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Learn about geocaching at Maybury

Join the Friends of Maybury from 10-11:30 a.m. Saturday, July 9, to learn about geocaching at the park. Get started with this fun high-tech "treasure hunt." Participants will walk on and off paths, so appropriate footwear is required. Bring bug spray and a GPS unit if you have it (or download a Geocaching App on your smart phone). Suitable for all ages. The program is on rain or shine. Meet at the Trail-head Building, using the Eight Mile Road entrance. Recreation Passport required for entry. For more information, call 248-349-8390.

Tee off with VFW

Tickets are available for the Northville VFW 4012 Auxiliary Golf Tournament on Aug. 13 at Inn at St. John's Golf Course, Plymouth. Entry is \$100 per person or \$30 for dinner only. Contact Judy Thomas at divotdiva@live.com or Chris Bezaire at cadichris2@aol.com.

Eastbound Six Mile Road closes through mid-November



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER
The sign on Six Mile says it all for motorists traveling eastbound between Haggerty and Northville roads.

Joanne Maliszewski
Staff Writer

The orange barrels and barricades put up a week ago were just a clue. Residents and motorists will no longer be able to drive eastbound on Six Mile, Haggerty to Northville roads, until November. "It's been in the making for a long time," said Tom Casari, Northville Township public services director. When the \$6.2 million project is complete, expected sometime in mid-November, 1.5 miles of Six Mile will be totally reconstructed with new sewer installation, markings, guardrail and sidewalk improvements, as well as new signs. That reconstruction will include a three-lane pavement with intersec-

tions widened to accommodate five lanes, according to Martin Winingier, Wayne County project engineer. In a letter to nearby residents, Winingier asked them to stake sprinkler systems — heads, valves and underground lines — because any damage will not be replaced by the county, including systems without a Wayne County permit. This is one of those projects that will cause great inconvenience and frustration in the short-term but a long-term solution to the roadway's congestion, Casari said. During the project, eastbound Six Mile, Haggerty to Northville, will always be closed. When portions of new pavement are

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Celebrating freedom



KELLY DOBSON
It was a time for bubbles and joy at the Northville Community Foundation's Independence Day Parade Monday.

Northville Community Foundation packs downtown with annual July 4 parade

Joanne Maliszewski
Staff Writer

Northville celebrated Independence Day on Monday with a bang and a 140-entry parade that celebrated the 2016 Summer Olympics. Hosted by the Northville Community Foundation, the annual parade drew crowds early and filled the sidewalks along the route that began at Griswold and finished at Fairbrook and Center. Highlights include two flyovers, one by the U.S. Air Force and another by the Civil Air Patrol, each showcasing the A-10 Warthog. Both planes were from Selfridge Air Force Base. "It was awesome," said Jessica Striegle, foundation executive director. "The weather was awesome." And so were the entries that ranged from local military veterans, the Northville High School marching band, Plymouth Fife & Drum Corps, the Oscar Meyer Wienermobile and



KELLY DOBSON
Eighty-three years young, Robert Flinn, a resident of Senior Living of Northville, is all smiles at the parade



KELLY DOBSON
Lady Liberty holds the torch high as the parade continues.



KELLY DOBSON
The Tooth Fairy made an appearance at the parade along with all her tooth fairy helpers.

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Water garden tours come to Northville

Maria Taylor
Correspondent

Adding a koi pond to his gardens wasn't in John Rae's original plan. That came later, after a tree in his front yard succumbed to emerald ash borer — and what was once a tree, well, became the starting point for a 3,000-gallon pond. Rae's water garden is located about a half dozen steps from his front door, nestled among hostas and angel wing begonias. Nine Japanese koi swim serenely among the shadows, their orange and white and black scales bright against the rocky backdrop of the pool's three-tier waterfall. Rae's pond is one of nine Northville-area water gardens that will be featured in an upcoming pond tour, hosted by the Michigan Koi and Pond Club on Saturday, July 16. It's the 18th in an annual tour series that rotates from city to city, showcasing private gardens that include ponds as part of their landscaping. All the participants are individual homeowners who have incorporated water features into their outdoor gardens. Rae is on the board of the Michigan Koi and Pond Club. "Most of us were gardeners before we were koi enthusiasts," he said, "so many of our ponds have very wonderful gardens." Garden styles on the tour vary, reflecting the homeowners' individual tastes. "We have everything from Japanese-style backyards to French styles to modern backyards," said Ray Alexander, the club's president. Most of the ponds have Japanese koi, and a few have goldfish. The pond tour is self-guided and will be open between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m., rain or shine. The tour starts at The Village Workshop in Northville, at 455 E. Cady St. Participants will receive a wristband and a tour booklet with addresses for all participating homes, which will be marked by a sign at the front of each host's property. Homeowners will be on hand to answer questions, give directions, and share insight about their ponds and gardens. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for youth (ages 5-15) and may

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The Northville Chamber presents the 11th annual Northville Grub Crawl from 6-10 p.m. Tuesday, July 19.

Tickets are now on sale for the Grub Crawl, during which you can indulge in Northville's unique collection of restaurants as you sample their signature specialties. Participating restaurants are offering free samples of appetizers and entree items along with cash bar specials for our "crawlers."

Crawlers can use free shuttle transportation to each restaurant or "crawl" on their own.

Participating restaurants include: Brann's Sizzlin' Steaks & Sports Grill, Brick's of Northville, French Toast Bistro, Northville Center Brewery with Tony Sacco's Pizza, Northville Sports Den, Poole's Tavern/Bak Bar, Rusty Bucket Park Place, Rusty Bucket Restaurant and Tavern and WOK Asian Bistro. Restaurants can still apply to participate.

Tickets are \$30 per person, who must be 21 or older. Tickets are on sale at the Good Time Party Store or the Northville Chamber of Commerce.

New this year: submit a ticket order form and the chamber will mail you your tickets. The order form is available on the chamber website at www.northville.org

The Northville Grub Crawl is sponsored by Community Choice Credit Union, with assistance from Good Time Party Store and Remerica Hometown One — Patti Mullen & Associates

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PASSes will again include six shows for as little as \$150. Each SeasonPASS is good for one ticket to each show in our 2016-2017 season. The theater will also continue to offer a special Pick 5 option this year: SeasonPASSes went on sale July 5. Tickets can be ordered by calling 248-347-0003 or by stopping at the theater Tuesday to Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

On tap in the 10th season:

- » "Don't Dress for Dinner" by Marc Camoletti; Sept. 15- Oct. 23, 2016
- » "The Man Who Shot Liberty Valance" by Jethro Compton and based on the short story by Dorothy M. Johnson; Nov. 17- Dec. 18, 2016
- » "Sexy Laundry" by Michele Riml; Jan. 19-Feb. 26, 2017
- » "True West" by Sam Shepard; March 23- April 23, 2017
- » "The Ladies First" by Norm Foster; May 18- June 25, 2017
- » Young Americans: The Fictional Life and Contentious Death of Caesar Moon" by David Wells; July 20-Aug 20, 2017

This activity is supported in part by an award from the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs and the National Endowment for the Arts. Tipping Point Theatre performances begin at 8 p.m. Thursday through Saturday, with matinees at 3 p.m. Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday. One special Wednesday matinee for each production will be held. Tickets range from \$22 to \$35.

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Mike Conrad's water pond has a bit of an Asian flair to it.

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be purchased either on the day of the event at The Village Workshop or in advance by calling John Rae at 248-767-1066.

Funds raised from the event support the Michigan Koi and Pond Club's activities, including their annual koi show and speaker sessions on koi care and breeding. The group's mission is to help members and people with similar interests learn how to take care of fish and maintain healthy ponds. For more information, visit www.mkpc-se.com.

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complete, traffic will be rerouted for additional construction, according to Winger.

It is no secret that neighborhoods, such as Northville Colony Estates, and businesses, will

be affected as residents will have no choice but to turn west — even if they need to go east. Residents will have to travel west and head to Five Mile in order to travel eastbound, Casari said.

In addition to the inconvenience of driving west on Six Mile to eventually go eastbound, residents can also expect

additional congestion and traffic delays, Winger said. But one lane westbound will be open through the life of the project.

Construction will include bringing rights-of-way to current standards along Six Mile. That includes removing boulders, trees, retaining walls, railroad ties and

any other obstructions that may be viewed as hazardous to motorists.

One thing for which residents can be assured: If bad weather or other delays cause problems, restoration of the area will continue next spring.

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July 29	Randy Scott	JC Penney- in the Green Block Ford between Morton Taylor & Sheldon	1
August 5	Penny Wells	Home Depot- in the Orange Block Ford & Lotz	7
August 12	Tim Bowman	Super Bowl- in the Purple Block Ford between Canton Center & Sheldon	2

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Little man of steel, Owen Kidon, 3, of Novi, gets one of the many flags handed out during the parade.



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Decked out for the parade, these teens can't help but acknowledge the waves from the crowds.



KELLY DOBSON
The Great Lakes Taiko Center beats the drums at the annual July 4 parade in Northville.



KELLY DOBSON
Classic cars filled the parade route in downtown Northville.



KELLY DOBSON
Military veterans lead the charge in the annual July 4 parade.

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plenty of classic cars, clowns and other recognizable characters.

"We've been doing the parade for 18 years," Striegle said. "We love being able to do something like this for the community. Our mission is to enhance and enrich life in the community."

St. Mary Mercy Livonia was a primary sponsor of the parade. Additional sponsors included Northville Meijer, Community Financial Credit Union, Tom Holzer Ford, Aisin Group, Monroe Bank & Trust, Orin Jewelers, DTE Energy, Meadowbrook & Breckenridge Veterinary, MB Financial Bank, Sandra M. Larson, Attorney at Law, the Northville Chamber of Commerce and Blackwell Ford.

Parade entries didn't just march for more than an hour Monday. They were judged in 10 categories with honors — based on the Olympics gold, silver and bronze awards — given to the following:

Best Theme Entry — Cheers for Team USA!

- » Gold: First United Methodist Church
- » Silver: Former Olympians Bob White and Emily Samuelson
- » Bronze: St. Mary Mercy Hospital Livonia

Best Crowd Pleaser

- » Gold: Zap Zone
- » Silver: Best Day Ever Parties
- » Bronze: Shawn Riley Band

Most Patriotic

- » Gold: Plymouth Fife & Drum Band
- » Silver: First United Methodist Church of Northville
- » Bronze: The Pet Parade

Favorite Community Group

- » Gold: Maybury Farm
- » Silver: Goldfish Swim School
- » Bronze: Marquis Theatre

Most Unique Vehicle

- » Gold: Bob & Lorraine Haas Coca-Cola Car
- » Silver: Motor City Reel Rides' Munsters Koach
- » Bronze: Redford Township Unicycle Club

Most Nostalgic Vehicle

- » Gold: Northville Historical Society
- » Silver: Northville Meijer's 1936 Chevy Rack Truck
- » Bronze: George Patak's 1963 Plymouth Detroit Police Department station wagon

Best Float

- » Gold: Meadowbrook Congregational Church
- » Silver: Goldfish Swim School
- » Bronze: The Village Workshop

Best Musical Entry

- » Gold: Northville High School Marching Band
- » Silver: Great Lakes Taiko Center
- » Bronze: Piazza Dance Company

Best Characters

- » Gold: Preservation Dental's Tooth Fairy
- » Silver: Detroit Tigers' PAWS
- » Bronze: DTE Energy's Louis the Lightning Bug

Best Entry by a Church Group

- » Gold: Meadowbrook Congregational Church
- » Silver: First United Methodist Church of Northville
- » Bronze: First Baptist Church of Northville



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What's a parade without the Northville High School Marching Band?



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Veterans, some here in a military Jeep, played an important role in Northville's July 4 parade.



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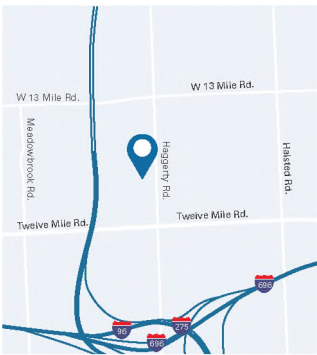
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Stuffed animal found hanging in black family’s backyard

Daniel Bethencourt
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A stuffed animal was decapitated then hung from a tree in the backyard of a black family’s home in Commerce Township in what is being looked at as an act of “ethnic intimidation,” according to the Oakland County Sheriff’s Office. Deputies found the stuffed animal when they were called to the home near Lower Straits Lake and arrived at around 10

a.m. Saturday, Undersheriff Mike McCabe said in a news release. Not only was the animal’s head cut off, but its arms were taped behind its back, police said. The family told police they didn’t know who would leave the stuffed animal in their backyard — but the homeowner did say that over the course of living in the home for the last two years, “boaters pull up to their property and point at them,” McCabe said.

And last month someone at a barbecue at a neighbor’s house, who the family is friends with, yelled the N-word at the homeowner’s wife while she was in her yard. Police did not provide further details Sunday afternoon. Anyone with details about the incident should call the Oakland County Sheriff’s Office at 248-858-4951.

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OAKLAND COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE
A stuffed animal with no head was found Saturday hanging from a tree in a black family’s backyard.

NOVI POLICE BRIEFS

Drone crash
Novi Police were called at 11:35 a.m. June 20 to Jasper Ridge after a drone crashed into a deck. The caller stated an unknown male was flying a drone, which struck the deck next to his residence. The male then picked up the drone and walked away. No damage was observed and the subject who was flying the drone was not located.

Dumpster divers
Novi Police were called at about 2:45 p.m. June 21 to a medical facility located on Haggerty Road for a report of individuals going into dumpsters on the property for medical supplies. An employee of the business said for the past three months, people have gone into the dumpster for items that have been thrown away, including reagent, machinery and expired syringes. The subjects have been warned in the past that they are on private property and not welcome, but they would leave and then return later in the day. The incidents had not been reported until now. On June 20, locks were placed on the dumpsters, but employees again found the subjects, who came in three pickup trucks, in the dumpsters. No damage was found to the dumpsters, which were able to be relocked.

Found kitten
A kitten found in a work site woodpile at 7:55 a.m. June 17 in the area of Nine Mile and Garfield roads was turned over to an emergency vet after neighbors said they weren’t missing a kitten.

— By Susan Bromley

Democratic Club hosts event to highlight candidates

The Northville Democratic Club held a Unity Party event June 24 at the American Legion in Northville. The table was groaning under the weight of appetizers from samosas to guacamole and chips, chicken fingers to spicy meatballs and brownies to French toast squares. The purpose of the party was to provide candidates for local offices the opportunity to speak to potential voters about their candidacy and their views and to mingle and talk to their potential constituents. Close to 50 members of the Northville Democratic Party, as well as friends and guests, listened to short speeches, ate a lot of good food and talked about current political issues. Lisa DiRado, the Northville Democratic Club president and long-time resident of Northville Township, opened the meeting and introduced elected officials who were in attendance, including Sam Ekong, Northville City Council member, and Roland Hwang, member of the Northville Board of Education. Patrick Crandell, candidate for the Wayne County Commission, 9th District (Livonia, North-



Jane Breslin and Marlene Oden.



U.S. House candidate Dr. Anil Kumar with Lisa DiRado, president of the Northville Democratic Club.

ville and Northville Township) spoke about the needs in Wayne County for greater fiscal responsibility and his desire to help Wayne County prosper and further develop a regional transit authority. Colleen Crossley, candidate for Oakland County commissioner, spoke about how her background as a social worker has propelled her

desire to serve the community and her wish to serve the families of Oakland County. Dr. Ghulam Qadir, candidate for Northville Township commissioner, spoke about using his extensive knowledge of psychiatry to help the community with the many diverse mental health challenges. Michelle Letourneau-McA-



Patrick Crandall, Susan Nichols, Roland and Tina Hwang.




Michelle Letourneau-McAvoy, Sam Ekong, Jini Sawani and Lavinia Ekong at the Unity Party.

voy, candidate for the Wayne County 3rd Circuit Court, spoke about her years of experience as an attorney helping families and children in crisis. Dr. Anil Kumar, candidate for the U.S. House 11th District seat, was also present to talk to voters and discuss his run. A skit was presented by NDC members Susan

Nichols and Patrick Collins, playing the roles of Hillary Clinton and Bernie Saunders, and proving that these two Democratic leaders are more alike than they are different. Another NDC member, Herb Helzer, presented information from the other side of the political battleground.

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PA 138: (SB 501) Allow people with a valid driver's license from another country to obtain a Michigan driver's license. Sponsor: Sen. Jim Stamas, R-Midland.

PA 139: (SB 659) Expand investment options for the Foster Futures Scholarship trust fund for foster children. Sponsor: Sen. Peter MacGregor, R-Rockford.

PA 140-141: (SB 607 and 719) Allow for the use of debit cards and telephone-initiated transactions as methods for repaying payday lending transactions. Sponsor: Sen. Darwin Booher, R-Evart.

PA 142: (SB 776) Establish a hard 180-day window for people to collect signatures for ballot proposals. Sponsor: Sen.

David Robertson, R-Grand Blanc.

PA 143: (SB 458) Clarify grounds for terminating parental rights in certain adoption circumstances. Sponsor: Sen. Tonya Schuitmaker, R-Lawton.

PA 144: (SB 606) Provide principal residence property tax exemption for taxes levied by a school district to include military service members temporarily residing elsewhere because of military deployment. Sponsor: Sen. Mike Shirkey, R-Clarklake.

PA 145: (SB 738) Require

executive summaries of annual valuation reports on pension and retiree health care for state unit systems. Sponsor: Sen. Darwin Booher, R-Evart.

PA 146: (SB 818) Exempt yoga teacher training programs from occupational school regulations. Sponsor: Sen. Tonya Schuitmaker, R-Lawton.

PA 147: (HB 5512) Eliminate the sunset on the Michigan energy assistance program. Sponsor: Rep. Earl Poleski, R-Jackson.

PA 148: (HB 4634) Provide a

grace period, under certain circumstances, on the renewal deadline for vehicle registrations. Sponsor: Rep. Ben Gardon, R-Owosso.

PA 149-150: (HB 4787 and 4830) Prohibit and provide penalties for coercing a woman to have an abortion against her will. Sponsor: Rep. Amanda Price, R-Park Township; Nancy Jenkins, R-Clayton.

PA 151: (HB 4984) Revise the specific tax levied under the Tax Reverted Clean Title Act. Sponsor: Rep. Tom Barrett, R-Pottersville.

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Sculptor to bring ‘devil’s rope’ art to Plymouth show

Sharon Dargay
Staff Writer

Jeff Best loves getting his hands on rusty barbed wire.

He takes the material, also known as devil’s rope, from old fence posts and rural trash dumps, then bends, twists and shapes it into majestic elk and barnyard chickens, prickly pine trees and trophy deer heads.

“It’s a great medium to work with. It’s just dirty, dusty, pokey and it can come up and smack you if you’re not watching it. I’ll get scratched sometimes. You’ve got to be careful with it,” he said. “I have found several rolls of barbed wire still on the spool, all rusted. Those are the most dangerous. They are wound tight and still have some spring. But other than minor scratches, it’s not too

bad.”

Best, who lives in Clare, north of Mt. Pleasant, will bring his unique work to the 37th annual Art in the Park, July 8-10 in downtown Plymouth. Show times are 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. Shuttles will run continuously from Madonna University, 36600 Schoolcraft, in Livonia, and at Burroughs, located at Plymouth Road and Haggerty.

More than 400 artists from across the country will show and sell their paintings, sculpture, ceramics, jewelry, fiber art, glass works, photography, folk art and woodwork.

Best is new to the show. Art in the Park will be his third art fair since he began creating barbed wire sculpture five years ago. He attended the Great Lakes Art Fair in



A barbed wire elk sculpture seems to call out to the herd at sunset.

Novi the past two years and will end the summer art fair season next month in Mt. Pleasant.

“The Plymouth show is the big dog for me,” he said. “I’m looking forward to going there and see how it goes. I don’t know what to expect.”

He wasn’t fluent in the art fair “lingo” or the application process when he sent a few photos off

to the Great Lakes show last year. All he knew was that he loved turning used barbed wire into “something pretty.”

“It’s cool for me to think that wire was manufactured to be on a post to hold in things or hold things out,” he said. “It served its purpose. I grabbed it and who knew it would turn into a deer head.”

Popular chickens

He’ll have a family of three barbed wire elk for sale at the Plymouth show. Examples of other sculptures will be displayed in his booth. Customers can order a piece and expect delivery about a month later. Prices range from approximately \$150 to \$500 or more.

Chickens are his most popular sculptures, but he also makes full size elk and deer, trophy heads, trees and just about anything a customer requests. His “Bugling Elk,” a 10-foot-long, 8-foot-tall sculpture greets customers from atop the entrance to Jay’s Sporting Goods in Gaylord.

“I did a Spartan helmet for a couple in Howell,” he said. “It turned out awesome. I’ve done a sandhill crane, a cactus, trees, that kind of stuff.”

A former salesman

for Purina, Best started his own company, Best Outdoors, manufacturing planting and cultivating equipment in 2005. He splits his time between his business and his art.

The self-taught artist created his first sculpture out of a coat hanger for his son, who is now 32. The piece became a perennial “show and tell” item for all three of his children.

He considered moving on to larger pieces when he found barbed wire on his property, but the coils of rusty wire sat in his barn for eight years before he took needle nose pliers to the material.

View his work in person during the art fair or go to devilsropestudio.com. For more about Art in the Park, call 734-454-1314 or go to artinthepark.com.

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Here are some must-have tech gadgets for the summer

We’ve reached peak technology status. Remember how the emergence of cellphones helped us downsize the number of necessary digital devices? The cellphone became not only your phone, but your MP3 player, camera, video camera, key ring, wallet and more. But the rise of the Internet of Things has seemingly reversed that trend and helped the electronics market shift from entertainment devices to useful productivity devices. That’s not to say that the TV, radio or your 1995 desktop computer wasn’t useful – new unitasking devices are simply more functional and affordable and have pushed more tech devices into consideration.



Jon Gunnells
TECH SAVVY

Digital thermometers

Advanced and enhanced summer grilling is as easy as a digital thermometer. And that doesn’t mean your standard meat thermometer with a digital display. Bluetooth and WiFi-enabled temperature gauges are available for the professional smoker to the novice griller. And while nobody needs a digital thermometer that connects to their phone, it certainly saves you unnecessary trips to the grill, smoker or oven. The Weber Style for

instance, offers two prongs (which is what you want) to measure the air temperature as well as internal temperature. A two-prong meat thermometer can run \$40 to \$100. Of course, if you think this is a waste of money, then I don’t need to tell you about the more than \$200 solar-powered beach tote that has been developed by a company called Earth Beach Products.

Security cameras

Previously, a homeowner who wanted peace of mind could sign up for an expensive monthly or yearly contract with a home security company. Expensive top-end video monitoring systems were also available for the 1 percent. Today, you can secure your home as easily as an add-on pack-

age from your cable provider or a wireless self-install device.

Nest, the famous smart thermostat provider, offers a home security camera for as low as \$150. Any homeowner and renter can grab one for less than the cost of an upgraded phone and install it in less than an hour. For those with large homes, you can grab a three-pack of cams from Nest or other manufacturers like Arlo for \$500 or less. With both Nest and Arlo, buyers receive access to the cloud, where they can store 24 hours of video coverage. Owners can purchase more space for a monthly fee. It is the perfect solution for the business traveler, snowbirds or summer vacationers. Arlo, D-Link and others offer motion-activated

cameras. Some brands such as NetAtmo offer facial recognition and can send text alerts when something is up.

Mosquito repellent

Some mosquito deterrents like citronella candles are hardly considered technical. But a trendy, synthetic lantern might be. Thermacell offers a \$29.99 lantern that will keep a 15 by 15 area free of those pesky bugs. At that price, it makes sense on a patio, porch or deck to help keep us outdoors longer.

Watershot pro

Finally for the travelers, outdoor enthusiasts and photography pros, the Watershot pro can help you capture shots in and around water without worrying about your phone insur-

ance coverage. Retailing for \$139, the Watershot Pro is safe to use up to 195 feet – which should be considered “extreme waterproof.”

Notebook

Just when you thought it was safe to buy video games, Microsoft and Sony announced updated versions of their respective Xbox and PlayStation devices. In June at E3, Microsoft announced a virtual reality and 4K-capable Xbox that is expected to hit the market next year. Sony also recently announced updates with 4K, but may not have virtual reality capabilities.

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Visit cityofnovi.org/trash for your new service day.

You can still use your current trash and recycling carts/bins. New Waste Management carts will be delivered later this fall.





Due to the 4th of July, service will be one day behind.
Monday customers will be served on Tuesday, Tuesday on Wednesday, Thursday on Friday and Friday on Saturday.

Questions? Learn more at cityofnovi.org/trash, or call Waste Management's Customer Service line at **866-797-9018**, 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday-Friday.



Curbside Residential Trash Collection

- Monday Pickup
- Tuesday Pickup
- Thursday Pickup
- Friday Pickup



Map showing trash collection zones: Monday Pickup (blue), Tuesday Pickup (red), Thursday Pickup (green), Friday Pickup (yellow). Key streets include West Rd, South Lake Dr, East Lake Dr, Thirteenth Mile Rd, Twelve Mile Rd, Grand River Ave, Eleven Mile Rd, Ten Mile Rd, Ninth Mile Rd, Meadowbrook Rd, and North Rd. A note indicates 'Waste Management (customers under current contract)' in a specific area.

GUEST COLUMNIST

Allen Terrace tenants tried to work with commission

The opinion article about Allen Terrace published June 23 is correct in stating that the parking issue "...is really indicative of a larger problem..." Then the article states that "There's plenty of stubbornness, anger and a total lack of communication to be shared by all parties."

The Allen Terrace residents have attempted to communicate regularly with the Housing Commission on several issues but have been met with stony silence. The Sept. 9, 2015, Housing Commission meeting minutes says it all. When I asked a question regarding their justification for a rent increase, I was met with silence, than a comment from commission president Nehs that "the commission wasn't there to answer questions, but to listen to comments." This has been the protocol at every Housing Commission meeting.

When I asked what was in the consent agen-



Tony Rizzo
GUEST COLUMNIST

da packet given to the commissioners (passed undisclosed without discussion), commissioner Nehs said, "there are too many items and it would take too long," and adjourned the meeting. Citizen comments are limited to three minutes and only one topic per meeting. This is communication?

Most of the monthly housing commission meetings are completed in approximately one-half hour. In all of 2015, the commission met in open meetings for a total of eight hours and four minutes. All decisions are made behind closed doors then passed secretly in the consent agenda in violation of the state Open Meetings Act.

Furthermore, every bulletin board has been removed from the build-

ing and the only information available is first approved by management and then taped inside the office window. When I discovered in June of 2013 that the AARP tax volunteers at the Senior Center were not aware of the 1040CR Service Fee credit (Homestead Property Tax Credit form) from the state that are residents are qualified for, I posted it on the resident bulletin board — when there was one — and management removed it because "I wasn't an expert."

I then distributed a copy to each apartment and subsequently received a letter informing me that I could not distribute any information unless it was first approved by management. Wow! The Doctrine of Prior Restrain found unconstitutional in 1931 by the U.S. Supreme Court in *Neal vs. Minnesota*. But not known at Allen Terrace. Being able to file back four years, some resi-

dents received over \$3,500 from the state. And management attempted to prevent the dissemination of the availability of that benefit. Why?

All this discussion began with management asking the residents to take over responsibility for the assigned parking program. At the June Housing Commission meeting, a resident volunteered to take over the chore together with a committee of residents and was met with a statement from the commission president that "No, the commission has passed a motion to have open parking and that's the way it will be." Why? Because the manager says she's overworked?

This could go on and on, but I will end with the big one: a lawsuit. The proposed lease agreement for the 2014-15 year contained so many violations of state and federal laws that one resident, a retired attorney, submitted a

five-page document to the housing commission. It was completely ignored. At a meeting called by the management to hear comments regarding the issues, not one word was changed and the lease was passed as proposed.

In accordance with the Truth in Renting Act, I signed the lease and provided written notice of each provision I perceived a violation of law. The city attorney denied it all. I subsequently retained legal counsel and filed in Wayne County Circuit Court. I alleged violations of the Truth in Renting Act; The American with Disabilities Act; The Persons with Disabilities Civil Rights Act and the Michigan Consumer Protection Act.

In a consent judgment, every one of the cited violations was required to be removed, my legal fees reimbursed and a new lease issued to each resident. To top it off, the housing

commission president read a statement at a meeting that the rent may have to be increased to cover the legal fees when, in fact, the fees were paid by an insurance company, Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority.

Allen Terrace needs full-time, professionally trained management. After all, despite the Housing Facilities Act, MCL 125.677 that states "no commission shall construct or operate any project for profit," Allen Terrace regularly shows a profit. In two recent consecutive fiscal years, Allen Terrace showed a net profit totaling over \$210,000. And the capital improvements fund has had a balance of over \$1.2 million since 2002. Each resident pays about \$80 per month to retire the bonds, but the money is rarely spent.

Tony Rizzo is the immediate past president of the Allen Terrace Resident Council.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Vote for Fred Shadko for township trustee

There are six candidates currently running for the four available Northville Township Trustee positions. One of these candidates, in-

cumbent Fred Shadko, has maintained a perfect attendance record during his past four years as township trustee, and as board liaison to the Township Planning Commission and Historic District Commission. Why is this important?

Because it proves that Fred shows up. He not only shows up, he gets things done. The old-school way, through hard work, open-mindedness, integrity, organization and an energetic passion that he channels into everything he's done for the township and city, even before he was elected to serve us four years ago.

During Fred Shadko's first term as a Township Trustee:

- » The Township bond rating increased to AA+, reducing bond interest costs

- » Scott Prison was demolished and an outstanding redevelopment project envisioned
- » Northville Township received peer-evaluated awards for budgeting and financial reporting
- » Multiple senior projects have been approved, some built, some currently under construction
- » Northville Township was the only Wayne County community to receive SEMCOG's perfect financial score

As the founder of Citizens for Northville, a nonprofit grass-roots

volunteer organization, Fred was a leader of the successful campaign to stop the annexation of 414 acres of land, which could have been turned into a colossal traffic-clogging shopping center the size of 12 Oaks Mall in Novi. He was integral in the formation and organization of the Northville off-leash dog park. Fred's additional volunteer activities include being a member of the Green Ribbon committee that prepared the psychiatric hospital property master plan, and being a videogra-

pher for the Northville Historical Society and Northville High School choirs.

I strongly encourage you to support Northville township (and city) by voting for

Fred Shadko for Township Trustee at the polls on Aug. 2.

Joanne Bandoni
Northville Art Commissioner
Northville city resident & former Northville Township resident



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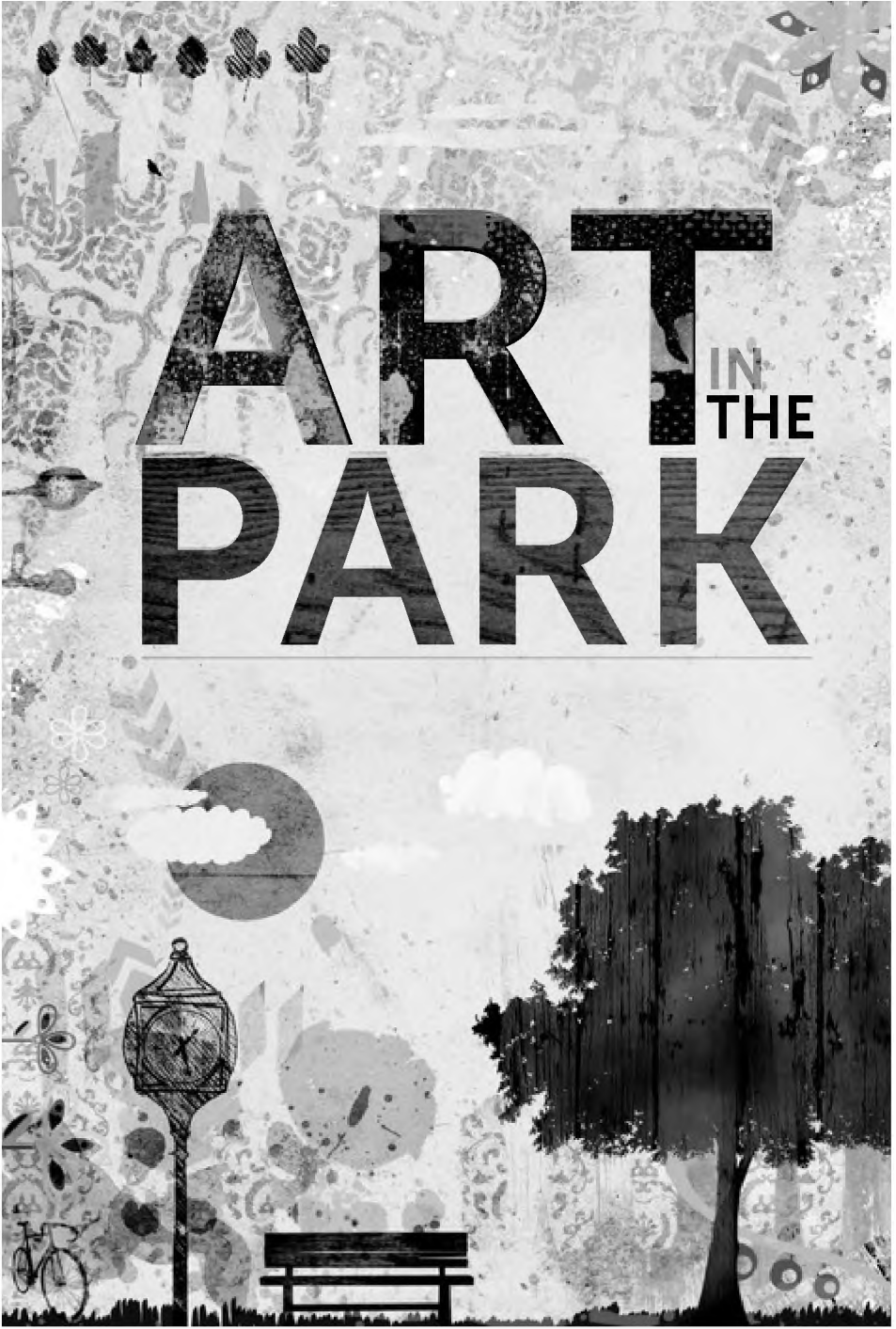
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Hiking in the outdoors ‘inspires fresh thinking’

Julie Brown
Staff Writer

Maia Turek is the statewide recreation programmer for the Parks and Recreation of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. She’s not surprised to hear of Stanford University research touting the mental health benefits of time outdoors.

“Oh, absolutely,” Turek said from her Traverse City work location. “We also find it helps improve focus and creativity. It really does help inspire fresh thinking.”

That day, she and colleagues had an outdoor meeting and she saw “just the idea of being around nature. You’re still getting the benefits of being connected to that natural environment. You can have the same benefit of walking outside in an urban setting which has trees.”

That includes suburban communities with trees and parks, she agreed.

‘We go the other way’

She’s an Ortonville native who graduated from Brandon High School. She travels “to a lot of really awesome destinations. We’ve actually found ourselves traveling south to take advantage of what’s be-

come an amazing city. We go the other way,” she said of heading south on I-75 with her husband and family to Detroit.

They like the city’s Riverwalk, as well as Belle Isle, now managed by the state DNR, and the Outdoor Adventure Center. “What an amazing way to spend a Saturday in the city,” Turek said of the Riverwalk.

“It’s this idea of getting people out of their cars,” she said, noting you can park some distance away to get health and nature benefits when you do drive. “Just allow yourself that 15 minutes in the morning and that 15 minutes in the afternoon,” she said.

She noted those who exercise outdoors often stick with a workout longer. “You may go that extra distance to see that vista. Plus, there’s so much to see. I can see a chipmunk, I can feel the sun on my face,” Turek said.

She urges a visit to michigan.gov/Rec101 to learn more. She likes the trails movement. “Right now, there’s some really great things going on in trails, especially in urban areas,” said Turek, who holds a bachelor’s degree in marketing/communications from Chicago’s DePaul University, as well as a communications master’s from Eastern Michigan University.



Matthew Turek and son Bryan visited the Outdoor Adventure Center in Detroit. The Turek family travels south from Traverse City now to visit Detroit attractions.

‘Walk in groups’

Safety issues arise in walking outdoors in cities. “One of the things I recommend is walk in groups,” said Turek, who belongs to the Hike It Baby national organization, as her family has a young son. She noted Michigan has some 12 such branches of Hike It Baby.

“It’s good to be social and share an experience with people, especially if you have kids,” she said. “You’re building a community every time you go out for a walk.”

She added, “If you just take five to 30 minutes a day and look at a picture of nature, it has been shown to reduce anxiety. That sense of comfort,

relaxation, that’s what you feel when you’re in it.”

So what does her family like best about Detroit on their trips south? “Some of the really cool pop-up things we see where urban meets nature,” Turek said. On Detroit’s Dequindre Cut, they saw art reproductions from the Detroit Institute of Arts.

Michigan State University’s Tollgate Farm and Education Center in Novi also gives local folks a chance to explore outside. Education director Alan Jaros, who’s been on the job there five years, answered questions for this newspaper:

Would you agree being in nature is helpful in

MILL RACE MATTERS

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Upcoming events

Buildings open to the public: 1-4 p.m. each Sunday through Oct. 16.

Grounds closed for weddings: 4:15-6:15 p.m. July 9 and 4:15-6:15 p.m. July 10.

Country Garden Club Garden Walk: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. July 13. Tickets available at Gardenviews in Downtown Northville.

General info

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Study: Walking in woods, parks helps boost well-being

Hikes in nature have been proven to boost mood and overall mental health.

A 2015 Stanford University study found people who walked for 90 minutes in a natural area, compared to participants who walked in a high-traffic urban setting, showed decreased activity in a region of the

brain associated with a key factor in depression.

In the study, two groups of participants walked for 90 minutes — one in a grassland area scattered with oak trees and shrubs, the other along a traffic-heavy four-lane roadway. Before and after, the researchers measured heart and respiration

rates, performed brain scans and had participants fill out questionnaires.

The researchers found little difference in physiological conditions, but marked changes in the brain. Neural activity in the subgenual prefrontal cortex, a brain region active during rumination — repetitive thought

focused on negative emotions — decreased among participants who walked in nature vs. those who walked in an urban environment.

The research notes city dwellers have a 20-percent higher risk of anxiety disorders and a 40-percent higher risk of mood disorders as compared to people in rural

areas. People born and raised in cities are twice as likely to develop schizophrenia, the study noted.

The Stanford study was published in Proceedings of the National Academy of Science.

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Drop-In Summer Storytimes
Time/Date: 10:30-11 a.m. Friday, July 8
Details: Fun for all ages! No registration, just drop in for stories about Silly Monkeys! Due to space limitations,

Drop-In Creative Crafts
Time/Date: 2-3 p.m. Tuesday, July 12
Details: Kids of all ages drop in to decorate a mini Frisbee disc. Due to space limitations, no special groups please.

Teen & Adult Book Discussion
Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. Monday, July 11
Details: Eat snacks and win prizes while discussing Rainbow Rowell’s “Eleanor & Park.” Recommended ages 13 and over. Just drop in! Register online at www.northvillelibrary.org or by phone at 248-349-3020.

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Time/Date: 2-3 p.m. Thursday, July 14
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puppets! 100 free tickets available at the Information Desk 10 minutes prior to program. Due to space limitations, no special groups.

Life of a Civil War Soldier
Time/Date: 7 p.m. Monday, July 18
Details: Historian and teacher Timothy Puzella presents the life of a Civil War soldier. He’ll come in costume and discuss food, equipment, weaponry and more. Register online at www.northvillelibrary.org or by phone at 248-349-3020.

Critters in the Garden
Time/Date: 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 20
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Animal shelter is tops in business practices, ‘save’ rate

Sharon Dargay
Staff Writer

The Humane Society of Huron Valley recently received its fifth consecutive four-star rating from Charity Navigator. Only 6 percent of charities get such high marks consistently from the nonprofit organization, which evaluates their fiscal management practices, accountability and transparency. HSHV has the top Charity Navigator rating among animal shelters in Michigan. Ratings listed on the Charity Navigator website help inform charitable givers as they decide where to donate their money or time. But that data alone doesn't tell the entire story for animal rescues and shelters. Christie Keith, an advisory board member for Michigan Pet Fund Alliance, says potential donors also



Hayes lives in the office at Humane Society of Huron Valley with other cats that have tested positive for feline leukemia.

should look at the Alliance's annual save rate report, which compares intake rates, euthanasia stats and number of "saved" animals for welfare organizations that operate shelters statewide. The Alliance looks at data collected from shelters and compiled by the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development.

It organizes the data into an easy-to-read format that it posts on its website, michiganpetfund.org. HSHV has scored high on the annual save rate report, too. "We have gotten the outstanding animal shelter (award) for the best save rate all the years they've offered it," said

Wendy Welch, HSHV marketing director. "We receive it for being a large, open admissions shelter." Keith said HSHV saves nearly 90 percent of all animals it takes in and does a "spectacular job" innovating new programs and staying in touch with shelter trends across the country. "Tanya (Hilgendorf) has been an extraordinary advocate for animals," she said, referring to HSHV's president and CEO. "I've seen her help other shelters and communities by sharing experiences and innovations. She is a leader."

New program
HSHV recently turned its administrative office into a sanctuary for cats with the feline leukemia after taking on dozens of cats from another local shelter. FeLV-positive cats must be separated

from non-infected cats to keep the disease from spreading. Many shelters euthanize FeLV cats, but Hilgendorf said in a press release that HSHV found a way to deal with the increase in its FeLV population by thinking "outside the box." "We're constantly working around cats, cats on keyboards, cats on papers," Welch said. "In a few weeks we'll release information about another program, playgroups for dogs. It's helping them become more adoptable." Keith suggests that charitable givers look at an animal shelter's mission, programs, Charity Navigator rating, and save rate before digging into their wallets for donations. "I'd look at the numbers and Google to see the conversation about the organization. I'd Google to see if there has

been a big change in the organization. Get a feeling whether the conversation is positive or negative," said Keith, who also consults with several national organizations. "I believe it's critical in philanthropy to give money where it will have impact. There is no one litmus test, but if you take an organization that has historically been saving low numbers of animals and there's nothing to indicate anything will change the historically low numbers, there are no new policies in place, no new leader...give your money to (another) organization rather than to a failing shelter." For more about HSHV, go to hshv.org. For more about Charity Navigator, go to charitynavigator.org.

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Some of Jim Blaine's 17,000 PEZ dispensers and related items are on display in the room he dedicated to his collection.

Local man amasses 17,000 PEZ dispensers

Lisa Roose-Church
Michigan.com

Jim Blaine first noticed a PEZ candy dispenser in a gas station store and bought it, thinking the plastic candy container was "kind of cool." At a flea market, Blaine found another dispenser, different from the first and just as unique. He bought the PEZ pink cardboard box containing 36 dispensers from Europe. "I saw them and thought it was kind of cool. It kind of became a feel-good moment," he said about finding new dispensers. "I'd see them, and say, 'Here's a new one I don't have.' I bought 30-some boxes and then I started getting involved in the PEZ community." That was in 1999. Today, the Hartland Township resident estimates that he has 17,000 PEZ dispensers, 4,000 of which are his personal collection while the rest he trades internationally with collectors as far away as Spain. "It's more than collecting a plastic toy," he said. "It's collecting memories." Shawn Petersen, a project manager for PEZ Candy Inc., said there "is definitely a collectability" to the popular candy dispenser. He said company leaders have tried to estimate the number of collectors, but it is an unattainable number. "There are people who identify themselves as collectors and attend collectors' conventions, but there are thousands

who collect it and keep it to themselves," said Petersen, whose PEZ collecting interest led to a job managing the company's visitors' center. Peterson and Blaine agreed that PEZ dispensers are popular because they are relatable. PEZ Candy began in 1927 in Vienna, Austria, and was first marketed as a compressed peppermint candy. The first PEZ dispenser was introduced in 1948. In 1952, the candy came to the United States, where it is currently manufactured in Orange, Conn. The first dispensers were a Santa, full-body robot and the Space Gun, which dispensed PEZ tablets. Available in more than 80 countries, PEZ dispensers' character has changed numerous times. The first licensed character featured was Popeye in the late 1950s, with Mickey Mouse following in the early 1960s, which also saw a change in the dispenser — stickers and die cuts. The ever-popular "Star Wars" characters were introduced in the 1990s. Since its beginning, PEZ has introduced interchangeable rubber-head character dispensers, feet to the bottom of the dispensers and limited edition character sets. "There's a saying at PEZ," Petersen said. "'You're not famous until your head is on the PEZ dispenser.' It needs to be something that resonates and is easily recognizable." The first living people

to be feature on a PEZ dispenser were the Teutuls of "Orange County Choppers." Since then, the company has completed a presidential series from George Washington to President Barack Obama. Blaine, founder of dad2mom.org, which brings low-cost clothing to families, said collectors learn one thing quickly: One can never have a complete PEZ collection. "There are so many variations," he said. "Plus, you have American (versions) and European PEZ. ... I've traded in 36 countries and know people all over the country." Blaine traded a PEZ with a man in Spain who sent him a PEZ from Spain, as well as a handkerchief the man used when running with the bulls. Blaine said his favorite is Dr. Skull, a dispenser from 1971. When collectors find a favorite, they create what they call an "army." To date, Blaine has 720 Dr. Skull dispensers, which he describes as a "cool little bald head with a missing tooth." "It's the hunt and search," he says. "I have another shipment with over 500 coming." Blaine houses his collection in a room in the family's Hartland Township home. He said he and his wife have an understanding: She doesn't go into the PEZ room and he doesn't bring the PEZ out.

Learn to grow plants from veggie scraps at show

Sharon Dargay
Staff Writer

Forget the seeds. Juli Jeffery simply needs a few vegetable cuttings to make her garden grow. The Livonia Garden Club member brings cast-off carrot tops, sweet potato scraps and other produce parts back to life with a little water, soil, and green thumb TLC. "Last year I decided to try celery. I had seen something online where you cut the hard part off at the bottom. I grew it and it was almost 3 feet tall. I was taking stalks off and eating it," she said. "My most exciting plant this year is sweet potato. It has vined all over the place." Jeffery, an 18-year member of the club, will demonstrate how to grow plants from fruit and vegetable scraps at 11 a.m. Saturday, July 9, at the club's flower show, "Grandma Says," in the atrium at the Livonia Civic Center Library, 327775 Five Mile. The free show runs 3-5 p.m. Friday, July 8, and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, July 9. Jeffery will have carrots, containers and soil on hand at her presentation, "Eat Your Veggies and Plant Them, Too," for anyone who wants to give her process a try. She plants some scraps, like the sweet potato cuttings, in water until they begin to grow roots. Some, like garlic cloves, go directly into the soil. Carrot tops yield "pretty green" shoots that can dress up a salad. Garlic sends up chive-like greens. Even the top of a pineapple, when planted in soil, can yield another plant and possibly another pineapple. "You take the top and stick it in the soil, but it takes forever. To get a pineapple on it is not that easy," she said. "From what I understand, it takes three years after it's growing." Gardeners can speed up the flower-



Juli Jeffery shows off a plant she grew from a slice of sweet potato.

ing process by placing the plant in a bag with an apple for a few days, Jeffery said. The apple releases ethylene gas, which encourages blossoms and eventually a pineapple fruit. "I know someone who had a pineapple plant with a pineapple on it. They kept it under grow lights all winter and let it do its thing," she said. "I'm thrilled at what it looked like after a year."

Public participation
"Eat Your Veggies and Plant Them, Too" will be one of four educational presentations at the flower show on Saturday. Youngsters can listen to a reading of "The Frightened Frog, an Environmental Tale," learn frog facts and possibly win a copy of the book at 10 a.m. Free marigold seeds will be available at a session on collecting, storing and planting marigold seeds at 1 p.m. The Community Flowers session at 2 p.m. is a workshop on making an arrangement in a tea cup. The public also may compete in the horticultural division of the show by entering their exhibits from 8:30-11 a.m. Friday, July 8, at the library. Categories include cut flowering annuals, perennials or native plants; combination plantings, including a butterfly garden; succulents; and



A planting earns a blue ribbon at a previous Livonia Garden Club flower show.

dish fairy gardens grown and tended by adults or children. Children's fairy gardens will be judged separately from the adult gardens. "We're hoping some children will enter the category," Jeffery said. Blue, red, yellow and sometimes white ribbons are awarded in each category. "The flower show itself can win an award," said Louise McGhie, Livonia Garden Club president. "The 2014 show took first place for video from District 1, first place from the Michigan Garden Clubs, and a certificate of commendation from National Garden Clubs." For guidelines on entering the show, including how to fill out an entry card and plant tag, go to livoniagardenclub.org.

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August 2, 2016 PRIMARY ELECTION**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Public Accuracy Test for the August 2, 2016 Primary Election is scheduled for **Tuesday, July 12, 2016 at 3 p.m.** in the lobby of Township Hall, located at 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, Michigan. The Public Accuracy Test is conducted to determine that the program and the computer being used to tabulate the results of the Election count the votes in the manner prescribed by law. The public is welcome and invited to attend.

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

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**NOTICE TO THE RESIDENTS
OF THE
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE
SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT TO
ARTICLE 20**

The Charter Township of Northville Board of Trustees approved amendments to Article 20 (Development Options) at their meeting on June 16, 2016. The primary changes include: reorganization and cleaning up language to be more concise, removing the HPUD (Haggerty Road PUD) development option, adding regulations for smaller scale Planned Unit Development projects (PUD) and adding regulations for active adult residential communities.

Article 20 can be viewed in the Planning Department at the Northville Township municipal office building during regular business hours 8:00 A.M. – 4:30 P.M., Monday-Friday. The address is 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48168.

Sue Hillebrand, Clerk
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CYLLA MOVING UP THE MMA RANKS

Northville amateur improves to 5-0 with unanimous decision

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Matt Cylla is in the infant stages of what could become a promising career in mixed martial arts. But the 19-year-old from Northville, the fourth-ranked Michigan amateur welter-weight, has been laying a solid foundation for years. "All my life, I've been training in martial arts," said Cylla, who raised his record to 5-0 coming off a five-round unanimous decision Saturday over Troy's Lebron Oldham in the Dual Combat Sports 5 card at the Eastern Market in Detroit. "I've been doing boxing since 12 or 13 and karate since I was a kid. (I) started wrestling in eighth grade. I had my first cage fight at 15."

Cylla's father Maxceau, a native of Haiti, also trained in self-defense and is a black belt in tae kwon do. Cylla, who just finished his first year at Schoolcraft College, trains regularly out of both Mash Gym in Redford and Fuse MMA in Clinton Township.

Going the distance

Prior to his win over Oldham (9-5), Cylla defeated Marcus Maulding with a first-round arm bar submission in the Impact Fight League 65 card April 9 at Joe Louis Arena. Meanwhile, against a much older and more experienced Oldham, Cylla had to go the entire 15 minutes for the first time in his young career.

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JUNIOR GOLF

Dales makes the cut for U.S. Junior Am tourney

Northville standout gains
one of two qualifying spots

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Jimmy Dales calls qualifying for the U.S. Junior Amateur "right at the top" as far as his young golf career goes. Dales, who will be a junior this fall at Northville High School, garnered one of the two spots qualifying berths when he tied Carter Cook of Cornelius, N.C., for medalist honors with a 36-hole total of 147 on June 28 at Medina (Ohio) Country Club. Dales carded rounds of 73-74, while Cook went 76-71 for a 3-over score. "I was making a lot of clutch par putts, really saved my strokes gained," Dales said. "I was hitting the ball really well off the tee. (Medina C.C.) was playing pretty difficult. It was a very windy, tough to play 36." Dales was able to hold off Canton native James Piot, who finished fifth last month at the MHSAA Division 1 state finals and helped Novi Detroit Catholic Central win its second straight team state title. Piot, who will be a U.S. Amateur alternate along with Connor Quigley (Dayton, Ohio), was already in the clubhouse with 75-73—148 when Dales approached the 18th hole. "I was in the last group coming in and he was watching me three-putt out," Dales said. "I looked at the leader board and saw that I just needed a bogey to get in." The U.S. Junior Amateur will be July 18-23 in Ooltewah, Tenn. The Honors Course, which is hosting for the first time, is a par-72, 7,301-yard layout designed by Pete Dye. "I'm really looking forward to it," Dales said. "It's a really difficult course. It ranks 31st as far as best courses in the country. Real excited to go down there and give it a shot."

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Northville's Jimmy Dales has qualified for the U.S. Junior Amateur, July 18-23 in Ooltewah, Tenn.

GIRLS SOCCER

U17 Michigan Hawks prove elite making national final four

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

With a star-studded cast featuring several area players, the Michigan Hawks Under-17 girls soccer team is headed this weekend to Germantown, Md., and will be among four teams competing in the Elite Club National League finals. The Hawks, coming off a 2-0 win over SC Del Sol to cap a 4-0 run recently in the Oceanside, Calif., qualifying tournament, are coached by former Detroit Rockers player Doug Landefeld. The remaining teams in the field are all from California, including the San Diego Surf, Slammers FC and the De Anza Force FC, who the Hawks defeated earlier this season, 1-0. "It should be good. We know them all pretty well. It should be fun," Landefeld said. The Hawks finished first in the ECNL's Midwest Conference with a 13-1-2 record, while also going 3-1 in the Champions League and 0-0-3 in the Phoenix ECNL National. Three players with local ties have been stalwarts for the Hawks: Grace Krygier, a junior at Novi High; Abby Willerer, a junior from Northville; and Sarah Clark, a junior from Milford. Krygier, a starting center midfield-



Two key players for the U17 Hawks are (from left) Abby Willerer of Northville and Grace Krygier of Novi.

er, is committed to the University of Iowa, where she'll join her older sister Natalie. "She's rangy, she does a really good job. She's an important part of what we do," Landefeld said. "We play a lot through the middle of the field, so she touches the ball a lot for us. A great kid, who had a really good tournament out in San Diego and is a big reason why

we're moving forward." Willerer, a defender, is a Central Michigan University commit. "Abby has started every game for us this year," Landefeld said. "Her and Sarah Clark are a great partnership in the back. Abby technically is quite good, really distributes the ball well, fantastic in the air, goes up and creates goals on corners and everything. Has really matured into a great player. She goes up against the best players in the country and does a great job." Clark, headed to Purdue, was among 70 players recently invited to participate in the Nike National Training Camp in Beaverton, Ore. "She originally played outside for us. Then Maggie Samanich got hurt, so we brought her into the middle of the field and she's really a force for us in the back with Abby," Landefeld said. "She takes most of our free kicks. She scored a real nice goal out in San Diego. She's a great leader and really responded with more responsibility brought into the middle of the field. She likes to attack quite a bit. She's the consummate team player and really filled that role and (is) a big reason why where we are right now." Novi junior Bethany Kopel, a goalie who has been playing up on the U18

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JUNIOR GOLF

Kensington Tour event in Novi gets good reviews

M.B. Dillon
Correspondent

Ties in two divisions sent golfers into sudden-death play, adding excitement June 27 to the inaugural Kensington Junior Golf Tour Links of Novi Open.

Atop the leader board with 82 after 18 holes on a picture-perfect summer day was Ben Cohen of White Lake in the boys 15-18 division, while Evan Johnson of Grosse Ile and Alex Willis of Howell deadlocked at 85 for second place.

"I struggled at the start, but turned it around by staying calm," said Cohen, 16, a student at Lakeland High School. "I was making a lot of putts. I just love this course. It's just really nice and the bunkers are perfect."

With a gallery cheering them on, Willis and Johnson entered the playoff. Willis emerged with runner-up honors after the first hole.

"I was up and down today, but tried to capitalize on the good shots and minimize the mistakes," said Willis, who attends Hartland High School. "I hit a couple birdies and chipped one in on 12."

Lauren Henry of Novi shot 90 to capture the girls 18-and-under division, followed by runner-up Despina Alexander, also of Novi, who shot 108.

"I was up really late the night before and I was really tired, so the front nine was pretty rough," said Henry, captain of the Novi High varsity team. "I shot 51 and was pretty frustrated, but I was able to come back and do the best I could with a 39 on the back."

"It was hot out there, but I always enjoy the Links of Novi. It's in good condition and it's fun to play there. It's where we set our school's nine-hole varsity record when I was a sophomore, so it brings back good memories."

Madeline Townsend of Brighton placed third with 113, followed by Anna Haupt and Sara Haupt of Northville.

Westland's Troy Watson, who is state-ranked, and New Hudson's Jason Zobl tied for first with 18-hole scores of 84

in the boys 12-14 division.

Their gallery witnessed a two-hole playoff, with Watson eking out the victory.

"I was, like, driving it today – my longest was 250 yards. I smashed it," said Watson, who attends Johnson Upper Elementary. "My focus was getting on the green with my irons. My putting was just a little bit off."

Added Zobl: "I started out good, but had a couple of blow-up holes. I brought it back. My back nine was better. I wanted to be on the podium. Sudden-death was an experience. I was a little nervous. It wasn't like tournament play."

Detroit's Vincent Levesque captured the boys 11-and-under title, carding a nine-hole round of 50.

Levesque, who attends St. Michael School in Livonia, used his mental strength to turn his game around after a rough start.

"On the first hole, I got a 9, then I started bogeying holes, mostly," the 11-year-old said. "Things improved after. I pretended like those earlier holes weren't there."

Wixom's Nathan Cohen and Westland's Damo Watson placed second and third, respectively, with 55 and 60.

"I thought it was a nice course," said Cohen, 11, who attends Wixom Elementary. "It's spaced out and the greens are actually kind of fast. I played the break and got a lot of roll."

Nearly 30 tournaments are featured on this summer's Kensington Junior Golf Tour in Livingston, Washtenaw, Wayne and Oakland counties at discounted rates, thanks to numerous sponsors who've come on board.

High school graduates playing KJGT tournaments are eligible to apply for KJGT scholarships offered by the Dinan Foundation. The Livonia-based charitable foundation is granting five \$1,000 academic scholarships to male and female golfers in an effort to support junior golf in southeast Michigan.

Meanwhile, Links of Novi head professional Mark Doughty enjoyed the day.



JIM SHAFFER

The top two finishers in the boys 15-18 division were champion Ben Cohen (right) of White Lake and runner-up Alex Willis of Howell.



JIM SHAFFER

The top two finishers in the girls 18-and-under division were Novi natives Lauren Henry (right), who took first, and runner-up Despina Alexander.

"We love having the kids out here; they're great," he said. "We need more junior golfers."

Doughty was happy, but not

surprised, to hear the junior golfers like the 27-hole Singh-designed course.

"We invested just under \$2 million in renovations two

years ago," he said. "We have new bunkers, landscaping and new bridges. I'd match our bunkers and greens against any private course."

The KJGT began 11 years ago with tournaments in Livingston and Washtenaw counties.

"A Wayne County division has been added and there's competition at all sorts of courses in Oakland County now, too," said Jim Shaffer, Milford High School golf coach and KJGT tour director. "Numbers have been growing steadily. The best thing about this tour is that it offers good competition, but it's not super-competitive. The kids are all friends – and making friends – watching each other in the playoffs. It's reasonably priced compared to other tours."

For more information and a tournament schedule, go to www.kensingtonjuniorgolf.com.

Madness '02 advance



RICK CUMMINGS

The Madness '02 girls softball team secured a bid to the ASA 'A' World Series in Sioux Falls, S.D., by going 10-1 at the Mizuno ASA/UFS Ultimate Fastpitch Qualifier, June 23-26 in Novi. Madness '02 started 7-0 during the first three days of the tournament before falling to T2 2020. Fighting their way out of the loser's bracket, Madness '02 made a last-inning comeback for a 7-6 victory and rallied twice to beat T2 2020 to win tournament. Team members include (front row, from left) Karlie Moore, Shae Scott, Cassidy Brendtke, Grace Nieto and Kylie Millhorn and (back row, from left) Gaby Cummings, Abbey Barta, Stephanie Schmunk, Bella Brass, Chelsea Collins and McKenna King. Also on the team is Sierra Kersten.

Kneen makes Am sweet 16



WENDY KNEEN

Oakland University's Jake Kneen (White Lake) reached the round of 16 in match play before losing to eventual runner-up Domenic Mancinelli (Northville) on the 19th hole of the 105th Michigan Amateur Championship, June 21-25 at Eagle Eye in Bath. Kneen, a second team all-Horizon League pick last spring as a sophomore for OU, made the cut with a two-round total of 73-71—144 (tying for 13th overall). He was seeded 17th and captured his first two matches before falling to Mancinelli. The International Academy West grad also took 12th in the Michigan Open last month at Prestwick Village in Highland.

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The tournament, featuring two rounds of stroke play before going to match play, has a rich history, featuring past winners such as Johnny Miller (1964), David Duval (1989), Tiger Woods (1991-93), Hunter Mahan (1999) and Jordan Spieth (2009, 2011).

"I'm going to have to play really well to get into the match play," Dales said.

It will be a busy summer for Dales, who is entered in the Coca-Cola Championship at Boyne Highlands, a three-day stroke play event sponsored by the American Junior Golf Association that begins Tuesday.



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Jimmy Dales, who will be a junior at Northville High, has earned a spot in the U.S. Junior Amateur Championship, July 18-23 in Ooltewah, Tenn.

Dales will also play in the AJGA Junior Tom Holzer event, Aug. 8-11 at Forest Lake Country Club in Bloomfield

Hills. He also plans to qualify or perhaps receive an exemption to the 38th Michigan Junior Amateur Championship, Aug. 22-25 at Point O' Woods Golf & Country Club in Benton Harbor.

Dales performed well this spring for the Northville varsity team, which placed 12th at the MHSAA Division 1 state finals. He was runner-up at the KLAA Kensington Conference and KLAA Association tournaments and was seventh at the regional.

At the state finals, held at Grand Valley State University's The Meadows, Dales shot 78-84 for a two-day total of 162.

"I had a very solid regular season," Dales said. "I had a couple mental mistakes at

states and didn't play very well."

Dales, a three-sport athlete for the Mustangs, will play varsity tennis in the fall and hockey in the winter.

But being on the links is his first passion.

"Golf is No. 1. I try and fit the other two the best I can," Dales said.

Girls Junior Amateur

At the 38th Michigan Girls Junior Amateur, held June 27-30 at Michigan State University's Forest Akers (West Course), Flushing's Kerrigan Parks defeated Ann Arbor's Jami Laude, 2 and 1, for the overall title.

In the round of 16, South Lyon's Priscilla Harding, who finished fourth in stroke play,

eliminated Allison Cui, 2-up, before losing to Laude in the quarterfinals, 2 and 1.

Laude also ousted Harding's sister Elizabeth in the round of 16, 6 and 5.

Meanwhile, the 15-and-under title was won by Brighton's Heather Fortushniak, who topped Macomb Township's Ariel Chang, 3 and 2.

In the semifinals, Fortushniak beat Savannah Haque 2 and 1, while Chang beat Northville's Abigail Livingston, 1-up.

Livingston, who will be a junior at Novi High School, finished third in stroke play and won her opening round match against Karina VanDuijnen, 6 and 5.

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PREP SWIMMING

Dunworth leaving Mercy, CC positions

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Shannon Dunworth isn't retiring and doesn't rule out a return to coaching at some future date, but one of the area's top swim mentors is leaving the sport.

The highly successful coach of the Farmington Hills Mercy girls and Detroit Catholic Central boys recently moved to Texas to work with his brothers in their business.

"I love coaching dearly," Dunworth said. "To me, there's no better job. Unfortunately, it was difficult for me to continue coaching and still make a living.

"If not for coaching, I would have been here 10 years ago. The opportunity came up and the timing was right. They had a position that really needed filling and they're trusting me to fill that void."

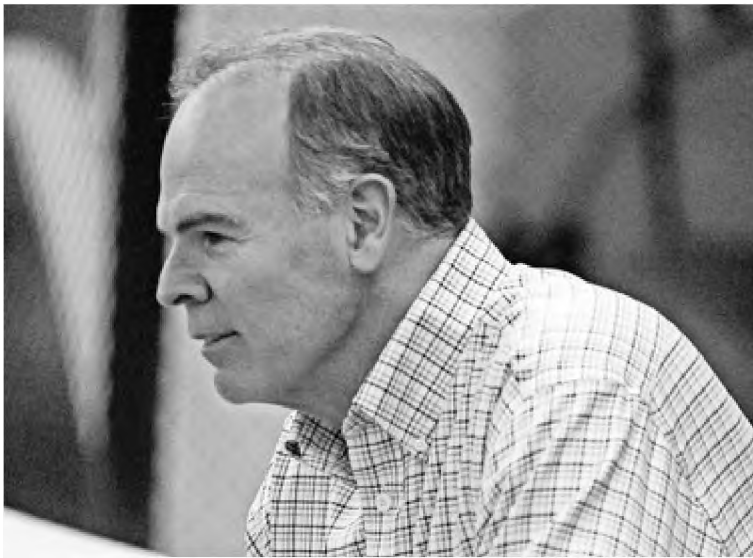
Dunworth, 59, has a solid business background, having owned and operated his own company – Different Strokes Swim Shop, with stores in Livonia and St. Clair Shores – for 38 years.

His brothers own Celling Biosciences, which deals in the research, development and manufacture of a variety of medical devices. Their business is a leader in making devices used in orthopedic procedures and the procurement of adult stem cells, according to Dunworth.

"It's really cutting-edge," he said. "They have a huge team that works down here and they have sales reps all over the country."

Dunworth, who was hired to fill the role of chief operating officer, said he will be coaching the people around him.

"I'm hoping to find the same semblance of coaching people in the business world as I have in the pool," he said. "When you own the business, you're the guy who opens the doors and takes out the garbage.



FILE PHOTO

In 12 seasons at Mercy, Shannon Dunworth's teams won six state titles, finished second four times and placed third twice.

Even though I have zero medical background, the business end of it, I do know."

Dunworth said the decision to leave coaching was tough. He was fortunate to work with "great people, great kids and great administrators" and hasn't closed the door on coaching again.

"For the time being, I have to get my ducks in a row and make a living," he said. "My business in Livonia is still doing fine. I made a decision to broaden my horizon and take on other responsibility."

First coaching stint

Dunworth coached the boys and girls teams at his alma mater, Dearborn High School, for 15 years until he gave that up in 1995 to concentrate on running Different Strokes.

He has had a management team running those stores since he returned to coaching in 2004, replacing Jim Downs at Mercy. He started coaching at CC the following year.

"When I came back, that's when I realized what a cherished time in my life it is and how fortunate I was during

that period," Dunworth said. "I want the kids to know they're not going to miss a beat and I'll still be engaged in what they're doing from afar. My heart will be there for a long, long time.

"That has to do, not with the sport of swimming, but the people you get to work with. If I was a hockey coach, I'd feel the exact same way."

Teams among best

Dunworth had great success at Mercy during his 12 seasons (2004-15) at the school, winning the Catholic League every year and six state championships.

The Marlins won four straight titles in Division 2 (2007-10) and two in Division 1 (2011 and 2013). He also coached Mercy to four state runner-up finishes.

"Coaching is fun and rewarding," Dunworth said. "Winning is the result. You aim for that result, but that doesn't change. I loved coaching at CC as much as I did Mercy. The results there, in my eyes, were equally successful.

"In the moment, it's fun to be successful. When the moment is over, it's over. You're

just wanting that moment again. You're always craving the next fix."

Enjoys the process

The fix for Dunworth is the day-to-day process of training, striving to be better and working toward a goal. He's never been interested in the tally, he said.

"Some people like to hunt and some people like to hang trophies of what they hunted," he said. "I'd like to just be hunting instead of thinking, 'Where is this going to go in my living room?'"

While he was out of coaching, Dunworth said he had several phone calls from people trying to coax him back into it.

"One day, I said, 'Why am I saying no?' One day, I said, 'Sure, why not?' and it was the best decision I ever made," he said.

Didn't plan to leave

When the boys season ended in March, Dunworth said he had every intention of returning to Mercy and CC. It was shortly after that the discussions about going to Texas intensified and he had to make a decision.

"I was kind of glad it took me by surprise," he said. "The last thing I wanted was a parade year."

Dunworth sent each swimmer a letter, informing her/him of his decision and thanking them for their contributions to the program and for being an important part of his life.

"Some kids were disappointed," he said. "Some came to see me and expressed their appreciation. The last thing I was looking for was to generate some kind of response.

"The response I did get was a lot of maturity in their approach to it. It's nice to know they're going to miss you, but it's also nice to know you prepared them well enough for the next page."

BOYS SWIMMING

CC names Kornoelje to guide program

Oakland U. assistant will replace Dunworth

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Novi Detroit Catholic Central athletic director Aaron Babicz wasted little time in finding a replacement for outgoing boys swim coach Shannon Dunworth.

Oakland University men's and women's assistant coach

Shawn Kornoelje will replace Dunworth, who resigned recently after 11 seasons to move to Texas to work in a family business run by his brothers.

(See related story.)

Dunworth guided CC to four straight top 10 finishes at the MHSAA Division 1 state finals from 2012 through 2015, highlighted by a fifth-place showing in 2013.

Kornoelje, who lives in Clinton Township, spent the past 12 seasons with the Golden Grizzlies, including the past eight as an associate head coach under Pete Hovland.

Specializing in coaching the distance swimmers at OU, Kornoelje was also responsible for all aspects of running an NCAA Division I program, including recruiting, planning practices and workouts, skill instruction, monitoring academic progress and mentoring student-athletes, along with enforcing team policies.

The Zeeland native and 1991 Eastern Michigan University graduate has spent more than 27 years coaching, including various stints at the club, high school level and collegiate level.

Kornoelje earned Coach of the Year honors in 2003 with the Grosse Pointe South girls and also guided Ann Arbor Huron to back-to-back Class A runner-up finishes for both the boys and girls squads in 1990-91.

In 1995, Kornoelje was a volunteer assistant coach for the University of Michigan women's team that finished runner-up in NCAA Division I.

He also coached with the Ann Arbor Swim Club and the Rapids Area YMCA (Rays) Swim Club.

"Shawn has devoted his life to the sport of swimming and diving, while also developing scholar-athletes both in and out of the pool," Babicz said. "The Detroit Catholic Central family is excited, blessed and honored to welcome Mr. Kornoelje to lead our Shamrock brothers as the head swim and dive coach."

Kornoelje also served as an assistant coach for the 2000 U.S. Paralympic Swim Team in Sydney that also competed at the Paralympic World Championships (2002) in Mar del Plata, Argentina.

He received the 2010 Jimi Flowers Coach of the Year award for Paralympic Swimming and U.S. Swimming, as well as the 2011 Rick Knas Lifetime Achievement Award from the Athletes with Disabilities Hall of Fame.

Kornoelje was recently bestowed with his second Order of Ikko Medallion, presented by the U.S. Olympic Committee, for the 2012 London Paralympics. The Order of Ikko is a special order reserved for the coach of an Olympic/Paralympic medalist. The medallion signifies the highest level of excellence that a coach can achieve.

He is married to and coaches Cheryl Angelelli, a world-class Paralympic swimmer who won two bronze medals at Athens in 2004 and two silver medals Beijing in 2008.

Kornoelje earned his master's degree in sports administration at Wayne State University and is certified with the American Swim Coaches Association.

PREP SOFTBALL

Mercy senior Krzywiecki named Miss Softball

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For the second year in a row, the Miss Softball Award for position players goes to a member of the Farmington Hills Mercy team.

Abby Krzywiecki received the honor at the end of an outstanding senior season in which she set a state record for home runs with 20.

Tom Calnen, president of the Michigan High School Softball Coaches Association, made the announcement June 18 in the wake of Mercy's 4-0 win over Macomb Dakota in the Division 1 state final.

Alex Sobczak, a former Mercy standout who now plays for the University of Michigan, won the award last year.

"To be able to do it back-to-back with her, that's unreal," Krzywiecki said. "She's one of my good friends. It's great to have the award, but I think the win is better, truthfully."

Krzywiecki said her selection as Miss Softball shows all of her hard work and passion for the game paid off, but she always put the team first.

"I did this for my school," she said. "I never did it for my individual stats. I never wanted to become Miss Softball. I

wanted to win a state championship.

"There's a difference between winning things for yourself and winning things for your friends and your teammates. I did this with 17 other people. I think my hard work was for them and they motivated me. My coaches, my teachers and my classmates wanted me to succeed so badly that it was motivation for me."

The first baseman and pitcher finished the season with a team-best .558 batting average and 94 RBIs. Her 82 hits included 18 doubles and two triples.

Krzywiecki, who will play college ball at NCAA Division I South Alabama, was 1-for-3 in the final game with a sixth-inning single.

"It was such a positive day," she said. "I think we'll spend the whole day celebrating. It wasn't a one-person show at all. Everyone contributed; everyone did her part for the win."

Krzywiecki was happy to see her teammates make big plays, such as the solo homer by junior Nicole Belans for a 2-0 lead to start the seventh inning.

"When she hit it, I jumped over the (dugout) fence, because I knew it was out," she

said. "That was huge. We were stopping them, but they were getting on base. To have another run was reassuring.

"We had good defense and they had good offense. But I think we had a lot more energy. I think our passion to win today was very strong. It was very obvious how we had each others backs."

The Marlins also have a little ritual in which they sing the old spiritual song "Kumbaya." It got started after a bad game last year, according to Krzywiecki.

"I said: 'That's OK. We'll just sing 'Kumbaya,'" she said. "In the morning announcements, Sophie VanAcker and I play 'Kumbaya' and then we say, 'Hey, we have a softball game tonight!'"

"It's catchy; it's different. You know who it is when you hear us singing 'Kumbaya.'"

Mercy's journey to the championship game began a year ago, when it lost to Caledonia in a state semifinal game, 5-2.

Krzywiecki was one of seven returning starters from that game. The others were VanAcker, Belans, Andrea Elmore, Cari Padula, Shannon Gibbons and Anna Dixon.

"I think it fueled the fire,"

Krzywiecki said. "We were a confident team already. To add the loss last year, you kind of just want to do it for last year's team.

"To show what Mercy High School can do as a program, I think, is incredible. Last year, helped our energy and motivation today."

The Marlins had a little extra motivation in that they had been ranked second all season in the coaches poll behind No. 1 Dakota.

"It's a great feeling to prove other people wrong," Krzywiecki said. "To be the underdog and have the most energy and come out with so much fire and passion, we were unstoppable."

"Anything negative is fueling the fire. If you think we're No. 2 and we're going for No. 1, we're going to try that much harder. I think that's what we did and we had a blast doing it.

"These are my best friends in the world. Although the season ended, it's nice to know it ended on a good note and we did everything we wanted this year."

"We came out with the win today. That's all that matters, right?"

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CYLLA

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"I think I should have finished the fight earlier. My gas tank was much higher than his," Cylla said. "After the third round, he got pretty tired. I started landing a lot of hands and a lot of bombs on him. I wasn't feeling too good that day, so I didn't feel like I had that power in my hands. Every athlete has those days. My power wasn't there. I was hitting him with shots, but wasn't dropping him."

But it's all part of the maturation process for Cylla.

"I learned you've got to follow through on more shots, just dig into him," Cylla said. "I learned I got more experience because, usually, my fights end kind of early, normally in the first round. I pushed myself pretty hard in my training camp. I didn't get tired, but I could have gone faster the first two or three rounds. I just learned I got to work harder if

I'm going to stop an opponent like that, a guy who is more experienced, much older. I've fought people that age or older since I was younger. It's nothing new, but it's one of those bad days. A win is a win, but I should have done better."

Sponsors signing up

Cylla has shown plenty of promise, as evidenced by picking up numerous sponsors, including Detroit MMA TV, Nickolas Diner in Southfield and Northern Refineries, to name a few.

"Things have been going really well," said Todd Allee, Cylla's manager and trainer. "Matt's a great guy who works his butt off. He has big dreams and is very skilled. So we're just trying to get him the right fights and build him up. Right now, he has two titles at 170 (pounds). He'll be fighting for his third title Sept. 10 in Novi (most likely at the Suburban Collection Showplace)."

Cylla wrestled three seasons at Northville High, but dropped out of the sport his

senior year and finished his final semester at Plymouth High.

"He has a great wrestling pedigree to start with," Allee said. "He's very athletic. The biggest attribute is that he puts the time in with the right instructors. He trains with Fuse (MMA) and Warrior Way (Martial Arts Alliance in Walled Lake). The kid does what you ask of him and that's all you can do. I think the kid has big future if he keeps his head on right as he moves forward."

Professional future

Cylla, nicknamed "Matzylla," plans to earn an associate's degree at Schoolcraft before transferring and taking a psychology curriculum at the University of Michigan-Dearborn.

And while he's in school, he'll eventually turn professional.

"I'll be a pro next year and my goal to become a world champion," Cylla said. "I'm pretty sure within a year, maybe a little less, nine or 10

months. I need three or four more (amateur) fights before I go pro. Usually, people have eight fights before they go pro. I wanted a little more, because I'm young. I just turned 19. I'm going to take it slow."

Cylla, who stands 6 feet, has a normal weight around 187-188, but trims down to 170 for his MMA bouts.

"Like wrestling, cutting weight sucks, but you have a routine on how to do it," he said. "I'm pretty skilled at cutting weight."

But Cylla never cuts corners. His dedication is unquestioned. He can be found in the gym six times a week, with his only day off each Sunday.

Affable, outgoing and personable, Cylla has admiration for somebody outside the MMA world – none other than Floyd "Money" Mayweather.

"He's my favorite boxer, for sure," Cylla said. "He's hated, but I love the guy. He's awesome. My favorite MMA fighter? Hard to say. I like a lot of them, their styles. Personality-wise, I can't pick one."

ALL-AREA GIRLS SOCCER

Novi's Katrina proves a force to be reckoned with

Wildcats senior defender selected as Player of Year

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Novi senior defender Katrina Koomen played soccer this spring with the force of a Category 5 hurricane.

After taking a year off to play with the Michigan Hawks of the Elite National Club League, Koomen re-emerged for Wildcats during her senior year and made quite an impact.

Finishing with 13 goals and 15 assists, Koomen was dangerous with her left-footed free kicks, even from 50 yards out.

"Katrina was one of our biggest offensive weapons this season," Novi coach Todd Pheiffer said. "Even though she played outside back, she was constantly a threat whenever she had the ball. She is not only technically very good dribbling the ball and taking on her opponents, there is no player that serves the ball better into the box than Katrina. Whether she is serving a ball in from a corner kick, a free kick or just off the dribble, she knows exactly how hard to hit the ball and exactly where to play it."

"Hurricane Katrina" was one of the big reasons the Wildcats, who finished 16-2-6, captured the KLAA Central Division, Kensington Conference, Association, Division 1 district and regional titles this season.

Koomen, named All-Area Girls Soccer Player of the Year, also earned all-KLAA, all-district and all-region honors while making first team Division 1 all-state.

"She is one of the hardest working players both on the field and in the classroom, which is why she is both a scholar-athlete and a Dream Team selection," Pheiffer said of the College of Charleston (S.C.) signee.

First team

Chloe Allen, Sr. F, Novi: Bound for Akron University, Allen was Dream Team and first team Division 1 all-state selection who finished with a team-best 26 goals to go with eight assists.

"Chloe was our biggest offensive weapon this season, which is why she found herself constantly being man-marked by her opponents," Pheiffer said. "Chloe is not only incredibly fast and technical, she reads the game very well and is consistently putting herself in a position to help her team create offense."

Allen also earned all-KLAA, all-district and all-region honors.

"Chloe is the epitome of a team leader and role model, always pushing herself to be the best she can be and pushing her teammates to do the same," Pheiffer said. "She works just as hard in the classroom as she does on the soccer field."

Jessie Halmaghi, Sr. F, Novi: She had 10 goals and six assists and made all-KLAA, all-district, all-region and Division 1 honorable mention all-state.

Halmaghi scored critical goals against Canton (conference final), Grand Blanc (Association final) and Livonia Stevenson (district final).

"Jessie had a great senior year, doubling the number of goals and assists she had the previous year," Pheiffer said. "Knowing that Chloe (Allen) was going to receive a lot of attention from opponents' defenses, Jessie stepped up and scored some big goals for us in big games this season. Jessie's combination of hard work and technical skills is a key reason why this team was able to achieve so much success this year."

Alexandra Vasile, Sr. F, South Lyon:



FILE PHOTO

Novi's Katrina Koomen (right) helped the Wildcats to a 16-2-6 record and a berth in the Division 1 state semifinals.

Vasile, who will play at Michigan Tech, was an all-KLAA selection who led the Lions in goals this season.

"Alex is the type of player that doesn't come around very often for a coach," South Lyon's Brian Elliott said. "She was a leader on the field and off for us this season. She brought speed and tenacity up top for us that gave many opposing teams problems all season long. She will be missed next year."

Megan Williams, Jr. F, Northville: An all-KLAA, all-district, all-region and Division 1 honorable mention all-state pick, Williams finished the year with nine goals and four assists.

"Megan was voted our most valuable player this year and with good reason," Northville coach Eric Brucker said. "She was associated with 13 of the 32 goals we scored this year. She has excellent ball skills. We'll be looking for even bigger things from her in her senior year."

Megan Swirczek, Jr. F, Milford: She paced the Mavericks with eight goals and added eight assists en route to all-KLAA honors.

"Megan worked hard every game and always had the other teams' best defender on her," Milford coach Tommy Hipple said.

Jenna Smith, Sr. Def.-MF-F, Milford: She recorded three goals and 10 assists and proved to be a versatile player as she earned all-KLAA honors.

"Jenna played all over this year," Hipple said. "She started in the back, then played midfield and forward towards the end of the year. She was a true leader on the team."

Amber Hamers, Sr. MF, South Lyon

East: She earned Division 2 all-state honorable mention and all-KLAA honors for the Cougars.

Hamers finished the season with a team-best 12 goals to go along with 10 assists.

Sarah Park, Sr. MF, Northville: She earned all-KLAA and all-district honors after finishing with three goals and an assist.

Park, who carries a 3.27 G.P.A., will attend the University of Massachusetts. "Sarah was one of our workhorses in the central midfield," Brucker said. "She played stellar defense and was well-respected for her tenacious play in the middle. Her aggressive presence will be missed on corner kicks as well."

Megan Riley, Sr. MF, Novi: Bound for Central Michigan, Riley earned Division 1 honorable mention all-state, all-region, all-district and all-KLAA honors.

She finished with two goals and four assists after rebounding from a preseason injury that kept her sidelined until the final week of the regular season.

"Megan is one of our most versatile players on the team, being able to play anywhere on the field that she is needed," Pheiffer said. "As a central midfielder, she is constantly helping create offensive opportunities and late in a game, when we need to solidify our defense, she does a great job of helping keep the defense organized as our sweeper. She has great field vision and the ability to always find the best option on the field at the right time."

Alex Callan, Sr. Def., South Lyon East: She was a mainstay on the back line for the Cougars, playing all but one minute while scoring one goal.

PLAYER OF THE YEAR
Katrina Koomen, Sr. Def., Novi

FIRST TEAM

Chloe Allen, Sr. F, Novi
Jessie Halmaghi, Sr., F, Novi
Alexandra Vasile, Sr. F, South Lyon
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Megan Swirczek, Jr. F, Milford
Jenna Smith, Sr. MF, Milford
Amber Hamers, Sr. MF, South Lyon East
Sarah Park, Sr. MF, Northville
Megan Riley, Sr. MF, Novi
Alex Callan, Sr. Def., South Lyon East

SECOND TEAM

Sydney Schembri, Jr. F, Northville
Kate Gillingham, Jr. F, Milford
Megan Loney, Soph. MF, Lakeland
Alissa Moore, Sr. MF, Northville
Jessica Bandyk, Fr. MF, Novi
Lauren Kuznicki, Soph. Def.-F, S.L. East
Riely Schultz, Soph. Def., Novi
Emily Boss, Sr. Def., Northville
Emmie Takada, Soph. Def., Novi
Lauren Calhoun, Fr. Def., Novi

HONORABLE MENTION

Novi: Jacalyn Schubring, Sr. MF-Def.; Aastha Dharia, Jr. G; **Northville:** Kendall Dillon, Soph. MF; Jenna Lauderback, Fr. Def.; Maddy Westenberg, Sr. MF; **South Lyon:** Sarah Ash, Soph. Def.; Julia Stancato, Sr. Def.; Mackenzie Flannery, Sr. Def.; **South Lyon East:** Paige Green, Sr. MF-Def.; Taylor Jakubiec, Fr. Def; **Lake-land:** Alyssa Flevaris, Soph. Def.; Jenny Menko, Sr. Def.; Jackie Negro, Sr. Def.; **Milford:** Kendra Smarsty, Sr. G; Rebekah Holbrook, Jr. Def.

Callan also earned both all-KLAA and Division 2 all-district honors.

Second team

Sydney Schembri, Jr. F, Northville: The Xavier University commit and captain, who carries a 3.66 GPA, finished with four goals and five assists while making all-district for the second straight year along with all-KLAA.

Kate Gillingham, Jr. MF, Milford: The all-KLAA selection proved to be a mainstay in the midfield for the Mavericks as she finished with two goals and five assists.

Megan Loney, Soph. MF, Lakeland: She earned all-district honors for the Eagles after scoring seven goals and adding six assists.

Alissa Moore, Sr. MF, Northville: She had four goals and two assists and made all-KLAA and all-district. She boasts a 3.99 GPA and will attend the University of Michigan.

Jessica Bandyk, Fr. MF, Novi: She had five goals and five assists and made all-KLAA and was honorable mention all-district.

Lauren Kuznicki, Soph. Def.-F, South Lyon East: She scored seven goals and added four assists en route to honorable mention all-KLAA honors.

Riely Schultz, Soph. Def., Novi: She had three goals and one assist and made all-KLAA and was honorable mention all-district.

Emily Boss, Sr. Def., Northville: An all-KLAA and all-district choice headed to Indiana Wesleyan, she directed the defense which consisted of two freshmen, a sophomore and a sophomore goalkeeper. She carries at 3.99 GPA.

Emmie Takada, Soph. Def., Novi: She finished with three goals and one assist and earned all-KLAA honors.

Lauren Calhoun, Fr. Def., Novi: She had an assist after stepping into the starting lineup early in the season and went on to earn honorable mention all-KLAA honors.

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PDL SOCCER

Bucks back in playoff picture after two big road triumphs

First place in their sight after 3-2 Canada Day win over K-W United

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The Michigan Bucks completed their most important road swing of the season Friday night when they defeated Premier Development League champion Kitchener-Waterloo United, 3-2, on Canada Day.

The victory puts the Bucks (8-2-0, 24 points) back in command of the Great Lakes Division of the PDL's Central Conference, while K-W United (8-2-1, 25 points) remains in first place with a game in hand.

The Bucks swept the season series against United and celebrated that win on the heels of a 4-1 victory earlier in the week over the Derby City Rovers in Louisville.

The PDL regular season now comes down to the home stretch for the Bucks with four matches remaining.

Michigan travels Thursday to Cincinnati to take on the Dutch Lions before returning Saturday night at home to face the Rovers at Ultimate Soccer Arenas in Pontiac.

"This was hell week for us," Bucks coach Demir Muftari said. "When the schedule came out, we looked at a late-season road trip with back-to-back games in Louisville and K-W and assumed these would be two teams we would be competing with for playoff



BUCKS SOCCER

David Goldsmith had a goal in the Michigan Bucks' 3-2 win over defending PDL champion K-W United.

spots. We also knew we had to have six points from these two games to have a chance to remain Great Lakes champs and keep our hold on the No. 1 seed in the Central Conference."

The Rovers' slim hopes for one of two playoff spots will mean having to defeat the Bucks on their home turf.

Friday's match against K-W started

out similar to the Bucks' opening game of the season, when they jumped on United early to get some much-needed momentum.

The Bucks' goal in the first minutes of their May matchup led them to a 6-0 thrashing of the defending champs.

This time it was Adam Najem (Clifton, N.J./Akron University) who stole a pass from the K-W goalkeeper and smacked home the game's first goal in the fourth minute.

K-W got a break in the 27th minute, when a cross from the side hit Bucks defender Francis De Vries (New Zealand/St. Francis University) in the arm inside the penalty area and United was given a spot kick. Jahsua Mills beat Bucks goalkeeper Drew Shepherd (Ann Arbor/Western Michigan) to tie the match, 1-1.

The Bucks, chasing their record 13th Great Lakes Division title, responded quickly when Russell Cicerone (Birmingham Brother Rice/University of Buffalo) scored a brilliant left-footed goal to the far post after a creative one-two passing display from Andre Landell (England/Tiffin University) and Ben Fitzpatrick (Hilliard, Ohio/Urbana University). The 36th-minute goal put the Bucks ahead 2-1.

It took four minutes for Cicerone to streak down the far side and send in a pinpoint cross that Bucks striker David Goldsmith (England/Butler University) chested into the back of the net for a more comfortable 3-1 lead.

K-W's Nick Wysong (Elkhart, Ind./

Western Michigan University) beat Shepherd in the dying moments to make it 3-2, but that was how the game would end.

"To come to K-W and win is a very difficult task, so I'm proud of the effort that this team put together," Muftari said.

For the Bucks' remaining two home matches Saturday, July 9 (Derby City), and Saturday, July 16 (Pittsburgh Riverhounds), at Ultimate Soccer Arenas, tickets are available for \$6 in advance at www.bucksoccer.com.

Kids wearing their Bucks jersey or club uniform get in for only \$4. Special groups rates for 20 can be purchased by calling Bucks director of operations Kelly Haapala at 248-521-2179.

BUCKS 4, DERBY CITY 1: The week started June 28 with a win at Woehrl Field in Louisville, Ky. Despite a slow start, the Bucks (7-2-0, 21 points) finished strong with four second-half goals to severely hamper the playoff hopes for Derby City (4-3-2, 14 points). The Rovers got on the scoreboard first, when striker Aleksii Pakkasalo beat Shepherd to the far post in the game's 24th minute. Muftari rallied the troops at halftime, reminding them of what a win would mean in the overall playoff picture for both teams. The message was well-received and the Bucks' offense one of the most potent in the PDL, came to life led by Fitzpatrick, who scored in the 48th minute (from Landell) and the 57th minute (from Cicerone). With a 2-1 lead and the Rovers needing a win to try to find a way to steal second place and make the playoffs, the Bucks continued to pound the ball at the Derby City goal looking for the knockout. In the 77th minute, Cicerone took a pass from Fitzgerald and finished his fifth goal on the season for the Bucks and the 3-1 advantage. Second-half sub Eric McWoods (UMKC) scored a goal in the 87th minute on a great feed from De Vries (New Zealand/St. Francis University) to finish the scoring. Muftari appeared to be a completely different person after the game based on the team's second-half performance. "I'm not sure who the team was that showed up in the first half, but the one I have been working with all season definitely showed up when it mattered," he said.

PREP SOFTBALL

Blazers enjoyed great success during Combs' era

Brad Emons
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The Scott Combs softball era is over at Livonia Ladywood after the nine-year coach announced his resignation last month.

Combs, who guided the Blazers to one MHSAA Division 2 state championship (2012), two state runner-up finishes (2014 and 2009) and six final fours, finished with a 284-85 overall record.

He cited increased commitment to coaching the University of Michigan-Dearborn women's program, along with being president of Compuware Girls Fastpitch organization, as reasons for stepping down.

Combs, who lives in Northville, informed Ladywood Principal Tracey Mocon of his decision.

"It's been a great nine years," Combs said. "I can't thank the families and the coaches enough at the school. It's just time to move on. I'm far, far too busy doing college and and high school. It was just a decision my family and I made."

In his final season at Ladywood, the Blazers finished 32-13 and reached the state semifinals before losing to Vicksburg, 7-5. Ladywood loses six seniors to graduation, including Erika Selakowski, Rozlyn Price, M.K. Warner, Alexa Flores, Sydney Triest and Maddie Hass.

"I wanted to finish out this class," Combs said. "They've been a great, great class ... three final fours. But it was the end of the line and I wish ev-



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Livonia Ladywood's Scott Combs (left) guided the Blazers to one state championship, two runner-up finishes and six final fours in nine seasons.

eryone well. I've got great memories and it will be extremely hard to drive by the field and see it. But all good things come to an end."

Combs, a native of Battle Creek who played baseball at Kalamazoo College, produced more than 20 all-state players and sent as many to the collegiate ranks.

His daughter Briana, now at Bowling Green State University, was a standout pitcher for the Blazers who earned Michigan Gatorade Player of the Year and Miss Softball honors in 2012 following the Blazers' state championship run.

In 2013, first baseman Celeste Fidge (Toledo) also earned Miss Softball honors.

Combs led Ladywood to eight straight district titles along with seven regional crowns. The Blazers also captured two Catholic League A-B Division championships (2011

and 2012).

"We had good representation in that tough Catholic League and we were by far the smallest school in there," Combs said of the Central Division. "But I greatly appreciated playing in the highest division. It really got us ready for the state tournament."

Combs, who has his own law practice, has gone 76-71 in three seasons at UM-Dearborn. This spring, the Wolves finished 31-18, including a 12-6 record in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference.

Combs also wanted to spend more time devoted to following his son Scott, who is a standout three-sport athlete entering his senior year at Dearborn Divine Child. His wife Pauline manages his law office.

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HAWKS

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Hawks team that also made the ECNL national finals, will accompany the U17 Hawks to Germantown. She is committed to Indiana.

Meanwhile, Salem junior Isabel Rodriguez, an Ohio State commit, will not be with the U17 Hawks this weekend. She will be with the U17 U.S. Women's National Team training camp in preparation for the World Cup in October.

The team's leading scorer is Southfield's Alexxis Lipsey (Birmingham Groves), another OSU commit. Canton's Madison Wolfbauer, second in points, is headed to Illinois. Samanich, a junior from Brighton, is also an OSU commit.

Other CMU commits from the Hawks include juniors Sarah Mitchell, (Sterling Heights/Utica Eisenhower); Sheila Mangan (Brighton); and Allison Viazanko, Harrison Township (L'Anse Creuse).

Rounding out the squad are Plymouth's Madeline Lucas (Canton), a Northwestern signee; White Lake's Megan Young (Walled Lake Northern), a Florida Gulf Coast signee; Okemos' Madi-

"Abby (Willerer) has started every game for us this year. Her and Sarah Clark are a great partnership in the back. Abby technically is quite good, really distributes the ball well, fantastic in the air ..."

DOUG LANDEFELD
Michigan Hawks U17 coach

son Clem (Williamston), a Michigan State commit; Saline's Catherin Dager, a Villanova commit; Warren's Jamie Leas (Fraser), a DePaul signee; Ann Arbor's Isabel Nino (Detroit Country Day), a Michigan commit; Brighton's Gianna Parlove (Farmington Hills Mercy), a Grand Valley State commit; Shelby Township's Hannah Redoute (Birmingham Marian), a Western Michigan commit; Lansing's Danielle Stephan (DeWitt); and Shelby Township's Jillian Winarski (Eisenhower), a Purdue commit.

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JULIE WILLERER

The U17 Michigan Hawks are headed to the Elite Club National League finals this weekend in Germantown, Md.

COLLECTING

Super sports fan Young shows off shrine to 'Mr. Hockey'

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Being the huge sports fan he is, Dennis Young has been passionate in his devotion to Detroit's professional sports teams much of his 65 years.

And of the many great players who have played for those teams, he has an absolute, clear-cut favorite. That's No. 9 of the Red Wings — Gordie Howe!

Unlike many of his fellow fans, Young was fortunate he had the opportunity not only to meet the man everyone knew as "Mr. Hockey," but he got to know him on a personal level, too.

Following Howe's death June 10 at age 88, Young reminisced about his chance meetings with the Hall of Famer and his recollections of Howe the player and the man.

Young told a mutual friend, the daughter of former Wings great Bill Gadsby, in 1980 he had a big scrapbook he'd like Howe to sign sometime.

She in turn invited Young and his wife Joyce to a small gathering with the Howes — Gordie and wife Colleen — on an upcoming Saturday night.

Young mentioned he and Joyce would be vacationing in New England that year. The Howes were living in Glastonbury, Conn., at the time and invited them to their home.

"She sent us a whole handwritten map on how to get there," Young said of Colleen. "They were out there waiting for us. They were two of the greatest; it was like we knew them for years."

"Joyce was like, 'Den, what are we going to talk about the whole time? Don't ask him all about hockey.' I said, 'I won't. He knows about his hockey career; I know about his hockey career.'"

"We talked about our families. He talked about his kids, about playing tennis. It was just one thing after another. He was just so personable and she couldn't have been nicer."

The subject of hockey couldn't be avoided entirely, however.

"Gordie says to me, 'Dennis, I want to show you something,'" Young said. "He points to a photo copy of his pension statement on the refrigerator. He puts his hand over it and says, 'Dennis, take a guess!' I said: 'Gordie, I don't know how it works.' It was \$12,000 a year."

Outside on the driveway, Howe, who had just retired at the end of the 1979-80 season, popped the lid to the trunk of his car to show Young some-



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Dennis Young of Farmington has a basement full of sports memorabilia, much of it devoted to the Red Wings and his favorite player, Gordie Howe.

thing else.

"He goes, 'Here's my bag,'" Young said. "It was a Hartford Whalers equipment bag. I said: 'Are you going to need that?' He goes, 'Well, you never know!'"

"The idea was, if you could have granted him one wish, I'm sure it wouldn't have been more money. It would have been: 'Take some years off me,' because he just loved to play."

First-time meeting

Young, who grew up in Livonia and now lives in Farmington, also reminded Howe of the time they had met years earlier.

"As he started talking about his last years in Detroit, I said: 'Do you know you let me into a practice?' I said, 'You should have been in trouble, Gordie!'"

Young was a college sophomore and home for the holidays in December 1970. He decided he would drive to Olympia Stadium to watch the Wings practice. His 11-year-old sister Karen asked to go with him.

"As we're getting out of our car, who pulls up next to us but Gordie," Young said. "He gets out and goes, 'Hi, kids! How are ya? What are you here for?'"

"I said: 'Practice.' He rolls his eyes; he says, 'Practices are closed.' Then he says, 'C'mon; you're with me today!' That's the kind of guy Gordie was."

"So we walk in the side door. There's an usher there. 'Hi, Gordie; hi, kids.' We were with Gordie! There was no doubt about it. We walked into the arena."

Trouble from up top

The only other people in the stands that day were a man and six teenage boys. Wings player Gary Unger invited them on

the ice after practice for pictures.

A team official came down and berated Unger and the man for going on the ice. Then he turned to Young and his sister.

"How did you get in here?" he snapped. "I said: 'Oh, we came in with Gordie Howe.' He looked at me and said: 'Is Gordie Howe the PR director of this team?'"

"This is the honest truth. I said: 'Gordie Howe is the PR director of this team, the NHL and hockey as we know it.' He says, 'Well, I guess I'm not getting anywhere with you' and walked away."

Wings retire jersey

When the Wings retired Howe's No. 9 in 1984, Young and his buddy Bruce Gerish managed to get on the ice for the ceremony at Joe Louis Arena.

Young had a present for Howe — an engraved plaque with a matted photo and inscription that read: 'Thanks for all the memories from Dennis Young and all the fans of Detroit.'

Young knocked at the door of the Olympia Room. The attendant asked: 'You're here for what?' I said: 'I have a gift for Gordie in honor of his retirement,'" Young said. "I was dressed up and looked official, I guess."

"I presented that to (Howe). Just about that time, the official said: 'Gordie, we're ready to go upstairs.' I'm just thinking, 'That's good; I got a chance to see him.'"

Doesn't end there

"He goes, 'C'mon, guys.' He said to Bruce and me: 'C'mon, let's go.' So we walk with John Ziegler, Mike Ilitch, the mayor and the others under the arena

and out the Zamboni entrance. We even got in the Sports Illustrated picture.

"An official asked: 'Who are these guys?' Gordie said: 'These guys are with me.' That's just the way Gordie was. There was no reason for me to have gone on the ice."

"Bruce's dad was sitting up in the stands and thinking, 'They're going to miss the pregame.' He looks down and he sees us standing there with everybody else."

Great with people

Howe demonstrated his good nature in the way he dealt with the public and accommodated people, according to Young.

"I never saw him blow off anybody — a kid or an adult — for an autograph," he said.

"You say, 'Well, big deal.' It is a big deal. You know the way things are today when athletes say they're not role models. Gordie Howe was a role model. He was one of the most humble guys."

"As a boy growing up, I was outside the door of the Olympia dressing room a lot of times. He would sign until the last person was gone. If anybody chased him, he would stop and sign again."

"I remember a time he grabbed a kid and put a headlock on him. He was signing and saying, 'Wait, don't be moving around there!' He'd just be goofing around with him."

"Then, one night, an adult pushed a program in front of him and said, 'Gordie, sign this!' He never made eye contact with the man."

"He looked at this boy down here and said: 'You know what, son? One thing you're going to learn is some people can be kind of rude. But if they're patient, I'll help them out, but you have to wait your turn. That's something you have to learn.'"

"He's looking right down at the kid, but he's saying it to this guy over here. I never heard him say, 'Hey, quit bugging me' or anything like that."

Talented and tough

As a player, there was no one like Howe, who was known as much for his toughness as he was his great skill, according to Young, a professional salesman with a gregarious personality and affable nature.

"Gordie was well-known for his elbows," he said. "Gordie's thing was, if you wanted to play straight-up, clean hockey and 'not try to run me, then that's the way I'll play.' But if you wanted to play, like Mickey Redmond said, in the alley,

there wasn't a tougher guy."

Through a mutual friend, Young got to know former Red Wings player Al Karlander, who had roomed with Howe on the road and told a story of Howe's inner toughness.

"After a game one night, Gordie was kneeling on the side of the bed," Young said. "He was in agony. Karlander said he turned the light on. 'Gordie, I have to call a doctor.' Gordie looked at him and said: 'Hey, kid, you call a doctor and I'll throw you out that window.'"

"He played over pain. He didn't want to think he had succumbed to something and someone had to come and help him in the middle of the night. It was the kind of guy he was, tough as nails."

There was another occasion, near the end of Howe's career, when an old college roommate invited the Youngs to a Whalers game in Indianapolis. Howe showed he still had it.

"Every time Gordie gets on the ice, they're yelling, 'Sit down, grandpa! Get a piece of pie, grandpa!' Late in the game, it was a 1-1 tie," Young said.

"Gordie got a puck and went over the blue line and just snaps one. Bing! Right in the top corner and down. I turned around and said, 'I think grandpa just ate your lunch!'"

Knew Howe as man

When Colleen Howe died, Young called on the Howes at the funeral home and spoke with Gordie, who had cared for his wife during her illness.

"I said: 'I'm here today to pay honor to you as a faithful husband. I respect you more for being a role model of a man as much as being the greatest hockey player I've ever seen,'" Young said.

"Here's my hockey idol with tears coming down his cheeks. He's going, 'Well, thank you. It means so much.' We just had a great interchange. I wanted to let him know I knew what he was like as a man."

"I knew what he was in hockey. He was an icon. You learn a lot about people when you find out what they do behind the scenes. He was just a great role model."

Though they weren't best buddies, Young is grateful he had the opportunity to get to know Howe as he did, that he had experiences with Howe most fans would not have.

"Of all the people I've followed, of all the sports stories I have, there was nothing like the interaction I had with Gordie and I observed him in all sorts of situations," Young said. "He was the best."

Five Michigan companies make Fortune's top 100 best workplaces for Millennials

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Oh, to be young again ... and gainfully employed.

United Shore is one of several companies in southeast Michigan that made Fortune magazine's list of the nation's top 100 best workplaces for Millennials in 2016. The list was based on a magazine survey of more than 88,000 Millennials (born 1981 or later) at more than 600 companies.

United Shore is our people," company president Mat Ishbia said. "We know our team members are what make us a great company. That's why we place such an emphasis on promoting from within and creating an exciting and engaging culture."

Here's a few of the perks that United Shore employees get to enjoy:

» Firm 40: Employees are encouraged to work hard for eight hours each day and then go home to friends and family.

» The 3 o'clock dance party: Each Thursday, employees gather together and turn up the volume to re-energize on the dance floor.

» "UBike" rentals: Employees can rent bicycles during their breaks, whether it's to grab lunch somewhere or simply get the blood pumping.

» On-site gym: Employees have access to a state-of-the-art fitness center.

» The company even offers Starbucks coffee in the cafeteria.

Andrea Frank, 30, of Birmingham, said she found a perfect working environment at United Shore.

"Millennials like companies that promote work/life balance and provide things like flexibility, perks and opportunities to give back to the community," she said Wednesday.

Roughly 56 percent of United Shore's 1,600 employees call themselves Millennials. The company, headquartered in Troy, touts itself as the

nation's largest wholesale mortgage lender.

"Millennials add to our focus on creating an engaging and exciting workplace because they bring a different energy," said Laura Lawson, the company's chief people officer. "They're a very hands-on group, so it encourages the rest of the team to rally behind those efforts."

Other local companies that made Fortune's top 100 include Quicken Loans in Detroit, Credit Acceptance in Southfield,

Plante Moran in Southfield and Mercedes-Benz Financial Services in Farmington Hills.

Millennials are on track to become the most educated generation in American history, according to Pew Research. By 2025, they will account for 75 percent of the global workforce, according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

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Run, walk, enjoy a beer at weekly 5K in Farmington

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Farmington-area runners and walkers who love beer now have a weekly 5K to call their own.

Farmington Brewing Co. Run Club meets 7-10 p.m. Tuesday, at the brewery, 33336 Grand River Ave., in downtown Farmington.

"It's lighthearted fun," said Susan Arlin, a recreational runner from Farmington Hills and the event's co-organizer with her neighbor, Bill Hill. "The beer afterward is a bonus. If you don't want to drink when we get back from the event, they have pitchers of ice water ready for everyone."

"We hang out and talk and meet each other and the sense of community is phenomenal. We have a great small town in downtown Farmington. To bring people together to share in that is so awesome."



Bill Hill goes over the route map with Tracy Bragiel of Livonia.

Arlin had participated in other 5K events with Hill and tried an east side community run on her own, but realized it was too far away.

"I'm a social person but I felt a little awkward," she added. "I thought I'd so like to do this in my own home-

town."

She and Hill talked about starting a local run and then asked Jason Hendricks and Jason Schlaff, owners of Farmington Brewing Co., for permission to meet with runners outside the brewery. Arlin said the brewers were "beyond

supportive," and created a Facebook page for the new event. Meanwhile, she started a Meetup.com page for the weekly run.

More than 60 runners and walkers signed up for the inaugural 5K last month. The group's 78 members live in the Farmington area, Livonia, Novi, Commerce and other west side communities. About 70-80 percent of members run and the rest walk. Arlin plans to change the route monthly.

At a recent run, Arlin greeted every participant, while Hill went over the route map with newcomers, including Tracy Bragiel of Livonia, who planned to push her daughter, Rachael, in a stroller. Derek West-

brook of Farmington brought his Jack Russell terrier mix, Twigg, to run the roughly three miles.

Arlin said 90 percent of the group returned to the brewery to socialize after their first run. She hopes that continues.

"It's about the whole sense of community. It's so comfortable and casual," she said.

Beer Yogis

Craft beer doesn't just pair well with walking and running. It also attracts other fitness fans.

Mikki Trowbridge, who teaches yoga at breweries in Oregon, and Ohio-based yoga instructor, Melissa Klimo-Major, call themselves the Beer Yogis. They are leading yoga sessions in 23 cities across the country. Atwater Brewery in Detroit was their second stop on the tour.

"Yoga and beer make you feel good. They help you relax, and connect with other people," Trowbridge said. "They compliment each other well. I think so often people go into a yoga studio and it's easy to head to class and practice, head back into your day, and not connect with anyone."

Although yoga students learn to focus on breath, mind and self during practice sessions, Trowbridge hopes they look outward after class. Beer, food, juice, "any-

thing that encourages community" can serve as social glue.

"Local craft brewers put so much passion into how they brew their beer. Yoga is about finding the passion in yourself and not blindly walking through life. From that standpoint alone it aligns with the beer world."

Real world

She said students tell her they enjoy working out in a brewery because it's closer to "normal" life than they'd find in a quiet, "sacred space" studio.

The distractions and noise help them to realize they can practice yoga anywhere, Trowbridge said.

That's good news for Rich Lockwood, who runs Motor City Gas, a whiskey distillery in Royal Oak.

"We cook with steam in here. We get nice and hot with steam. I've thought about having bikram hot room yoga here in the winter," he said with a laugh, adding that making whiskey also can be noisy.

He opened the small distillery a year ago. It includes a tasting room where visitors can get flights, buy bottles of his whiskey and try it mixed into cocktails. On Saturday, July 9, they'll have a chance to practice yoga, too.

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Study shows co-signing a loan can be risky business

I saw the results of a survey the other day that didn't surprise me, but may surprise you. The study found that four out of 10 people who co-signed a loan got burned. Thirty-eight percent of the co-signers had to pay off the loan or the credit card bill. The reason: The primary borrower did not meet their obligations. Twenty-eight percent saw their credit scores decline because the primary borrower was either late in their payments or did not pay at all, while 26 percent said their relationship with the person they co-signed for had been hurt. The bottom line — co-signing can be dangerous.

I am frequently asked by clients and others about whether they should co-sign a loan. Whenever I'm asked that, the first thing I remind people of is their legal obligation. When you co-sign a loan, you are as responsible for the loan as the person you are co-signing for. Therefore, if they don't make the payment, you are responsible for it. If they are late on a payment, it could impact your credit scores and future borrowing ability. What sometimes confuses people is they assume if the primary borrower defaults on the loan, the lender is going to go



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after that person first. It doesn't work that way. The lender can choose to come after you. Remember, from the lender's standpoint, you are both responsible for the loan. In fact, if the primary borrower ends up in bankruptcy, that may relieve their obligation to the lender; it doesn't relieve yours. You are the co-signer and you are ultimately responsible.

Whenever someone asks you to co-sign a loan, it's obviously a difficult position to be put in. After all, more likely than not the person who is asking you to co-sign the loan is a very good friend, a child or a relative. Therefore, you're initial instincts are always to say yes. However, it is important to consider your legal and financial obligations before you get involved. My general rule is that if someone asks you to co-sign a loan, you should make the assumption that, ultimately, you will be responsible for that loan. Therefore, if repaying that loan is going to put you in financial difficulty, you probably should decline. I know that is difficult to do;

however, it is the responsible thing to do.

If you decide to co-sign on a loan, my recommendation is that you sit down with the primary borrower to make sure they understand their obligation, what impact late payments and non-payment will have on you and what you expect from them. In addition, I would work with the lender to make sure if there is any kind of default, you are immediately notified. I would also make sure you have access to the loan account online so you can independently verify that the loan is being repaid on time.

Before you agree to co-sign a loan, it is important that you dot the I's and cross the T's. Don't rush into this arrangement; be certain you're going into it with your eyes wide open. In addition, don't forget you want to confirm that the primary borrower has the resources to repay the loan. If the person has a history of not repaying their loans and they are in shaky financial shape, co-signing a loan can lead to disastrous consequences.

Good luck!

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EDUCATING HOMEOWNERS



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WAYNE METRO ‘ABOUT CREATING PREPARED BUYERS’

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Dannielle Bills is a social worker with a passion for helping people with housing issues. As homeownership services manager for Wayne Metropolitan Community Action Agency, she's involved with helping people decide if owning is right for them, along with a host of related issues.

The Own My Home homeowner education program has been around some 15 years, and recently funded through Community Development Block Grants of Wayne County HOME dollars.

"Homeownership education has been around for decades," Bills said. In addition to deciding on renting vs. owning, clients need to look at issues of maintenance (there is no landlord to call in owning), the process of getting a mortgage, and recognizing predatory lending practices.

"It's about creating prepared buyers and helping them sustain ownership. We work with some people a couple of years," Bills said. "Owning a home is very different from renting."

That includes staff pulling a



"It's about creating prepared buyers and helping them sustain ownership ... Owning a home is very different from renting."

DANNIELLE BILLS homeownership services manager for Wayne Metropolitan Community Action Agency

credit report to help the client overcome obstacles, to pay down debt, "just helping them save toward the down payment," she said.

She said clients' first step is to sign up for a Homebuyer Club Workshop on the agency website: www.waynemetro.org/homes or email Wayne Metro for more information at: ownmyhome@waynemetro.org

You can contact the Wayne Metro Connect Center at: city of Detroit residents: 313-388-9799, out-county residents: 734-284-6999, TTY: 1-800-649-3777.

Wayne Metro staff helps to connect clients with other programs that assist with down payments. Wayne Metro has Realtors and lenders who work with the program as facilitators, meeting to speak to clients.

"The participants have a chance to ask specific questions," she said. Their questions include issues on credit reports, such as a bankruptcy or lien, impacting ownership, ways to improve a credit score, and what kind of an offer to make based on a sale price listed.

The agency is certified both through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and the Michigan State Housing Development Authority. Programs get support through private industry, including the real estate industry, Bills said.

"Read and ask questions," she urges prospective buyers. If answers aren't satisfactory, "you should continue to ask questions. Always being informed."

Bills noted, "There's assistance out there to purchase homes. There are so many

programs out there designed to help people become homeowners." That's true even for those with credit issues.

Bills noted the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau has helped with rules and regulations applying now to the mortgage market.

"It's on the consumer to be mindful the information they're getting is accurate," she said. "If they're not comfortable, they have choices" on lenders. There's a window of time to shop around for preapproval with lenders.

"They're busy," she noted of Realtors. "Our only job is to be those clients' advocate." She has done such work since 2010, and noted other agency services such as free income tax e-filing for earners under \$50,000 a year.

"The best way to go is to take a homebuyer education class," she added, noting staff has no stake in the outcome of the decision made.

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Right exists to know condominium unit owner

Q: We have a situation where a limited liability company is buying a unit in our condominium. We are concerned about who was actually going to live there. Do we have a right to find out?

A: The name of a unit owner who lives in a housing organization in which use-rights and other property interests are formally interlocked seems to be a reasonable request.

An official owner of a unit may have otherwise legitimate reasons to register the property with a corporation or a trustee.

However, granting homeowners the ability to identify the beneficial owner by name, if nothing else, serves an important goal of preserving their liberty to make timely and informed decisions. You have a right to know who will be living there as that person or persons will have a responsibility to comply with the condominium documents and your condominium bylaws should so provide.

Q: I live in a detached condominium and want to install a high-voltage station in my unit to provide for an electric vehicle. Do I need permission from the association?

A: It depends on your condominium documents as to who is responsible for the electrical network in your condominium and whether the association is responsible for the exterior of your building. It is probably a good idea to consider this given the influx of electric vehicles. Homeowners who install residential charging equipment before the end of 2016 can receive a federal income tax credit up to \$1,000. There may also be a further incentive by your municipality, utility or other governmental agency. I anticipate that future condo buyers will likely have more options for buildings with communal charges, but since you are a separately detached condo, it may not affect you unless the association decides to consider a communal charger.

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

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

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Competitive housing market puts crimp on buyer options

After steadily increasing for three straight months, pending home sales let up in May and declined year-over-year for the first time in almost two years, according to the National Association of Realtors. All four major regions experienced a cutback in contract activity last month.

The Pending Home Sales Index, a forward-looking indicator based on contract signings, slid 3.7 percent to 110.8 in May from a downwardly revised 115.0 in April and is now slightly lower (0.2 percent) than May 2015 (111.0). With last month's decline, the index reading is still the third highest in the past year, but declined year-over-year for the first time since August 2014.

Lawrence Yun, NAR chief economist, says pending sales slumped in May across most of the country. "With demand holding firm this spring and homes selling even faster than a year ago, the notable in-

crease in closings in recent months took a dent out of what was available for sale in May and ultimately dragged down contract activity," he said. "Realtors are acknowledging with increasing frequency lately that buyers continue to be frustrated by the tense competition and lack of affordable homes for sale in their market."

Supply is scant

Despite mortgage rates hovering around three-year lows for most of the year, Yun says scant supply and swiftly rising home prices — which surpassed their all-time high last month — are creating an availability and affordability crunch that's preventing what should be a more robust pace of sales.

"Total housing inventory at the end of each month has remarkably decreased year-over-year now for an entire year," added Yun. "There are simply not enough homes coming onto the market to

catch up with demand and to keep prices more in line with inflation and wage growth."

Looking ahead to the second half of the year, Yun says the fallout from the U.K.'s decision to leave the European Union breeds both immediate opportunity as well as potential headwinds for the U.S. housing market.

"In the short term, volatility in the financial markets could very likely lead to even lower mortgage rates and increased demand from foreign buyers looking for a safer place to invest their cash," he said. "On the other hand, any prolonged market angst and further economic uncertainty overseas could negatively impact our economy and end up tempering the overall appetite for home buying."

In spite of last month's step back in contract signings, existing-home sales this year are still expected to be around 5.44 million, a 3.7 percent boost from 2015. After accelerating to 6.8 percent a year

ago, national median existing-home price growth is forecast to slightly moderate to between 4 and 5 percent.

Regional breakdown

The PHSI in the Northeast dropped 5.3 percent to 93.0 in May, and is now unchanged from a year ago. In the Midwest, the index slipped 4.2 percent to 108.0 in May, and is now 1.8 percent below May 2015.

Pending home sales in the South declined 3.1 percent to an index of 126.6 in May but are still 0.6 percent higher than last May. The index in the West decreased 3.4 percent in May to 102.6, and is now 0.1 percent below a year ago.

The National Association of Realtors is America's largest trade association, representing 1.1 million members involved in all aspects of the residential and commercial real estate industries.

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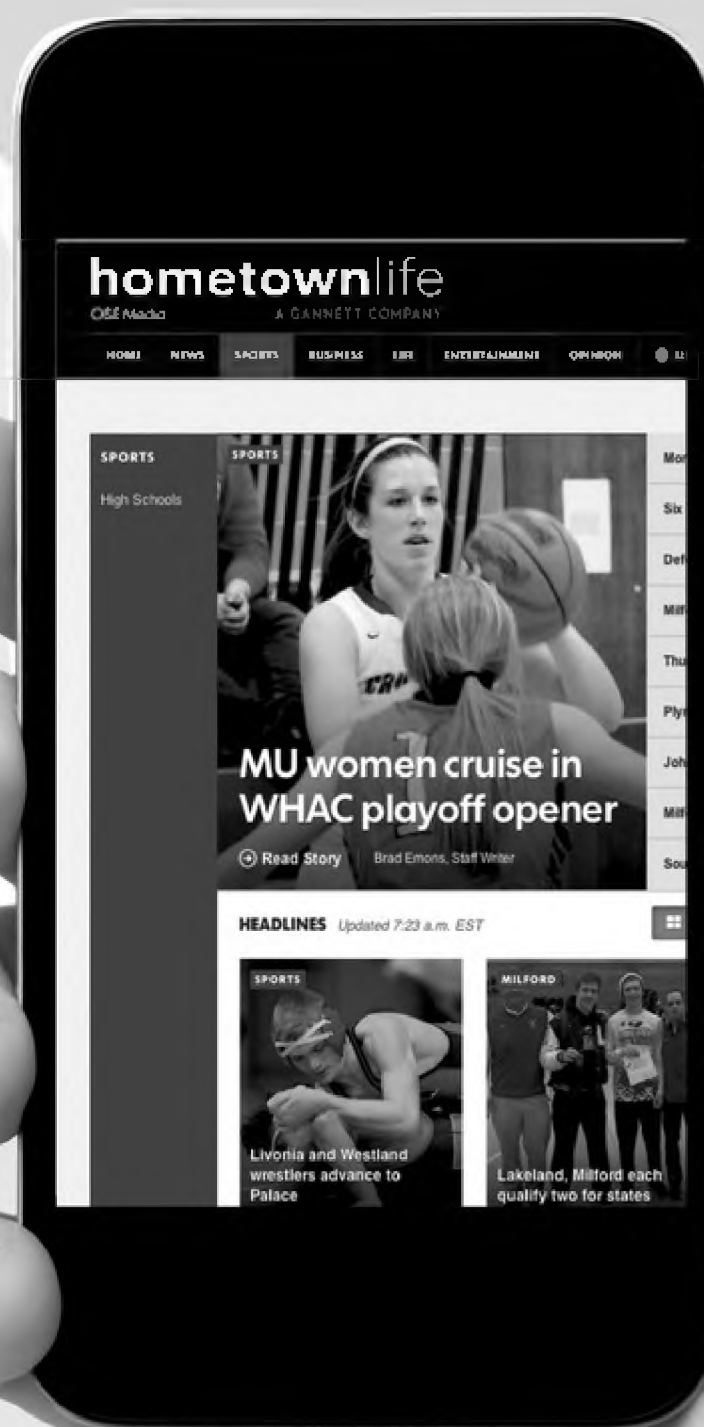
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Take steps to avoid burnout at work

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When you work more than 40 hours a week and feel the pressure to be plugged in 24/7, it's inevitable that at some point, you'll run the risk of getting burned out.

Here are five simple but practical tips to mitigate that risk and recharge.

Start your day right.

What you do in the morning can affect the rest of your day, so start with a simple activity to get you in the right frame of mind.

"A bad start leaves you in a bad mood that leads to a bad day at work," says Eric Brantner, founder of Scribblers.com, a resource for bloggers. "Take a moment each morning to do something you enjoy — this could be as simple as writing in a journal, enjoying your coffee, 15 minutes of video games or even yoga."

Set boundaries. Learn to say no, especially when you have a lot on your plate already.

"Not every meeting has to be attended; not everything that is asked of you has to get done. I'm surprised at so many experienced people who still say yes to anything that's asked by a more senior



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or same-level colleague," says Matt Girvan, co-founder of My Gung Ho, which creates apps that help individuals thrive in their day-to-day lives. "I learned to say, 'No, I can't do that now, but come back to me in a week or a month, and let's see if we can do it then.' Often, as that time goes by, it either gets figured out or forgotten about. It helps to filter some noise coming your way."

Talk to your manager.

It's understandable if you don't want to be viewed as the person who's unable to manage the workload, but at the same

time, you don't want to become so overwhelmed that you're unable to effectively perform the tasks assigned to you.

"Rather than fearing and avoiding your supervisor, see him or her as an important person in helping to bring about positive change," says Jonathan Alpert, a psychotherapist, executive coach and author of "Be Fearless: Change Your Life in 28 Days." "Most supervisors that I know realize that a happy and content employee is a productive one. Approach your supervisor with that mindset and enlist his or her help in making work

more desirable. There's a good chance he or she may not even know that you're unhappy, so speak up."

This will help you prioritize and/or delegate tasks as necessary to free up your workload.

Go to lunch. Taking a break away from one's desk is one of the simplest yet most often overlooked tips.

"Designate a time to get up and leave your work during the day. No one is capable of working a full eight or more hours a day at a desk, day after day, without burning down

and out," says Lynda McKay, vice president of human resource consulting at Bagnall, an employee benefits and HR consulting firm. "This does not mean eating through lunch, but actually removing yourself from the office in some fashion."

Sam Wheeler, a digital PR specialist at Inseev Interactive, echoes that sentiment. "Studies show that eating outside and being away from your desk is extremely beneficial from a health point of view. From a burnout perspective, it will break up your day more, and you will begin to see two sections of the day rather than one continuous workday."

Take time off. It's important to get some much-needed rest and relaxation when necessary.

"Rather than accrue vacation time and let it sit, use it," Alpert says. "Time away from work can help to provide a new and fresh perspective, allow you to recharge and expand your horizons beyond the confines of your work environment."

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