These girls are the best of the best, so a lot of them are either studying for AP tests, playing in a game or at another activity they are involved in,” Gold Award Adviser Valerie Niemiec said, while explaining to the board of education why all nine could not make it to the meeting.

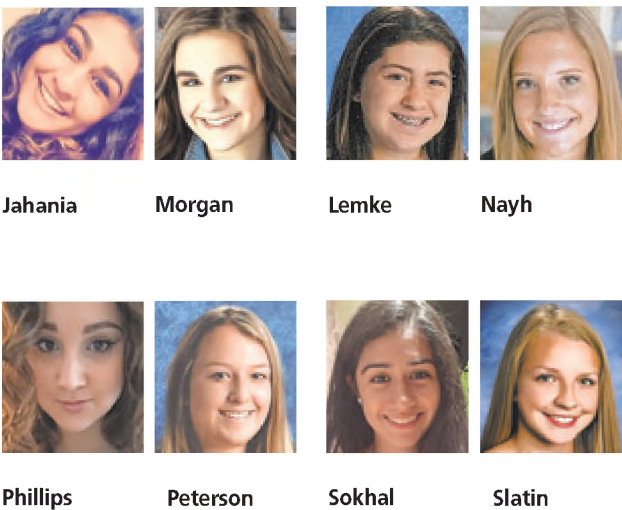
Northville has historically led the nation in Gold Award recipients, the female equivalent of the Boy Scout Eagle Award. Niemiec said these highest awards in scouting make a uniquely strong statement of solid character nurtured from an early age and also express a clear message of accomplishment, proven leadership and dedication to making a positive and meaningful change in their world.

In order to receive a Gold Award, a Girl Scout must complete a seven-step process where they are asked to identify an issue, investigate it thoroughly, get help and build a team, create a plan, present a plan to and gather feedback from the Girl Scout Council, take action and educate and inspire.

The local scouts include:

» Northville High School 11th-grader Mah-eru Jahania worked with the Northville Parks and Recreation to make the Northville Dog Park a more fun and friendly place. She built and installed structures for the people and their four-legged companions visiting the park, including a bench, chair and play structure.

» Northville High School ninth-grader



Sargent

Megan Lemke made recess more fun for children in her community by renovating the

grounds of two local elementary schools. In addition, Lemke hosted a game and can drive benefiting the elementary schools.

» Northville High School 11th-grader Morgan Mahlebashian shared her love of dancing by creating a program for preschoolers at the Northville Public Schools Early Education Summer Program.

» Northville High School 12th-grader Be-atrice Nayh helped the Detroit Rescue Missions Ministries by collecting painting supplies, bedding and new furniture to redecorate an entire bedroom at the shelter. She also gathered donations, including children’s books, toys, soaps and shampoos.

» Northville High School 11th-grader Sydney Peterson aimed to improve the emotional stress of children staying at the Mott Children’s Hospital by creating smile boxes to cheer them up. The boxes included coloring sheets,

crayons, toys, stickers, jump ropes and glow-in-the-dark stars. Peterson also organized volunteers to help make yarn dolls and tie knot blankets for the children, as well as crowns for the doctors to wear to cheer the patients up.

» Northville High School 11th-grader Chryssa Phillips fixed up an unused, unorganized space filled with books and created a library at the Nativity of the Virgin May Educational Center. She sorted and organized the books onto shelves, as well as created a self-run checkout system and labeled all the books.

» Northville High School 12th-grader Lauren Sargent worked with the Brighton Pregnancy Help Clinic and made baskets with basic items for new mothers including baby blankets, hats, diapers, bottles and wash cloths.

» University of Michigan student Julia Slatin worked with the Humane Society of Huron Valley to develop programs educating elementary school children on how they can help animals in the shelter. She also created blankets and winter shelters for the Humane Society.

» Northville High School 11th-grader Suree-na Sokhal focused her



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Northville Girl Scouts Morgan Mahlebashian, Chryssa Phillips, Sureena Sokhal, Sydney Peterson and Julia Slatin were five of nine to be honored at last week’s Board of Education Meeting for their earned Gold Awards.

project on the issue of domestic violence and high-risk children. She took action by renovating two shelter rooms by painting the walls and refurbishing furniture, as well as coordinating other Girl Scouts to make scarves and cards for the girls. She also educated elementary and middle school troops about children at risk and even helped a troop complete their Bronze Award.

Although touched by all projects, Peterson’s project was special on a personal level for Board of Education Trustee Sarah Prescott whose son, at age 4, was hospitalized at Mott with suspected appendicitis, which later turned out to be an intestinal infection.

“It was a really scary time and horrible to see small children all around us in very serious conditions,” Prescott said later in an email. “It was just before Halloween, and when my little one felt up to it, we were able to do painting projects with foam witch hats, pumpkins, ghosts and cats through the volunteer activity center. I just wanted the NHS Scouts to know how their actions can brighten a child’s day in a very scary time,

which, in turn, is a huge relief for the parents.”

Prescott said she also thought it is important to share that one never knows who he or she is helping with that kind of project: “It could be a neighbor or your soccer coach or, in this case, a school board trustee.”

Board of Education Trustee James Mazurek was also impressed: “You guys are absolutely phenomenal. Girls rule, they really do, and it’s just outstanding to see these kinds of awards and the leaders that come out of your organization.”

Forty percent of elementary-aged girls in Northville are Girl Scouts, and 33 percent of that 40 stay in Girl Scouts throughout middle and high school.

In 2015, for the sixth year in a row, Northville earned over 20 percent of Michigan’s Gold Awards.

Niemiec, who served as a Girl Scout Leader for 15 years prior to becoming an adviser, said Northville’s program specifically is so successful for several reasons:

» A variety of students with different hobbies and interests are in it, not just one type of crowd

» Northville is such an

achievement-driven community, which stems from the “high caliber of parents”

» Both Niemiec and another Gold Award Adviser, Cindy Zeitz, are two of seven women who cover 34 counties but both live in Northville and have proximity to the girls and troop leaders

“Behind every Girl Scout are parents who want their daughter to experience her world, grow with courage, confidence and character and build credentials that distinguish her among her peers,” Niemiec said.

Phillips’ mother Tina said her daughter’s drive to finishing her project was to help further her education and get into a university.

“The road is long, but the feeling of doing everything she has done is the biggest award,” Tina Phillips said about her daughter, Chryssa.

For more information on the Girl Scouts in Northville, send an e-mail to GirlScoutsNorthville@gmail.com.

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Winchester Elementary students ‘bag up the love’ for charity

Danielle Alexander
Staff Writer

On April 28, Winchester Elementary students participated in the making and packing of lunches for the Detroit Rescue Mission Ministries, a charitable organization dedicated to children.

All students from all grade levels decorated two lunch bags and added a “happy message” inside each one. Third- through fifth-graders made the sandwiches, and kindergarteners through second-graders assisted with the packing of the food items.

Each lunch bag contained a wet wipe, napkin, sandwich, orange, granola bar and chips or crackers. Professional Karate Schools of America, the event’s corporate sponsor, gave Winchester a monetary donation and helped deliver the lunches to Detroit.

“Student Lighthouse wanted to participate in a community event, so they partnered with Parent Lighthouse, and the event was created,” third-grade teacher and event overseer Kendra Kilgore said about a group of student leaders and their parents.

This was Winchester’s first time “bagging up the love,” and at this time, Kilgore said they are not sure if it will become an annual event.

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Sarah Lepschy, and other parents of Winchester Elementary’s Lighthouse Committee, got together, with help from students and staff, and packed hundreds of lunches for kids at the Detroit Rescue Mission. Kids helped in making peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, added juice and pretzels and candy, and then decorated the outside of the bags with hopeful messages.

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Twp. police association hosts 5K run/walk fundraiser

The Northville Township Police Officers Association and Command Officers Association will host a 5K run/walk fundraiser to benefit the union benevolent funds. The event will be held on Saturday, May 7, at Maybury State Park.

The “May The ‘Police’ Force Be With You” run is a family event and will include a free one mile “fun run” prior to the race. Enter the park through the Eight Mile entrance.

The cost for the run/walk is \$35. To register for the event, you can go to Runmichigan.com and search ‘featured events’ or go to everalracemgt.com. You can also register at Maybury the day of the race at 8 a.m. You must have Recreation Passport or daily pass to enter.

The one-mile fun run will be at 10 a.m. and the 5K will begin promptly at 10:30 a.m. There will be a few vendors on site, as well as a 50/50 raffle. All registrants will receive a T-shirt and all 5K finishers will receive a finisher medal.

The police union’s benevolent fund goes to assist injured officers and their families, as well as providing community outreach programs, such as scholarships for local students.

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program also provides financial assistance in maintaining state and national veterans’ rehabilitation and service programs and partially supports the VFW National Home for Children, as well.

“People are always asking what they can do

to help veterans and donating to the Buddy Poppy program is one great way,” VFW National Certified Recruiter Trainer Marian Belaire said.

From its inception, the Buddy Poppy Program has helped the VFW live up to its motto: “To honor the dead by helping the living.” National by-laws require that the profits from poppies be placed in the post’s relief fund to be used only for the follow-

ing purposes:

- » For the aid, assistance, relief and comfort of needy or disabled veterans or members of the Armed Forces and their dependents, and the widows and orphans of deceased veterans
- » For the maintenance and expansion of the VFW National Home and other facilities devoted exclusively to the benefit and welfare of the dependents, widows and or-

phans of disabled, needy or deceased veterans or members of the Armed Forces

- » For veterans’ rehabilitation, welfare and service work
- » To perpetuate the memory of deceased veterans and members of the Armed Forces and to comfort survivors

VFW Post 4012 has obtained an original copy of “In Flanders Fields” in McCrae’s handwriting

from the autograph book of Georgine Schwab, a nurse, who worked with McCrae in a field hospital near Ypers, France, during spring of 1915. The public is welcome to stop in and view the pages from her book.

In addition to donating to the Buddy Poppy program, Northville residents are welcome to join VFW Post 4012 and its Auxiliary at their upcoming events: bowling

night on May 7, the Memorial Day parade and ceremony on May 30 and their annual golf outing on Aug. 13. Also, beginning after Memorial Day, VFW Post 4012 will hold burger nights every Wednesday.

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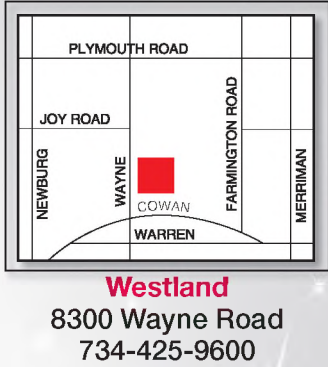
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‘Only the first day:’ SB I-275 shuts down for construction

David Veselenak
Staff Writer

For Livonia resident Beth Newton, the impact of the Interstate 275 shutdown has so far been positive.

That’s because she lives in the Quakertown subdivision, the lone Livonia neighborhood that lies west of the freeway. Without all those cars traveling down the freeway Monday, she said she was enjoying the quieter morning.

“It’s only quiet because the freeway is closed down. That’s why I’m excited about it,” she said. “This is quiet.”

But Newton may be one of the few that are happy to see the freeway close for a \$75 million construction project. The southbound side of the freeway between the I-96/I-696/M-5 interchange and Five Mile shut down just after midnight Monday morning, leaving roughly 100,000 vehicles that travel that stretch to find a new route. Those traveling Monday southbound on M-5 in Novi saw traffic was backed up north of 12 Mile, with drivers being detoured on to eastbound



Southbound I-275 is scheduled to reopen in July, then northbound lanes will close.

I-696. Eastbound M-5 through Farmington Hills also saw heavier than usual levels of traffic, including a backup at the exit to Farmington Road.

Diane Cross, spokeswoman for the Michigan Department of Transportation, said despite large, expected backups, traffic appeared to be figuring out a way to get around Monday morning.

She said she was out all morning at various

bridges in Oakland and Wayne County, watching the traffic, and said it was smooth until about 7 a.m. Monday. Even so, some stretches of roadway, such as Haggerty south of Eight Mile, had less traffic than what was expected.

“Haggerty was the worst, from Eight Mile to 10 Mile,” she said, noting an accident had also taken place in that vicinity. “Once I got south of Eight Mile on Haggerty, it was

a normal morning.”

Previously closed roadways for prep work have now reopened, including Seven Mile over I-275, Haggerty over I-96 and Meadowbrook from Grand River to 12 Mile. More closures, including some in the interchange in Oakland County, were scheduled to take place starting Wednesday.

One area that will remain open will include those traveling from I-696 north toward Com-

merce Township and the northern part of Novi, Cross said.

“Westbound I-696 to northbound M-5 will always be open,” Cross said. “You generally should be able to count on that.”

The official detour for southbound I-275 includes having drivers use a combination of I-696, the Lodge Freeway and the Southfield Freeway before picking up I-96 through Detroit, Redford and Livonia back to I-275. While this is the official detour — because MDOT can only direct drivers on to state roads — Cross said many people did try to utilize more local roads, such as Meadowbrook, Haggerty, Halsted and Newburgh.

The southbound section of freeway will remain closed until that work is complete, which is expected to be July. Once that work is done, the northbound side of the freeway will close for similar work. MDOT is posting updates to the project at revive275.com.

Few incidents reported

The increased levels of traffic in Livonia

didn’t seem to cause too many problems for traffic enforcement. Sgt. Brian Leigh of the Livonia Police Department said they did not experience many issues with all the additional traffic in town.

He said his office received one phone call, informing it traffic was heavier than usual on Newburgh. But otherwise, he said, it was a smooth morning.

“Knock on wood, so far so good,” Leigh said. “I think people left for work earlier and had their alternate routes planned out.”

Newton said she expects traffic to possibly pick up this summer, especially along Haggerty where one entrance to her neighborhood is. But early on, she was feeling optimistic.

“Normally, at rush hour time, you can’t turn out of this sub because it’s so bad,” she said. “Haggerty wasn’t bad this morning. But it’s only the first day.”

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Rocking out at the library

Rich Eddy performs old time rock and roll April 28 at the Novi Public Library. Eddy and his band mates performed lots of tunes from the ‘50s including “Hand Jive” and a number of Elvis Presley tunes.



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Northville’s Old Church Square to host open house

Businesses in downtown Northville’s Old Church Square building will host an open house 4-7 p.m. Friday, May 6. The event is open to the public and will take place during downtown Northville’s popular First Friday Experience.

A historic Victorian church, the two-story, 25,000-square-foot Old Church Square was completely renovated in 2003 by the building’s owners and Northville residents Bob and Margene Buckhave. It is now home to a mix of retail and service-oriented businesses, such as PCS Global Counseling, Centered Body Work, Stampeddler Plus Memories, Broughton Music, What a Massage, KB Jewelers, Jack’s Barber Shop, Northville Dermatology and more.

During the open house, guests will be greeted by live music from the 26-piece Novi Middle School Chamber Orchestra outside in the Old Church Square Courtyard 4-6 p.m. (weather permitting). If there is inclement weather, the music will take place inside Old Church Square. McSpillin, an Irish folk band, will also perform 4-6 p.m. inside Old Church Square.

Open house attendees are welcome to visit the various businesses in the building. Each location will offer a little something different at their business, including light snacks and specials.

“We are excited to see the veteran and new businesses located in Old Church Square working together to provide unique experiences to guests in downtown Northville,” Northville Downtown Development Authority director Lori Ward said. “The building is beautiful and houses a mix of service and retail



Old Church Square will host an open house 4-7 p.m. Friday, May 6.

that provide wonderful shopping options and resources to residents and neighbors.”

Old Church Square is on Center Street, at the corner of Center and

Dunlap, in downtown Northville.

For more information on the businesses in downtown Northville, go to www.downtownnorthville.com.

MILL RACE MATTERS

Mill Race Historical Village is at 215 Griswold Avenue, north of Main Street, near Ford Field. Buildings will re-open 1-4 p.m. each Sunday beginning June 12. 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

Grounds closed for wedding: 4-6 p.m. May 7.

Lecture Series: Sand Dunes, Sawdust & Shipwrecks: Stories from the Sunset Shore: 7 p.m. May 25. No fee. Donations accepted. This lecture sponsored by The Knickerbocker Group of Raymond James. Lecture Series sponsored by the Water Wheel Centre.

Members Preview Party: 6-9 p.m.

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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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Farm Fest set for May 21 at Maybury Farm

Locally run Maybury Farm's annual Farm Fest will run from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, May 21. Farm Fest is Maybury Farm's biggest event of the year and is sure to be entertaining for kids and adults alike. The event will feature a wide variety of activities, including rope making, hayrides, meeting the baby animals, face painting, kids games and activities, story time and more!

Farm Fest has been growing in popularity because of the many unique presentations to enjoy. Sheep and llama shearing, wool spinning and cheese making are just some of the fun demos to experience throughout the day.

Maybury Farm has also partnered with the Plymouth Home Depot, the Country Garden Club of Northville, Taste: A Cook's Place and the Northville Art House to

offer additional activities for children. These include a building workshop, an art project and planting container gardens. There will also be a fun scavenger hunt for the whole family to enjoy.

The schedule of events includes:

- » 10 a.m.: Farm Fest kicks off! Kids activities, spinning demos, hayrides, all-day Home Depot building workshop begins (available to the first 100 participants).
- » Sheep shearing demos
- » 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.: Children's gardening activity with the Country Garden Club of Northville
- » Noon: Northville High School Drumline performance
- » Noon to 4 p.m.: Kids art project with the Northville Art House
- » 1 p.m.: Cheese making with Mary Spencer

of Taste: A Cook's Place

The cost of entry to Farm Fest is just \$4 per person and children under the age of 2 are free. Admission includes the demos, most kids' activities, visiting with the animals and face painting. Concessions and hayrides are also available for purchase.

Special thanks to Community Financial Credit Union, Northville Meijer, Blackwell Ford and Aisin Group for sponsoring this event.

Maybury Farm is at 50165 Eight Mile Road in Northville. It is 1¼ miles west of Beck Road on Eight Mile, one-half mile west of Maybury State Park. Enter at the Maybury FARM sign, do not enter the state park. Parking is free at Maybury Farm. For more information, go to www.northvillecommunityfoundation.org or www.facebook.com/mayburyfarm.

Best Buy fail: Credit cards, counterfeit, computer denied

A would-be criminal walked away empty-handed after he allegedly attempted to fraudulently obtain a computer.

Novi Police responded at about 5:09 p.m. April 26 to a possible fraud in progress at the Best Buy on Haggerty Road. Dispatch reported that a man was attempting to buy a computer using a fake ID and fake credit cards.

Upon arrival, staff told police a man came in and tried using the fake credit cards that kept getting denied and then tried using \$100 bills, but they were determined to be counterfeit. The employees did not keep the counterfeit bills, the ID or the credit cards, returning them all to the man, who "got spooked," put the merchandise back on the shelf and left the store.

A loss prevention worker said the subject walked south past Dick's Sporting Goods and Office Max. The officers were unable to locate the subject.

Clueless

A Novi police officer responded at about 7:50 p.m. April 22 to an apartment on Wellington Drive after a man reported a strange woman knocking on his door.

The woman told the officer she was trying to visit someone, but didn't know his address. She gave the officer her identification card and a search of her purse re-

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vealed a hand-rolled cigarette suspected to be marijuana. She advised it was "the last little bit" of marijuana she had.

The woman also had a warrant from the Westland Police Department, but they advised they no longer wished to pick her up on the warrant. She was cited for possession of marijuana and, after being processed and fingerprinted, was released from custody after a \$100 bond was posted.

Not permitted

A Novi police officer on patrol at around 9 a.m. April 24 stopped a vehicle after running the license plate, which returned that the registered owner of the vehicle had a suspended license.

When the driver was asked for her license, registration and proof of insurance, she provided a Michigan identification card, as well as an expired instruction permit. Additionally, she was driving without a licensed adult, which was a stipulation of the permit.

She was ticketed for violation of instruction permit, given a court date and released after posting bond.

Lights out

A man who resides on Joseph discovered April 23 that his yard lights had been moved.

Review of video from a security camera shows a suspect walking northbound on the street about midnight who approached the complain-

ant's front yard, kicked both of the garden lights, opened and closed the mailbox, then continued to walk north.

Two more garden lights on the north side of the property were moved as well and the complainant assumes they were also kicked. The complainant doesn't recognize the suspect. None of the property was damaged.

Stolen purse

A woman attending a conference April 25 at Suburban Collection Showplace reported to police someone had stolen her purse. She had placed the purse under her seat while at a table and, at 2:15 p.m., switched tables and went to a break-out group. At 3:10 p.m., realizing she left her purse at the previous table, she went back for it and it was gone.

The purse contained \$2 cash, an iPhone charger, her checkbook, debit card and three credit cards. She has canceled her cards.

Whoops

Police were called on a suspicious vehicle at about 10:31 p.m. April 26 in the 47000 block of West Pontiac Trail. The driver was sitting in the vehicle and informed the officers that he delivers flowers to all Kroger stores in the area. He accidentally put unleaded fuel in his diesel truck and it needed to be towed.

Compiled by Susan Bromley from Novi Police reports.

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Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday, May 5;

10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, May 6; and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, May 7. **Details:** Buy books at the Wixom Public Library, 49015 Pontiac Trail, Spring Used Book Sale sponsored by The Friends of the Wixom Library. Fill a bag for \$5 Saturday. Thousands of books and multimedia

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Novi Choralaires

Time/Date: 7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 7 **Details:** The Novi Choralaires announce their spring show “Songs of Nature” in the Novi Middle School Auditorium, 49000 W. 11 Mile Road. Enjoy song favorites that are sure to please everyone. This is a community chorus of men and women from Novi and the surrounding area, who perform concerts for the public and at many community events.

For more information about the Choralaires and their concerts, go to novichoralaires.org or their Facebook page at www.facebook.com/novichoralaire

Methodist Church, 777 W. Eight Mile Road, Northville

Faith Communities coalition

Time/Date: 6:30 p.m. Monday, May 9 **Details:** Western Wayne-Oakland Region of the Faith Communities Coalition on Foster Care will be meeting at Faith Community Presbyterian Church, 44400 W. 10 Mile, in Novi. Speakers are state Rep. Kathy Crawford, who sits on the House committees on Families, Children and Seniors, Workforce and Talent Development, Health Policy and Regulatory Reform; and Sarai Embaye a foster care alumni who will share her story. In addition, more than 80 pillowcases will be presented to Methodist Children’s Home for children who are removed from their homes.

Rummage, bake sale

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. May 12-14 **Details:** Rummage & Bake Sale at the First Free Will Baptist Church of Novi. Located on corner of 10 Mile and Napier roads. Proceeds go to the church building fund.

Natural health seminar

Time/Date: Noon and 2 p.m. Saturday, May 14 **Details:** Better Health Market welcomes New York Times best-selling author, motivational speaker, television personality and respected natural health expert Jordan Rubin for free health seminars. Rubin will be speaking about his newest book “Planet Heal Thyself,” which contains information on how to start a revolution of regeneration in the areas of health and nutrition, sustainable agriculture and food production, as well as how to dramatically improve digestion and jump-start your metabolism. He will provide simple steps on how one can improve their health, viability and future of our planet. Attendees will receive a personal copy of Ru-

bin’s book for free while supplies last. Better Health Market offers a wide selection of natural and organic food, 42875 Grand River Ave., Novi.

Talk bones and joints

Time/Date: 6-7 p.m. Tuesday, May 17 **Details:** Arthritis is the nation’s number one cause of disability. Nearly 53 million adults have doctor-diagnosed arthritis — that’s one in five people over the age of 18 (Arthritis Foundation). Join in with Providence Park Hospital staff to learn about bone and joint issues, with a focus on the shoulder joint. Presented by Mark Shreve, M.D., free at the Providence Park Hospital-Southfield Campus, Fisher Auditorium. Register by calling 888-751-5465

Walk4Hearing

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, May 21 **Details:** Hearing Loss Association will host a 5K walk to raise awareness and provide funds for the programs of the Hearing Loss Association of America including Michigan’s state and local affiliates. These programs provide information, education, advocacy and support to people coping with the challenges of hearing loss and those who work, live, or otherwise interact with them.

There will be light refreshments, face painting, a DJ providing music and bubble machine, a bounce house and art activity for children and, of course, the beautiful walk to enjoy. There will also be information about hearing loss and the organization. People may form teams, walk individually, donate to support this cause or just come to enjoy the event and learning opportunity. At the west boat dock of Kensington Metropark in Milford.

For more information, go to www.walk4hearing.org or contact Barb (bquart@hearingloss-mi.org), Tony (aferack@hearingloss-

mi.org) or Audrey (audreypleasant@gmail.com).

Preschool registration

Details: Novi Community Education is accepting preschool registration for the 2016-17 school year at its Community Education Building at 25425 Taft Road, located in the Community Education office in Novi Meadows. Classes will begin Sept. 6 in the New Early Childhood Education Center at 25745 Taft Road. Students who will be age 3, 4 or 5 by Dec 1 are eligible to enroll. All-day classes (meet two, three or five days a week) and half-day classes (meet five, three or two days a week) are available. Registration is ongoing until the classes are full. Bring a copy of your child’s birth certificate or passport. Class times and fees are online at www.novi.k12.mi.us/communityed/preschool/. For more information, call the Novi Community Education Preschool office at 248-449-1713.

Widowed Friends

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

Time/Date: 9 a.m. the first and third Monday of each month. **Details:** Join Widowed Friends, a peer support group, hosting a Ladies Only Breakfast and Fellowship at Connor’s Restaurant on Haggerty/Five Mile Road, Northville. To save a seat, contact Carol at 313-562-3080.

Time/Date: 9 a.m. the first Thursday of each month. **Details:** Join Widowed Friends, a peer support group, hosting Co-Ed Breakfast at Richard’s Restaurant on Plymouth Road at Eckles Road. Contact Jerry at 734-455-2651.

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PATRICK J. Of Williamston, MI. Passed away on January 8, 2016 surrounded by his family. He courageously fought a 48 day battle to recover from injuries sustained when another vehicle crossed the center line and struck his car head on. The family is grateful for the Trauma Burn ICU team and many other specialists at the University of Michigan Hospital, who worked day and night to give Pat the best chance to beat the odds. He left us too soon at the age of 67. Patrick J. Hall was born on January 3, 1949 in Bucyrus, Ohio. This was the beginning of his lifelong love of the Ohio State Buckeyes. A love he carried through out the end wearing his OSU baseball cap. Pat was preceded in death by his parents, Don and Nita Hall. He is survived by his wife, Kathy Hall; daughters, Julie Hall (Maria Heck) of Saline, MI and Brandy Davis of Pinckney, MI; grandsons, Sullivan and Drew Davis; step-son, David Haven of South Lyon, MI; granddaughters, Gabriella and Alexa Haven; step-daughter, Victoria Rife (Dave) of Fowlerville; grandsons, Henry and Ben Rife; father-in-law and mother-in-law, Robert and Louise McHenry, Williamston, MI; and his brother, Michael Hall (Jolene) of Boynton Beach, Florida. Pat was a graduate of Northville High School Class of 1967. He always spoke fondly of his high school years. Specifically, he enjoyed memories of playing basketball, baseball, and football. He loved reconnecting with Northville High School friends in recent years. Go Mustangs! After graduation, Pat went on to attend Ferris State University obtaining an Associate’s Degree. Pat decided to return to the Michigan harness horse industry in which he grew up. At first he drove harness horses, but ultimately found his passion as a State Steward for the State of Michigan Racing Commission. Pat was proud of his 32 year career as a State Steward. He was well-respected and worked at racetracks all over the state including, DRC, Hazel Park, Jackson, Northville Downs, Mount Pleasant, Muskegon, Swartz Creek, and Escanaba. He made many friends in the industry over the years. He retired in 2010 and pursued his dream to travel the US in an RV with his wife Kathy. Pat enjoyed his retirement and looked forward to spending winters in their RV at the Royal Coachmen in Nokomis, FL. He and Kathy made many friends, who will miss him at park activities. Pat loved showing family and friends his favorite local attractions and beaches when they visited. Summers were spent in Williamston, MI working in the yard, finding garage sale treasures, golfing with his buddies, and taking grandsons, Sullivan and Drew on summer camping trips. Pat loved golfing, enjoyed watching Sullivan and Drew play sports, and spending time with family and friends. Prior to the accident, each day was typically ended with his wife Kathy and a toast to “Another Day in Paradise”. Some of Pat’s last words were to tell everyone he was happy with his life. Pat wanted family and friends to celebrate his life. A Celebration of Life will be held on May 22, 2016 at the Embassy Suites in Livonia, 19525 Victor Parkway, from 2:00-5:00 p.m. Family and friends will share memories beginning at 2:30 p.m. This is a celebration, so family encourages attendees to wear casual attire. Buckeye shirts/caps (or other Big Ten, if you must), Hawaiian shirts, or Northville Mustangs shirts/caps are welcome. Appetizers and bar provided throughout the celebration. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation in Pat’s name to Gleaner’s Food Bank, the Northville Mustangs Athletic Boosters Scholarship Fund, or your favorite charity. If you have questions about the celebration or making donations, please call Julie Hall at 734-707-5680. Gleaner’s Community Food Bank - Online Donations https://gleaners.nationbuilder.com/2016_donate_millionmealmatch Northville Athletic Boosters – Online Donations http://www.gonorthvillemustangs.org/.

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PAUL W. age 81, went home to be with the Lord, April 19, 2016. He was born February 5, 1935 in Union Town, Pennsylvania, son of the late Paul & Rose Lloyd. Paul was the founder and longtime owner of Village Glass. He coached the First Presbyterian Church softball team for many years and enjoyed hunting, fishing, bowling, and golfing. Paul never met a stranger and was known as everybody’s dad. He was a true family man and loved his family and extended family deeply. Paul will always be remembered for being a loving and devoted husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather. He is survived by his beloved wife, Mary of 60 years; his children: Jeanie (Jim) Noeker, Paul Lloyd Jr., Donna Calleri, Kim (Duane) Heard; his grandchildren: Joseph, Anthony (Erika), Makayla, James, Richard, Jessica, Jimmy, and Lloyd; one great-grandchild, Paityn and his sister, Eileen (Larry) Barr. Paul is also survived by his cousin, Raymond Murphy and many loving friends. Visitation was held on Thursday, April 21 at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, South Lyon. A funeral service was held on Friday, April 22 at First Presbyterian Church of South Lyon. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Active Faith Community Services.

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DONALD J. age 84, passed away suddenly on April 30, 2016. Don was a loving husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather. He was preceded in death by his brother Ralph, his daughter Cydney, his grandson Duerk, granddaughter-in-law Lis and nephew Matthew. He is survived by his wife Rayda, sister Carol(Gerry) Blake, his children Kelly (Pam) Warren, Devnie (Richard)Theidel and grandchildren Logan Chio, Adrienne (Jim) Cirrincione, Colleen (Tony) Caito, and Roxane (Denis) Curran. Don was also blessed with great-grandchildren Joseph Warren, James and Libby Cirrincione, and Sam Caito. Don served in the Air Force during the Korean Conflict and worked at Ford Motor Co.for more than 30 years. He and Rayda loved to travel and spent many winters in Portugal. Don made friends everywhere he went - he loved life, people and the natural beauty of the world and shared his enthusiasm with all who crossed his path. Memorial Donations may be made to Wounded Warrior Project.



Blood drives

Time/Date: 9:30 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. May 8 **Details:** Multi Lakes Conservation Association, 3860 Newton Road, Commerce Township **Time/Date:** 7:15 a.m. to 1 p.m. May 12. **Details:** NLB Corp., 29830 Beck Road, Wixom **Time/Date:** 7:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. May 15. **Details:** First United

LIBRARY LINES

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Hubble’s Hot 100

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 10 **Details:** Magnificent deep sky views from the Hubble Space Telescope’s 25-year tenure in orbit, show by Jesse Mason, Oakland Community College physics and astronomy lab tech. Take a telescope-aided tour, weather permitting. Presented by the Friends of the Library. Program will be held at the Northville Community Center, next door to the Library. Register online at www.northvillelibrary.org or phone 248-349-3020.

Tween Lantern Craft

Time/Date: 4:15-5:15 p.m. Wednesday, May 11 **Details:** Just for Tweens ages 9-12. Let your light

Northville Farmers Market returns Thursday

The Northville Chamber of Commerce welcomes the return of the Northville Farmers Market, sponsored by Tom Holzer Ford. The market is open every from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. each Thursday through Oct. 27 at the Northville Downs parking lot (corner of Seven Mile and Sheldon).

A long-standing community event, the market

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Casual lunch food service, cold drinks and shaded picnic tables are available for guests’ enjoyment.

The market also features events such as:

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Oakland County Bar Foundation to host 17th annual Signature Event

Bloomfield Hills-based Oakland County Bar Foundation, a non-profit foundation serving the citizens of Oakland County and the legal profession, will host the 17th annual Signature Event to benefit Michigan-based legal aid and education programs at 7 p.m. Friday, May 6, at Oakland Hills Country Club in Bloomfield

Township. "The Oakland County legal and professional community has shown significant dedication to the Bar Foundation over the past 16 years and that support enables us to facilitate and enhance access to justice for underserved people in our local communities," Bar Foundation president Charles M. Moore

said. "In 2015, we raised a record \$310,000 through our Signature Event. Our goal is to surpass that record and support even more worthy organizations in 2016." Proceeds from past events have benefited the important work of the Lakeshore Legal Aid, Michigan Civic Center for Education, HAVEN

and RESTORE Foundation, to name a few worthy grant recipients. Last year's event raised \$310,000 and, with the help of sponsors like Conway Mackenzie, Inc., Kenwal Steel Corp. and Stout Risuis Ross, Inc., who are all platinum sponsors for this year's event, the Bar Foundation is confident this will be another successful

fundraiser. Tickets are \$175 per person and may be purchased at www.ocba.org under the "Oakland County Bar Foundation" tab and selecting "Signature Event" or by sending payment to the Oakland County Bar Foundation, 1760 S. Telegraph Rd., Suite 100, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302. Those who are unable to

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Top voting precinct Fox Run stays atop issues thanks to political awareness committee

Meghan Streit
Correspondent

When Election Day arrives in November, one particularly active precinct in Michigan is sure to show up at the polls. Fox Run retirement community — home to about 1,200 residents and its own voting precinct — historically has the best voter turnout in the entire state.

“We are a wonderful voting block for anybody running for office to come and visit,” said resident Jerry Scheel, who heads up Fox Run’s political awareness committee.

The committee has nine members who plan events to keep their neighbors at Fox Run informed about important political issues and candidates for office.

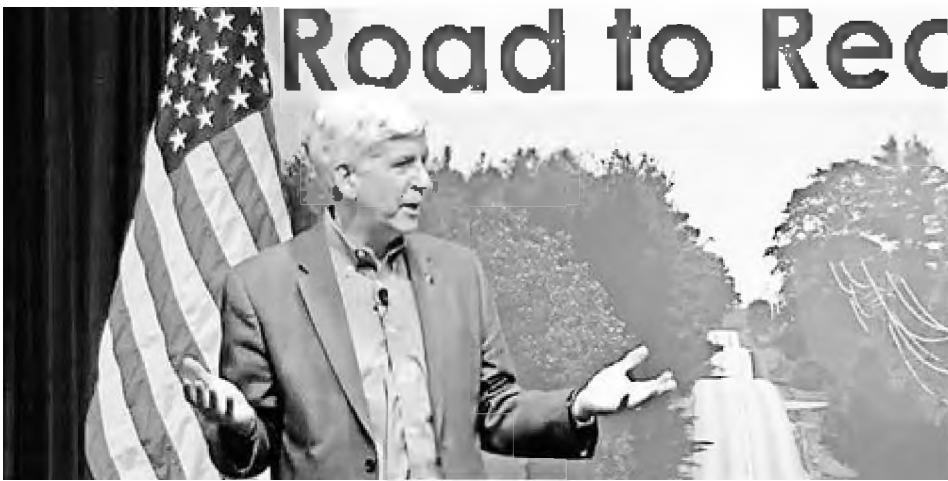
Elected officials who have visited Fox Run include Michigan Gov. Rick Snyder and U.S.

Sens. Debbie Stabenow and Carl Levin. Local candidates running in Novi’s mayoral or city council races have also made campaign stops at Fox Run.

“The events tend to be very well-represented by the people who live here. We fill up the auditorium of more than 200 seats,” Scheel said. “And the candidates and elected officials generally really love coming to Fox Run, because we are an active and engaged group of people.”

Last year, Novi Mayor Bob Gatt even came to Fox Run to give a repeat presentation of his State of the City address. Gatt had presented it two weeks earlier to government officials and Scheel said Fox Run was the only other place where the mayor delivered the speech.

The political awareness committee also helps to educate resi-



Michigan Gov. Rick Snyder has spoken at Fox Run.

dents about important ballot measures. A recent hot-button issue in Michigan was a proposed ballot measure to raise the gasoline tax. To help residents understand all of the implications of the ballot measure, the political awareness committee brought in Detroit Free Press

columnist Brian Dickerson and a representative from the League of Women Voters, who both made objective presentations on the topic.

A speaker from the League of Women Voters also spoke at Fox Run about partisan redistricting in Michigan.

“Attendance is our

best indicator of whether (residents) think it is valuable and we fill the auditorium every time,” Scheel said.

While the political awareness committee tends to focus on state and local politics, Scheel says that after the Democratic and Republican conventions take place,

the group may consider organizing some events around national issues. The presidential election will undoubtedly be a topic of lively conversation among the engaged retirees who live at Fox Run.

“As I think about neighborhoods I’ve lived in over my life, I would say this is an extremely active group of people that is interested in learning and that shows up in our Lifelong Learning program, where they have all kinds of presentations that focus on history and what is going on in the world,” Scheel said.

A local university professor frequently speaks on campus about national political issues as part of Fox Run’s Lifelong Learning program and he will likely come to talk about the 2016 election.

Schoolcraft College board approves tuition increase of 6 percent

David Veselenak
Staff Writer

Students at Schoolcraft College will see a larger-than-usual tuition increase for next school year when the bill comes.

The increase will total about 6.35 percent, taking tuition for in-district students from \$96 to \$102 a credit hour and for non-resident students from \$139 to \$148. Out-of-state and international students will see tuition increase from \$205 to \$218.

The college’s Board of Trustees voted to approve the recommended tuition increase at its meeting Wednesday in

the Jeffress Center at the Livonia campus.

Typically, tuition increases at the college in recent years haven’t been more than 4 percent. Tuition for the current school year went up 3.23 percent from the 2014-15 fiscal year.

The larger percentage increase comes partially as a result of the failed millage increase request Schoolcraft College put in front of voters last fall, college President Conway Jeffress said.

“We had to raise more money. Normally, our tuition goes up usually 3 percent or less,” he said. “To have one that’s going up 6 percent is unusual

for us. Even though the cash amount is not that (large), the percent amount is.”

That request, which would have added an additional 0.6 mills to property taxes across the taxing district, failed by more than 1,000 votes in November. The taxing district for Schoolcraft College includes the following school districts: Clarenceville, Livonia, Garden City, Plymouth-Canton and Northville.

With the tuition increase, the college anticipates collecting an additional \$1 million or so. That figure doesn’t completely make up for lost revenues over recent

years, said Glenn Cerny, a Schoolcraft College vice president and its chief financial officer.

“The problem is the shortfall we’re seeing is about \$8 million,” he said. “So this is a drop in the bucket. So that’s the reason we continue to have deferred expenditures and maintenance and not hire people.”

Even with all the major developments being constructed at the Livonia campus, such as the new Masco Corp. headquarters and the new soccer dome, funding from those projects isn’t enough to make up other lost funding from declining property values over the years.

Jeffress said those projects will only bring in a few hundred thousand dollars apiece for the

college.

Even with the increase, Jeffress said the college will remain a competitive place to attract students over other two-year colleges in southeast Michigan. The college isn’t expected to see a decrease in enrollment because of the increase.

“Even if (other schools) went up 2-3 percent, we’d be in good shape,” Jeffress said. “We’re still trying to make sure the cost to the students is as low as possible. You don’t want to gouge anybody in the process. You don’t want anybody to have an undue burden.”

“But at the same time, our expenses rise like everybody else’s. And you try to accommodate that.”

Body found in Livonia subdivision identified as Milford man

David Veselenak and Laura Colvin
Staff Writers

A missing Milford man’s body was located April 27 in a Livonia subdivision inside a vehicle parked on the street for a lengthy amount of time.

Livonia police say the man, later identified as Steven Crawford, 35, appeared to have been in the vehicle for several weeks before it was discovered. He was found in a black Chevrolet HHR on Richland, near Angeline Circle, in a subdivision located north of Ann Arbor Trail and east of Newburgh in Livonia.

Lt. Tom Goralski said police arrived on scene and were able to rule out any criminal activity leading to the man’s death.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

CONSIDERATION OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT UNDER ACT P.A. 198 OF 1974, AS AMENDED

Notice is hereby given that BoCo Enterprises, Inc. have submitted a request to the City of Novi for the establishment of an Industrial Development District under the “Plant Rehabilitation and Industrial Development Act P.A. 198 of 1974.”

The proposed project is part of Parcel ID No. 50-22-16-251-023, located at 46100 Grand River Road, described as follows: TIN, R&E, SEC 16 PART OF NE 1/4, ALSO PART OF SE 1/4 BEG AT E 1/4 COR, TH S 87-26-37 W 1339.12 FT, TH S 87-42-26 W 124.90 & TH S 74- 00-10 E 1693.39 FT to TH S 74-00-10 E 1693.39 FT, CHORD BEARS N 73-03-46 W 328.67 FT, DIST OF 328.67 FT, TH N 72-57-29 W 755.69 FT, TH N 01-46-33 W 347.10 FT, TH N 73-01-11 W 109.66 FT, TH S 88-13-27 W 83.17 FT, TH N 01-46-33 W 900.29 FT, TH S 70-44-04 E 45.95 FT, TH S 34-37-33 E 20.66 FT, TH S 74- 00-10 E 1693.39 FT, TH N 86-34-29 E 150.36 FT, TH S 74-00-10 E 901.58 FT, TH S 02-19-20 E 443.24 FT TO BEG 54.86 AC 9-11-12 FR 021 & 022 CONTAINING 4 ACRES OF LAND MORE OR LESS.

Pursuant to Section 4 (4) of said Act, a public hearing shall be held on Monday, May 23, 2016 at 7:00 pm in the Novi City Council Chambers, located at 45175 Ten Mile Road, Novi, Michigan 48375, during which any property owner within the proposed Industrial Development District, and any resident or taxpayer of the City of Novi may appear and be heard in relation to the consideration of the aforementioned Industrial Development District.

If you have any comments regarding this proposal, they may be presented in writing to the City Clerk's office or at the public hearing.

Maryanne Cornelius, MMC
City Clerk

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Missing since April 19

According to Milford police, Crawford’s family and friends hadn’t heard from him in about a month when he was reported missing April 19 by his former girlfriend, a village of Milford resident.

The woman told police Crawford had shared her home on Houghton Street for several months in 2015, but checked into a sober living house in December in Detroit, where he remained for 90 days before returning in late February.

On March 2, a report said, Crawford pleaded guilty to a charge of operating while intoxicated, second offense, but did not appear for his next scheduled court appearances March 10 and March 30.

After he was reported missing, Milford police spoke to individuals close to Crawford, including his mother, who told investigators she last heard from her son March 26, when he sent her a text message stating he “could not go back to jail.”

“We obviously hoped for a better outcome,” Milford Police Lt. Matt Brumm said. “We never want this to be the result of a missing person investigation. Our hearts go out to all his family and friends who reached out to help look for him.”

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Kelly Wadle
GUEST COLUMNIST

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Now, imagine their siblings and ripping their innocence away by sitting down to tell them that their brother or sister is going to die. Then you need to tell them "please, keep this a secret because we don't want your brother or sister to die scared." This happened, just recently, to the family of a six-year-old girl. She died days later in her mother's arms. Her mother's eyes were the last image she saw before taking her last breath. Put yourself into that mother's shoes. Put yourself in big brother or sister's shoes. Put

yourself into that child's shoes.

Imagine the sense of urgency you would feel. "This has to stop, and it has to stop now!" Now imagine you look around and you see that everyone's lives have gone back to normal. There is no sense of urgency to anyone around you. In fact, they turn the other way, because it's too difficult to bear. On with their lives they go, just like the cute kids in the cancer commercial that I watched two years ago. "Change the channel."

The cold hard truth is that less than 4 percent of government funding goes toward pediatric cancer research. Why? Because pharmaceutical companies do not see an opportunity to make money off of coming up with any new drugs. They believe that pediatric cancer is too rare. One in every 285 children will be diagnosed with cancer before they turn 20 years old. That is not rare. In fact, if those

were the odds of winning the lotto, I would have to bet that everyone would run out and buy a ticket today.

Some might say "well, tons of kids are surviving cancer, that's great. Why change that?" We need to change it because our treatments are harsh. Chemo is actually a dumb drug, not very smart at all. It is a poison that enters your body and attacks any and all rapidly dividing cells including the healthy ones. When my daughter was undergoing chemo, I had to wear latex gloves while changing her diapers. My skin could not come in to contact with her urine. Imagine knowing that very same poison was just being pumped through her veins just hours before. Most children don't die because of the cancer, but from the side effects of the very treatments they are undergoing to save their lives.

Because of treatments, by the time that

these children are 45, more than 95 percent of survivors will have a chronic health problem and 80 percent will have severe or life threatening conditions. Some long term late effects of current treatments are (but not limited to): Hearing loss, secondary cancers, reproductive/sexual development problems, growth/development/hormone problems, heart problems and digestive issues, just to name a few. Now, imagine trying to explain to your 11-year-old daughter that she will never be able to have children of her own.

Don't change the channel. Please keep listening. We have two problems. First, there's a real funding gap. Federally, pediatric cancer gets less than half of the funding that breast cancer gets. We need to fill in that gap. Second, we need to stop "changing the channel". It hurts to see a child in pain so we look the other way. We can't do this anymore.

The St. Baldrick's Foundation exists for these exact reasons. Its primary focus is volunteer driven fundraising efforts going directly to children's cancer research. Their events put more fight than fear into their attendees. Thousands of these events happen every year and one is happening this May in Plymouth. I ask you, as a mother, as a fighter, and as a fellow human being to join us today. Please go to stbaldricks.org and search for events near you and sign up. Donate, volunteer, or attend a St. Baldrick's event and you might not be able to change the channel next time.

Kelly Wadle lives in Royal Oak with her husband and three beautiful children. Her daughter Aurora was diagnosed with Wilms tumor at 15 months old. Today, Aurora is doing well and considered No Evidence of Disease. Kelly continues to fight for funding and awareness through the St. Baldrick's Foundation.

LETTERS

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our teachers, school board members and superintendent, and we are grateful for their commitment and dedication to our students and our community.

George Fomin
Northville Township

Attend solid waste meeting

At 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 11, the Washtenaw County Solid Waste Management Committee will hold their monthly meeting at Salem Township Hall. This committee will be determining if Arbor Hill Landfill is allowed to expand to the north side of Six Mile at Napier.

This landfill expansion will not only impact Salem residents but everyone in the area. Most environmental disasters did not start out that way. After decades of cleaning up the environmental messes created by such short-sightedness, big business is still putting money first and public

welfare second.

An MDEQ spokesperson has said these landfills will have to be maintained for hundreds of years after they are capped. Does anyone believe Arbor Hills will pay for the maintenance after their income stream is done? The current landfill is approximately one mile from an underground gas storage facility and the proposed expansion will be even closer. If the Methane gas generated by the landfill were to leech into this storage area, explosion and fire are a very real issue.

Arbor Hills is a Class 2 landfill that can accept

some pretty scary waste, yet they are not compelled to divulge what they are accepting. The stench caused by methane gas escaping has had residents complaining for months. As a Northville Township resident put it "if you can't handle one landfill right why should I believe you will handle this expansion correctly?" That landfill has contaminated wells in the area and the upper aquifer. All water in this state winds up in the Great Lakes. These are just a few reasons why everyone in the area should be concerned about any proposed expansion.

Washtenaw County does not need more landfill space. The current landfill will continue for 15-20 more years with gas recovery continuing another 10-15 years after that. Only 10 percent of the waste going into Arbor Hills is from Washtenaw County. A

Under a reciprocal agreement, Wayne County will accept Washtenaw's waste if needed. For more information go to www.stoparborhills.com. Again, I strongly urge residents of this entire area to come to the meeting.

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Human trafficking forum describes ‘horrible crime’

Julie Brown
Staff Writer

Carrie Wood is pastor of visitation at the First United Methodist Church of Plymouth. A few years back ago, she involved in the fight against human trafficking.

“There’s no nice way to say it,” Wood, a Livonia resident, told attendees at an April 28 forum at Madonna University. “It’s a horrible crime against God’s children. People are treated as chattel. It’s about greed, it’s about power.”

Wood founded Pearls of Great Price Coalition, based at her church, in 2014 to combat human trafficking. “Awareness, awareness, awareness,” she said at the Madonna forum, put on with Madonna’s help as well as the Michigan Intergenerational Network. “We find that people really don’t know about this. If they don’t know, they can’t fight it.”

Her co-chair is Kelley Wardzala, a Canton resident and Friendship Church of Canton wor-



Julie Brown
Carrie Wood (left) of Livonia is founder of Pearls of Great Price Coalition, based at the First United Methodist Church of Plymouth. She’s with co-chair Kelley Wardzala of Canton, a worshiper at Friendship Church of Canton.

shiper. They’ve done two large workshops at FUMC, talk to many groups and recently spoke at Plymouth Christian Academy.

“In the back yard,” Wardzala said, noting that sexual trafficking happens here and isn’t confined to the Third World or poor neighborhoods. Wood noted the recent raid and shut-down of a Livonia mas-

sage parlor.

Wood said some 85 percent of Americans know nothing about human trafficking. Wardzala said, “In the law enforcement, how they treat the victims,” there’s a need to improve.

She also favors better training in the medical area, so emergency room and clinic staffers can ask the right ques-

tions. Wardzala noted trafficking involves force, fraud or coercion, as well as abuse of anyone under age 18.

Maj. Mary Ann Wood of the Salvation Army, based in Ann Arbor, said, “We are committed to meeting human need without discrimination.” The Salvation Army’s early start in London, England, in the 1800s focused on protection of women and children from labor and sexual exploitation, she said.

The Salvation Army’s undercover work led to awareness and support to in 1885 raise the age of consent in England from 13 to 16, the major noted. “The Salvation Army’s been an advocate for those trapped in human trafficking for a very long time,” she said, urging those present “to end this horrific act against humanity.”

‘Modern-day abolitionists’

Carrie Wood said, “We are modern-day abolitionists because this is a problem of slavery.” The undercover nature of the

crime makes statistics difficult to find, but an estimated 100,000 children in the U.S. are sexually trafficked each year, she said.

Wood briefly cited labor trafficking, which can range from nanny work to farm work to day laboring. “It’s a huge problem,” she said, noting those workers are given little rest or food and receive little to no pay.

She told of sexual trafficking in which girls are “sold” repeatedly as virgins with their genitals sewn up and raped by up to 20 men a night. “They keep them drugged and beaten and threatened,” Wood said, including threats to kill family members or post photos on social media.

“Their sense of self-worth is beaten out of them” and they lose their childhood, she said.

Some 20-40 percent of victims are boys. “The boys really don’t tell, they are so shamed by this,” Wood said, noting only one North Carolina facility exists to help boys in the U.S. and can

accommodate four.

‘Bigger support system’ needed

The attendees brought items for Clair’s House, a 27-bed shelter on the east side of Detroit slated to open in the fall. Tanya Ruiter of Superior Township mentors young victims through Vista Maria, including runaways, and also works with the Pearls coalition.

“There needs to be a bigger support system from the community,” Ruiter said before the workshop. Victims need life skills like balancing a checkbook; some relocate to an unfamiliar area and have trouble reading a bus schedule.

FUMC’s associate pastor Nick Berlanga noted pornography is the “advertising arm of sex slavery” and that younger women now view pornography more than was true in the past. A survivor of sexual trafficking also spoke to the Madonna audience.

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10-year-old genius picks rise of Trump, fall of Google, among others

Jay Grossman
Staff Writer

With an IQ level reaching the heights of genius, it’s not surprising that 10-year-old Lawson Fraser has plenty of opinions to share.

He’s convinced the growing national debt will sink the U.S. economy.

He expects Google stock to tumble.

He’s picking Donald Trump for president over Hillary Clinton.

“Even though I dislike him, I see Trump winning,” Fraser said of the November election. “Hillary Clinton has too much baggage and I really doubt Sanders sup-

porters will go with her ... they’ll go with Trump because they’re very angry with America.”

Fraser is a fifth-grader at Cranbrook Schools. While he’s planning to spend part of his summer at a computer programming camp, he also wants to attend the Republican National Convention in Ohio. His career goal is to become a U.S. senator.

If that doesn’t work out, he wants to be a stock broker. He already manages his own port-



Lawson Fraser

folio.

“When he was born, he was immediately an old soul,” said his mother, Danielle Fraser. “He always liked hanging out with older people ... he’s just a very kind and generous person.”

Danielle Fraser said her son took an IQ test in first grade and scored 162, which places him in the company of Albert Einstein and Stephen Hawking. The general IQ score of 95 percent of the population ranges between 70 and 130.

While she’s hesitant to talk about her son’s IQ score because she doesn’t want him to feel pressured by it, she admits it’s difficult keeping

him occupied.

“We have to continually try to keep him engaged,” she said.

‘The next Apple’

About those predictions ...

Fraser said he thinks Google stock will take a dive because of the company’s pricey preoccupation with Google glasses and autonomous cars.

“Everyone loves the idea of a driverless car — I promise you this is not going to take off,” he said, matter-of-factly.

“My generation will be driving in six years and I know for a fact that none of us will want a machine

driving us ... personally, I think a flying car will do better than a driverless car.”

He started following politics in first grade and said, for the most part, he’s a Republican at heart. He was hoping this year’s presidential race would come down to Marco Rubio and Bernie Sanders.

Now, he thinks Trump will win it all. He also thinks Trump will pick Ben Carson as his running mate.

As for the stock market, he meets with his broker every few months to go over his portfolio. He’s bullish on a compa-

ny called Synthetic Genomics and predicts it will become “the next Apple.”

His favorite classes are science and math and he’s working with a few of his buddies on developing a new video game.

He loves going to Cranbrook and admits he could do a little better in social studies.

“I’m bad with geography,” he said, smiling. “If you asked me where the Mississippi River runs, I’d probably tell you it runs in Mississippi. That’s all I know.”

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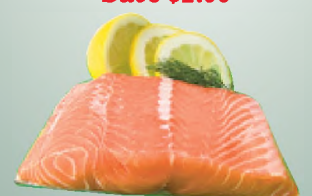
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BOYS GOLF

Mustangs, Novi go 2-3 in Kensington tourney

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Junior Jack Boczar's sizzling round of 66 carried Plymouth to the KLAA Kensington Conference pre-tourney title April 27 at Livonia's Idyl Wyld Golf Course.

The Wildcats shot a four-player total of 296, seven strokes ahead of runner-up Northville (303), while Novi wound up third with 320 in the 12-school field.

"We were pleased with our effort," Northville first-year coach Chris Cronin said.

"There are still some things to work on, but the boys are starting to score more consistently."

Boczar, the individual medalist, was followed by teammates Kyle Kozler (73), Joe Fontana (76) and James Baldwin (81).

Northville, meanwhile, got sterling performances from Jimmy Dales and Abhinav Alluri, who took second and

third with 71 and 72, respectively.

"Jimmy and Abhinav Alluri had rather pedestrian starts on the day, but they really sharpened their game on the final nine holes," Cronin said. "Jimmy was starting to feel it down the stretch and, when he gets rolling, look out. Abhinav was a marksman with his irons, collecting an eagle on the par-5 No. 17."

The Mustangs' other two scorers were Saahith Mummadi, who tied for 12th with 79, and Joey Auty, who tied for 17th with 81.

"Saahith Mummadi and Joey Auty played steady rounds," Cronin said. "Auty, a senior, has shown tremendous poise in his first season in the varsity rotation. Joey does a great job of keeping his composure, even when things start to go sideways. Saahith's game has really come on the last two weeks. He works as hard as anyone on his game and is

starting to really score for us."

Novi's top finisher was Michael Ulle, who took sixth with 75. Right behind was Ryan Welch, who tied for seventh with 76.

"Mike wasn't playing his best, but found a way to score well," first-year Novi coach Jason Delo said. "That's a tribute to his hard work and his experience of playing competitive golf. Ryan played very

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GIRLS LACROSSE ROUNDUP



JANET DIETRICH

Northville's Emma Dietrich (left) tries to find some wiggle room against the South Lyon defense.

Northville defeats SLU in first-place battle, 9-8

Novi's Salemi scores 200th career goal in loss to South Lyon

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

The stakes were high Monday night with first place on the line between KLAA Kensington Conference girls lacrosse leaders Northville and host South Lyon Unified.

And it was the Mustangs, despite going scoreless over the final 17 minutes, able to hold on for a 9-8 victory over SLU in a match played at South Lyon H.S.

"We knew this game was going to be a battle because South Lyon is a great team," said Northville coach Amanda Asher, whose team improved to 9-2 overall and 4-0 in the conference. "We had a very similar game with them last year and our girls knew it was going to take

everything to beat them."

Ally Blough scored three goals to lead Northville, while Emma Dietrich added two.

Other offensive contributions came from Charlotte Beaudoin and Sarah Chase with one goal and one assist each, while Kendall Wasik and Jessica Tardich

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PREP VOLLEYBALL

Fisette takes over Northville program

Former Novi coach returns to Mustangs

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Northville High athletic director Bryan Masi found his new volleyball coach just down the hallway from his office.

Former Novi head coach Julie Fisette, who has been teaching at Northville since 2008, will be assuming the lead role from Rebecca Quinn, who guided the Mustangs to a 37-12-2 record in her only season as coach.



Fisette

Quinn served in 2015 on an interim basis for Amanda Yaklin, who spent the previous six years (2009-14) as the Northville head coach, compiling an impressive record of 215-89-33, highlighted by a pair of Class A semifinal appearances in 2012 and 2013.

Yaklin, who stepped aside last fall to serve as Quinn's assistant to concentrate on her Force Volleyball Club duties, was scheduled to return in 2016, but resigned recently to take the Oakland Community College women's volleyball job, according to Masi.

Masi said Quinn, currently in her first season as the Mustangs varsity softball coach, decided not to return as Northville volleyball coach and will serve as Yaklin's recruiting coordinator at OCC.

Fisette teaches applied industrial arts at Northville and quickly emerged as the top candidate.

"I had always been interested in having her coach with us, so the opportunity came about and it's nice to have her," Masi said. "Julie is a well-respected coach in the volleyball community and her resume speaks for itself. More importantly, she has a great understanding of educational athletics and the importance of developing her student-athletes to be successful. We believe her knowledge, organization and enthusiasm will help our program to continue to achieve at a very high level."

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PREP BASEBALL ROUNDUP

Shamrocks take two out of three vs. St. Mary's

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Novi Detroit Catholic Central was able to take two out of three games Saturday against visiting Orchard Lake St. Mary's in Catholic League baseball action.

In a game suspended from April 13 tied at 7-7 in the eighth inning, CC pulled out a 3-2 win in 12 innings as senior right-hander Grant Hartwig, who earned the victory, allowed just one hit over the final five innings while striking out six.

Matt Stinebiser's RBI single in the top of the 12th proved to be the game-winner in the Central Division encounter.

In the regularly scheduled first game, the Eaglets got a two-hit masterpiece from Carter Macias in a 7-2 victory. Macias allowed just one earned run and struck out 10.

CC then bounced back to win the finale, 4-3, behind Dante Toppi's complete-game four-hitter. The senior struck out 10 and also knocked in two runs.

Jaret Robson paced the CC offense, going 3-for-3, while Cody Kancelerz added a two-run double. Anthony Esser also had two RBIs as the Shamrocks improved to 10-9 overall and 5-7 in the Central.

FRANKLIN ROAD 14-10, SOUTHFIELD CHRISTIAN 2-3: Gavin Harris had four hits Friday as Novi Franklin Road Christian (9-1) took both ends of a doubleheader from Southfield Christian.

Harris went 2-for-3 with an RBI for the Warriors in the opener and went 2-for-3 with three runs scored and two stolen bases in the nightcap.

Paul Alex also went 3-for-4 with three doubles and five RBIs to lend support offensively in Game 1.

Pitcher Nick Suচেzky was the winning pitcher, scattering five hits and striking out four over five innings.

Evan Lorey went all seven innings in the nightcap to earn the victory, scattering five hits while striking out nine.

Zeke Stockman had two hits and three RBIs.

SALINE 12-2, DETROIT CC 1-3: Novi Detroit Catholic Central (8-8) bounced back from a Game 1 defeat to earn a split of its non-league doubleheader Friday against the visiting Hornets.

Winning pitcher Ted Eppinga allowed just one hit over four innings for Saline in the opener.

Zach Schwartzberger, Jake Finkbeiner, Mike Schuby and Rich Hovde paced Saline's attack with two hits apiece.

The Shamrocks got a bases-loaded single in the bottom of the seventh from Matt Stinebiser to win the nightcap.

CC's Johnny Lobbia pitched six innings to earn the victory as he allowed one earned run on four hits and two walks while fanning four.

FRANKLIN ROAD 3-6, LUTHERAN NORTH-



SCOTT CONFER

CC's Johnny Labbia, a call-up from the JV squad, got the win with six strong innings Friday to beat Saline in the second game of a twinbill.

WEST 1-0: Novi Franklin Road Christian (7-1, 4-1) swept its two-game series in the Red Division of the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference over Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest.

On April 27, Shaun Moore pitched a complete-game three-hitter for the Warriors. Moore went all seven innings, striking out eight and walking two. Evan Lorey (2-for-3, double, RBI) and Paul Alex (two RBIs) provided the offense for the Warriors.

On April 26, Gavin Harris was the winning pitcher, going all seven innings for the shutout. Harris

allowed just three hits, walked three and struck out seven.

Alex went 2-for-2 with a double and two RBIs, while Moore went 2-for-3 with a double and two RBIs.

DIVINE CHILD 4-0, DETROIT CC 1-6: Grant Hartwig threw a complete-game shutout April 27 as host Novi Detroit Catholic Central (7-7, 3-6) took the nightcap and earned a split of its Catholic League doubleheader against Dearborn Divine Child (8-6, 5-5).

The senior right-hander allowed just two hits and a walk over seven innings, while striking out eight. He also had two hits and two RBIs, while Dante Toppi also added two hits.

In the opener, Divine Child's Danny Bullard went six innings, allowing no runs on five hits.

Losing pitcher Sean Garcia went the distance for CC, allowing four runs (only one earned) on three hits while striking out six.

PREP SOFTBALL ROUNDUP

South Lyon East sweeps Mustangs in twinbill

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Back-to-back complete games by pitchers Sydney Kist and Bailee Taylor enabled South Lyon East to sweep a KLAA Central Division softball doubleheader April 27 against visiting Northville.

In the opener, Kist scattered 10 hits over seven innings and struck out two as the Cougars earned a 7-4 win.

Taylor then came on to throw a seven-hitter in the nightcap, a 4-2 victory, as she allowed no earned runs without a walk over seven innings.

"This is the hardest I have seen Bailee throw," said East coach Paul Nieto, whose team improved to 10-2 overall and 7-2 in the KLAA Central.

"Northville rarely got around on her and, when they did, our infield made every play."

In Game 2, Taylor paced the East offense, going 3-for-4, including an inside-the-park homer. Julia Vollmer added a two-run homer, while Morgan Bowen had two hits, including a homer.

"Taylor and Bowen are a awesome one-two punch," Nieto said. "Our batters behind them - (Carly) Petri, Dolan, (Morgan) Nieto, (Hannah) Warthman and Vollmer - have been doing a great job with contact hitting, moving runners and scoring runs."

Northville starter Hannah Laurin took the loss. She lasted 2½ innings, allowing all four runs. Reliever Sarah Hige pitched 3½ scoreless innings, giving up just three hits.

The Mustangs (5-9, 2-7) scored twice in the fourth on an RBI sacrifice fly by Abby Tolsytka and an RBI single by Megan Hotchkin.

In Game 1, Vollmer and Petri both had two hits, while freshman Emma Loveland contributed a bases-loaded double in the sixth inning to pace East. Dolan, Bowen, Taylor, Warthman and Nieto each contributed an RBI single.

"We scored a run and/or put runners in scoring position every inning," Nieto said. "Our offense has been explosive recently. Our one and two hitters, Taylor and Bowen, have been outstanding. Taylor and Bowen have provided both home run power and key doubles when we need them."

Sara Moos had three hits, including a pair of doubles, with an RBI for the Mustangs.

"Our infield played an outstanding game," Nieto said. "Northville is a good hitting team. They put the ball in play every inning; our infield made every play."

Northville starter Allison Zwarka, who took the loss, gave up three runs before giving way to Laurin.

NOVI 12, CHURCHILL 5: Winning pitcher Madison Buddie and Hope Kapelanski both had three hits Monday as the host Wildcats (14-7, 6-5 KLAA Central) downed Livonia Churchill (4-7 KLAA South) in a Kensington Conference crossover.

Nicole Ireland, Megan Mendendorp, Jaimie Gustitus and Allison Purtell added two hits apiece for Novi.

NOVI 13, W.L. WESTERN 3: Ashley Yarberry doubled three times in three at-bats and added two RBIs April 28 as the Wildcats (13-5) cruised past Walled Lake Western.

Chandler Dennis, Jaime Gustitus, Madison Buddie and Nicole Ireland added two hits apiece, while pitcher Madison Buddie chalked up her ninth of the season, scattering six hits on no walks and four strikeouts.

NOVI 5-4, STEVENSON 1-13: The Wildcats (12-7, 5-5) won the opener, but lost the nightcap April 27 in a KLAA Central Division doubleheader against Livonia Stevenson (6-5 division).

Madison Buddie threw a four-hitter and struck out six for Novi in the first game.

Maddy Brandenstein, Hope Kapelanski and Sophie Rallis each had two hits for the Wildcats.

In Game 2, Ashley Yarberry had three hits and Allison Purtell added two, but it wasn't enough.

Northville baseball Armed Forces 5K

The Northville High baseball program will stage a 5-kilometer run/walk as part of its Armed Forces Day beginning at 8 a.m. Saturday, May 21, with the start and finish at the Mustangs baseball field.

The cost is \$20 for military personnel and \$35 for all other participants (includes T-shirt and medal). Age group awards will be given.

As part of Armed Forces Day, a Chinook helicopter will be landing in the high school parking lot at 7:30 a.m.

Donations will be accepted to support troops overseas. All proceeds will go to the Freedom Center to ship donated goods to soldiers and their families.

Northville will also be playing a varsity baseball doubleheader beginning at 11 a.m. against White Lake Lakeland and West Bloomfield.

To register, go to www.northvillemustangbaseball.com or <https://register.chronotrack.com/r/19735>. For more information, call Bill Flohr at 248-761-9694.

Girls hoop camp

Registration is open for the Novi Lady Wildcat basketball camp (grades 2-9), which will be from 9 a.m. until noon Monday through Friday, June 20-24, at the Novi High Performance Gym and Fieldhouse.

The camp fee is \$120. All participants will receive a T-shirt and outdoor basketball. Awards and trophies will be given for team competitions, which will be separated by grades.

For more information, contact camp director and Novi varsity girls basketball Bill Kelp at bkelp@novi.schools.net.

Registration is available at the Novi Community School District website.

PREP BASEBALL WRAP

Mustangs pull off DH sweep vs. Lake Orion

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Northville got the pitching and run support Saturday in a doubleheader baseball sweep of host Lake Orion.

The Mustangs, who improved to 13-2 overall, captured the first game, 10-3, as Nate Wixon went 3-for-4 to lead a 10-hit attack.

Zac Osaer contributed a two-run single, while Jack Sargent added two hits and an RBI. Kevin Morrissey also had two hits and Aram Shahrigian knocked in two runs as the Mustangs scored four times in the third inning and six in the fifth.

Winning pitcher David Dillon went the first 4½ innings, allowing three runs on six hits and two walks. He struck out three before giving way to reliever Jon Michalak, who held the Dragons scoreless on two hits over the final 2½ innings.

In the nightcap, Northville led 1-0 after three innings before exploding for four runs in the top of the fourth and five in the fifth to invoke the mercy rule, 10-0.

Chris Dunn collected two hits and two RBIs, while Luke Skillman and Morrissey both chipped in two hits and an RBI. Shane Rankin had an RBI double, while Zach Prystash and Sargent both knocked in a run.

Winning pitcher Nate Wixon allowed just one hit over five innings to go along with five strikeouts.

"Great day all the way around," Northville coach John Kostrzewa said. "Pitching and defense were great and we swung the bats real well. We had contributions up and down the order and that was great to see."

"David Dillon, Jon Michalak and Nate Wixon all threw the ball extremely well, pounding the strike zone all day long."

CHURCHILL 2, NOVI 1: Senior Jon Hovermale threw a four-hitter Monday as Livonia Churchill (10-9, 4-7 KLAA South) downed the Wildcats (11-10, 6-5 KLAA Central) in a Kensington Conference crossover.

Hovermale went all seven innings, allowing one earned run on five walks with a strikeout.

Evan Cummings had an RBI double in the second inning and the Chargers scored the game-winning run in the top of the sixth, when Matt Smith, who went 3-for-3, walked with the bases loaded. Noah Cross also added two hits.

Losing pitcher Alec Bageris, a junior, gave up two runs on seven hits over six innings. He struck out three and walked four before giving way to reliever Scott Beaton, who pitched a scoreless seventh.

Novi's lone run came in the top of the second, when Bageris doubled home Spencer Vankirk.

NORTHVILLE 3-13, S.L. EAST 1-1: The Mustangs (11-2, 8-2) maintained their two-game lead in the KLAA Central Division race April 27 by sweeping a twinbill against South Lyon East (2-11, 1-8-1).

Northville took the opener in eight innings as senior left-hander Zach Prystash went the first six innings to earn the victory. He struck out nine, walked three and allowed four hits before Jon Michalak closed it out in the seventh.

Jack Sargent had two hits and an RBI, while Andrew Blazo contributed the game-winning two-run double in the top of the eighth.

Kyle Fletcher gave up six hits, walked one and struck out three in going all eight innings in taking the loss. Roy Swartzinski added two hits, including an RBI double in the bottom of the seventh, to send the game into extra innings.

Northville won the nightcap in six innings as Aram Shahrigian went 3-for-3 with two RBIs and two runs scored. Others with an RBI included Chris Dunn, Billy Flohr, Shane Rankin (double), Willie Yanagi, Kevin Morrissey, Mike Llonas and Blazo.

Starter Max Denny took the loss for the Cougars, who committed a total of nine errors in the two games.

NOVI 3-6, STEVENSON 2-3: The host Wildcats (11-9, 6-4) took both ends of a KLAA Central Division twinbill April 27 against Livonia Stevenson (6-9, 3-6).

In the opener, winning pitcher Jac Colliau went all seven innings, scattering seven hits and a walk.

Alec Bageris had a two-run single in the first and Jack Reilly added a bases-loaded walk in the third to account for all three runs as the Wildcats had only three hits off Stevenson starter Dan Boss, who allowed two earned runs with four walks and five strikeouts.

Chris Tanderys went 3-for-3 with a walk in a losing cause.

In the nightcap, Cam Czapski pitched 4½ scoreless innings in relief of starter Jack Reilly. Czapski allowed just two hits and a walk to earn the victory, while Stevenson starter George Ferguson took the loss.

Joey Carn went 2-for-2 with an RBI and run scored, while Spencer Vankirk added a two-run single for the Wildcats, who scored three times in the first inning and three more in the third. Connor Hood also added two hits.

Tanderys went 3-for-4 with an RBI to lead Stevenson. Danny Morris added two hits and an RBI, while Gordon Ferguson had two hits.

Novi was coming off a 13-3 setback April 25 to host Livonia Franklin (14-2, 8-0 KLAA South) in a Kensington Conference crossover after dividing a doubleheader April 23 at home with Howell, losing the first game 10-9 before winning the nightcap, 2-1.

PREP BASEBALL
Friday, May 6
Franklin Rd. at W.L. Central, 4:30 p.m.
Saturday, May 7
(all doubleheaders)
Novi at Clawson Inv., 10 a.m.
S.H. Stevenson at Northville, 11 a.m.
U-D Jesuit at Detroit CC, 11 a.m.
Monday, May 9
John Glenn at Northville, 4 p.m.
Wayne at Novi, 4 p.m.
DeLaSalle at Detroit CC, 4 p.m.
Franklin Rd. at Riv. Richard, 5 p.m.
Wednesday, May 11
(all doubleheaders)
Northville at Stevenson, 4 p.m.
South Lyon at Novi, 4 p.m.
Saturday, May 12
Novi Tournament, 9 a.m.
(all doubleheaders)
Allen Park at Northville, 10 a.m.
Detroit CC at Divine Child, 11 a.m.
Franklin Rd. at O.L. Lakes, noon.
PREP SOFTBALL
Thursday, May 5
Franklin Rd. at Luth. W'sld, 4:30 p.m.
Friday, May 5
Franklin Rd. at Oak Christian, 4:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 7
Novi Tournament, 10 a.m.
Northville at Churchill Inv., TBA.
Monday, May 9
John Glenn at Northville, 4 p.m.
Wayne at Novi, 4 p.m.
Tuesday, May 10
Greenhills at Saline Inv., 4:30 p.m.
Wednesday, May 11
(all doubleheaders)
Northville at Stevenson, 4 p.m.
South Lyon at Novi, 4 p.m.
Thursday, May 12
Franklin Rd. at Macomb, 4:30 p.m.
Saturday, May 14
Northville at Mich. Challenge, TBA.
Sunday, May 15
Strong Tower at Franklin Rd. (2), 11 a.m.
Northville at Mich. Challenge, TBA.
GIRLS SOCCER
Thursday, May 5
Northville at South Lyon, 7 p.m.
Salem at Novi (Meadows), 7 p.m.
Friday, May 6
Northville at Dearborn, 7 p.m.
Tuesday, May 10
S.L. East at Novi (Meadows), 7 p.m.
Novi at Stevenson, 7 p.m.

Thursday, May 12
Stevenson at N'ville (Holzer), 7 p.m.
Novi at South Lyon, 7 p.m.
Saturday, May 14
Saline at Novi, 1 p.m.
BOYS & GIRLS TRACK
Friday, May 6
Northville at Saline Inv., TBA.
Saturday, May 7
Novi at South Lyon Inv., 8 a.m.
Detroit CC at Observerland Relays at Farmington H.S., 3 p.m.
Monday, May 9
Detroit CC at Brother Rice, 4:15 p.m.
Tuesday, May 10
Northville at Novi, 4 p.m.
Franklin Rd. at Greenhills, 4:30 p.m.
Friday, May 13
Kensington Conf. Meet at Novi, 1 p.m.
Detroit CC at Davison Inv., 3 p.m.
Saturday, May 14
Franklin Rd. at Warrior Inv. at Lutheran Westland, 9 a.m.
BOYS LACROSSE
Thursday, May 5
Flint Powers at Novi, 6:30 p.m.
Friday, May 6
Novi at Canton, 8 p.m.
Monday, May 9

Canton at Northville (Holzer), 7 p.m.
W.L. Western at Novi, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, May 11
Novi at Northville (Holzer), 7 p.m.
Saturday, May 14
Novi at Lake Orion, 11 a.m.
Northville at Troy Athens, 2 p.m.
GIRLS LACROSSE
Friday, May 6
West Bloomfield at Novi, 7 p.m.
Saturday, May 7
Northville at Ladywood Inv., TBA.
Monday, May 9
Northville at Canton, 7 p.m.
Novi at W.L. Western, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, May 11
Novi at Northville (Holzer), 5:30 p.m.
Friday, May 13
A.A. Skyline at Novi, 6:30 p.m.
W. Bloomfield at N'ville (Holzer), 7 p.m.
GIRLS TENNIS
Thursday, May 5
Northville at KLAA West, 4 p.m.
Novi at KLAA West, 4 p.m.
Saturday, May 7
Northville at Holly Inv., 8 a.m.
Novi at A.A. Huron Quad, 8 a.m.
Tuesday, May 10
Northville at KLAA South, 4 p.m.

Novi at KLAA South, 4 p.m.
Wednesday, May 11
Northville at Bloomfield Hills, 4 p.m.
Grosse Pte. South at Novi, 4 p.m.
Saturday, May 14
KLAA Tourney at Plymouth, 8 a.m.
BOYS GOLF
Thursday, May 5
Northville vs. Salem at Fox Hills G.C., 3 p.m.
Novi vs. S. Lyon East at Walnut Creek C.C., 3 p.m.
CC vs. Divine Child, Luth. North at Cattails G.C., 3:30 p.m.
Friday, May 6
Detroit CC vs. Rice, U-D at Detroit G.C., 3:30 p.m.
Monday, May 9
Detroit CC at Milliken Inv. at Wyndgate C.C., noon.
Detroit CC at Brighton Classic at Oak Pointe C.C., noon.
Tuesday, May 10
Northville vs. Churchill, Franklin at Northville Hills G.C., 3 p.m.
Thursday, May 12
Northville vs. Glenn, Wayne at Northville Hills G.C., 3 p.m.
TBA - time to be announced.

THE WEEK AHEAD

BOYS LACROSSE ROUNDUP

Wildcats back to .500 following fifth straight victory

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Ian Patterson scored a hat trick Monday night as host Novi returned to the .500 mark with a 12-7 Kensington Conference triumph over Salem.

The Wildcats, who started the season 0-5, evened their overall record at 5-5, while improving to 2-0 in the conference.

Other top producers for Novi included Griffin Sparling (two goals, two assists); Mike Leone (two goals, one assist); Scott Latham (two goals); and Nate Tu (one goal).

Novi goalie Kendrick Scher-

er made five saves.

Martin Lucas scored four goals for the Rocks (4-6, 0-4).

NOVI 13, HOWELL 11: Ian Patterson scored six goals Friday as the host Wildcats (4-5) made it four straight victories with a win over the visiting Highlanders (2-8).

Anthony Zugaro chipped in four goals for Novi. Other contributions for Novi came from Griffin Sparling (two goals, one assist); Matt Kigar (one goal, two assists); and Scott Latham (one assist).

"It was Ian Patterson's night," first-year Novi coach Chris Johnson said. "Howell's defense shut off Ian every chance they had and he took advantage of every opportunity that arose. Anthony Zugaro was also a major contributor at attack."

Novi goalie Peter Miner made five saves. "I felt like we dominated possessions with Chase Sparling controlling face-offs and our long poles – Quinn Hanley, Neil Haakenson, Niko Camilletti and Dillon Bomzer – owning ground balls to support Chase," Johnson said.

NOVI 12, SOUTH LYON 11: In a Kensington Conference match April 27, Griffin Sparling scored five goals as the Wildcats (3-5, 1-2) pulled out the victory

against South Lyon Unified (4-5, 1-2).

Novi also got offensive output from Anthony Zugaro (three goals, one assist); Scott Latham (one goal, three assists); Nate Tu (two goals); Ian Patterson (one goal); Matt Kigar, Brendan Daschke and Chase Sparling (one assist each).

Goalie Peter Miner made five saves. "This was a great game for both teams and it could have gone either way," Novi coach Chris Johnson said. "To South Lyon's credit, they fought until the very end. I have a lot of respect for their coaching staff."

"I'm really proud of Griffin Sparling. He has been dominating on offense in the last few games and he netted the winner with four seconds left to do it again for us. Scott Latham was a major contributor at midfield on both sides of the ball."

Silvio Scappaticci paced SLU with four goals and one assist, while Colin DeWitt added a goal and two assists.

Carlo Zoratti and Joe Mielke chipped in one goal and one assist each, while other SLU goal scorers were Sean Millane, Danny Kreitzer, Drew Hantz and Nick Hanvath. Mitch Tashman also drew an assist.

"We fought hard playing from behind and just came up short," said SLU coach Nick Diegel, whose team trailed 4-2 at halftime and 8-5 after three quarters. "We need to keep our focus on eliminating turnovers and penalties. We'll stay positive and keep grinding."



TRACY TASHMAN

South Lyon's Colin DeWitt (left) takes the ball upfield against Novi's Griffin Sparling.

BOYS LACROSSE ROUNDUP



SCOTT CONFER

Catholic Central's Ethan Pattinson (left) keeps control with one arm against St. Michael's.

CC makes it eight in row; Mustangs nip SLU

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Novi Detroit Catholic Central chalked up two more boys lacrosse victories over the weekend, the latest at home against Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook, 16-10.

Cole Gingell scored five goals and added five assists as the Shamrocks won their eighth straight to improve to 11-2 overall, while the Cranes fell to 1-11.

On Friday, Collin Burgin had three goals as CC downed Toronto St. Michael's College, 16-7.

The loss dropped the Gaels to 15-4 overall.

"We haven't given up 100 goals yet heading into May through 13 games," CC coach Dave Wilson said. "Offensively, we are averaging 13.5. A good start, considering we have the sixth most difficult schedule in the state and are seventh in the Midwest out of 601 teams, according to laxpower.com."

NORTHVILLE 9, SOUTH LYON 8: Zach Tardich scored three goals, including the game-winner with 2:54 left in overtime, to give the host Mustangs (7-5, 3-1) the Kensington Conference victory over South Lyon Unified (4-7, 1-3) at Tom Holzer Field.

Josh Bentley's goal from Ty Kilar with 1:33 remaining in regulation sent the game into OT at 8-8.

Harry Dyson and Bentley both scored twice for Northville, which led 6-2 at halftime and 7-5 after three quarters. Nate Holloway added a goal, while Connor Sweeney and Jacob Accardo also drew assists.

"It was a great team effort," Northville coach Greg Durham said. "Our goalie Jeff Varner (nine saves) played well and Kyle Condino was awesome on defense. I thought their goalie, Joel Trent (17 saves), stood on his head."

Silvio Scappaticci scored a hat trick for SLU, while Carlo Zoratti



STEPHANIE JANCZAK

Northville's Kyle Condino (middle) tries to take the ball away from a South Lyon player.

added a goal and assist. Other SLU goals came from Sean Millane, Colin DeWitt, Drew Nellier and Joel Mielke.

"I'm so proud of the young men in tonight OT loss," first-year SLU coach Nick Diegel said. "We took our game to the next level and had outstanding play for our face-off and goalie. The guys really stepped up their game with aggressive and high energy the second half. I'm very proud of everyone on the entire team and the future is getting brighter for South Lyon lacrosse."

NOTRE DAME PREP 8, NORTHVILLE 2: Ryan Genord scored a hat trick and chipped in three assists Saturday, leading Pontiac Notre Dame Prep (11-1) to the non-league victory over the Mustangs (6-5).

Northville couldn't overcome a 6-1 halftime deficit as Harry Dyson and Brennan Sweeney were the Mustangs' lone goal-scorers. Sweeney left the match later with what is suspected to be a broken foot.

Northville's Spencer Gonda was 9-of-15 on face-offs, while goalie Jeff Varner made eight saves.

"Notre Dame Prep controlled possession 90 percent of the game and I thought we did a good job on defense as a whole unit," Northville coach Greg Durham said.

NORTHVILLE 15, W.L. WESTERN 4: The Mustangs (6-4, 2-1) used a balanced scoring attack April 27 to earn a KLAA Kensington Conference triumph at Walled Lake Western.

Northville was led by Connor Sweeney's three goals and three assists.

Ty Kilar chipped in three goals and two assists, while Brendan Hicks scored three times.

Other offensive contributors for the Mustangs, who led 11-2 at halftime, included Brennan Sweeney (one goal, three assists); Zach Tardich (two goals, one assist); Harry Dyson two goals); and Jacob Murphy (one goal).

Spencer Gonda dominated in the face-off circle, winning 15-of-19 draws, while Dyson led with four ground balls.

Goalies Jeff Varner and Vaughn Browder each played a half and combined for five saves.

Matt Alati had two goals and one assist for the Warriors (2-5, 0-2).

DETROIT CC 11, DeLaSALLE 3: After a successful weekend trip to the Windy City, Novi Detroit Catholic Central (9-2, 3-0) got three goals and three assists from Rocco Mularoni to blow past visiting Warren DeLaSalle (1-7, 0-3) in a Catholic League Central Division encounter April 26.

On April 23, Nick Capatina scored five goals as CC upended Wilmette (Ill.) Loyola Academy, 13-8, after downing three-time defending Illinois state champion New Trier on April 22, 12-9, behind Collin Burgin's three goals.

GIRLS SOCCER ROUNDUP

Wildcats turn back Cougars with 5-1 win

Northville falls to Saline in non-league match, 1-0

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

KLAA Central Division girls soccer leader Novi scored 19 seconds into the match and never looked back en route to a 5-1 win over visiting South Lyon East at Meadows Stadium.

Senior Chloe Allen took a pass from sophomore Emmie Takada and beat East goalkeeper to the near post to make it 1-0.

The Wildcats, who improved to 5-0-3 overall and 4-0-1 in the division, scored again 13 minutes later, when senior Jessie Halmaghi scored her first goal of the season from freshman Julia Stadtherr.

Novi added one more goal in the first half, when senior defender Katrina Koomen took a great pass from freshman Jessie Bandyk and hit a perfect ball into the upper-right corner of the goal to make it 3-0.

But early in the second half, East cut the deficit to 3-1 on Lauren Kuznicki's goal from just outside the 18-yard box over the outstretched hands of Novi goalkeeper Aastha Dharia.

Novi added two more goals before the end of the game, as Halmaghi and Allen both scored their second goal of the game.

The loss dropped the Cougars to 2-4-6 overall and 0-2-3 in the KLAA Central.

SALINE 1, NORTHVILLE 0: Emma Wright's header off a direct kick with only 3:46 remaining gave the Hornets (6-3-1) a non-conference victory over the host Mustangs (5-5-2) at Tom Holzer Field.

Northville goalie Carlie Castiglione made nine saves.

The Mustangs' Maddy Westenberg rang a shot off the post with 16 minutes left in the first half, while Megan Williams missed just wide of the post during the first half and was thwarted on a second-half breakaway.

NORTHVILLE 3, SALEM 2: Megan Williams notched the game-winning goal from Kendall Dillon with only 3:16 remaining April 28 to give the Mustangs (5-4-2, 3-1-1) the KLAA Central Division triumph over the host Rocks (2-3-3, 1-2-2).

Northville jumped out to a 2-0 halftime lead on a goal by Megan Kryger (from Nikki Buie and Megan Williams) in the 23rd minute, followed by Sydney Schembri's goal from Ashley Troup in the 35th minute.

But Salem countered with a pair of second-half goals, by Katie Coleman (46th minute) and Nikki Pilon (65th minute), to even the score at 2-2.

Northville goalkeeper Carlie Castiglione made six saves.

"All week we talked about momentum and how important it was moving up the ranks in our division," Northville coach Eric Brucker said. "Momentum caught us off-guard a little bit in the second half when Salem took control of the game, but we found a way to persevere. Great team effort."

NOVI 6, SOUTH LYON 0: Senior Chloe Allen notched a hat trick April 26 as the Wildcats (4-0-3, 3-0-1) maintained their grip on first place in the KLAA Central with a victory over the Lions (2-4-3, 0-3-1).

Koomen opened the scoring with 4:14 left in the first half off an assist from Celine Roest.

Allen then scored twice just 44 seconds apart in the second half, assisted by Jessie Halmaghi and Koomen at the 50- and 51- minute marks, respectively.

The Wildcats tacked on three more goals, by Laine Fenchel (53rd minute), Koomen (61st minute) and Allen (75th minute). Novi enjoyed a 19-0 minute in shots.

NORTHVILLE 2, STEVENSON 0: The Mustangs (5-4-2, 3-1-1) put themselves in the thick of the KLAA Central Division with a victory April 26 at Livonia Stevenson (5-2-2, 2-2).

Allissa Moore scored what proved to be the game-winner with 20:19 left in the first half, when she volleyed a Megan Williams corner kick to the back post.

With Stevenson pushing up four forwards late in the second half, Northville put it away on Williams' goal with 9:30 remaining off a give-and-go from Sydney Schembri from 25 yards out, beating Spartans goalkeeper Hannah Reamer.

Northville got nine saves from Carlie Castiglione, who notched her third shutout of the year. Reamer had one save.

"This is huge for the division, get three points, a very important week for us as far as setting goals for our division," Northville coach Eric Brucker said.



SCOTT HENZI

Northville's Abby Henzi (right) pushes the ball upfield against Salem.

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with one goal apiece.

After trailing 7-4 at halftime and 9-5 in the second half South Lyon (6-3, 3-1) picked up goals from Maggie O'Donnell, Gabrielle Larkin and Jordan Hanner (six minutes left) to cut the deficit to one, but couldn't score the equalizer as Northville maintained possession and ran out the clock.

"The girls on our team really stepped up tonight on the biggest stage," Asher said. "I thought Ally (Blough) played her best game of the year, Maddie (Caffee) was huge for us in net with nine saves, and our three midfielders – Sarah (Chase), Emma (Dietrich) and Charlotte (Beaudoin) – always give us a chance no matter who we play. I couldn't be more proud of this team."

Maddie Allerton and Larkin each scored twice for SLU, while Natalie Williams, Jordan Paugh, O'Donnell and Hanner contributed one goal apiece.

Larkin also had six ground balls and four forced turnovers, while Williams had three forced turnovers and four ground balls.

"Great comeback by my kids," SLU coach Aaron Skomial said. "We played



MICHAEL SALEMI

Novi's Gina Salemi (middle) tries to split a pair of South Lyon Unified defenders.

hard and Northville stalled the last four minutes of the game. We got contributions from all over the field. We hit four posts on the night. Northville played a good game. We just ran out of time."

SLU goalie Allissa Schams made four saves.

SOUTH LYON 12, NOVI 3: There was a silver lining on April 27 for the host Wildcats (2-9, 0-2) despite a setback to South Lyon Unified (6-2-1, 3-0).

Senior captain Gina Salemi, bound for NCAA Division I LaSalle University (Pa.), notched her 200th career goal for the Wildcats as the record-setting feat was celebrated in the bleachers and on the bench by her teammate and coaching staff. She was awarded the game ball for her accomplishment.

Natalie Williams paced South Lyon Unified (6-2-1, 3-0) to the Kensington Conference win with seven goals and one assist. She also led the Lions with six ground balls.

Gabrielle Larkin added three goals, one assist and five ground balls, while Alyssa Vargo and Julia Ting each added a goal. Maggie O'Donnell and Amanda Luckey added five ground balls apiece, while Mackenzie Fissette added four.

Goalie Alyssa Schams made 10 saves, while Hannah Merrick forced three turnovers.

Katie Novell scored a pair of goals for the Wildcats.

NORTHVILLE 12, WALLED LAKE 8: The Mustangs (8-2, 3-0) made a 10-3 halftime advantage hold up on April 27 to earn a hard-fought Kensington Conference win over visiting Walled Lake Unified (3-5, 0-2) at Tom Holzer Field.

Junior Emma Dietrich scored all four of her goals in the opening half as the Mustangs collected eight assists on their 10 first-half goals.

But while the first half was smooth sailing, the second half became a struggle as the Mustangs were whistled for four yellow cards and had to play a player down during the final 14 minutes of the second half.

Walled Lake Unified rallied behind senior Bukurie Gjakaj, who scored seven of Vikings' eight goals, while assisting on the other by Gabrielle Glover.

The Mustangs were forced to play a possession game during the second half and were able to hold on for the win to improve to 8-2 overall and 3-0 in the conference.

Other offensive contributions came from freshman Kendall Wasik (three goals, one assist); freshman Jessica Tardich (two goals, two assists); sophomore Charlotte Beaudoin (one goal, two assists); junior Sarah Chase (one goal, one assist); sophomore Ally Blough (one goal, one assist); and senior Erin Scott (two assists).

"The second half tonight was not pretty, but we were able to grind out a win in conference play," Northville coach Amanda Asher said. "While no one likes to play the possession game, it was really our only option. We would be shorthanded on defense and at a real risk of getting another card to go down two players."

"And while it's not great to watch, it does take real skill and discipline for the six girls on offense to be able to keep the ball away from seven girls on defense, and my girls did a great job of that. We've had a lot of blowouts lately, and while this one doesn't look as good, it counts just the same."

PREP TRACK AND FIELD

Mustangs solid at Spartan Invitational

Northville girls second;
boys take third place

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

The Northville girls and boys track teams turned in a sterling performance Friday in front of their Michigan State University alumni at the Spartan Invitational.

Rockford swept both the girls and boys team titles with 152 and 141 points, respectively, while the Northville girls took runner-up honors with 91. The Mustangs boys were third with 69, behind Traverse City Central (82.5).

“This was our first time competing at this meet,” Northville coach Tim Dalton said. “We saw teams from the Capitol area and the west side of the state that we don’t always get the opportunity to compete against. Our athletes were excited and turned in a lot of strong performances. It was a good meet to end April with.”

Senior Lexa Barrott paced the Northville girls with first in the 1,600-meter run (5:00.63) along with second in the 3,200 (10:40.85). The Indiana University signee also teamed with Cayla Eckenroth, Emma Herrmann and Ana Barrott for second in the 3,200 relay (season best 9:33.48).

Northville’s 800 relay team of Savannah Manley, Erin McCallum, Lindsay Walters and Chloe Abbott garnered another first in 1:45.12.



JERRY REA

Northville’s A.J. Abbott, in a recent meet, won the long jump at the MSU Spartan Invitational.

Meanwhile, the 1,600 relay team of Yasmine Affes, Mary Catherine McLaughlin and Abbott took second in 4:06.01.

Other individual girls placers for Northville included: Walters, second, 400 (1:00.48); Ana Barrott, third, 3,200 (10:54.58); fourth, 1,600 (5:12.98); Affes, fourth, 400

(1:01.98); Olivia Harp, fourth, 3,200 (11:07.12); Eckenroth, fifth, 1,600 (5:17.34); Herrmann, fifth, 800 (2:24.85); McCallum, sixth, 100 dash (13.35); Manley, seventh, 200 (27.67); and Paige Zimmer, eighth, 800 (2:27.83).

Both Affes and Zimmer’s times in the 400 and 800 were personal bests and regional

qualifying times.

Ghabra leads boys

Senior sprinter Adam Ghabra stood out for the Northville boys, taking first in the 200 (22.62), third in the 400 (51.35) and fifth in the 100 (11.56). His time in the 400 was a personal best and regional qualifier.

Other first-place finishers for the Mustangs included senior Conor Naughton in the 3,200 (9:34.75) and sophomore A.J. Abbott in the long jump (21-0).

Also placing for Northville were Kenny Goolsby, second, 1,600 (4:25.01); Thomas Smith-er, fifth, 800 (1:58.98); John Hamilton, fifth, long jump (18-11.75); sixth, high jump (5-10); and Ben Cracraft, sixth, 1,600 (4:27.31).

Smith-er’s clocking in the 800 was a personal best and regional qualifier.

The Mustangs’ 1,600 relay team of Giuliano Daniel, Goolsby, Smith-er and Ghabra took fourth (3:31.82).

“It’s nice to have those former athletes come around, supporting and staying involved with our program,” Dalton said of MSU’s Northville grads. “We are looking forward to the month of May and kicking off our championship season at the Golden Triangle Meet of Champions Friday at Saline and our dual meet Tuesday, May 10, at Novi.”

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PREP TRACK AND FIELD

After 45 years, Observerland meet gets a makeover

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Jim Gibbons has 45 years worth of memories from the Observerland Relays.

But the recently retired Livonia Stevenson High School principal, who served the meet as a volunteer, as a coach, as a meet director and as an official, has a good excuse why he won’t be at his 46th this Saturday at Farmington High.

His son Michael, who ran four years at Observerland himself as a middle distance runner at Livonia Stevenson, is getting married Saturday at St. Edith Catholic Church.

“I have no problem doing it,” Jim Gibbons said. “The irony is, my son ran in it four years in a row. I coached in it and been to all of them.”

How ironic is it that the format has changed and Gibbons will be elsewhere for the 46th? In an effort to keep area teams coming back, the meet is going to a regional-style format in lieu of Observerland’s traditional all-relays scoring formula.

The meet’s original founder, former Redford Union boys track and field coach John MacKenzie, came up with the relays scoring format back in 1971.

Derby Day

MacKenzie, who guided RU to its only state championship in school history, a Class A boys track title in 1969, came up with the idea to host the meet the first Saturday in May, which coincided with Kentucky Derby Day.

“The first Saturday in May was always kind of open,” said MacKenzie, who retired from coaching in 1992 and is now living in Santa Barbara, Calif., with his wife Roberta. “There wasn’t any real meets run at all. There were the (Southgate) Schafer Relays, Ecorse Relays, Mansfield (Ohio) Relays. Then the word *relays* struck me. I thought, ‘Why not make all events relays?’ Most other meets were all individual events and I said, ‘I’m going to make this all-relays meet.’ Instead of having an open mile, we’ll have the four-mile relay and so with all the other events and the shuttle hurdles.”

And that’s when MacKenzie got the local newspaper involved.

“I raised that proposal and I met with the Observer guy, Eddie Edgar,” MacKenzie said. “He invited me to his home when he lived in South Redford at the time. I sat down and talked to him about the idea and he went for it. He said it was very novel and something very different. Then we would be the host school at Redford Union.”

The site was Howard Kraft Field, located next to Hilbert Junior High, and the track still



ROBERTA MACKENZIE

Observerland Relays founding father John MacKenzie is retired and now resides in Santa Barbara, Calif.

had its original surface.

Track surfaces

“And at that time, we had a cinder track, whereas other schools had all-weather tracks,” MacKenzie said. “But we got off to a good start and it was well-attended. We had quite a few teams and the Observer covered quite a few different communities. Even Catholic Central, which was in Detroit, did all their stuff at (Redford) Thurston High School, as I remember, and they did very well, as I recall. It was a lot of fun. The idea went over very well, even the field events. Each team had three entries in the field events, then add up the best three jumps and that’s how it was scored.”

Gibbons, still registered and working high school meets for the Association of Track Officials of Michigan, remembers the meet in its infant stages.

“I lived maybe five or six blocks from Hilbert (Junior High), where the meet was always held, so I would always go over there and I was always interested in track,” he said. “I would go over and help in the first two or three years and then I started teaching in Redford Union in 1973 and that’s when I started and the staff always worked the meet. I worked it, I coached in it, I was meet manager and then I became an official. I’ve officiated all but one, but I’ve gone to all of them since then.”

Gibbons was also a proponent of the all-relays scoring format.

“I know (MacKenzie) started it because the big teams didn’t have many meets to go to, so the big teams had a lot of runners that never got to compete,” Gibbons said. “So to encourage team depth, he started a relay format meet, which was kind of new at the time and it was very successful. Then gradually, they added the three individual events

(mile, hurdles and 100 dash). Now they’re changing the whole thing.”

Girls meet launched

Prior to the Title IX days, girls served as volunteers helping out at the Observerland meet.

“We had a group of girls, we called ‘The Trickettes.’ We had 15-20 girls that helped out tremendously on the track,” MacKenzie said. “They moved hurdles, handled the refreshment stand, helped out at the finish line, had a uniform.”

But in 1985, MacKenzie pushed to host an Observerland Relays girls meet, which inherited the RU Girls Track Relays, but the event was short-lived as area schools began pulling out to commit to other area girls meets that began to proliferate.

In 1983, a torrential rain during the meet turned the Redford Union track into a virtual moat. That’s when it became time to find another host with an updated facility.

“It absolutely flooded,” Gibbons said. “That’s when they moved the meet. That was good, because the newer tracks came in and they had the newer equipment.”

Not only was RU’s cinder track outdated, but parking in the nearby neighborhood was also limited.

“We had (school) buses park at a nearby elementary school,” MacKenzie said. “But I talked (Churchill coach) Fred Price and he said he’d be glad and hold the meet at Churchill. I gladly accepted.”

Different venues

In the early years of Churchill hosting, the 1989 meet was “iced-out” halfway through by a wintry mix of snow and sleet.

“I had a kid named Chris Woodbeck that had a chance to win the 100-yard dash and they canceled the meet right before that,” Gibbons said.

Meanwhile, the meet rotated on a yearly basis between Churchill, Canton and Farmington high schools.

The meet has certainly had its share of stars over the years, including the multi-talented late 1970s performers Mike Petsch (RU) and Dave Hall (Stevenson), both of whom could high jump 6-8 and throw the shot more than 50 feet.

The meet has also featured several NFL players, including Stevenson’s Myles White (currently with the New York Giants), Westland John Glenn’s Keshawn Martin (New England Patriots), Glenn’s Jeremy Langford (Chicago Bears) and Redford Catholic Central’s Mike Martin (Philadelphia Eagles), along with former NFL players Tim Shaw (Livonia Clarenceville), Devin Thomas (Canton) and Doug Brzezinski (CC).

The meet also helped spawn 2004 U.S. Olympic decathlete Paul Terek (Livonia Franklin), who still owns the MHSAA all-class pole vault record at 16 feet, 6 inches.

Pole vault days

With the meet virtually over and all events nearly completed, Terek began his opening height jumping at 14-6 as darkness set in during his senior year in 1997.

“When I’d do the international track meets, what came to mind was high school track meets like that,” said Terek, who went on to star at Michigan State and now resides in Grover Beach, Calif. “It was one of those things that always made me kind of smile. There was always people there watching the events. It was kind of the first taste. At Observerland, you actually had the feeling you were in a big meet for the first time and people cheering everybody on was awesome.”

Terek, who competed on G4’s American Ninja Challenge and retired from international competition in 2010, was also fond of the all-relays scoring format.

“It was the total height on everybody on your team,” Terek said. “It didn’t matter that if you were the best jumper at Observerland. Just because you were great, it wouldn’t help you win. I always liked the format, but I guess you have to change with the times.”

But the times have changed and the meet continues into its 46th season.

“My fond memories just being able to host the meet and getting all the help that we received from everybody around,” Gibbons said. “I loved watching that 4 by 400 (relay) under the lights. It was always cool to do.”

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PREP TRACK

Novi boys, girls place fourth at Mott meet

Wildcats sweep Cougars in Central Division dual

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It was Novi’s prom weekend, but the Wildcats’ track and field teams stayed busy Saturday by competing in the Ashley/Brennan Relays at Waterford Mott.

Both the Novi girls and boys teams wound up fourth with 45 and 41 points, respectively.

Clarkston captured the girls team crown and led the 17-school field with 67, while Ann Arbor Skyline and host Mott took second and third with 64 and 53, respectively.

Meanwhile, Walled Lake Central scored 79 points to win the boys crown, followed by Lake Orion (50) and Walled Lake Northern (44) as a total of 16 schools competed.

In the girls meet, Novi’s shuttle hurdle relay team of Alexandra Pringle, Ashley Jamison, Brittany Moeller and Karennia Roest placed first in 1:09.75.

Hannah Hood-Blaxill garnered the Wildcats’ lone individual first in the long jump (15 feet, 4.5 inches). She also tied for fifth in the high jump (5-0).

Other top finishers for Novi included Emma Hammelef, second, pole vault (8-6); Roest, fourth, 300 hurdles (48.94); and Marisa Dunn, discus (101-9).

Novi boys placers

The Wildcats’ Scott Sawyer captured the high jump (6-6) and was runner-up in the pole vault (12-6).

Novi also won the distance medley relay as Scott MacPherson, Anthony D’Annibale, Joost Plaetnick and Nathaniel Wood were clocked in 10:33.06.

The foursome of Adam Ditri, Aric Landy, John Landy and Gabe Mudel were third in the 4 by 1,600 relay (18:35.81).

Plaetnick also took third in the 3,200 (9:44.0), while Hunter Joy was sixth in the 300 hurdles (41.4).

**BOYS DUAL MEET RESULTS
NOVI 82, SOUTH LYON EAST 55
April 26 at South Lyon East**
Shot put: 1. Sarkis Dagley (SLE), 41 feet, 7 inches; 2. Brennan Martin (Novi), 38-6.5; 3. (tie) James Lewis (Novi) and Michael Mojica (SLE), 33-1 each.
Discus: 1. Dagley (SLE), 124-1; 2. Ryan McKeon (SLE), 109-3; 3. Mojica (SLE), 104-1.
High jump: 1. Scott Sawyer (Novi), 6-2; 2. Chris Kaminski (SLE), 5-0; 3. Carter Reeds (SLE), 5-0.
Long jump: 1. John Carter (SLE), 17-8.5; 2. Brendan Ireland (Novi), 17-3; 3. (tie) Anthony Salter (SLE) and Andrew Wolschleger (SLE), 17-0 each.
Pole vault: 1. Sawyer (Novi), 13-9; 2. Wolschleger (SLE), 12-0; 3. Mitch Goodman (Novi), 9-6.
110-meter hurdles: 1. Hunter Joy (Novi), 15.79; 2. John Stefan (Novi), 16.34; 3. Brendan Bloom (Novi), 17.76.
300 hurdles: 1. Jacob Waranauckas (SLE), 42.03; 2. Stefan (Novi), 44.99; 3. Bloom (Novi), 45.78.
100 dash: 1. Nathan Hankerson (Novi), 10.72; 2. Anthony D’Annibale (Novi), 11.1; 3. Waranauckas (SLE), 11.46.
200: 1. D’Annibale (Novi), 22.81; 2. Josh Smith (SLE), 23.48; 3. Zach Satawa (SLE), 23.95.
400: 1. Smith (SLE), 51.26; 2. Satawa (SLE), 53.08; 3. Ryan Leckner (SLE), 55.34.
800: 1. Nathaniel Wood (Novi), 2:03.0; 2. Adam Caruso (SLE), 2:03.79; 3. John Landy (Novi), 2:06.0.
1,600: 1. Joost Plaetnick (Novi), 4:29.0; 2. Scott MacPherson (Novi), 4:31.0; 3. Adam Ditri (Novi), 4:35.0.
3,200: 1. Blake Maday (Novi), 10:47.94; 2. Dallas Foley (Novi), 10:49.09; 3. Aric Landy (Novi), 10:49.56.
400 relay: 1. Novi, 45.39; 2. East, 46.17; 800 relay: 1. Novi, 1:35.11; 2. East, 1:39.26; 1,600 relay: 1. East (Waranauckas, Satawa, Smith, Leckner), 3:41.96; 2. Novi, 3:58.97; 3,200 relay: 1. Novi, 9:20.76; 2. East, 9:27.43.
Dual meet records: Novi, 2-1 overall, 2-1 KLAAs Central Division; East, 1-2 overall, 1-2 KLAAs Central

**GIRLS DUAL MEET RESULTS
NOVI 99.5, SOUTH LYON EAST 37.5
April 26 at South Lyon East**
Shot put: 1. Emma Hammelef (Novi), 33 feet, 5 inches; 2. Marisa Dunn (Novi), 31-1; 3. Hannah McBride (Novi), 31-1.
Discus: 1. Jessalyn Smith (SLE), 115-9; 2. Hammelef (Novi), 105-5.5; 3. Madison Alestra (SLE), 96-7.
High jump: 1. Hannah Hood-Blaxill (Novi), 5-0; 2. Brook Willenborg (SLE), 4-5; 3. Sophia Bolden (SLE), 4-0.
Long jump: 1. Elizabeth Setsuda (SLE), 14-10; 2. Hood-Blaxill (Novi), 14-0; 3. Kate Prisy (Novi), 13-7.
Pole vault: 1. Hammelef (Novi), 9-6; 2. Adeline Zamora (Novi), 7-0; 3. Emma Hall (Novi), 6-0.
100-meter hurdles: 1. Karennia Roest (Novi), 15.77; 2. Alexandra Pringle (Novi), 16.32; 3. Brittany Moeller (Novi), 16.61.
300 hurdles: 1. Roest (Novi), 48.93; 2. Danielle Waranauckas (SLE), 52.02; 3. Moeller (Novi), 52.39.
100 dash: 1. Kayla Savage (Novi), 12.81; 2. Tiffanie Hollingsworth (SLE), 12.99; 3. Erica Maslany (SLE), 13.01.
200: 1. Setsuda (SLE), 27.44; 2. Savage (Novi), 27.29; 3. Maslany (SLE), 28.3.
400: 1. Ellie Mackay (Novi), 1:09.24; 2. Bettie Schelske (SLE), 1:10.42; 3. Nicole Ireland (Novi), 1:13.55.
800: 1. Lauren Clark (SLE), 2:49.38; 2. Justine Rose (Novi), 2:50.15; 3. Kayla Zielinski (SLE), 2:50.71.
1,600: 1. Katherine Ray (Novi), 13:26.0; 2. Tania Lopez (Novi), 6:24.0; 3. Yash Patil (Novi), 6:26.23.
3,200: 1. Ray (Novi), 13:26.0; 2. Pearl Kurian (Novi), 14:40.0; 3. Saranya Nistale (Novi), 14:44.
400 relay: 1. Novi, 53.65; 2. East, 53.67; **800 relay:** 1. Novi, 1:52.00; 2. East, 1:53.4; **1,600 relay:** 1. Novi, 5:11.23; **3,200 relay:** 1. Novi, 11:05.0; 2. East, 11:36.01.
Dual meet records: Novi, 3-0 overall, 3-0 KLAAs Central; East, 1-2 overall, 1-2 KLAAs Central

BOYS TENNIS

Torres earns nod as new varsity coach at Northville

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Northville High School will have a new boys tennis coach in the fall.

Andre Torres, a native of Valparaiso, Chile, will assume the head coaching duties from Chris Trumbull, who stepped down after one season.

Northville athletic director Bryan Masi said Torres has extensive experience coaching tennis at the national and high school levels. He served as a coach at St. Stephen's Tennis Academy in Austin, Texas, and professionally at top-rated tennis clubs in New York.

"Andres is a well-respected teacher and coach in the tennis community with extensive knowledge of the game," Masi said. "We believe his experience, knowledge and character will help our program to continue to achieve at a very high level."

Trumbull, who took over last season for Matt Stetson, did not finish the year due to health reasons and was replaced in mid-season by Matt Marilley and Andy Koilpillai.

In 2015, the Mustangs finished second behind MHSAA Division 1 state co-champion Novi in the regional, KLAA 'A' Association and Central Division tournaments to go along with a 7-1 dual match record.

Northville went on to earn a sixth-place finish at the state finals as Connor Johnston, a senior who signed with Michigan, captured top flight singles title.

"I look forward to working with the Northville boys tennis team," said Torres, who resides with his family in Northville. "They are a great group of kids with strong talent. I believe my expertise in fitness, tennis technical skills and match play will drive the team to great seasons going forward."

BOYS GOLF RESULTS

DUAL MATCH RESULTS NOVI 161, SALEM 168 April 29 at Fox Hills G.C.

Novi scorers: Ryan Welch and Trevor Angell, 39 each; Michael Ulle, 40; Derek DuBois, 43; Alex Dickmann, 44.

Salem scorers: Hayden Winch, 38 (medalist); Shawn Weldon, 42; Bryce Henderson, 43; Adam Marcero, 45; Matt Danis, 46; Justin Polce, 50.

Dual match records: Novi, 2-1 overall, 2-1 KLAA Central Division; Salem, 1-2 overall, 1-2 KLAA Central.

NOVI 153, LIVONIA STEVENSON 156 April 26 at Fox Creek G.C.

Novi scorers: Michael Ulle, 36 (co-medalist); Ryan Welch, 37; Derek DuBois, 38; Ryan Havens, 42; Andrew Jamison, 44; Mike Groechel, 47.

Stevenson scorers: Connor Jakacki, 36 (co-medalist); Easton Shatterbeck, 39; Jon McDonald, 40; Alec Moore, 41; Ben Zammitt, 48; Tyler Smith, disqualified.

Dual match records: Novi, 1-1 overall, 1-1 KLAA Central Division; Stevenson, 0-2 overall, 0-2 KLAA Central.

LAKELAND TOURNAMENT April 30 at Mystic Creek C.C.

TEAM STANDINGS: 1. White Lake Lakeland, 328 strokes; 2. Northville, 350; 3. DeWitt, 354; 4. Dearborn Divine Child, 364; 5. Milford, 368; 6. Almont, 378.

Individual medalist: Justin LaFrance (Lakeland), 73.

Northville scorers: 5. (tie) Andrew Kearis, 85; 7. (tie) Michael Gunder, 86; 12. (tie) Dominica Marsalese, 88; 16. Daniel McKee, 91; 19. (tie) Jack Hines, 93.

NEXT TEE TOURNAMENT April 25 at Oakland Hills (South)

TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Novi Detroit Catholic Central, 291 strokes; 2. Grosse Pointe South, 298; 3. Grand Rapids Forest Hills Eastern, 301.

Individual medalist: John Theodore (Grosse Pointe South), 70.

Detroit CC scorers: 3. (tie) James Piot and Max Palmer, 72; each; 9. (tie) Ben Smith, 73; 17. (tie) Sean Niles, 74; 35. (tie) Sean Sooch, 77.

GIRLS TENNIS

Dow gets upper hand on state champion Mustangs

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Second-ranked Midland Dow turned the tables Saturday on defending MHSAA Division 1 state champion and top-ranked Northville by winning the Ann Arbor Huron Invitational.

The Chargers scored 26 points, while Northville was runner-up with 24.

Play was halted in the final round due to weather, with the match winners determined by the score at the time play was halted.

In doubles, Northville and Dow split the four flights, with Reeshma Kumar and Molly Bis (No. 2) and Neha Chava and Sophie Zhuang

(No. 3) taking first for the Mustangs.

Kumar and Bis were leading, 7-5, 4-2, while Chava and Zhunag were serving at 7-5, 2-3, in their matches against Dow when play was stopped.

The Mustangs' No. 1 doubles team of Serena Wang and May Mulchandani was runner-up to Dow, 6-2, 6-3, while the No. 4 duo of Alex Petix and Connie Gao took third after losing a second-round three-setter against the Chargers, 3-6, 6-2, 6-4.

In singles, Northville's No. 1 Emma Worley finished second behind Utica Eisenhower's Ava Thielman, 6-1, 6-1, while the Mustangs' No. 2 Shanoli Kumar lost to Dow's Caroline Szao in the

first round, 6-2, 6-4, before taking third.

Northville's Joanne Gao (No. 3) prevailed in her final-round match against Dow's Sarah Ismail in three sets, 3-6, 6-0, 6-1.

The Mustangs' No. 4 singles player Madison DeYoung, subbing for starter Renee Torres, captured her first-round match against Ann Arbor Skyline's Kassie Chicocine, 6-1, 7-6 (7-5 tie-breaker).

The state's two top-ranked teams will face off again this Saturday at the Holly Invitational.

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GIRLS TENNIS RESULTS



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Novi's Jamie Fu won at No. 2 singles against seventh-ranked Troy in a three-set super-breaker.

DUAL MATCH RESULTS NOVI 5, TROY 3 April 29 at Troy

No. 1 singles: Hannah Cimpeanu (Troy) defeated Allison Lollo, 6-0, 6-0; **No. 2:** Jamie Fu (Novi) def. Sahaja Pinnu, 7-6 (8-6), 2-6, 10-3 (super-breaker); **No. 3:** Jessica Lypka (Novi) def. Karen Song, 6-1, 6-1; **No. 4:** Katie Xie (Novi) def. Rashika Rao, 6-0, 6-1.

No. 1 doubles: Youna Lee-Carolyn Zhang (Novi) def. Jessica Zhou-Leena Penumalee, 7-5, 6-3; **No. 2:** Erica Friesen-Alexis Morse (Troy) def. Teja Mogasala-Michelle Wang, 6-3, 6-2; **No. 3:** Layla Hak-Aditi Mahajan (Troy) def. Morgan Krupic-Alexis Malecki, 6-3, 6-2; **No. 4:** Katie Telder-Katie Velade (Novi) def. Raagini Chandra-Jinxi Dam, 6-3, 3-6, 7-6 (7-3).

Novi's dual match record: 7-1 overall.

NOVI 9, ROCHESTER 0 April 27 at Novi

No. 1 singles: Allison Lollo (Novi) defeated Amoolya Yetukavi, 6-1, 6-2; **No. 2:** Jamie Fu (Novi) def. Asaka Higuchi, 6-1, 6-0; **No. 3:** Jessica Lypka (Novi) def. Maunelle Cook, 6-0, 6-1; **No. 4:** Katie Xie (Novi) def. Chrismana William, 6-0, 6-0.

No. 1 doubles: Youna Lee-Carolyn Zhang (Novi) def. Trisha Gupte-Taylor

Isenberg, 6-2, 6-1; **No. 2:** Teja Mogasala-Michelle Wang (Novi) def. Sana Hussaini-Grace Crites, 6-2, 6-0; **No. 3:** Morgan Krupic-Alexis Malecki (Novi) def. Zainab Ahmed-Zahra Ahmed, 6-0, 6-4; **No. 4:** Katie Telder-Katie Valade (Novi) def. Kiera May-Paige Gonterman, 6-0, 6-1; **No. 5:** Saha Tretyakova-Brittany O'Connell (Novi) def. Oliva Krempel-Anna Huetteman, 6-1, 6-2.

Novi's dual match record: 6-1 overall.

NOVI 9, SOUTH LYON 0 April 26 at Novi

No. 1 singles: Jessica Lypka (Novi) defeated Sarah Uratchko, 6-1, 6-0; **No. 2:** Katie Xie (Novi) def. Erin Vincek, 6-0, 6-0; **No. 3:** Sasha Tretyakova (Novi) def. Delaney McRell, 6-2, 6-0; **No. 4:** Ria Joshi (Novi) def. Sydney Smith, 6-0, 6-0.

No. 1 doubles: Youna Lee-Brittany O'Connell (Novi) def. Colleen Barba-Bria Spalding, 6-1, 6-0; **No. 2:** Teja Mogasala-Michelle Wang (Novi) def. Jade Wells-Rachel Mills, 6-1, 6-2; **No. 3:** Morgan Krupic-Alexis Malecki (Novi) def. Sarah Miller-Rachel Debrincat, 6-0, 6-0; **No. 4:** Katie Telder-Katie Valade (Novi) def. Autu Durr-Hannah McPhee, 6-0, 6-1; **No. 5:** Alexis Felcher-Zoanna Zhou (Novi) def. Chloe McCarthy-Lizzy Hiscok, 6-1, 6-0.

Dual match records: Novi, 5-1 overall, 4-1 KLAA Central Division; South Lyon, 2-4 overall, South Lyon, 2-4 overall, 1-3 KLAA Central.

FISETTE

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Fisette was the varsity volleyball coach at Novi from 1993 through 2010, leading the Wildcats to one Class A semifinal appearance (2007), two regional finals, one KLAA Association title and three conference championships.

During her tenure at Novi, 17 of her teams were honored as academic all-state.

"I always thought that I'd go back to high school coaching," said Fisette, who has coached at the Legacy Volleyball Club the past six years. "It's a different animal than club and it's one I've always been passionate about. The reason I got out of it in 2010 was because my kids were at a different school and so, in order to watch them play, I had to give up my coaching at Novi. My kids go to South Lyon. I was teaching at Northville and it was kind of a perfect fit. I'm in the building, my kids are older now, so I'm jumping back into the game."

Fisette said she currently coaches a 15-and-under club team that features a couple of underclassmen at Northville.

"I'm familiar with some of the girls," Fisette said. "A lot of players have come in and introduced themselves to me at my classroom, which is nice."

Fisette, who played volleyball at Mishawaka (Ind.) High School, is graduate of Purdue University, where she earned her undergraduate degree in industrial technology education. She received her master's degree from Eastern Michigan University in educational administration and leadership.

She began her coaching career while a student at Purdue at Benton Central (Ind.) H.S.

"I am truly honored to be chosen to represent and lead the Northville volleyball program as the new varsity coach," Fisette said. "This re-opens a chapter of my life in which I thoroughly enjoyed. I look forward to connecting with the Northville student-athletes, parents and district in the future, as we embark on the next season of success."

"To use a quote from Steve Jobs: 'Your work is going to fill a large part of your life and the only way to be truly satisfied is to do what you believe is great work and, in order to do great work, is to love what you do.'"

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well and found a way to score when he needed to. Both had a decent day and found a way to score.

"Neither had played the course, so it was a new experience for them. They finished where I thought they'd finish, both in the top 10. The way they manage a golf course is impressive to me. They put themselves in good position to score well."

The other two scorers for Novi were Trevor Angell, tied for 27th with 83, and Ryan Havens, tied for 35th with 86.

"I was a little surprised how well Plymouth was," Delo said. "I thought we'd finish in second. But for somebody to shoot 66 is an incredible day. I thought our final score would be around that 320 mark."

South Lyon, paced by Kyle Tolonen-Almaraz's 79 (tied for 12th), finished seventh overall in the team standings with 324.

Other scorers for the Lions included Jason Ting, tied for 17th (81), and Jason Ting and Noah Arvo, tied for 24th (82 each).

A.J. Clark's 79 (tied for 12th) led South Lyon East, which placed 10th with 355. He was followed by Max Hoorn, tied for 43rd (89); Mick Ruschak, tied for 46th (93); and Gavin McPherson, tied for 48th (94).

KENSINGTON CONFERENCE BOYS GOLF TOURNAMENT April 27 at Idyl Wyld G.C.

TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Plymouth, 296 strokes; 2. Northville, 303; 3. Novi, 320; 4. Livonia Stevenson, 320; 5. Canton, 321; 6. Livonia Churchill, 323; 7. South Lyon, 324; 8. Livonia Franklin, 347; 9. Salem, 350; 10. South Lyon East, 355; 11. Wayne Memorial, 425; 12. Westland John Glenn, 469.

Individual medalist: Jack Boczar (Plymouth), 66.

Northville scorers: 2. Jimmy Dales, 71; 3. Abhi Alluri, 72; 12. (tie), Saahith Mummadi, 79; 17. (tie), Joey Auty, 81; 35. (tie) Max Antilla and Aaron Youmans, 86 each.

Novi scorers: 6. Michael Ulle, 75; 7. (tie) Ryan Welch, 76; 27. (tie) Trevor Angell, 83; 35. (tie) Ryan Havens, 86; 45. Derek Dubois, 91; 51. (tie) Michael Groechel, 95.

South Lyon scorers: 12. (tie) Kyle Tolonen-Almaraz, 79; 17. (tie) Jason Ting, 81; 24. (tie) Ethan Townsley and Noah Arvo, 82 each; 35. (tie) Evan Monteith, 86; 43. (tie) Noah Markham, 89.

South Lyon East scorers: 12. (tie) A.J. Clark, 79; 43. (tie) Max Hoorn, 89; 46. (tie) Mick Ruschak, 93; 48. (tie) Gavin McPherson, 94; 51. (tie) Nathan Smith, 95; 58. Mike Urban, 99.

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CC college commits



AARON BABICZ

The Novi Detroit Catholic Central athletic department recently announced it has seven senior spring college commits or signees, including (from left) Aaron Rehfeldt, wrestling (Ohio State); Connor Nally, basketball (Case Western Reserve); Nick Joseph, judo (Texas A&M); Tom Smulsky, basketball (Washington & Lee); Scott Smith, track and field (Detroit Mercy); Matt Loniewski, swimming (St. Louis University); and Matt Fosdick, cross country (Aquinas College).

Advocacy group says area hospitals need to improve patient safety following study

Matt Helms
Michigan.com

While six southeast Michigan hospitals received top grades in prevention of avoidable errors, accidents and infections, many more have work to do to improve their performance, according to a study released Monday.

Southeast Michigan Hospitals receiving A grades in the Hospital Safety Scores spring ratings published by the national nonprofit watchdog the Leapfrog Group were the University of Michigan's hospitals and health centers; Garden City Hospital; Huron Valley-Sinai in Commerce Township; St. Joseph Mercy in Chelsea; St. John River District near St. Clair; and Promedica Bixby Hospital in Adrian.

Some of the hospitals of the Detroit area's largest health care systems received B and C grades, including those run by Beaumont Health System and the Detroit Medical Center, although Beaumont, for its part, argues that the grades are inaccurate.

The scores are part of the Leapfrog Group's national ranking of more than 2,500 hospitals nationwide on improving the prevention of errors, injuries, accidents and infections in hospitals. A Leapfrog study contends that if every hospital in the country were to improve to A grades, 33,000 lives would be saved every year.

"It is time for every



FILE PHOTO

Providence Park Hospital in Novi received a C grade in the Hospital Safety Scores spring ratings published by the national nonprofit watchdog the Leapfrog Group.

hospital in America to put patient safety at the top of their priority list," Leah Binder, Leapfrog's president and CEO, said in a statement. "Tens of thousands of lives are at stake."

Representatives of the Michigan Health and Hospitals Association, the industry group for Michigan's hospitals, urged caution when looking at data such as Leapfrog's, saying that the group's study should be used as one of many tools for patients to make health care decisions.

David Finkbeiner, senior vice president of advocacy for the MHA, said some critics have found Leapfrog's rating methodology "a pretty simplistic approach to what is very complicated in terms of delivering health care," even as health researches nationwide continue to debate the best ways to measure such things.

Finkbeiner and Laura Appel, the MHA's senior

vice president of strategic initiatives, said patients should consult a number of resources when deciding where to go, including the federal government's Hospital Compare site at medicare.gov, media agencies such as Consumer Reports and U.S. News and World Report, and their doctors.

Stacy Leick, a spokeswoman for the Economic Alliance of Michigan – a nonprofit group of businesses and labor unions that works to improve Michigan's economic climate and partners with the Leapfrog Group on the hospital safety effort – said the ratings provide the public a way to reduce their risks of hospital-acquired infections and other preventable risks, and a way for health care systems to improve their performance.

"Hospitals have a benchmark to work with," Leick said. "We're not here to bash the hospitals. We're here to help

make them better."

Of 80 Michigan hospitals rated by Leapfrog, 26 were graded an A; 13 were graded B; 37 were graded C; and 3 were graded D. The scores for Michigan hospitals are at www.hospitalsafety.org.

Leapfrog rates hospitals twice yearly, in the spring and fall, and grades may rise and fall over time.

Only one hospital in the state, the U.P. Health System's Portage hospital in Hancock, received an F in the spring ratings.

The hospital released a statement saying that while it appreciates such ranking systems, Leapfrog's ratings are only one of a number of organizations that rank hospital performance.

"These organizations use different quality measures, performance data and methodologies to calculate scores," the statement said. "As a result, a hospital may perform well on one

report card and poorly on another. In fact, this past spring UP Health System – Portage received a four-star rating from Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services and has been named a top performer by the Joint Commission in recent years."

The statement said the data used by Leapfrog was several years old and, in the time since then, Portage has implemented a number of improvements.

Locally, one of the hospitals graded a D was McLaren Macomb in Mt. Clemens. McLaren officials didn't return a phone call seeking comment.

A spokesman for St. John Providence, which received C grades at its hospitals aside from the A at St. John River District, declined comment.

Dr. Sam Flanders, the chief quality and patient safety for Beaumont Health, said the hospital is a strong supporter of public reporting of its patient outcomes, but he said he has concerns about Leapfrog's methodology.

Flanders said some of the data the group uses is more than two years old, not reflecting current practice at system's eight hospitals. He also said Leapfrog's data also tends to overemphasize Medicare patients who tend to be older and in poorer health and not reflective of the overall safety performance at hospitals.

Flanders said Beaumont has opted not to

participate with Leapfrog because of the health system's concerns about the group's methodology and about the costs associated with the intensive manpower needed to provide data to the group. He said that not participating likely reduces Beaumont's grade by Leapfrog.

"The Leapfrog results don't correlate with other reports that are out there," Flanders said. He said Beaumont's Royal Oak hospital recently won an award from the national University Health System Consortium naming the flagship hospital as one of the top 13 in the country for patient safety.

The Detroit Medical Center released a statement saying it works continually to improve its service to patients.

"We have implemented a number of measures to elevate the level of care provided to our community, including reviewing our readmission rates to determine how we can keep people healthy at home once they've been discharged from our hospital, focusing heavily on hand hygiene and implementing best practices for infection prevention," the statement said. "While scoring methods differ by organization and none provide a complete picture of the care provided to patients, we use this and other publicly available information to continually improve our processes, training and the way we deliver care to our patients."

NOTICE TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE

Country Club Village Amendment to the Planned Residential Unit Development (PRUD)

The Charter Township of Northville Planning Commission has scheduled a public hearing for Tuesday, May 31, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. at the Northville Township Municipal Office Building, located at 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48168.

The Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to consider a proposed amendment to the Country Club Village PRUD Agreement to allow the conversion of the existing golf course maintenance building to a professional office use and the construction of a new maintenance building within the Country Club Village development.

The public is invited to attend this hearing, provide their comments and ask questions. Written comments regarding the proposal will be received by the Township Planning Commission, 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48168.

Eric Lark, Chair
Planning Commission

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NOTICE to the voters of the CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE CANDIDATES FOR THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES For the Primary Election to be held on AUGUST 2, 2016

To the qualified Electors of the Township of Northville, County of Wayne, notice is hereby given that the following registered voters have qualified by petition to appear on the August 2, 2016 Primary Election Ballot as candidates for the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Northville.

Position:	Party:	Number to be elected:	Name:
Supervisor	Republican	1	Robert R. Nix, II
Clerk	Republican	1	Sue A. Hillebrand
Treasurer	Republican	1	Marjorie F. Banner
Trustee	Republican	4	Marvin Gans
	Republican		Symantha Heath
	Republican		Mindy Herrmann
	Republican		Sonia Scappaticci
	Republican		Fred Shadko
	Democratic		Ghulam Qadir

A sample of the Primary Election ballot will be available at the Northville Township's Clerk's department and on the township's website: www.twp.northville.mi.us beginning June 20, 2016.

Sue A. Hillebrand, Clerk
Charter Township of Northville

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City of Northville NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING 2016-17 PROPOSED ANNUAL CITY BUDGET

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held on Monday, May 16, 2016, at 7:30 P.M. in the City Council Chambers of the Northville City Hall, 215 W. Main Street, for the purpose of receiving testimony and discussing the proposed 2016-17 Annual City Budget.

The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be the subject of this hearing.

PROPOSED 2016 MILLAGE RATES The following statements are provided, as required by State statute, concerning the 2016 proposed millage levies for the City of Northville.

The 2016 tax levy for the City Operating Millage is proposed to be 13.5864 mills, compared to 13.5864 mills in 2015, resulting in no change. The City Council has authority under the City Charter to set the Operating Millage rate within the maximum allowed rate of 13.9098 mills, as adjusted by the Headlee roll-back formula.

The 2016 levy for the Improvement Program for Streets, Drainage and Sidewalks, approved by the voters on March 4, 1997, is proposed to be 1.7329 mills, compared to 1.7542 mills in 2015, resulting in a 1.21% decrease.

The total City millage for operating, debt, and improvements is proposed to be 15.3193 mills in 2016. Compared to the 15.3406 mills levied in 2015, the decrease is 0.0213 mills, or 0.14%

ANTICIPATED EQUALIZATION FACTORS The 2016 equalization factors for both Wayne and Oakland County are expected to be 1.00 for all classes of property.

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COO promoted to Providence Park president

Joe Hurshe has been appointed president of Providence Park Hospital and its two campuses, effective May 8. He currently serves as chief operating officer of Providence Park Hospital.

The president positions at Providence Park Hospital's two campuses in Southfield and Novi have been combined into one position. Hurshe replaces Dr. Michael Wiemann, former president of Providence Park Hospital-Southfield, who now serves as the president of the St. John Providence Physician Network, and Peter Karadjoff, president of Provi-



Hurshe

dence Park Hospital-
Novi, who is departing the organization.

Hurshe came to St.

John Providence in 2010 from Vista Health System in Illinois, where he served as chief operating officer. Prior to that, he served as vice president of system operations for Centegra Health System. His position at St. John Providence has been regional chief operating officer for the Providence region.

Hurshe earned his

master's degree in health administration from Webster University in St. Louis, Mo., and his bachelor's degree in health administration from Eastern Michigan University. He is a member of the Ascension Leadership Academy Community and a fellow of the American College of Healthcare Executives.

Providence Park Hospital is a part of St. John Providence, one of the largest providers of inpatient care in southeast Michigan and a ministry of Ascension, a faith-based health care organization.

As world comes to life, show love to mom

Spring has arrived! The tulips and daffodils are in bloom and, at this time of year, comes the right and privilege to honor our mothers.

Where would we be without mom? Everyone can agree with that statement and, although every day should be Mother's Day, we celebrate it lovingly this Sunday. Whether living or deceased, mom will always be that one special person we look up to.

My mother was a stay-at-home mom until her youngest of seven was in elementary school, when she decided after 20 years to re-enter the work force. Mom also earned a degree, which she never previously had the opportunity or time to pursue. She took tennis lessons and learned how to play racquetball and even golf. To this day, she swims, having been on her high school dive team. We all marvel at her ability to want to participate in diving while in her 80s and her grandchildren lovingly try to mimic her near perfect form.

At 87, my mom will be on the golf course at the crack of dawn to join a group or walk nine holes on her own. Watching



Mary Brady

GUEST COLUMNIST

golf and tennis on television is her time to relax, along with reading and movie-going, as she loves to view the latest movies on the big screen. Reflecting back on my childhood, one of the best things my mom instilled in us was the love of reading. Thanks mom, love you!

The Mother's Day holiday has become fiercely commercial and it is the largest dining out day of the year and the biggest day for florists.

For many years, I opted to close the bistro to allow staff to be with their families. When I changed locations four years ago, we decided to open for a half-day, which still lets everyone be home by dinner time to celebrate. Whether you're staying home to cook mom a special meal or dining out, happy Mother's Day! We look forward to seeing you soon at the bistro.

Mary Brady of Milford is a certified executive chef by the American Culinary Federation

MOM'S REALLY GOOD LAMB SHANKS

This is an easy and delicious recipe that my mom cooked for all 9 in my family. Just add potatoes - mashed or boiled, or polenta. Enjoy!
Recipe by Marj Smith (Mary's mom)

4 meaty lamb shanks
2 carrots, cut into one-inch pieces
1 large yellow onion, large julienne
2 potatoes, cut into one-inch pieces
2 cloves garlic, chopped
½ cup ketchup
¼ cup vinegar
½ cup vegetable oil

1) Heat oil in an oven proof casserole. Brown garlic. Salt and pepper shanks and brown well. Add vinegar to casserole, cover and cook over medium heat for 15 minutes. Uncover.
2) Mix ketchup with enough water so that it pours easily. Pour over shanks, cover and bake in a pre-heated 350° oven for 30 minutes, add onions, cook 30 minutes
3) Check for tenderness and return to oven if lamb shank is not falling-off-the-bone tender. Serve right from the pot.

and owner of Diamond Jim Brady's Bistro, located in the Novi Town Center. You can reach her by email at djbistro@aol.com or go to www.djbistro.com.



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Building industry experts are encouraged by an upswing in activity.

Report: Local home building activity on upswing

Julie Brown
Staff Writer

Local home building experts are buoyed by a monthly report that looks at industry activity in southeast Michigan.

Based on residential permit data compiled by the Home Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan and reported in the HBA Southeastern Michigan Residential Building Activity Report, a total of 1,265 single-family and multi-family permits were issued in Macomb, Oakland, St. Clair and Wayne counties in the first quarter of 2016. That's the highest three-month combined total to start a calendar year since January-March 2006 (1,862).

Michael Stoskopf, CEO of the Home Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan, said several economic factors are studied. Those include employment, up 3.8 percent from last year at this time "which helps to build that momentum for housing starts," he said. "That combined with the relatively pleasant weather we've had this year combined to get us off to a good start."



Stoskopf

For multi-family permits, Orion Township, Macomb Township and Clinton Township comprise over 70 percent of the 361 permits issued in 2016. This total is over 35 percent higher than the 267 multi-family permits issued in the first quarter of 2015.

Stoskopf noted frost in the ground made building difficult the previous two winters. "This year, completely different," he said.

Single-family home permits saw a slowdown in activity (342) in March as builders continued to work on permits issued in January and February at a pace not seen since 2006.

For the first quarter this year, 69 municipalities across the four-county area have issued 944 single-family permits. Within that, five — Macomb Township, Canton Township, Lyon Township, Shelby Township and Novi — make up over 40 percent of the single-family home permit activity.

"They have been for the last several years and this year seems to be no different," Stoskopf said of communities such as Canton Township and Lyon Township, which have room to expand.

"Housing permits expand in those areas," he noted. There's good freeway access

to I-96, for example, in Novi and Lyon Township.

"Those are the locations people are looking to to get to work or to vacation," Stoskopf said.

Increased multi-family construction of rental-focused residential units, which started in earnest locally in 2014, continues to accelerate. That's part of a generational shift that is occurring across the country. Millennials are delaying their entry as first-time home buyers, with many choosing to rent. However, they're reaching the rental market with different expectations.

"That's really a nationwide trend," Stoskopf said. "In this case, I think it's a positive trend. It's definitely a generational trend." Millennials are marrying later and buying homes later, he said.

"Now going out on their own, they're not looking to buy," he said. Those millennials, however, don't want the drab 1968-era apartment to rent.

"It's not the same as the modern stuff that's going up," he said, noting millennials want attractive lighting, granite counters and luxury bathrooms. "It's more of a luxury experience. That's the expectation now."

Older millennials often do expect to buy a home, he said. "It's just a matter of time when they establish that family."

That's perfectly fine with Stoskopf, who also runs the Apartment Association of Michigan. "In my mind, they're complementary," he said of those roles. "It's all part of the evolution of the housing cycle."

Younger renters become accustomed to making monthly payments, he said, and then can qualify for a loan.

For multi-family permits, three municipalities — Orion Township, Macomb Township and Clinton Township — comprise over 70 percent of the 361 permits issued thus far in 2016.. This total is over 35 percent higher than the 267 multi-family permits issued in the first quarter of 2015.

Stoskopf is optimistic looking down the road: "I look forward to the next couple of months having good news to report," he added.

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Florida's Delray Beach: Heed local broker's expertise

Q: I understand that Delray Beach, Fla., on Atlantic Avenue is a good location for galleries and other retail businesses. What is your experience with it, if any?

A: There are a number of high-end galleries on the main drag in Delray Beach, but there are also a number of restaurants and a fair number of vacant stores. Obviously, the rent is high and the parking is scarce, relatively speaking, but it is still a mecca for retail sales being close to the Palm Beaches as well as Boca Raton. You are best advised to consult with a commercial real estate broker and be prepared to negotiate given the number of vacancies that are available but ensure some degree of parking availability to the extent possible.



Robert Meisner

Q: I am wondering what the market is like in the Sarasota, St. Armand's, Longboat Key area. Do you have any information regarding that area in terms of how it relates to the real estate costs in comparison to Southwest Florida? I speak mostly Spanish.

A: While most Realtors in the Sarasota area have someone who speaks fluent Spanish to assist you in analyzing market conditions in most of Southwest Florida, the market continues to be strong and the prices continue to rise close to pre-2008 levels. There is a fair amount of new construction in downtown Sarasota and the number of teardowns and/or rebuilding of homes on the Longboat Key area. St. Armand's Circle continues to be a focal point for shopping and restaurants so you are best advised to interview two or three different Realtors in that particular vicinity before making a choice.

Robert M. Meisner is a lawyer and the author of "Condo Living 2: An Authoritative Guide to Buying, Selling and Operating a Condominium." He is also the author of "Condominium Operation: Getting Started & Staying on the Right Track," second edition. Visit bmeisner@meisner-law.com. This column shouldn't be construed as legal advice.

REAL ESTATE BRIEFS

Investors

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

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

For more information, call Bill Beddoes at 734-934-9091 or Wayde Koehler at 313-819-0919.

Short sales

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

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

For more information, call 248-782-7130 or email june.quantum@gmail.com.

Free foreclosure tours

Free foreclosure tours are held at 1 p.m. every other Sunday at Panera Bread on the southeast corner of Middlebelt and I-96.

For more information, email Georgia@addedvaluerealty.com or visit FreeForeclosureTour.com.

State Habitat for Humanity leader honored at Building Michigan Communities Conference

Sandra Pearson, president and CEO of Habitat for Humanity Michigan, was named this year's Duvernay Award winner at the Building Michigan Communities Conference (BMCC).

Pearson was honored during a luncheon awards ceremony at the conference, which began April 25 and wrapped up April 27 at the Lansing Center.

The Duvernay Award is named for the late Terrence R. Duvernay, a pioneer in affordable housing who served as executive director of MSHDA. The award is chosen by a committee of past recipients and goes to a person who reflects the ideals and personal qualities of Duvernay.

Pearson has been with Habitat for Humanity Michigan for eight years, first as chief operating officer and as president and CEO since 2010. In the eight years she has been with Habitat for Human-

ity Michigan, she has provided leadership in implementing the strategic priorities of the board of directors, including energy efficient building, a shift into home repair and home rehabilitation and neighborhood revitalization.

"Upon receiving the call with the news that I was being extended this honor, I couldn't believe it," Pearson said. "Any work I have accomplished has been the result of care and hard work of countless people."

Other awards presented during the luncheon include:

» Community Economic Development Advocate of the Year, Nancy Finegood, Lansing executive director, Michigan Historic Preservation Network. Awarded by CEDAM.

» Community Economic Development Leader of the Year, Lansing Office of Financial Empowerment. Awarded by CEDAM.

» Michigan Foreclosure Prevention Corps Host Site of the Year, Inner City Christian Federation. Awarded by CEDAM.

» The Corrie Bair Building Inclusive Communities Award, Paul Ecklund, disability rights advocate, Disability Network Southwest Michigan. Awarded by CEDAM.

» Community Spirit Award, Clint Todd, vice president, Retail Lending, Community Shores Bank - Muskegon. Awarded by Federal Home Loan Bank of Indianapolis.

» Affiliate of the Year, Habitat for Humanity Capital Region. Awarded by Habitat for Humanity Michigan.

» Housing Education Program Agency of the Year Bay Area Housing Inc. Awarded by MSHDA.

» Housing Education Program Counselor of the Year, Jessica Rivard, Bay Area Housing. Awarded by MSHDA.

» Housing Education Program Counselor of the Year Roxane Hiler, Inner City Christian Federation Teresa Torres, Southwest Solutions Barb Stricker, Northwest Michigan Community Action Agency. Awarded by MSHDA.

Other conference highlights include hosting country music singer/songwriter and author Jimmy Wayne on Monday afternoon and an evening reception recognizing MSHDA's 50th anniversary where the department unveiled a new brand. Wayne is a former foster kid whose songs and story highlight his mission to bring awareness to kids who age out of the foster system and become homeless.

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Decide if you need a new job or a new career

BY DEANNA HARTLEY
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You may get stuck in a rut in your professional life occasionally, but is that a sign that you need to find another job or move into a different profession?

Cachet Prescott, a corporate trainer and career/leadership/personal coach, says there are clear signs that it's time for a change professionally.

"You can usually tell when someone needs to change jobs or careers when the person is constantly complaining and can't seem to find anything positive to say about their work anymore; no longer seems to be fulfilled by what she's doing or no longer has that passion; isn't quite performing to the standards that they once did; seems checked out; has simply outgrown this opportunity; (or) is in a different life stage and may need something different to fit their lives."

Also be on the lookout for signs that you may be reaching a dead end in your current profession and should keep your options open.

It might be time to change your career if you "no longer enjoy talking about what you do, avoid professional association meetings or events or socializing with people in your field, (or you) dissuade people



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from pursuing a career in your field," says Lisa Phalen, a certified coach, HR consultant and speaker with more than 25 years of experience.

However, making a change is a big decision, so take a step back and think it through first. To get you started, here are some questions to ask yourself.

Would I be happy in this job if it paid more? When considering a change, introspection is key, says Pierre-Renaud Tremblay, director of

human resources at Dupray, a steam cleaner and iron services firm.

"Imagine a world where your current role pays 10 times what you are making right now. Will you be satisfied with the work you are doing? If the answer is not an unequivocal yes, the likelihood that you should change careers is particularly high," he says. "When you enjoy what you do, you never have to work a day in your life. You need to be excited about what you do. You don't want to hate Sunday nights."

Will I be satisfied in a similar position at a different company?

"When the idea of another role in a comparable company is also no longer appealing to you, it may be worth considering a career change," says Angelina Darrisaw, a media consultant, digital strategist, brand ambassador and career coach. "Consider (it) critically. Take stock of your transferable skills. Be realistic about your level of experience. Weigh the pros and cons of a career change at this point in your

career. Are you willing to take less pay for a more fulfilling job? ... Most importantly, identify what you really want so you don't fall into the same pattern of unfulfillment."

Are my issues extrinsic or intrinsic? "Extrinsic or environmental problem areas are ones dealing with things like your boss, your pay/hours, your co-workers, office politics and so forth — those typically indicate a need for a new job and not necessarily a new career," says Steve Bohler, founder of the Oxford Program, a career consulting firm.

But intrinsic problems may indicate the need for a change in careers. "Intrinsic problem areas deal with feelings you get from performing the tasks associated with the job," he says. "Are you satisfying innate needs for creativity, autonomy, variety, problem-solving, helping others, seeing the fruits of your labor, etc.? These are fundamental sources of friction that will probably be found in different jobs within the same career and would indicate the need for a larger change."

Deanna Hartley is a writer for the Advice & Resources section on CareerBuilder.com. She researches and writes about job-search strategy, career management, hiring trends and workplace issues.

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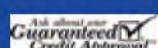
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