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Food trucks open at 1 p.m. until they sell out, and include: Chicken Coupe, Mystic Kettle, Time2Chill Gelato, Total Sports, Brown-dog Creamery, Monty's Beef Truck, Matt & Mo's, Marconi's Pizza and Smoky Rhodes BBQ. Beverage selections at the Beer Garden will include beer, wine and hard cider.

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Builder bucks Northville's bigfoot housing trend

Maria Taylor
Correspondent

The house at 450 Fairbrook, located about a block south of the Northville Historic District, sits in a neighborhood where 21st century homes rub elbows with bungalows, mass-produced houses from the postwar era and the occasional Queen Anne.

Before the beams and Tyvek went up, it was a little brown ranch with black shutters, just 740 square feet. Now, it's well on its way to becoming a three-story, four-bedroom, 4½-bath family home.

The 1952 ranch isn't alone in its makeover. Buying small or outdated houses for land and then rebuilding has become something of a trend in Northville city, where vacant lots for new homes are hard to come by.

"It's a relatively new phenomenon," said city assessor Karolynn Pargo, who pinpoints the start around 2012 or 2013. Currently, Northville has among the highest property values in southeastern Michigan, with an acre of residential land selling



MARIA TAYLOR

Builder Bob Barck is rebuilding on Fairbrook with an effort to maintain the neighborhood architecture.

for about a million dollars — nearly back to the pre-recession levels of 2008.

"We've got one of the nicest, friendliest downtown areas, a great school system and a unique, walking downtown," Pargo said. "People are willing

to pay for land and move here ... because they like the old-world charm."

Most new residents want either brand-new contemporary houses, authentic Victorian-era homes, or newly built Victorianesque houses, Pargo said.

Houses from 1950 to 1970, like 450 Fairbrook, aren't in high demand, and they've become more valuable for their land than for the actual buildings.

In the past two-year cycle (October 2013 to September 2015), 10 sites in Northville city have been sold for land. Pargo estimates that at least seven of the sales included houses to be torn down. Most were older homes in need of maintenance — restorable, but around 1,200 square feet or smaller, too small for today's tastes. The bottom line for a new house in Northville is 2,000 square feet, she said, and most are into the 3,000-square-foot range.

The home at 450 Fairbrook was purchased this May for \$193,500 cash by builders Bob Barck and Mike Stacey of RJB Affordable Homes. Because of the lot size, Barck decided to keep the front three walls and the floor, building up and adding onto the back. When it's finished in mid-September, it will have tripled in size to 2,236 square

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For Northville dancer Elizabeth Clancy, the art is a sport.

Practice makes perfect for Northville dancer

Maria Taylor
Correspondent

Not all Olympians compete in Rio. As it turns out, local athletes — like Elizabeth Clancy of Northville — are going for gold right here in southeast Michigan.

On July 24, as Rio's Olympic Village officially opened its doors, Clancy was dancing her heart out at the Michigan Senior Olympics ballroom competition, waltzing and cha cha-ing her way to the top.

In one afternoon, she did nine dances: waltz, foxtrot, tango, Viennese waltz, cha cha, bolero, mambo, swing and rumba. And when it was all over, she came away with nine first-place blue ribbons, sweeping the prizes in every dance for the 50-and-up games of summer 2016.

Dancing has been in Clancy's blood from a young age. As a child, she had a bit of dance background, and dreamed of becoming a ballerina. But for



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Clancy displays her nine gold medals she earned at the Senior Olympics.

her, being a dancer was not in the cards.

Until later in life, when she decided to start ballroom lessons at the local Arthur Murray studio. That was 10 years ago. Fast forward to today, and she's

taking lessons with Dwight Davis. He's her coach, and also her dance partner.

"It's just a beautiful feeling, moving to music," she said. She

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School bus driver charged in shooting

Joanne Maliszewski
Staff Writer

Northville Public Schools Superintendent Mary Kay Gallagher on Monday issued a statement to reassure parents, district staff and the community that a Durham School Services bus driver — arrested on felony charges in Wixom — has been removed from active employment.

"Although this alleged incident took place during the summer months away from the Northville community, and did not involve students, we recognize that a matter of this sort raises concern on the part of our students and our families," Gallagher wrote.

In a statement from Durham School Services — the company that provides contracted bus services for Northville schools — officials said, "the driver involved in the shooting has been placed on administrative leave; background checks were performed and were clear."

School district and Durham officials confirmed that job applicants receive fingerprint background checks.

"We meet state and federal mandates for school bus driver/monitor screening and training and there are many steps taken before employment: these include drug and alcohol testing; an MVR check and a criminal background check," indicated Durham spokeswoman Molly Hart.

"Monitors and drivers are also fingerprinted, which is sent to the state police who forward the information to the district who then approve (or not) the driver or monitor for assignment," Hart continued.

Gallagher added that when contracted employees are charged with a felony, the dis-

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ACTS OF KINDNESS

Northville Rotary members provide homeless lifelines with Blessing Bags

Joanne Maliszewski
Staff Writer

Curiously, bags of stuff — toothpaste, juice, combs and toilet paper — showed up on Marita Smith's desk at work and on her doorstep at home. The bags of stuff are called Blessing Bags and they have played a key role in the Northville Rotary's Random Acts of Kindness project. But the idea for the 100 bags, filled with personal hygiene and other items for homeless individuals and families, has a winding kind of history for the



Northville Rotarians provide Blessing Bags for homeless. Pictured from left are, Patrick Giesa, club president; Sue Tallman, DHS community resource coordinator; Michelle Hinzman, DHS employee; and Sarah Ackerman.

Rotary. "We never thought we would get so many," said Smith, a Rotary member, who was asked to handle the Random Acts of Kindness project. "We

thought maybe we could get 25 bags." The effort began with a story. Smith's good friend, Sarah Ackerman of Redford, has a sister, Michelle Hinzman, who

works for the DHS Taylor office. She told of a homeless man living in a tent who was in need of the basics in life. A DHS employee looked through the office drawers and

found some toilet paper and other small items to give the man. "The man was so happy," Smith said, recounting the story. Moved by the homeless man's need for items most people take for granted, Ackerman, went to her Facebook page, shared the information and asked for donations. "Within days, stuff started coming in," Smith said. "It went that viral." So the remaining question was: what if the Northville Rotary followed suit? It was a big move for Smith — who is not necessarily found on social media — and created a Facebook page announcing the Rotary's project. Not long after, Smith received personal hy-

giene items and other stuff at work and at home. Other Rotarians also brought items in for the Blessing Bags. A week ago, the Rotarians drove the 100 Blessing Bags to the DHS in Taylor. "They were just flabbergasted at the DHS." The Rotarians also collected items for women, as well as washcloths and soap, laundry detergent and First-Aid kits, for the Blessing Bags. "It taught me how amazing social media can be," Smith said. Deemed a total, all-out success, the Northville Rotarians are already planning to repeat the project in the spring.

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also loves the feeling of accomplishment that comes through hard work. "I'm not kidding you — it's a lot of hard work," she said. Usually, that means two lessons a week, two hours each. If she's getting ready for a competition, practice time goes up to six hours a week, or even eight. Clancy rehearses at Dance Elite Ballroom Studio in West Bloomfield, where Davis rents space for his students to practice. "There are a lot of good dancers there," she said. "It kind of makes you work harder; dancing with others who are better than you."

One of Clancy's favorite dances is the bolero, a sweeping, passionate Latin dance that's similar to the rumba. And she loves the waltz, too. "It just feels like you're floating."

For her, the hardest dance step is the Cuban motion, or what non-dancers might call the "hip action" in Latin dancing. It's harder than it looks. "It takes years to get it right," said Clancy. Even after a decade of dance, she's still working on it herself.

But she's not discouraged. Instead, she takes it as a personal challenge. "A lot of people just want to do 'pretty' dancing," she said. "I like technique." It's not rare for her to work on the Cuban motion for a half-hour straight, trying to get the rhythm so engrained in muscle memory that it comes without a second thought when it's time to take the stage.

Not all the dances take quite that much practice — like swing, one of the easier ones for Clancy. That's no surprise; she grew up in an era when swing was all the rage. "I had older sisters, and that's the kind of dancing they did," she said. Of course, little sister emulated them, and picked up the steps from a young age.

"It makes you happy," she said. "When they do competitions, they start out with swing because it puts you in the right frame of mind."

Competition wasn't one of Clancy's goals when she first got into ballroom. That came later, after one of her instructors convinced her that she really needed to compete if she wanted to keep improving as a dancer. Since then, she's worked her way up from novice to pre-championship level, the second-highest of ballroom's three competitive categories.

In addition to the Senior Olympics, Clancy has also competed at the Michigan Dance Challenge, usually held at The Henry Hotel in Dearborn. It's a huge competition, and people come from all over the world to participate. On Saturday evening, after the amateurs have finished their routines, she likes to stay and watch the pros. The best, she said, tend to be



Practice makes perfect for dancer Elizabeth Clancy.

from Poland and Russia. Competitions usually involve multiple dances throughout the course of the day. At one point, Clancy used to compete

in 13 dances. Some people do as many as 50. "I never considered it a sport before, but I do now," she said. Davis, her teacher,

comes from a martial arts background, and got into dancing later on. The principles are the same, Clancy said: Balance and rhythm apply equally to sports and dance alike. That, and the stamina it takes to make tough steps appear easy and elegant. Clancy said she's seen a lot of people get involved in ballroom because of TV shows like "Dancing With the Stars." (The easiest way to get started, she said, is through group classes.) Clancy is a "Dancing With the Stars" fan. Sometimes, she takes notes while the judges are critiquing the contestants, and tries to remember their tips for her next practice session.

Even with nine blue ribbons under her belt, Clancy admits she still needs to practice more than she does. Fortunately, she's got a built-in studio at her downtown Northville bridal shop, Elizabeth's Bridal Manor. It already has a barre and a wood floor, and all she has to do is move the merchandise racks to create the perfect practice space. One of her employees, Diane Pittaway, has a dance background, too, and attended Clancy's competition in July. The next time they were at the shop, she was able to give her some pointers. And, Clancy said, "she's going to force me to practice."

In Clancy's bridal shop, customers often comment on the dance poster she has on the wall. Weddings and dancing go hand in hand, so Clancy is always happy to throw a little business her coach's way when one of her customers wants to choreograph a special dance. Usually, it's for the bride and groom. Other times, it's for the mom and dad, or a special father-daughter duet. Clancy's customers love the fact that she dances. It inspires them, she says, and it encourages them, "because I'm no spring chicken. When they see that I can do it, surely they can do it themselves."



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Downtown Northville: Give DDA your ideas, thoughts

Joanne Maliszewski
Staff Writer

For the most part, everyone has something to say. And the Northville Downtown Development Authority wants to hear residents' and business owners' thoughts in preparation for a new strategic plan that's in the works.

So far, the DDA — as of last week — had received a healthy number of responses to an online survey, which is an integral part of the organization's planning process



Ward

Aug. 19, we stopped the survey to get a snapshot of the responses. The next day it was reopened and we will continue to collect information from the community," Ward said.

The survey is available online, and is

straightforward. Among the questions are: purpose of your last visit to downtown Northville; what do you like and dislike about downtown; did you have trouble parking; how often you go downtown; how long was your last visit; as well as what factors would prompt you to visit downtown more frequently.

The survey is available at surveymonkey.com/r/S8Q5M26

"We have received a lot of good results,"

Ward said.

But DDA members and members of the steering committee involved with drafting a new strategic plan, want more results.

The DDA and a steering committee is now working on a new plan for the downtown's future. In March, the city council approved hiring Beckett and Raeder/LandUSA for \$58,900 to help complete the effort. Beckett and Raeder was hired in 2005 to complete the previous plan, which was finished 10 years

ago.

The new plan is expected to address redevelopment and consider the changing the economic landscape and demographics, such as increased diversity.

The last plan contained 47 action items. The DDA has completed about 80 percent of those items. One of the efforts, for example, was changing Mary Alexander to a two-way street, Ward said.

In addition to the consultants' work, the process includes a number of subcommittees, such as design, parking and marketing mix, including business reten-

tion and special events.

The study will also include an assessment of available land in and near downtown Northville. That includes the Foundry Flask acreage on Cady Street, the Northville Public Schools-owned buildings on Main Street and Northville Downs.

"Our study area is larger than the DDA district," Ward said. "We have included area ripe for redevelopment."

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HOUSING

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feet, not counting a potential 737-square-foot bonus room on the third floor and an unfinished basement. It's listed on Zillow for \$549,900.

"We made really the best use of the space that we have. Restrictions and setbacks are pretty tight in the city," said Deb Ronayne, associate broker at Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices.

The new 450 is definitely bigger than its immediate neighbors, a one-story Cape Cod-style house and a Foursquare with a pillared front porch. But Ronayne wouldn't call it a bigfoot house. "Lots are filled to capacity, that's for sure," she said. "But when I think bigfoot, I think of a 4,000-square-footer jammed in Birmingham."

While bigfoot houses tend to stand out, Barck tried to make his project fit in with its surroundings. "We did the roof lines trying to keep with some of the architecture in the neighborhood," he said.

Ken Kilpatrick is a homeowner in the Northville Historic District and a letter carrier for USPS in Livonia. He's been watching the reno-

vation's progress, and he admires the fact that Barck used the existing home as the base. "It's very rare that they come in and use the existing structure," he said. "Usually, they come in and raze the structure, with no regard for the architecture."

He also appreciates that it doesn't take up a huge chunk of the lot. "I realize the pressure: developers wanting to make money, customers wanting to buy big houses," he said. "It must be hard to be on city council, see plans for a huge structure, and not think, 'Wow, that would be great for revenue.'"

To him, that approach seems narrowminded. "We shouldn't be so fixated on revenue that we lose sight of how structures should be scaled because we will wind up with big houses taking up the majority of the lot. Families won't even have a yard to play in. It doesn't look real; it looks like overkill."

At the same time, Kilpatrick realizes that people don't come to Northville looking for '50s architecture. "There has to be a happy medium, and 450 Fairbrook kind of does that for me," he said. "It changes the past, but it doesn't erase the past."

Renovations like 450

Fairbrook seem more the exception than the rule — especially in Cabbagetown, where a rash of tear-downs has provoked complaints from neighbors who resent the big houses going up next door.

Eileen Klinkhamer lives in Cabbagetown, in an old house she believes dates from the 1800s.

"Thirty-five years ago, I made a decision to live here because I didn't want to live in a subdivision: I wanted an old neighborhood," she said. Then, around 2006 or 2007, a 5,000-square-foot home went in next door, on a lot that once had big, old trees and a pond.

"They stripped every tree off that lot," she said. "These people are changing it to a treeless subdivision, no architectural value at all."

She's also concerned about losing the older homes in the area. Six of the 10 site sales in the past two years took place in Cabbagetown, in the northeastern part of Northville's Wayne County section.

Cabbagetown is not in the historic district, so the older houses don't fall under its special rules. Still, it's an old neighborhood, platted in the 1880s.

Jim Allen is chair of the Northville Historic District Commission,

mayor pro tem, and president of the land-planning company Allen Design. He lives in a 1920s-era house on Carpenter in Cabbagetown. Of the 16 or so homes on his block, 12 are either modified or brand new. Two blocks away on Rouge Street, he said, only two original houses are left. All the rest are new.

Klinkhamer thinks the new houses will change the area's entire character. "They're too tall, taller than anything else in the neighborhood," she said. "They're too big for the lots, no backyards anymore. They are destroying our neighborhoods. It's going to be totally different than what was here before."

Klinkhamer feels that the city is being lax in terms of oversight. "There are rules on the books, but they're not enforced," she said. "One says you're not supposed to cover more than 30 percent of property with a building ... I don't need a measuring tape to tell you that they've built way over that."

City manager Patrick Sullivan said the ordinance can be "very technical," and not everything on a building counts toward lot coverage. Enclosed porches count. Open porches do not — partly to encour-

age them, he said, because they add to the city's historic look. In some cases, the Board of Zoning Appeals will grant a variance.

This spring, the Planning Commission passed a series of ordinance amendments in response to concerns that builders were mounding up dirt onsite, so that the starting point for a new house was already high off the ground. Sullivan said he's also reviewed some of the other complaints brought to the Planning Commission. "In every case I've looked into, when you really sit down with the building inspector, you find that they do comply with the code."

For Eileen Gikas, changes to Northville's older and historic neighborhoods prompted her to run for mayor in 2015. "No one's against improvement and making property values go up," Gikas said. "But I wanted to see it done in a way that didn't cause tears and lawsuits among my neighbors."

After a summer of knocking on doors, Gikas concluded that many longtime residents feel like they're being pushed out or pressured to sell as market values increase. Others, like Klinkhamer, are concerned about losing hous-

ing that's affordable to the average person. "When older people move out and their houses get torn down, there will be nowhere that anyone will buy here unless they can afford a \$600,000 home," she said.

Gikas, who works in media sales, has lived in the historic district for more than 20 years. During her campaign, one hot-topic issue was demolishing a 1952 ranch in the historic district, at Cady and First Streets, to make way for a custom home — a request that the Northville Historic District Commission ultimately granted.

Carri Lee is an architect at the Northville Historical Society and has spent hours researching older buildings in the city. "With mid-century modern architecture, it's a really tough fight," she said. "People have this idea of what Northville architecture should be, and that doesn't fit it."

Still, she says that buildings from the mid-century and later do tell a part of the city's history, even if they're not Victorian, and taking them all down would be a bit shortsighted. "The thing is, if we don't let those stand for a while, they'll never get to the point where they're interesting."

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AQL India Day, the largest celebration of Asian Indian culture and traditions in the Midwest, will return to Novi 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 20 at the Suburban Collection Showplace, at 46100 Grand River Ave. in Novi.

The annual event is free and presented by the India League of America Michigan, in collaboration with Michigan Asian Indian community organizations. It features live entertainment, authentic food and diverse exhibitors.

“Each year, more than 25,000 attendees come together to enjoy the tastes, sounds and sights of India,” said Ramesh Gudapuri, AQL India Day chairman. “This growing, one-of-a-kind event gives us the opportunity to salute India’s Independence Day, which is held on August 15, while sharing our culture and traditions with not only family and friends, but also the public in metro Detroit.”

AQL India Day delivers a festival-like atmosphere that is fun for all ages featuring a variety of special performances throughout the day. From patriotic songs and folk music to classical and Bollywood-inspired dancers, the line-up will include 60 live performances with more than 350 entertainers from local groups as well as regional dance academies. During the event, the winner of Miss ILA Michigan 2016 will be announced.

The opening ceremony for AQL India Day will begin with a parade at 10:30 a.m. with participants performing music and dancing while dressed in traditional costumes representing each Indian state. The route will end at the main stage where all dignitaries and special invited guests will be welcomed with a marigold garland and red tilak, a customary religious mark worn on the forehead. The ceremony will conclude with the lighting of the lamp, a Hindu custom to give thanks to the Lord and acknowledge a new event.

Numerous local restaurants, including India Flavors, Delhi Hut, Chutneys and Bawarchi, will be on-site to provide a selection of authentic Indian food. More than 100 exhibitors, such as Ram Creations, Satrangi Jewelry and Shiva Collections, will sell authentic Indian apparel, costumes, arts and crafts, home furnishings and jewelry. Ford Motors, General Motors and FCA Group also will have the latest automobiles models on display.

Event sponsors include the title sponsor Plymouth, Mich.-based AQL, or Automotive Quality & Logistics that serves automotive and manufacturing companies throughout the North American region. Additional sponsors include: Ford Motor Company, General Motors, FCA Group, McDonald’s, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, Beaumont Health System, DTE Energy and Consumers Energy.

For more information about AQL India Day, visit www.ilamichigan.org or email india-day@ilamichigan.org.

GRADS

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and why? My parents, who have always encouraged me to work hard and got me interested in math and science at an early age.

Your most memorable high school moment: Building the worst catapult in my AP Physics class.

Jeffrey Wan

Parents Names: Jian Wan, Wen Zeng

Academic Honors: Intel STS Semifinalist, Scholastic Art and Writing National Gold and Silver Medals, Qualified for AIME, Chemistry Olympiad runner-up, Michigan Math Prize Competition 27th place.

Extra-curricular activities: Track and field, Computer Science club officer, Art studio.

Post-graduation plans: I plan to attend Columbia to study computer science.

Career plans: Undecided

Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why? My parents supported me in pursuing a career in math and science as well as in developing my passions in art.

Your most memorable high school moment: Doing research over the summer at a University of Michigan lab.



‘Healthy,’ ‘tasty’ can be the same

JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Chef George Rapis makes low-fat banana pancakes with fresh fruit during a healthy eating demonstration at the Novi Public Library. Rapis’ presentation showed kids how they could cook and eat healthy and still enjoy tasty foods.

Novi couple organizes Sept. 10 ‘Fox in the D’ fundraiser

On Saturday, Sept. 10 at the Westin Book Cadillac in Detroit, “Team Fox in the D,” led by Team Fox members Donna and Mike Rajkovic of Novi, will host a gala to benefit The Michael J. Fox Foundation in honor of family, close friends and the Parkinson’s community.

The evening aims to raise \$50,000 or more to enable MJFF to continue aggressively funding research to find better treatments and a cure for Parkinson’s disease.

The event they are planning will be a tremendous party with a serious purpose – making Parkinson’s a disease of the past.

They will welcome guest speakers to talk about the immense progress that has been made over the last couple of years in Parkinson’s research, as well as the importance of exercise.

Following the panelists, the event will feature dinner, music and dancing to some of Detroit’s best bands.

If you are interested in attending or would like make a donation, please visit us on our Facebook Page at Team Fox Detroit or our Team Fox fundraising page at www2.michaeljfox.org/goto/teamfoxintheD.

“We chose to host a Gala as part of Team Fox because we wanted not only to help raise money for a cure, but to bring awareness of the latest research, as well as how individuals can get involved. It’s our way to do something personally to further the Foundation’s mission. They are funding cutting-edge research to bring meaningful advances in treatments and eventually a cure to people affected by this disease,” said Donna.

More than 5 million people worldwide are living with Parkinson’s disease, a chronic, degenerative neurological disorder whose symptoms typically progress from mild tremors to complete physical incapacitation. There is no known cure for Parkinson’s disease.

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Plants, other substances can pose real danger to pets

Aileen Wingblad
Staff Writer

It took just one quick whiff for Jason Schlaff to know his golden retriever, Booker, was in serious trouble.

The usually healthy 78-pound canine had vomited, which put out a particular odor that Schlaff recognized as a sign that he had ingested hops. That can lead to a deadly situation, interfering with a dog's ability to cool itself and resulting in hyperthermia.

Less than a half hour later, Schlaff had Booker at an emergency veterinary clinic. The prognosis wasn't good.

"They gave us a 50-50 chance that he'd survive. By then, his temperature was 104 degrees – 100 degrees is normal for a dog – and then it was at 106.1 degrees. At 108 degrees it's fatal. I was beside myself," he said, recalling the devastation of hearing that his 3-year-old pet could die after eating hops – a component used to brew beer and contained in its byproduct, which some use as fertilizer.

As one of the owners of the Farmington Brewing Company, Schlaff has a continuous supply of



Booker is back to good health after a recent medical emergency.

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that byproduct. And, he said, his company's practice is to recycle those organic leftovers and keep them out of the waste stream. He had recently given some to his parents for their garden, and Booker had apparently gotten into it while they were dog-sitting. Schlaff had come to pick up Booker when the medical crisis emerged.

Fortunately, Booker was successfully treated and released from the clinic the next day. And while his story might seem like a fluke, it's not. According to Plaza Veterinary Hospital's Christian Ast, DVM, pets becoming ill or dying from eating plants, certain foods that aren't dangerous to humans, medication and other substances is all-too-common.

"Most days, someone is asking about the safety of something their pet found in their yard or a medication," said Ast.

For example, acetaminophen – commonly known as Tylenol – can be toxic to pets, especially cats. So can aspirin, Alleve, Advil and similar products. The artificial sweetener, Xylitol, contained in sugar-free gum and some sugar-free children's medication, also can pose major health issues to animals, as can garbage that a pet decides to root through and snack on.

Even certain house plants can be potentially deadly, which Melanee Riegel found out the hard way a few weeks ago. Her kitten, Sharknado, got seriously ill after biting the leaf of a lily. Riegel had bought a couple of the plants that morning at the Farmington farmers market. She knew Sharknado – less than a year old at the time – liked to bite at plants, so she decided to keep an eye on the situation to see if the lilies would survive at their new home in Farmington Hills.

But it was Sharknado that ended up with the close call.

Spreading awareness

After seeing the kitten bite through a lily leaf, Riegel searched the Internet and read that lilies can be toxic – and can destroy their kidney function. An emergency vet told her to keep a close watch on Sharknado, and the next morning Riegel noticed a sign of trouble – drooling.

Next stop was the emergency clinic, where Sharknado spent the next 48 hours. Some \$1,400 in treatment later, and some worrisome moments, Sharknado was back to her feisty self.

"It's not that I'm complaining about the bill, but I just feel terrible because I (brought the lilies into our home)," Riegel said.

She also said she was "super startled" to learn that simply inhaling toxins from the plant can make a cat seriously ill, and has been sharing that information to friends and family. "Hopefully, spreading awareness will save other kitties pain, or worse," she said.

Ast agrees, and refers pet owners to the ASPCA poison control online resource, at www.asPCA.org, where informa-

tion on common plants, household chemicals and medication can be found. There's also the option of calling a poison control expert to discuss a particular case for \$65. Detailed evaluation of a pet's situation and consultation with one's veterinarian for the best treatment options are part of the service, too.

Ast also suggests doing a walk-through of your house, looking for things that could pose a potential problem. "It's like baby-proofing your home, but instead it's for pets," he said.

And should your pet run into trouble – or if it's even just suspected – don't hesitate to seek professional help, he added.

"It's always better to call early. Some people might be sheepish or embarrassed about that, or think it's silly," Ast said. "But it's better to call and have it be no big deal. And if it's not, you can have it checked out right away either with your regular veterinarian or an emergency clinic."

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Former podiatrist explores broadcasting at Fox Run

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Correspondent

Fred Bernstein, a former podiatrist, is exploring his long-standing interest in broadcasting by hosting "Let's Go Clubbing," a new show that airs on Fox Run retirement community's closed circuit TV station. He profiles Fox Run's dozens of resident-run clubs and committees on his show.

Bernstein, who minored in radio in college, started volunteering in

Fox Run's TV studio about a year ago, shortly after he and his wife Sandra moved from Farmington Hills into the community. He has co-hosted the daily news show and also done on-air weather forecasts.

"I originated this program with the idea of showing the time clubs meet and what they do, and taking viewers into a club, with the hope residents will see what's going on and want to join," Bernstein said.

So far, he has done segments on the table tennis club; German club; hobby shop; water volleyball league; Wii bowling club; the poetry & prose group; croquet club; Unity in the Community group; travel club; and Your Own University, a group for lifelong learning.

Other volunteers from the TV studio operate the video cameras, while Bernstein handles the on-screen action. He said his neighbors are enjoy-

ing the new program, and some of the resident-run clubs have gotten new members as a result of it.

When Bernstein isn't busy hosting segments for Fox Run's TV station or socializing with his new neighbors, he enjoys exercising at the on-site fitness center. He is also a member of the history club and the veterans club, and he is one of the volunteers who visits with residents in Fox Run's continuing care neighborhood.



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Fred Bernstein is seen hosting a segment of "Let's Go Clubbing."

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Novi police: Almost quarter pound of pot found in car

Susan Bromley
Staff Writer

A man caught speeding was also caught with marijuana, although he initially tried to deny the obvious, police said.

A Novi officer on patrol clocked the suspect's vehicle last week traveling 60 mph in a 45 mph zone on Napier Road and stopped the vehicle at Ferhoodle and Aichebaun.

According to a report, the vehicle took longer than usual to stop, and the officer could see the driver making furtive movements to the passenger seat area. The driver said he knew he was speeding. However,

when the officer questioned him about marijuana in his vehicle after smelling it, the subject denied there being any.

He eventually admitted he had some in his vehicle, police said, and gave up a clear plastic bag with marijuana that was later weighed at 22.5 grams. He said he doesn't have a medical marijuana card, but was in the process.

A K-9 unit was called to the scene, and the dog alerted to several spots in the vehicle, leading officers to discover a marijuana joint on the driver's side floorboard, another clear plastic bag with 4.6 grams of marijuana in the center con-

sole, a white plastic tube in the center console with 32 grams of marijuana, a black plastic container in the glovebox with 29 grams of marijuana, and a "one hitter" inside a tennis shoe on the front passenger seat.

All of it was confiscated. He was arrested on a possession of marijuana charge.

Not a good idea

A Novi officer on patrol at 1:56 a.m., Aug. 11, stopped a vehicle at W. Pontiac Trail and Wellington Drive for a defective brake light.

The officer asked the driver to provide his driver's license, registration and proof of in-

surance, at which point he stated that he never applied for a license. The passenger provided a Mexican passport.

During a search of the vehicle, the officer stated in a report he saw a case of XX Dos Equis beer and two open beer bottles, both approximately half full. The officer also smelled marijuana coming from the trunk and a K-9 unit was requested, however, no illegal drugs were found.

The driver said he and his friend were at the bar and left some time around 1 a.m. after having two beers apiece. They drove to Walmart and purchased the case of beer, returned to the

car, opened two beers and had a "sip."

The officer told the he didn't think it was a good idea to drink and drive and asked his passenger to place the open beer bottle back in the box while he drove home. He said they did not consume the alcoholic beverage while driving.

The driver was cited for no operating license and open intoxicants in a vehicle.

Shopping cart anger

A woman who appeared angry allegedly pushed a shopping cart into a vehicle while that car's owner watched it happen.

The owner of a Chevy Equinox called police at 4:07 p.m., Aug. 10 and said she was sitting on the curb in Novi Square on W. Pontiac Trail waiting for her laundry to dry when she saw the suspect who appeared to be angry and was mumbling to herself.

The woman was a stranger to her, but she watched as the suspect grabbed a shopping cart, took four steps, and then pushed it into the parking lot. The cart then crashed into the front bumper of her Equinox, causing minor damage. She attempted to talk to the woman, who got in her vehicle and left the scene, but not before the victim got a photo of her license plate.

The officer attempted to make contact with the suspect but was unsuccessful. He advised the victim to take her vehicle to a body shop for an estimate.

Stranger danger?

A mother reported to Novi police a suspicious van driving by at 11:09 p.m., Aug. 5, on Sunnysbrook Lane.

The woman said her daughter was playing outside of their home with friends and came

inside to tell her that a gray minivan, driven by an elderly white male, was driving by slowly and "watching" her. Her daughter said the vehicle made a U-turn after passing the residence and left the area, and the man did not speak to her or her friends.

An area check was requested.

Egged

A father told Novi Police that his teenage son heard loud banging noises shortly before 11 p.m., Aug. 6 on the exterior of their home on Ingram Road and when he arrived home a short time later, saw the front of his house had been hit with approximately six to eight eggs.

There did not appear to be any permanent damage. Extra patrol was requested.

Hit and run

A driver who apparently backed into a mailbox left the scene when the homeowner went into her house to retrieve her phone.

Police responded at 8:44 p.m., Aug. 7, to the home on Duana Street, where the woman said two suspects parked in front of her residence and went into the park. Upon returning the male driver backed his vehicle into her mailbox, causing it to fall off its stand.

She yelled at the suspect, who stopped and asked if she had screws, and he would fix the mailbox. She said he could not fix it and she wanted his insurance information.

When she went inside to grab her phone, she returned to find the suspect driving off. She was unable to get a license plate.

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OFFICE OF THE WAYNE COUNTY DRAIN COMMISSIONER

NOTICE OF DAY OF REVIEW OF DRAINAGE DISTRICT BOUNDARIES AND REVIEW OF APPORTIONMENTS

Notice Is Hereby Given that on August 31, 2016, the Wayne County Drain Commissioner will hold a Day of Review of Drainage District Boundaries and a Day of Review of Apportionments from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. at the Wayne County Department of Public Services - Road Division, Central Maintenance Yard, 29900 Goddard Road Extension, Romulus, Michigan 48242.

The Day of Review is for the purpose of reviewing and revising the boundaries of the Drainage Districts below. Maps depicting the proposed revisions to the boundaries of each Drainage District can be reviewed at: www.waynecounty.com/doe.

The Day of Review of Drainage District Boundaries is an opportunity to review the Drainage District boundaries with the Drain Commissioner or a member of his staff. The Drain Commissioner, engineers and other staff members will be available to assist individuals throughout the day, and make revisions where necessary. There is no need to schedule an appointment for a specific time on the Day of Review.

The Day of Review of Apportionments is an opportunity to review the apportionment with the Drain Commissioner or a member of his staff. The Drain Commissioner and other staff members will be available to assist individuals throughout the day, and make revisions where necessary. There is no need to schedule an appointment for a specific time on the Day of Review. The computation of costs for the Drains will also be available at the Day of Review.

Drain assessments will be collected in the same manner as property taxes. If the assessment period is greater than one year, you may pay the assessments in full with any interest to date at any time and thereby avoid further interest charges.

Persons with disabilities needing accommodations for effective participation in the Day of Review should contact the Wayne County Drain Commissioner's Office at (313) 749-8340 or through the Michigan Relay Center at 7-1-1 (TDD) at least 24 hours in advance of the Day of Review to request mobility, visual, hearing or other assistance.

You may appeal the Drain Commissioner's decision to revise the district boundary to the Wayne County Circuit Court within ten (10) days. You may appeal the Drain Commissioner's determination of apportionments to the Wayne County Probate Court within ten (10) days.

A general description of the lands by section number proposed to be added or deleted from the Drainage Districts as recommended by a licensed professional engineer or surveyor for each of the Drains is as follows:

Drain Name	Municipalities	Portions of Sections Added	Portions of Sections Removed
Johnson Intercounty	Northville Township	6, 7, 8, 17	17
	Plymouth Township	19, 20, 30	19, 20, 30
Salem & Plymouth Intercounty	Plymouth Township	19	19
North County Line Intercounty	Sumpter Township	18	7, 18
Sines Intercounty	Van Buren Township	4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 17	4, 6, 8, 9, 10
	Canton Township	31, 32, 33	31, 32, 33

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Motor City Youth Theatre asks for help funding new roof

Sharon Dargay
Staff Writer

Motor City Youth Theater (MCYT) will lose it's insurance unless it replaces the roof on its Grantland Street playhouse.

Nancy Florkowski, MCYT founder and director, estimates the roof will cost \$10,000-\$12,000, a hefty price for the Livonia-based troupe that has called 27555 Grantland its home for 11 years. She tried selling the two-floor building earlier this year, hoping she'd find a one-story venue locally that could accommodate wheelchairs, but had no takers.

Now she's simultaneously leading a Go Fund Me campaign online for the roof while holding rehearsals for "Bye Bye Birdie," at the playhouse.

The cast of 14 youth actors will perform 7-10



Reese McClelland of Madison Heights gabs on the phone during a scene from Motor City Youth Theatre's production of "Bye Bye Birdie."

p.m. Friday, Aug. 19 and 2 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Aug. 19-20 at the Grantland Street theater. Tickets are \$5-\$10, available at eventbrite.com/e/bye-bye-birdie-tickets-27081615842.

The Go Fund Me campaign has raised more than \$5,000 in two weeks. Nearly 100 supporters

have aided the cause, wishing the theater "good luck" and expressing praise and gratitude for Florkowski's work with young actors.

"Both my children have spent many hours training, building, learning and expressing their creativity under Nancy," Tiffany Troost wrote in

an email to the Observer. "My daughter went on to attend Churchill High School to be part of the Creative and Performing Arts program (CAPA). She is now a student at Western Michigan University pursuing a degree in Fine Arts. My son is a senior in the fall at Churchill High School and also in the CAPA program."

Troost said Florkowski and her staff had "contributed to my children as well as many children throughout the years."

Kids and adults

Although MCYT also stages at least one show annually with adult actors, "kids come first." Youngsters perform Shakespeare in July and other shows throughout the year. This fall adults and youth actors will come together for the first time to perform one-act plays.

"I've had kids in

Shakespeare who were severely dyslexic, autistic. I take everyone," Florkowski said. She is proud of the teaching methods she has used for 26 years.

"I treat kids as human beings. Kids are treated like equals. They help me block and do the dances. It's them being leaders." MCYT has a chair lift for audience members who can't climb stairs to the second-floor theater, but it doesn't work well for young wheelchair users.

"One level would be wonderful. All on one level. I've had parents say my (wheelchair-bound) child wants to do theater but you can't have them here," she said.

"People stand outside and freeze in the winter because we have no lobby."

Florkowski dropped plans for expanding the

Grantland playhouse after discovering she'd have to enlarge and improve the parking lot. The project price tag was approximately \$100,000.

She has mixed feelings about the building, but says she loves it and calls it "home."

"Even if we sell the building, we have to put a new roof on it. The roof is old and it's going to have to be replaced before winter. And it's steep, so it's costly. You can tell by looking at it that it's not good."

"Our insurance company said get a new roof or we won't work with you. We pay almost \$3,000 a year in insurance and I was thinking that was a lot."

She and her husband, Fred, who assists with the theater, are looking into other insurance carriers.

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Join Kids Without Cancer Sept. 10 for Motor City Quack Attack

You're invited to join Kids Without Cancer and partners at Oakland County Parks for the second annual Motor City Quack Attack. This is a family-friendly event which involves 5,000 rubber ducks racing for a cure to childhood cancer.

The Motor City Quack Attack will be held at The Red Oaks Water park in Madison Heights on Sat-

urday, Sept. 10. Gates open at 11 a.m. with the duck launch at 2 p.m. Organizers will have music, a photo booth and a raffle.

Proceeds from the duck race benefit Kids Without Cancer, a non-profit organization founded in 1981 whose vision is a world in which no child has to face a diagnosis and battle cancer. This event will fund

pediatric cancer research at Children's Hospital of Michigan, Wayne State University, and Karmanos Cancer Institute.

Supporters can "adopt" a rubber duck (\$5/duck) and test their luck in the waterpark's river ride. The first three ducks to pass the finish line win. First place prize is \$1,000 cash; second place \$500 cash, and

third place \$250 cash. Ducks can be adopted online: www.motorcityquackattack.com/

Sue Sargent of Livonia serves on the Board of Directors for Kids Without Cancer. She lost her daughter Chrissy to the disease at age 12.

Wrote Sargent in an email, "I became involved with this organization in memory of my daughter Chrissy who

passed away in 1993. She was only 12 years old and diagnosed with ovarian cancer. During her 3 month illness, I was on an emotional roller coaster; I could only focus on saving my daughter's life. Sadly, Chrissy was not able to beat the monster."

Adds Sargent, "Later, I realized there are many children who have cancer. Too many children. I

don't have much money to give, so I decided to volunteer. I didn't think I had skills, but over time I found that I do, and I use them to be a voice for children fighting this awful disease that is robbing them of their childhood or their lives."

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Michigan woman lobbied to include synchronized swimming in Olympics

Jay Grossman
Staff Writer

One of the pioneers in Olympic synchronized swimming grew up on a farm in western Michigan.

“But we didn’t farm,” Frances Jones, 91, said of her childhood in Hastings. “My dad worked for the railroad as a telegrapher — he taught me enough of the Morse code so I could send an SOS if I needed to. My mom was a florist with her own greenhouse.”

Jones started out as a swim instructor at a YWCA branch in Lansing and eventually served as president of the U.S. Synchronized Swimming

Association. She led a team of swimmers called the Lansing Sea Sprites on a pair of world tours that included stops at the 1960 and 1964 Summer Olympics. She even co-authored a book on synchronized swimming.

Jones always thought the sport should have been called “aqua gymnastics” to give it a broader appeal.

“Back then, it was considered an art form ... something you saw in the movies with Esther Williams,” she said of synchronized swimming. “The Olympics wanted nothing to do with an art form, so we had to kill that Hollywood art form and create a sport.”

The early years

Jones was born in 1926 and raised during the Great Depression. She and her two older sisters grew up with a strong Christian faith in a hard-working family. They were taught at an early age to be self-reliant and inquisitive.

“My sisters did the cooking and I was my mom’s hired hand,” Jones said. “I helped her in the greenhouse and learned how to make Christmas wreaths out of pine cones and silk flowers.”

Each of the sisters also learned how to sing and play a musical instrument. For a half-hour or so each evening after

dinner, the girls would gather around a small piano in the living room and sing church songs and love songs.

Jones learned to swim in Thornapple Lake, just outside Grand Rapids. She learned how to dance at a young age and was a natural leader.

During her four years at W.K. Kellogg High School in Nashville, Mich., she was a cheerleader, drum majorette, choir singer and member of the drama club. She played the French horn in the high school orchestra and was the decoration chairperson for the senior prom.

At Eastern Michigan University, she majored in physical science and developed a deep understanding of human anatomy, its muscles and movements. She also joined the dance club, learning everything from the waltz to the boogie-woogie. Those lessons would later help Jones when it came to developing routines for her swimmers.



JONES FAMILY PHOTO
Frances Jones, 91, with some memorabilia from the 1964 world tour she took with the Lansing Sea Sprites.

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BECKSTEIN

JANE J. age 90, passed away August 8, 2016. She was born January 21, 1926 in Ann Arbor, daughter of the late Fredrick & Olive Janke. Jane is survived by her children: Edward Beckstein, Jenny (Tom) Barker, Raymond (Kim) Beckstein, Beverly (Mike) Walrath; nine grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren; one great-great grandchild; and her siblings: Hazel Montgomery, Ray Janke, and Margie Thomas. She was preceded in death by her husband Wilbur; her brother Walter; and her daughter-in-law, Sally Beckstein. Visitation will be held on Thursday, August 11 from 1:00 p.m. until the time of the funeral service at 4:00 p.m. at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, 122 W. Lake St., South Lyon.

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HAY

ROBERT J. Age 87, a resident of Hartland, passed away on August 13, 2016. He was born on October 19, 1928 at home in Northville, Michigan; son of Ralph and Merrenna (Longley) Hay, Sr. He was united in marriage to Dorothea J. Schwabke on August 1, 1954; they just celebrated 62 years of marriage. He was a lifelong resident of Northville; they moved to Hartland 18 years ago. Robert began a career at Guernsey Farms Dairy working closely with John McGuire. In 1965 he took a job as a custodian with the Northville Public Schools; retiring after 20 years of dedicated service. He was an active member of Lighthouse Chapel of the Deaf in Flint for 18 years. Robert enjoyed his time at the Waterford Senior Center where he attended many programs run by the Deaf and Hearing Impaired Services (DHIS). He loved to travel and go camping with his family and friends; he also enjoyed keeping himself busy. Robert was a practical jokerster with a great sense of humor. He liked playing cards, especially UNO and Skip-Bo. Robert was a fun and loving husband, father, grandfather, and friend. Robert is survived by his wife, Dorothea; his sons, William (Jason) Hay-Southwell, Frederick J. Hay, Nathaniel (Johanna) Hay, Jonathan (Winona) Hay, Timothy (Lianne) Hay, and Alexander (Vickie) Hay; his grandchildren, Daniel, Kendra, Taylor, Erin, Constance, Brittany, Breanna, Zachary, Rachel, Cody, and Amber; and his great-grandchildren, Alexi, Hailey, Holden, Harlequin, Blues, Emily, and Keiley. He was preceded in death by his parents, his brother, Ralph Hay Jr.; and his sister, Margaret Chamberlain. Visitation will be held Thursday, August 18, 2016 from 2 p.m. until 8 p.m.. The funeral service will be held Friday, August 19, 2016 at 11 a.m. at Casterline Funeral Home, 122 West Dunlap, Northville. Pastor Stan Coveyou with Lighthouse Chapel of the Deaf will officiate the service. He will be laid to rest at Glen Eden Memorial Park in Livonia. Memorial contributions would be appreciated to the Deaf and Hearing Impaired Services (DHIS), 25882 Orchard Lake Road, Suite 100, Farmington Hills, MI 48836. Share online condolences at www.casterlinefuneralhome.com.

HIBBERD

THOMAS GEORGE of White Lake, passed away peacefully, on August 12, 2016. He was 81 years old. Born in Detroit, he later married Sylvia Stawinski, spent time in the National Guard, and had three children. Tom was an accomplished finish carpenter who, along with his wife and sons, left a mark on many custom homes in the tri-county area and beyond. He was a family man who loved nature and his pets, especially his recently deceased golden retriever, Shelby, who awaits him in heaven. He had an awesome sense of humor and will be sorely missed by many friends and family. Survived by his wife Sylvia of 58 years, daughter Janice Rogers, and sons Scott and Todd (Trish). Grandchildren Kyle, Brandon, Jasen and Nelsen, and great-granddaughter Sophia. A Memorial Mass was held at St. Mary Catholic Church, Milford. The Rev. Msgr. John Budde officiated. For further information please call 248-684-6645 or visit www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com

HOLAPPA

KAREN LYNN A resident of Milford, died on August 13, 2016 at the age of 73. She is survived by Bob, her beloved husband of over fifty-one years; her uncle, Edward (the late Gladys) Sikora; nephews and nieces, John (the late JoAnn) Liinanki, Barbara (Jim) Wolstencroft, Kathleen (the late Bernard) Abraham, Karen (Chris) Piper, Tom (Valerie) Lamberg, and Robin (the late Carlos) Garcia; great-nephews, Rob Stone, Jimmy and David Wolstencroft; great-nieces, Justine Stone and Laura (Harry) Wright; and many other great-nieces and great-nephews; great-great-niece, Jade Stone; godson, Tony Tomczeszyn; and many other great-great-nieces, great-great-nephews, and dear friends. She was preceded in death by a niece, Geraldine Arsneault. A Funeral Service will be held at Lynch & Sons Funeral Home, 404 E. Liberty St., Milford, on Thursday, August 18, at 11 a.m. Burial Oakwood Cemetery, Farmington. Friends may visit at the funeral home on Wednesday, August 17, from 3-9 p.m. and on Thursday from 10 a.m. until the time of service. Memorials may be made in her name to the Michigan Diabetes Association. For further information, please phone 248-684-6645 or visit LynchFuneralDirectors.com.

TYAHLA

MARCIA S. Age 52, passed away August 10, 2016. She was born May 31, 1964 in Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania, daughter of the late R. Floyd and Shirley Rupert. Marcia was an active participant in marathons and half marathons with Team In Training to benefit the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. As a frequent volunteer at the Flying Pig Marathon in Cincinnati, Ohio, she could be found along the marathon route cheering on participants. Marcia was also active with the South Lyon High School football and swim team booster clubs. She was known for her generous and selfless nature. In keeping with her desire to help others in need, Marcia gave the Gift of Life by donating her organs and tissue. She will always be remembered as a loving and devoted wife, mother, sister, and friend. She is survived by her beloved husband, Mark; her loving children, Eric, Nathan, and Sonya; her step-brother, Chris Fish; and many loving extended family members and friends. Visitation will be held on Sunday, August 14 from 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. with a Funeral Service being held on Monday, August 15 at 11:00 a.m. with final visitation beginning at 10:00 a.m. at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, 122 W. Lake St., South Lyon. Memorial donations may be made to the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, 1471 E. Twelve Mile Rd., Madison Heights, MI 48071. She will be laid to rest in South Lyon Cemetery. www.phillipsfuneral.com



Married life

It was at EMU that she was introduced to Stan Jones, a Methodist minister's son who had just returned from the battlegrounds of World War II and was now enrolled at Albion College. They met at a friend's wedding and Jones knew things were getting serious when Stan invited her to the Sigma Chi Sweet-heart Ball.

"We enjoyed each other's company very much," she said. They married in 1949, beginning a lifelong partnership.

By now, Jones had a job as the health education director for the YW-CA. She taught several dance classes and all levels of swimming.

"I had a class of girls I taught swimming for four years and I didn't know what else I could teach them," she said. "I read in the paper that the junior national synchronized swimming duet championships were being held in Detroit, so I went to see what that was about."

She went to the event and decided she wanted to add a class in synchronized swimming.

"I asked the director if I could add it to my weekly schedule and I'll never forget what she told me," Jones said. "She said, 'Fran, the Y frowns on competition for girls and you should not add it to your schedule.' Right then, I knew I was going to quit and form my own sports club."

Jones went home and discussed her idea with Stan. With his encouragement, she submitted her resignation.

"He didn't even hesitate," she said of her husband's backing. "He was all in."

It was the early 1950s and Jones was ready to conquer the world of synchronized swimming.

From Lansing to Rome

To start her club, Jones recruited swimmers from around the state and secured three local swimming pools for training.

Synchronized swimming requires precision, rhythm ... and a great set of lungs. It combines dancing, swimming and gymnastics, with duet and team competitions.

The inaugural group was mainly made up of high school swimmers. Jones had them rehearse the choreographed sequences on the deck before moving to the pool.

"That way they could see each other," she said. "They could see who was fast and who was slow ... and I could see what they were doing, so I could easily correct them."

She called her team the Lansing Sea Sprites. "I was a volunteer and

I never took money for my coaching," Jones said. "All I wanted was cooperation and girls who were willing to respond to my rules and type of training."

It wasn't long before the team saw results. Two of her swimmers, Sandy Giltner and Judy Haga, were U.S. Solo and Duet champions in 1958-59. Both swimmers were from the Lansing area.

In 1960, she led her team on a promotional tour through Europe that wrapped up at the Summer Games in Rome. Jones started working with swim teams from other countries, helping to train international judges so they could identify the required movements and positions.

It was the height of the Cold War and Jones reminded her swimmers to accept and appreciate the different cultures. Each weekend, the girls organized their own Sunday church services.

"We traveled from country to country on trains," Jones said. "We were just treated beautifully — every swim club bent over backwards to do something for us. We put on shows all over the map."

Her team enjoyed prime seats during the Olympic Games in Rome. Jones said they were so close to the action that one of the torch-bearers smiled at her swimmers as he made his way up the stairs.

The day after the Games ended, during the gala program, Jones and her team put on a synchronized swimming demonstration for the Olympic steering committee. Afterward, they returned home and continued competing in national meets.

"My teams always finished in the top 10 — usually they ended up in sixth place," she said. "It was tough beating the California clubs ... they had more practice time and they always finished at the top."

'Pants, blouses and bathing suits'

Four years later, Jones led another delegation of swimmers around the globe to promote synchronized swimming, this time for an extended period of four months that included stops in 21 countries.

A number of the swimmers were students from Michigan State University who took off the semester for the trip. Jones said her husband stayed home with their two young children, with her own mother chipping in with the chores.

"Stan gained 15 pounds from my mom's cooking while I was in Europe," she said. "He was a very supportive husband."

The team performed

at the Crystal Palace in London, where the Queen of England sent a personal representative to watch the demonstration. They next traveled to Rome, then to Syria.

She recalled crossing the border into Syria for a show in Damascus. Their bus contained well over 30 pieces of luggage and the armed border guards wanted to inspect each piece.

"I told them it was bus full of swimmers and all they'd find were pants, blouses and bathing suits," Jones said. "I then pulled out a letter from the State Department and the gentlemen who invited us to perform in Damascus and they allowed us to cross without inspecting the suitcases."

The tour ended at the 1964 Summer Games in Tokyo. Jones said each of her swimmers received a kimono and the team was warmly received at several dinners hosted by the Japanese government.

It took another 20 years, but eventually everything fell into place and synchronized swimming was officially recognized at the 1984 Summer Games in Los Angeles. Jones was invited to the Olympics that year to work with the swimmers.

"When they finally got it in the Olympics, you could hear me sing the hallelujah choir from California," she said of the moment. "I was very proud of our country."

Red, white and blue

The family moved from Okemos to Orchard Lake after Stan was made vice president at the Burroughs Corp. in 1965. Jones left the Lansing Sea Sprites that year and formed the Michigan Aquarius Club. Her daughter Candice was one of the original members.

Stan died in 2008. Jones has been living in Bloomfield Township for the past nine years and is now a resident at Samaritas Senior Living on Telegraph Road. She keeps fit through exercise, a healthy diet and a positive attitude.

"I run twice around this building daily if I can," she said.

Many of her swimmers send Christmas cards and visit whenever they're in the area. Jones admits she's been glued to the TV since the 2016 Summer Games began Aug. 5. The synchronized swim teams are scheduled to compete Aug. 18-19.

"This time, we have much better competition," she said. "I'm wondering if China is going to beat us, but I don't know. I still think our team can win it all."

Novi woman hired at Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan

The Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan has appointed Lisa A. Dancsok vice president, marketing and communications.

She comes to the Foundation from Rock Ventures, where she served as vice president, corporate philanthropy, marketing and communications. In that role, Dancsok created and implemented the “Opportunity



Dancsok

Detroit Homecoming program with Crain's Communications, among other accomplishments. Dancsok's background

Detroit” marketing campaign, oversaw Rock Venture's philanthropy program and helped launch the

includes the creation and implementation of the award-winning “Pure Michigan” campaign for the State of Michigan while serving as senior vice president – marketing and legislative affairs at the Michigan Economic Development Corporation. Prior to that, she served as managing partner of D&D advisors and held senior level positions at Blue Cross Blue

Shield of Michigan. “We are pleased to welcome Lisa to the Community Foundation at an exciting time in our history,” said Mariam C. Noland, founding president of the Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan. “Although we are a relatively young organization, we have grown to be among the nation's largest community foundations. Our com-

munications program not only supports the work of our donors and grantees, it also helps advance issues and ideas we care about—such as greenways, early childhood education and economic development. Lisa's expertise will add to our ability to have an impact and tell the story of the great things that are happening in our region.” Dancsok's civic leadership includes service on the boards of Delta Dental of Michigan, Renais-

sance Health Services, Inforum, and Michigan State University's Eli Broad Alumni Board and on the the Knight Foundation's Detroit Advisory Committee and the customer advisory board of the Detroit Metro Convention and Visitors Bureau. She holds an executive master's of business administration and a bachelor of arts in advertising, both from Michigan State University.

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Crawford to share history amusement park history

State Rep. Kathy Crawford, R- Novi, and chair of the Novi Historical Commission, will recapture the magical wonder of the Walled Lake Amusement Park and Casino 1:30-3 p.m., Monday Aug. 22, when she gives a perspective of the park's heyday to Fox Run retirement community residents. Her presentation will be held in the performing arts center.

She will bring artifacts found on the Amusement Park site when it was excavated for the current Pavilion Shore Park, just west of Fox Run. These artifacts include some broken tile from the bath houses as well as bathhouse tags which were hooked onto bathing suits indicating personal baskets in the bathhouse.

There are a few other small items in a little shadow box that will be displayed, as well vintage photos of the park and casino and some pictures of postcards and signs. Fox Run residents will share their stories of The Walled Lake Amusement Park and Casino during her interactive presentation.

Crawford will discuss the early history of Walled Lake, all of the various activities on the property, the rides on the amusement park property, the large speed boats and boardwalk activities. The casino was not the type of casino having gambling, but it was a large dance hall where many big bands played. Tommy Dorsey and Stevie Wonder were among the headliners who performed there.

Crawford is passionate about preserving the history of The Walled Lake Amusement Park and Casino and beach, as well as preserving all of Novi's history.

Hundreds of thousands of people from the metro Detroit area and beyond made Walled Lake their weekend and vacation destinations every year. Camping was available nearby at what is now called Lakeshore Park. Cottages on the lake were available for rental. Companies, such as Ford and GM had their annual picnics there and the headline celebrities performed at the casino several nights a week.

"There was something on the property for everyone, no matter the age: fishing, swimming, boating, amusement park rides, contests of strength, such as tug-of-war competitions between large regional companies, picnics, camping, music, dancing, roller skating rink and



The Walled Lake Amusement Park's roller coaster.

more," Crawford said. Amusement parks such as Walled Lake, Edgewater Park, and BobLo were extremely popular in the 1940s-1960s. One of Fox Run's residential buildings is named in honor of Edgewater.

"One of my favorite memories of the The Walled Lake Amusement Park was the 'House of Mirrors' which completely distorted your reflection, making you very short and squat or long and lean," said Crawford. "That seemed so magical to me. It would be impossible for me to think of the park, however, without imagining the wonderful tantalizing smell of cotton candy being made before your very eyes. It was hypnotizing to watch all of the colors being added and smelling that warm sugar being fluffed."

A number of Fox Run residents have told Crawford of their special dates they had at the park. At least one resident couple had their first date at a dance in the casino and then eventually married.

"Oddly enough, many of us who lived in rural Novi very close to the park were not allowed to go there unless our fathers took us," said Crawford, who was never was allowed in the casino. "Too much riff-raff there," her dad told her.

Crawford's presentation will include a free raffle for door prizes related to Novi history as well as the Novi Library, where a local History Room is located. An ice cream social -- with ice cream from the Guernsey Farms Dairy -- will be held at the conclusion of the presentation. Fox Run is on 13 Mile Road, just west of M-5.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

September 7, 2016 – 7:00 P.M.

The Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, September 7, 2016 at the Northville Township Municipal Offices, 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, Michigan 48168. The Planning Commission will consider a proposed Planned Unit Development (PUD) on the Northwest corner of 5 Mile and Beck Roads, 47500 Five Mile Road (Parcel ID#77-068-99-0001-705). The site is 53 acres and is the former Scott Prison site. The mixed use development identifies proposed uses as retail, entertainment, hotel, office and residential.

The public is invited to attend this public hearing and express their comments or ask questions. Plans will be available for viewing at the Township office between 8:00 A.M. and 4:30 P.M., Monday through Friday. Written comments will be received by the Northville Township Planning Commission at 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48168. The meeting will begin at 7:00 P.M.

Eric Lark, Chair
Planning Commission

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GUEST COLUMN

Truck traffic shows need to reclassify Six Mile

As Six Mile Road is being reconstructed between Haggerty and Northville roads, as previously announced by Wayne County Executive Warren Evans, our residents need to understand the scope of the work being performed.

The project includes removal of existing pavement, installation of new sewers, reconstructing 1.5 miles of new concrete surface, placing a new asphalt surface, new pavement markings, guardrail improvements, sidewalk and signage. Completion of the road improvements is anticipated to be mid-November barring unforeseen delays. The work would include adding a third



Ronald Pawlak
GUEST COLUMNIST

lane, a lane to turn into your subdivision, and also widening intersections to five lanes.

Six Mile Road has remained open to west-bound traffic for the entire project. In light of the construction with heavy equipment, truck haulers for the removal of dirt, old sewers, etc., and workers on the road, it should be obvious that other truckers not involved in this construction project use the recommended detour routes.

Instead, I have noticed

garbage trucks — not under contract by Northville Township, but from surrounding communities — loaded with compost, and double-bottom truck trailers from other construction sites, head west toward the landfill or the concrete/asphalt recycling center in Salem Township or beyond.

If we are seeing this obvious behavior by truckers traveling west down Six Mile during reconstruction, what are we to expect once the school year begins and our school buses and parents will be transporting their children to the five schools off Six Mile?

Our Northville School Board should get actively involved to make certain

our Northville School buses have priority and parents driving their children to schools are not bogged down with truck traffic other than from the Six Mile construction project.

This, of course, leads me to the Six Mile classification that states it is a Primary Unrestricted Class "A" Truck Route. If the trucking companies, garbage and compost haulers, double-bottom tractor trailer debris haulers from other building construction sites, head west to the landfill, I can just imagine the truck traffic we will experience once construction is completed.

As a residential community on both sides of Six Mile, we have to de-

mand the truck route classification be changed to a residential county road, with a 35 mph speed limit, our school zones identified by flashing lights with a 25 mph speed limit, and pedestrian light crossings at Bradner and Winchester intersections.

Six Mile is almost identical to Taft Road, Meadowbrook, Nine Mile and other residential routes where subdivisions and schools are present with no identifiable commerce. Action is required now to preserve our quality of life, safety of our school children and our residents who wish to cross Six Mile. This should be priority number one addressed by the Wayne County

Road Commission, Terry Marecki and Warren Evans.

Our Northville Township trustees should support our residents, and strongly suggest reclassification of Six Mile from a truck route to a residential county road. Wayne County working with Northville Township is the only way to convince Washtenaw County that Wayne County citizens of Northville Township matter. All the future Washtenaw meetings regarding the landfill and adjacent truck yards is a political tactic to stall what is needed.

Ronald J. Pawlak is a 38-year resident of Northville Colony.

LETTERS

Thank you Salem

Thank you to all our friends and neighbors for your encouragement and support. Our bid to represent Salem Township as trustees fell just short. In fact, the results were very close.

What started as a small grassroots group of concerned Salem residents has grown into a coalition of hundreds of supporters who are just as passionate about protecting our peaceful rural lifestyle and having a diverse government as

we are. We are certainly not giving up. Many of you thanked us for making you aware of our current township challenges and offering practical solutions. We believe in our rural character and that it is worth protecting.

Due to your overwhelming support and many residents urging us to continue with a write-in campaign, we are strongly considering this option for the Nov. 8 general election. Maybe we will see you then!

Once again, thank you

for your trust and support. Our most sincere gratitude.

Kim Whiteside, Mark Griffith, Larry Petroskey, Wayne Wallazy
Salem Township

Clinton best choice

During the past year I have been a backer of Bernie Sanders and was disappointed that he came in second. However, I never thought or spoke bad about Hillary Clinton. Everyone who voted for Bernie should remember his classic line "She is 100 percent better than anyone on the other side." That was true when he said it and it is true today.

What can be said about Donald Trump that has not already been said? Narcissist, egoist, a legend in his own mind, first-class liar, an unapologetic idiot, etc. This is a

vengeful man who only accepted his former foes back in the fold after they bent down and kissed his ring.

VP aspirant Mike Pence is in a category of his own. A close relative who lives in Indiana, told me Pence stood a better chance of being run out of town than being re-elected governor. Anti-gay, anti-women's rights, anti-birth control, anti-union, anti-worker, anti-minimum wage — hell, it wouldn't surprise me if his middle name isn't Anti.

But, he is a true "New" Republican by pimping for the rich and right-wing intolerant bigots.

James Huddleston
Canton

Clinton's nomination excites

Still excited about July 28, 2016, the historic

milestone in America — first female nominated for the presidency of the USA! Home run hitters (can you tell I am a baseball fan?) were: Mr. Khan; General Allen; 9/11 survivors and first responders; Jennifer Granholm; diverse, average citizens; Chelsea and Hillary Clinton.

The American public heard from the real, authentic, caring Clinton the human being. In her patriotic, optimistic, hopeful speech she honored her deceased mother, her husband, daughter, grandchildren, extended family and friends. She quoted John Wesley, founder of Methodism: "Do all you can ..."; plus F. Roosevelt's words about fear and lines from a song from the Broadway musical "Hamilton"; her book "It Takes a Village"; her

famous, courageous, radical words from 1995 in China: "Human rights are women's rights. Women's rights are human rights." I like especially "Where there are no ceilings, the sky's the limit."

While listing her and her party's policy plans Hillary Clinton invited Sanders' supporters, dissatisfied Republicans and independents, undecided voters to join the Democratic cause. They will help defeat her dangerous, undisciplined, clueless opponent. "Join us." "We are stronger together." In Hillary Clinton's closing words, she accepted the nomination "with humility, determination, confidence we can work together so we can rise together."

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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

Summer meal program
Time/Date: Through Friday, Aug. 19
Details: Walled Lake Consolidated Schools will participate in the Summer Food Service Program. This program provides meals to children ages 1-18 without charge. Young adults from age 19 to 26 are also eligible if they're enrolled in programs for the mentally or physically disabled. These programs must be recognized by a state or local public agency. Adults may purchase a meal for \$2.
Breakfast will be served from 8:15-8:45 a.m. and lunches will be served from 11 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. weekdays at the Walled Lake Community Education Center, 615 N. Pontiac Trail, Walled Lake. 248-956-3080.

Palav Walk
Time/Date: 9 a.m. to noon, Sunday, Aug. 21
Details: Pioneer Medical Research Foundation team Palav, a non-profit saving babies with weak lungs in the developing world, will hold a 5K Walk/Run at Maybury State Park, 20145 Beck Road in Northville. The walk will go through the park trails. Plenty of activities are on tap for children and adults.
Day-of registration begins at 8:30 a.m. \$40 per family, \$20 per adult or \$10 per child. Register online at www.palav.org/events.html. Donations can be made online at www.palav.org/donations

Glow in the Night run
Time/Date: 8:30 p.m., Friday, Aug. 26
Details: Join in for the fourth annual Glow in the Night 5K Fun Run/Walk at Kensington Metropark, hosted by NR Road Racing and benefiting Five Points of Hope Cancer Care Fund. \$40 per person and \$45 walk up registration fee. All ages are welcome, however,

anyone 12 and older must be registered. Kids 11 and younger are free with registered adult. Free participants will not receive glow powder or t-shirt but there will be extra color for sale at the event.
Visit www.nrroadracing.com to register as a participant or volunteer and www.fivepointsofhope.com for more information regarding the Michigan based non-profit organization.

Piece by Piece - Assemblage Invitational
Time/Date: exhibit open through Aug. 27
Details: Exhibit features Rick Cronn of Ann Arbor; Cre Fuller of Ypsilanti, Ozie of Wixom, Catherine Peet of Royal Oak, Stephen Palmer of Traverse City, and Mike Sivak of Ann Arbor each bring a unique perspective to the art of assemblage. At Northville Art House, 215 W. Cady St.; 248-344-0497 or www.northvillearthouse.org. Free.

Walk Our Way walkers
Time/Date: 9 a.m., Tuesdays, through Aug. 30
Details: Walk your way to a healthier you and reap the benefits of a regular walking routine by lifting your mood, strengthening your bones and maintaining a healthier weight. Walks range from 15-30 minutes. Walkers meet at the Meadowbrook Activity Center, 25075 Meadowbrook Road.

Michigan State Fair
Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., Thursday-Sunday, Sept. 1-4; 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. (interior exhibition hall closes at 5 p.m.) ,Monday, Sept. 5
Details: 2016 Fifth Third Michigan State Fair returns to Suburban Collection Showplace, 46100 Grand River Ave., Novi. This year's State Fair will include expanded midway rides, an interior exhibition hall, the ever-popular racing pigs,

Construction nears completion



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

The construction of the Early Childhood Education Center for the Novi School District is on pace and should be finished by the end of the month. The 39,000-square-foot building for 3- to 5-year-old students will have 18 rooms when finished and a cafeteria. Construction began in July 2015.

an expanded Equestrian Pavilion, a larger Michigan Made Pavilion, tasty carnival treats, a parade on Monday at 10 a.m., and more.
General admission \$8, parking \$5. Visit michiganstatefairllc.com for additional pricing information.

Keep rolling biking
Time/Date: 9 a.m., Saturdays
Details: Novi is partnering with Performance Bicycle of Novi to give everyone (all ages welcome) a chance to ride with a group. Free morning rides are available every Saturday and travel approximately 10 miles. The group rides at a leisurely pace with a "No Rider Left Behind" commitment. Call 248-347-5985 for more information.

Meals on Wheels
Details: The Meals on Wheels program in the Novi area is in need of volunteers. Organizers would love the opportunity for you to be part of its team of volunteers. This volunteer position is a commitment of 1-2 hours of your time as little or as often as you would like. Volunteers not only deliver hot nutritional meals to home bound seniors, we also deliver warm smiles and friendly greetings. Contact Lucy at 810-632-2155 or email info@lwmow.org for more information.

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Notice Is Hereby Given that on August 31, 2016, the Wayne County Drain Commissioner will hold a Day of Review of Drainage District Boundaries and a Day of Review of Apportionments from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. at the Wayne County Department of Public Services - Road Division, Central Maintenance Yard, 29900 Goddard Road Extension, Romulus, Michigan 48242.

The Day of Review is for the purpose of reviewing and revising the boundaries of the Drainage Districts below. Maps depicting the proposed revisions to the boundaries of each Drainage District can be reviewed at: www.waynecounty.com/doe.

The Day of Review of Drainage District Boundaries is an opportunity to review the Drainage District boundaries with the Drain Commissioner or a member of his staff. The Drain Commissioner, engineers and other staff members will be available to assist individuals throughout the day, and make revisions where necessary. There is no need to schedule an appointment for a specific time on the Day of Review.

The Day of Review of Apportionments is an opportunity to review the apportionment with the Drain Commissioner or a member of his staff. The Drain Commissioner and other staff members will be available to assist individuals throughout the day, and make revisions where necessary. There is no need to schedule an appointment for a specific time on the Day of Review. The computation of costs for the Drains will also be available at the Day of Review.

Drain assessments will be collected in the same manner as property taxes. If the assessment period is greater than one year, you may pay the assessments in full with any interest to date at any time and thereby avoid further interest charges.

Persons with disabilities needing accommodations for effective participation in the Day of Review should contact the Wayne County Drain Commissioner's Office at (313) 749-8340 or through the Michigan Relay Center at 7-1-1 (TDD) at least 24 hours in advance of the Day of Review to request mobility, visual, hearing or other assistance.

You may appeal the Drain Commissioner's decision to revise the district boundary to the Wayne County Circuit Court within ten (10) days. You may appeal the Drain Commissioner's determination of apportionments to the Wayne County Probate Court within ten (10) days.

A general description of the lands by section number proposed to be added or deleted from the Drainage Districts as recommended by a licensed professional engineer or surveyor for each of the Drains is as follows:

Drain Name	Municipalities	Portions of Sections Added	Portions of Sections Removed
Ash	Huron Twp.	29, 30, 31, 32	30, 31
Barton	City of Romulus	10, 15	15
Bathel	Sumpter Twp.	12, 13	12, 13
Boika / Boika East	City of Taylor	33, 34	33
Botson	Sumpter Twp.	25, 26, 35, 36	25, 26, 35, 36
Bradshaw	City of Belleville	27	
	Van Buren Twp.	34, 35	34
Brier Tile	Van Buren Twp.	29	28, 29
Brown	Van Buren Twp.	31	31
Brown and Rounds	Van Buren Twp.	31, 32	31, 32
Brower	City of Romulus	18	18
Cady	Van Buren Twp.	31, 32	32
Cole	Huron Twp.	18, 19	7, 18, 19
Carter	City of Taylor	8	8
East Lawn tile	City of Plymouth		26
	Plymouth Twp.	35	26, 35
Eaton	Van Buren Twp.	31	31
Gorman	Huron Twp.	20	17, 20, 21
Gumtow Storm	Huron Twp.	30, 31, 32	30, 31
Garling	City of Inkster	23	
	City of Westland	22, 23	22, 23
Handler	City of Gibraltar	36, PC 345	36, PC 345
	City of Trenton	25	
Harris & Curtis	Sumpter Twp.	2, 3	2, 3
	Van Buren Twp.	34, 35	34
Holland	City of Taylor	18	18
Huff	Northville Twp.	4, 9	4, 9
Helwig	Huron Twp.	20, 21, 28	20, 21, 28, 29
Judd Road	Huron Twp.	8, 17	8, 17
Lehigh	City of Dearborn Heights	33	32, 33
McBride	City of Romulus	17, 18, 19, 20	17, 18, 19, 20
Martin	Huron Twp.	7, 17, 18, 19, 20, 29, 30	7, 17, 18, 19, 20, 29, 30
	Sumpter Twp.	12	12
Moore Avenue Lateral	City of Allen Park	14, PC C	PC C
	City of Lincoln Park	PC C, PC B	
Mooren	City of Taylor	21, 22, 27, 28	21, 27, 28
Mooring No. 2	City of Taylor	22	22
Branch No. One Mosquito	Huron Twp.	30, 31	31
	Sumpter Twp.	25, 36	25, 36
Mary Street Branch of Snow/ Holland Road Branch of Snow	City of Taylor		
		7	7
New Otting	City of Taylor	29, 32	29, 31, 32
Owens	City of Livonia	15	15, 22
Packard	City of Romulus	23, 24, 25, 26	24, 25
Presley	City of Dearborn Heights	33	33
Reynolds	Sumpter Twp.	5	5
	Van Buren Twp.	32, 33	32
Riggs	City of Belleville	27	
	Sumpter Twp.	2, 3, 4, 5, 6	2, 3, 4, 5, 6
	Van Buren Twp.	27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 34, 35	28, 29, 30, 31, 34
Stekette	Huron Twp.	32	32
Steward	City of Taylor	22, 27	22, 27
	City of Southgate	26	23, 26
Schomberg	City of Taylor	16	9, 16, 17
Taggart	City of Trenton	25	25
Townline	Huron Twp.	18, 19, 30	7, 18, 19, 30
	Sumpter Twp.	12, 13, 14	13, 24
Westfall	Van Buren Twp.	35	35

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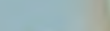
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FOOTBALL PREVIEW

Burke assumes reins for Mustangs attack

Senior standout assumes QB role after 10-1 season

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Northville's Jack Burke will be wearing two different, and important, hats this season for the Northville football team.

The 6-foot-1, 190-pound senior made his presence known in the defensive secondary a year ago with 30 solo tackles, 45 assists and a team-high five interceptions en route to first-team All-Area honors.

And Burke now will serve in an even bigger role as the team's starting quar-

terback as he takes over for two-year starter Justin Zimbo, who graduated after carrying the 10-1 Mustangs' offense with 2,286 in total yards, including 1,488 yards passing (98-of-165) and another 798 rushing.

Burke did get one start during the regular season for the injured Zimbo and performed admirably by keeping Northville unbeaten and demonstrating why he's ready to take the job in 2016 as a full-time starter.

"The first thing is that he's a great

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BRAD EMONS

Among Northville's key football returnees for 2016 include (bottom, from left) Ryan Nelson, Jake Moody, Jack Burke; (top, left) A.J. Abbott and Trenton Guthrie.

FOOTBALL PREVIEW



BRAD EMONS

Among the top returnees for Novi's football team include (top row, from left) Alec Bageris, Johnny Davis, Adam Guirey; (bottom, from left) Anthony D'Annibale and Ethan Carter.

EXPECT NOVI ATTACK TO BE MORE DIVERSIFIED

Bageris-to-D'Annibale combination proves potent for Wildcats

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Last year Novi's football team got a taste of postseason success.

And even though they lost two-time Area Player of the Year Emanuel Jackson (Western Michigan University), the Wildcats appear primed to be even more of a factor in 2016.

Novi went 0-3 to start the 2015 season, then captured six of their last eight games including a 31-28 upset win in the first round of the MHSAA Division 1 playoffs over West Bloomfield before losing 49-35 at Novi Detroit Catholic Central in the district final.

The dynamic Jackson, an All-State selection, finished with 92 catches for 1,065 yards and nine touchdowns, while also rushing for 959 yards and 18 TDs as Novi finished 6-5 overall.

Irreplaceable?

"Not so fast my friend" as Lee Corso would say.

"We have the opportunity to be more balanced, I think," said Novi fourth-year coach Jeff Burnside. "There were over 2,000-plus yards in those two seasons for Emanuel, but the problem is we still got a lot of weapons. And now those weapons are a year older."

No quarterback had a better season in 2015 than Alec

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BOYS SOCCER PREVIEW

CC reboots after strong Final 4 run last season

Northville, Novi should be contenders in KLAA Central

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Coming off its best season in 20 years, Novi Detroit Catholic Central will try and take it one step further in 2016.

The Shamrocks captured their first regional title since 1996 before falling to eventual MHSAA Division 1 champion Grand Rapids Forest Hills Central in the state semifinals, 3-1.

CC, which finished 20-3-3 overall last season, lost three first-team All-Area players to graduation including standout goalie Peter Kirovac, defenders Justin Murray (University of Detroit Mercy) and Cole Moscovic, along with second-team All-Area defender Matt Turton.

And even though freshman standout Charlie Trevisan elected to play with the Academy Wolves, the Shamrocks still possess plenty of firepower with the return of second-team All-Area midfielder Justin Savona, who is joined by midfielders Cade Kozlowski and Valentino Ivezaj, both seniors, along with junior defender Jared Lee.

"My personal opinion, I think we're as good or if not better than last year," CC fifth-year coach Gene Pulice said. "But as we saw, it takes a lot more than being good to win a state championship – not to take anything away from (Grand Rapids) Forest Hills Central because they were very good. I think we're look-

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Novi goalkeeper Luke McDonald is a key returnee.



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FOOTBALL PREVIEW

Seasoned Shamrocks eye more success in 2016

'Battle of the Big House' is Catholic Central's opener

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

All signs point to another stellar football season for Novi Detroit Catholic Central.

Heading into a tough season opener Saturday, Aug. 27 against Sterling Heights Stevenson in the "Battle of the Big House at University of Michigan Stadium, the Shamrocks should once again be formidable after finishing 9-3 a year ago before losing to eventual MHSAA Division 1 champion Romeo in the regional final.

Coach Tom Mach, entering his 41st season, likes what he sees so far from his 2016 class of the Shamrocks.

"We're really happy with their attitude," said Mach, who is 357-93 overall with 10 state titles and six runner-up finishes. "It looks like a team that likes each other and looks like a team that's come together, and looks like a team with some brotherhood. So we all had a good feeling coming out of the last couple of weeks."

Despite a steamy first week of practice, Mach was pleased with the effort.

"And I was very happy with the kids the way they came back this year," said Mach, fourth among all MHSAA coaches in wins. "They had worked really hard in the off season and they worked really hard in the summer. Got themselves in great shape. As hot as it's been this year we didn't really see any effect of the heat on us. I mean, everybody was hot, but they kind of pushed through that. We started early and left early as much as we could to keep them out of the hard part of the heat during the day."

Last season, Austin Brown seized the starting quarterback job in his third week as a freshman and appears to be seasoned veteran heading into his second season.

"It's hard for a young guy to recognize all the defenses and to be able to know which man to go to," Mach said of the 6-foot-1, 180-pound sophomore. "You got to follow your one-two-three reads. Actually in high school and college I think mostly they go one-two and that's it. But he's the kind of guy that if he doesn't have that, he can make things happen. He's got a good sense for when to take off with the ball and cause you a lot of trouble trying to control him. He's a pretty exciting quarterback and he showed a lot of poise last year and I'm sure he's going to do the same this year."

Senior Nicholas Capatina is the top returning running back after gaining 700 yards (6.5 per carry) to go along



BRAD EMONS

Among the top returnees for Catholic Central's football team include (top row, from left) Jack Morris, Jackson Ross, Blake Beuter; (bottom row, from left) Nicholas Capatina and Matt Harding.

with nine touchdowns.

"What we do in our offense is that we do a lot of different things," Mach said. "He (Capatina) is the tailback, and our tailback is important, but we also have an emphasis on the fullback. We give the ball to all three backs. He's going to get his share for sure. He did a great job for us last year and we're expecting the same this year. But we also believe that you can't be dependent on just one back."

Also penciled in to play in the backfield is senior Tyler Morland, along with fullbacks Matt Young and Cameron Ryan, a pair of juniors.

Meanwhile, both Jackson Ross and Jack Morris return at the tight end position, while Chris Jakubik and Matt Harding, a pair of seniors, will also be Brown's top targets in the passing game.

The offensive line will be anchored by senior Blake Beuter (6-4, 265) and William Butler (6-1, 235).

"We've got some experience coming

back on offense and I think that helps us a great deal," Mach said. "I'm looking forward to what is going to happen because they've done it for a year in actual competition. You can't replace that and that's a great thing."

Defensively, first-team All-Area picks Ross (48 tackles, 3.5 sacks), Beuter (43 tackles, 2.5 sacks) and Morris all return along with a strong linebacking corps that includes junior Isaac Darkangelo, Morland, Ryan and Young.

The secondary, however, has to be rebuilt with the departure of first-team All-Area defensive backs Alex Bock (Ferris State) and Tyler Laurentius (Hillsdale College).

"Our guys are tough minded," Mach said. "They're ready to go, the guys vying for the positions. We do have enough guys that we can take a good look at everybody, move them in-and-out. In our philosophy we get everybody ready to go two ways, so if something happens we always have a guy that's going to be ready to back up and

FAST FACTS

School: Novi Detroit Catholic Central.
League affiliation: Catholic League (Central Division).
Last year's record: 9-3 (3-1 Central).
Titles won last year: Division 1 district and Central Division co-champion.
Notable losses to graduation: Tom Kowalkoski (first-team All-Area), Alex Bock (first-team All-Area), Tyler Laurentius (first-team All-Area), Mike Edwards, Nick Bazany, Tarek Dalou, Philip Schmitz.
Leading returnees: Blake Beuter, Sr. OL-DL (6-4, 265; first-team All-Area); Jackson Ross, Sr. TE-DE (6-3, 245; first-team All-Area); Nick Capatina, Sr. RB (5-7, 157); Jack Morris, Sr. DE-TE (6-3, 220); Matt Harding, Sr. DB-WR (6-1, 185); Cameron Ryan, Jr. FB (6-0, 220); Austin Brown, Soph. QB (6-0, 180); Matt Young, Jr. FB-LEG (6-0, 225); Tyler Morland, Sr. RB-LB (5-11, 200); Isaac Darkangelo, Jr. LB (5-11, 200) William Butler, Sr. OL (6-1, 235).
Promising newcomers: Chris Jakubik, Sr. Safety-WR, P (6-1, 190).
Mach says: "Strength-wise I think our offensive line we're hoping to be improved from last year. And our offensive backs, many are back and have a year under their belts. I think we'll be a little stronger on offense to begin the season probably than defense. We lost four guys in the secondary and they were all good. We're going to have to do a lot with that going into our first game. Some guys have had some experience, so we hope that pays off early."
2016 schedule (all 7 p.m. starts unless noted): Aug. 27, 1 p.m. vs. Sterling Heights Stevenson at U-M Stadium; Sept. 2, at Toledo Whitmer; Sept. 9, vs. Toronto St. Michael; Sept. 16, vs. Cleveland St. Ignatius; Sept. 24, vs. Birmingham Brother Rice at Berkley's Anderson Field; Sept. 30; vs. Brantford Pauline Collegiate; Oct. 7, at Orchard St. Mary; Oct. 16, 1 p.m. vs. Warren DeLaSalle; Oct. 22, at Catholic League Prep Bowl (Ford Field).

be able to play."

The Shamrocks not only play Sterling Heights Stevenson in the opener, but they also have a non-league dates against two quality Ohio opponents in Toledo Whitmer (Sept. 2 away) and Cleveland St. Ignatius (Sept. 16 at home).

CC also has to endure the normal Central Division meat grinder that features state powers Warren DeLaSalle, Orchard St. Mary Prep and Birmingham Brother Rice.

"We feel good about the fact that our attitude is great and we're ready to go," Mach said. "They want it and you can't get any better than that."

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WIDCATS

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Bageris, who is embarking on his third year as a starter.

The 6-foot-3, 195-pound senior, who possesses a laser-like arm and quick release, completed 188-of-305 passes (61.6 percent) for 2,344 yards and 22 TDs to go along with an impressive 146.7 passing efficiency rating.

"He's a great leader, he brings the joy and enthusiasm every day to practice," Burnside said. "And he's always got that with him all the time. He's the type of kid the kids will follow. He knows when to have a little bit of fun – to break the tension – but he also knows when to ramp it up, get guys going."

Also back for his senior year is the explosive Anthony D'Annibale, who finished with 55 receptions for 882 yards and 11 TDs. Complementing him will be speedy junior Traveon Maddox, Jr., who came on to add 25 catches for 265 yards.

"We want to see Anthony kind of be the primary guy, but then we have Traveon Maddox," Burnside said. "We have a couple of newcomers in Nick Williams and Drew O'Connor that can help out."

Coming out of the backfield will be senior Nathan Hankerson, who ran for 360 yards and averaged 5.5 per carry.

"What a great off season," Burnside said of the 5-11, 190-pound senior. "He's a load and we expect that he can really run the rock, and Aahmaud Jenkins, for that matter, too. It's not going to be a look where one kid is just going to jump in and replace him (Jackson). What it is is that we have five or six very talented players that we're going to have to find an equal balance to get them the ball. I think we maybe more difficult to defend this year because you've got to defend everybody on the field, just not just number five."

Leading the way on the offensive line is first-team All-Area tackle Adam Guirey, a 6-4, 275-pound senior who did not allow a sack, along with senior center Jeff Kilikevicius (5-9, 240) and senior tackle Johnny Davis (6-3, 240).

"The offensive line as a whole have had a tremendous off season," Burnside said. "They are very strong. I would venture to bet that all of them easily 300-pound bench press guys and probably very close, if not well over, 500-pound squat guys. Very strong guys that we're dealing with."

Meanwhile, the two guard spots are up for grabs.

"We're returning two tackles and center," Burnside said. "Now it's just ...



SCOTT CONFER

Novi senior wide receiver Anthony D'Annibale (middle) caught 55 passes last year for 882 yards and 11 TDs.

can we find the two guards? I think one guard is pretty well locked in. The other guard position is still a little bit more of a fight."

Last season the Wildcats gave up nearly 30 points per game, so Burnside is looking for more consistency.

The top returning starter is Ethan Carter, a first-team All-Area pick who recorded 46 tackles, including seven tackles for loss, to go along with five sacks on the defensive line. He is joined up front by junior De'Shaun Clayton.

Other returning starters include senior linebackers Ian Patterson, Scott Latham and Conner Moore, along with seniors Ryan Welch and Jenkins in the secondary.

"Defensively we return quite a bit," Burnside said. "We're trying to simplify things for the kids to just play fast.

We've done some things this year. We've gone to a different style of tackling, take the head out and try to be concussion aware. The kids have really bought into that. When we start tackling we'll see if it really works or not. The kids like what we're doing. We've been simple since day one. They really got a great handle on what we're trying to do defensively. It's should be very exciting. We're just going to try and turn them loose and let them play."

The Wildcats open with Thursday home games against Hartland (Aug. 25) and Grand Blanc (Sept. 1) before traveling Friday, Sept. 9 to Waterford Kettering.

"What I've talked to our kids about is just worry about today," Burnside said. "Get better today. Let's focus on today, attitude and effort with the proper joy

FAST FACTS

School: Novi.
Head coach: Jeff Burnside, fourth year.
League affiliation: KLAA Kensington Conference (Central Division).
Last year's overall record: 6-5 (3-2 KLAA Central).
Notable losses to graduation: Emanuel Jackson (Area Player of the Year), Spencer VanKirk, Nick Sabo, Cooper Smith.
Leading returnees: Alec Bageris, Sr. QB (6-3, 180; first-team All-Area); Anthony D'Annibale, Sr. WR-DB (6-1, 190; first-team All-Area); Adam Guirey, Sr. OL (6-3, 275; first-team All-Area); Ethan Carter, Sr. DL-OL (5-11, 215; first-team All-Area); Nathan Hankerson, Sr. RB (5-11, 190); ; Johnny Davis, Sr. OL-DL (6-3, 240); Jeff Kilikevicius, Sr. C (5-11, 250); Traveon Maddox, Jr. WR-DB (6-3, 175) Ian Patterson, Sr. LB (6-0, 210); Scott Latham, Sr. LB (5-10, 175); Conner Moore, Sr. LB (5-11, 195); Ryan Welch, Sr. CB (6-2, 175); Aahmaud Jenkins, Sr. safety-RB (5-7, 185); De'Shaun Clayton, Jr. DL (5-8, 215); Zack Myers, Sr. DL (5-11, 275); Andrew White, Sr. WR (5-11, 170); Blake King, Jr. K-P-DL (6-1, 195).
Promising newcomers: Drew O'Connor, Soph. FS (5-9, 160); Nick Williams, Jr. SB (5-9, 175); Chad Howell, Jr. OL-DL (6-0, 220); Tyler VanKirk, Jr. CB-WR (5-9, 170).
Burnside says: "Every year is different and every group chemistry is different. I love the chemistry of this team. I love that they get along really well. This is a pretty close-knit team. I think that kind of started a year ago. They done a good job this year of keeping that cultivation of what we want our program to be. As long as we stay together and check the egos, I think we can have a really good season."
2016 schedule (all 7 p.m.): Aug. 25, vs. Hartland; Sept. 1, vs. Grand Blanc; Sept. 9, at Waterford Mott; Sept. 16, South Lyon East; Sept. 23, at South Lyon; Sept. 30, vs. Livonia Stevenson; Oct. 7, vs. Salem; Oct. 14, at Northville; Oct. 21, vs. Kensington Conference crossover.

and enthusiasm. Not listen to the nay-sayers that thought we were dead a year ago when we were 0-3. Let's just be relentless about each day."

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BOYS SOCCER CAPSULE OUTLOOK



Northville's Alex Braeseker (left) returns again this season after the Mustangs finished 2015 with a 16-3-1 record.

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NOVI

Head coach: Todd Pheiffer, first year.



Pheiffer

League affiliation: KLAAs Kensington Conference (Central Division).

Last year's overall record: 11-6-2.

Notable losses to graduation: Matt Netter (first-team All-Area), Connor O'Leary (first-team All-Area), Nick Harder (second-team

All-Area), Adam Huber, Eduardo DeOliveira.

Leading returnees: Nikhil Mundkur, Sr. Def.; Luke McDonald, Jr. GK; Kyle Bandyk, Sr. Def.-F; Amossi Bujaga, Sr. MF; Adam Dellavecchia, Jr. F; Shion Maidens, Sr. MF; Eric Rice, Sr. Def

Promising newcomers: Quinn Franchino, Jr. MF; Dominic Gatson, Jr. Def.; Michael Jecmen, Jr. MF; Albi Popaj, Jr. F; Taiga Shiokawa, Fr. F.

Pheiffer's 2016 outlook: "As is the case every year, this team plays in one of the toughest conferences in the state and has one of the toughest non-conference schedules around. Thus, we will use our competitive schedule to prepare ourselves for the state tournament."

NORTHVILLE

Head coach: Henry Klimes, 26th year.

League affiliation: KLAAs Kensington Conference (Central Division).

Last year's overall record: 16-3-1.

Titles won last year: KLAAs Central and Kensington Conference champions.

Notable losses to graduation: Garret Weaver (Player of the Year); Nick Toupin (first-team All-Area); Jake Reitzloff (first-team All-Area); Johnny Rodriguez (second-team All-Area); Jordan Martindale, Bobby Lubisco.

Leading returnees: Mario Plachta, Sr. MF (second-team All-Area); Ben McCauley, Sr. F; Evan Treiber, Sr. GK; Owen Marshall, Jr. MF; Andrew Mitchell, Jr. Def.-F; Nic Porter, Sr. Def.; Felipe McCarthy, Jr. F; Alex Braeseker, Sr. Def.; Collin Neal, Jr. Def.; Tyler Belanger, Sr. F; Brendan Kemp, Sr. MF.

Promising newcomers: Demetri Vervos, Soph. Def.; Yianni Kanellopoulos, Soph. GK; Andy Farcas, Soph. MF; Jacob Tremonti, Jr. Def.; June Kim, Jr. MF; Omar Lahbiki, Jr. MF; Tyler Schneider, Jr. Def.; Zach Komejan, Jr. F; Zach Westenberg, Jr. MF; Connor Breen, Sr. MF; Louis Hamati, Sr. MF; Gabe Chimenti, Sr. F.

Klimes' 2016 outlook: "We'll try and repeat as champions in the Central, win a conference because this is the last year for some teams in the KLAAs. We'll try to improve on tough loss on PKs in the last two seasons in our state title run."

DETROIT CATHOLIC CENTRAL

Head coach: Gene Pulice, fifth year.

League affiliation: Catholic League (Central Division).

Last year's overall record: 20-3-3.

Titles won last year: Central Division, Division 1 district and regional champions.

Notable losses to graduation: Peter Kirouac (first-team All-Area), Justin Murray (first-team All-Area), Cole Moscovic (first-team All-Area), Matt Turton (second-team All-Area), Patrick Fleming, Connor Gaskin.

Leading returnees: Justin Savona, Sr. F (captain; second-team All-Area); Cade Kozlowski, Sr. MF (captain); Farzad Baghaie, Sr. MF; Luke Goings, Sr. Def.; Matt Sherman, Sr. F; Noah Walter, Sr. F; Victor Szymanski, Sr. F; Jacob Poorman, Sr. Def.; Valentino Ivezaj, Sr. MF (captain); Jared Lee, Jr. Def. (captain); Joel VanHook, Jr. Def.

Promising newcomers: Drake Midgety, Soph. MF; Trevor Ostrowski, Jr. GK; Kevin Bloosfeld, Jr. GK;

Josh Herdoiza, Jr. MF.

Pulice's 2016 outlook: "In nutshell, we have superior leadership this year with Cade Kozlowski, Valentino Ivezaj, Jared Lee and Justin Savona. With our unity, we're stronger than we ever have been. These guys are like brothers now. It's year five, everybody has bought in. We are definitely unified this year. I expect good things."

FRANKLIN ROAD CHRISTIAN

Head coach: Paul Coombs, third year.



Coombs

League affiliation: Michigan Independent Athletic Conference (Red Division).

Last year's overall record: 5-9.

Notable losses to graduation: Daniel Weaver (second-team All-Area), Gavin Harris, Jamie Brockway, Matt Lorey,

Dennis Cleminte, Nick Hanley.

Leading returnees: Paul Alex, Sr. sweeper (captain); Evan Lorey, Sr. F (captain); Josh Lynn, Soph. Def.; Jake Schinzinger, Soph. MF; Blake Johnson, Soph. Def.; Daris Boboc, Jr. Def.; Andrew Puscas, Soph. MF; John Goodwin, Soph. GK.

Promising newcomers: Dawson Cleminte, Fr. F.

Coombs' 2016 outlook: "We'll be really young this year. We have 13 or 14 players so far and we hope to get a few more bodies out and have 17-18. Johnson is a quality player and we're going to try and control the middle of the field as much as possible. Alex at sweeper is a leader. He has good speed and can shut down things for us. Cleminte will impress people. He's on the young side, but has real skills. We're looking for another defender and midfielder."



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Catholic Central's captains this season include (from left) Valentino Ivezaj, Justin Savona, Jared Lee and Cade Kozlowski.

SOCCER

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ing pretty good."

Junior Trevor Ostrowski, who possesses a basketball and football background, will fill the void in goal for the graduated Kirouac.

"He's never played soccer, but he's a beast of an athlete," Pulice said of Ostrowski. "We'll be in good shape with him. We got lucky there."

Northville (16-3-1) could have easily made a run in the Division 1 tourney, but was derailed in the district semifinal by CC in a shootout.

The Mustangs, who captured the KLAAs Central Division and Kensington Conference crowns, lost Area Player of the Year Garret Weaver (U-D Mercy), along with first-team All-Area selections Nick Toupin and Jake Reitzloff. Second-team forward Johnny Rodriguez also graduated.

Northville, which returns second-team All-Area midfielder Mario Plachta, simply will be reloading under 26th-year coach Henry Klimes.

Among the other key returnees for the Mustangs include senior forward Ben McCauley, senior goalie Evan Treiber, junior midfielder Owen Marshall and senior defender Alex Braeseker.

"We graduated a great team, but Northville High School has lots of young talent to make another serious title run," Klimes said. "We had around 120 trying out for this year's program. We're looking forward to a fun season."

Meanwhile, Novi (11-6-2) elevated JV coach Todd Pheiffer to the varsity coaching spot after long and successful run by Brian O'Leary, who stepped down from both the boys and girls varsity positions last December.

The Wildcats lost first-team All-Area performers Matt Netter and Connor O'Leary to graduation, along with second-teamers Nick Harder and Adam Huber.

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defender-forward Kyle Bandyk, senior midfielder Amossi Bujaga, junior forward Adam Dellavecchia, senior midfielder Shion Maidens and senior defender Eric Rice.

"There are 14 players back from last year's team that finished third in the KLAAs Central," said Pheiffer, who guided the Novi girls to the Division 1 state semifinals in June. "We will be counting on these returning players to lay the foundation for this year's team. And by adding some quality new talent to the roster, we are hoping to build on what they accomplished last year."

Novi Franklin Road Christian (5-9), a member of the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference's Red Division, will certainly miss goalie Daniel Weaver, who made second-team All-Area honors before graduating.

But third-year coach Paul Coombs returns a solid nucleus led by sophomore defender and center-midfielder Blake Johnson, along with senior captains Paul Alex, a sweeper, and Evan Lorey, a forward.

"Right now we're working on trapping and passing," Coombs said. "If we do that we can win and stay in games. If we can keep the ball close and make passes, we can give teams some aggravation."

See capsule outlook of area boys soccer teams.

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NORTHVILLE

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leader," Northville eighth-year coach Matt Ladach said. "Attendance-wise and in the off season, he works his butt off every day, he leads by example. And he's such a smart, young man it's like a coach on the field both on offense and defense. He's throwing the ball real nice and as you saw last year he runs the ball hard like a fullback."

Burke averaged 7.79 yards per carry in limited offensive action, but he'll have plenty of outside weapons to throw to with the return of junior wide receiver A.J. Abbott (20 catches, 419 yards and eight TDs) and senior wide-out Jack Peterson (21 catches, 243 yards).

Vying for the running back position will be juniors Antonio Washington and Benair Covington and sophomore Nick Prystash,

"In reality, we lose our top three rushers from last season - (Adam) Ghabra, (Zach) Prystash and Zimbo - all graduated," Ladach said. "So between our three guys competing at tailback, and Burke at quarterback, there are going to be a lot of yards to be made up from what we lost last season. In the same breath if you tell me we run for more yards this year than we did last year, I won't be surprised because we have more threats at wide receiver right now than we did in the past and teams are probably going to play with a safety. And if they don't, we're going to beat them over the top."

The Mustangs will be rebuilding their offensive line with the biggest loss being first-team All-Area pick Alex Angeles (Wayne State).

"Zach Marks is the only returning guy and at the other four spots we've got great competition now," Ladach said. "We've been blessed to really have some talented kids up front, but this year the guys are working hard. I anticipate that we will be solid."

Northville's defense features two standout linebackers in senior Ryan Nelson, the team's leading tackler (28

solo, 76 assists), along with Western Michigan University commit Trenton Guthrie (37 total tackles).

Senior Jake Bates will also help anchor the defensive line, while cornerbacks Gary Wu, Abe Khoury and Nate Holloway return in the secondary to join Burke.

"Coach (Mark) Nowicki has been working with them in the nickel package," Ladach said. "We're going to have some decent depth in the secondary. Up front the competition is wide open."

The Mustangs also have one of the state's best kept secret weapons in junior specialist Jake Moody, who stands No. 2 in his class nationally and 11th overall, according to Kornblue Fab 50 rankings among kickers.

Moody was 9-of-12 last year on field goals, including a school-record 51-yarder. He also had 34 touchbacks into the end zone.

Meanwhile, the Mustangs may be hard pressed to duplicate last year's 10-0 start (best in school history). It ended with a hard-fought 34-27 loss in MHSAA Division 1 district finals against Canton.

But Ladach is optimistic his team can challenge again for a title in the KLAAs Central. The Mustangs also face a tougher non-league schedule which includes Dearborn, Brighton and Walled Lake Western.

"There's not a game on our schedule that we can't win," Ladach said. "We felt the same way last season. In the same breath there's not a game on our schedule that we can just show up and win, so we're going to have our hands full. Every single game will be a battle. If we're not executing we're going to be in trouble."

But Ladach likes what he sees early on during the preseason.

"Just a ton of great kids," he said. "Great character guys, guys that want to step in and do roles, take on new responsibilities and be great leaders. We continue to change the culture at our high school, just not football, and be positive leaders."

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Mustang Anthony Abbott hauls in a pass from QB Justin Zimbo and heads for a touchdown during Northville's Sept. 4 home game against Walled Lake Central.

FAST FACTS

School: Northville.

Head coach: Matt Ladach, eighth year.

League affiliation: KLAAs Kensington Conference (Central Division).

Last year's overall record: 10-1 (5-0 KLAAs Central).

Titles won last year: Central Division and Kensington Conference champs.

Notable losses to graduation: Justin Zimbo (first-team All-Area), Alex Angeles (first-team All-Area), Matt Komorous (first-team All-Area), Zach Prystash, Michael Minick, George Metrusias, Alec Coppock.

Leading returnees: Jack Burke, Sr. QB-DB (6-1, 190; first-team All-Area); Jake Moody, Jr. K-P (6-0, 165); Ryan Nelson, Sr. ILB (5-11, 186); Trenton Guthrie, Sr. OLB (6-2, 215); A.J. Abbott, Jr. WR (6-2, 175); Jack Peterson, Sr. WR (6-2, 175); Zach Marks, Sr. C (5-9, 220); Zach Bates, Sr. DL (6-3, 215); Abe Khoury, Jr. CB (5-11, 165); Gary Wu, Sr. CB (5-9, 155); Naet Holloway, Sr. DB (5-9, 147).

Promising newcomers: Jordan Grewe, Jr. OL-DL (6-1, 230); Nick Prystash, Soph. WR-RB (5-6, 145); Jackson Weaver, Soph. OL (6-1, 269); Sean Rowan, Sr. LB (5-10, 190); JaQuan Crawford, Jr. LB (6-0, 192); Antonio Washington, Jr. RB (6-0, 175); Benair Covington, Jr. RB (5-9, 166); Dennis Swift, Sr. NT (5-11, 215).

Ladach says: "The success of this year's football team will be determined by our ability to demonstrate toughness at all times and to play selflessly. It is critical that we are patient with the process, and that we do not stray from the core values that have helped us improve over the years."

2016 schedule (all 7 p.m.): Aug. 25, at Dearborn; Sept. 1, vs. Brighton; Sept. 9, at Walled Lake Western; Sept. 16, vs. Salem; Sept. 23, at South Lyon East; Sept. 30, vs. South Lyon, Oct. 7, at Livonia Stevenson; Oct. 14, vs. Novi; Oct. 21, vs. Kensington Conference crossover.

JUNIOR GOLF

Livingston best in Moose Ridge Ryder Cup format

Kensington Junior Tour ends summer season

M.B. Dillon
Correspondent

The Kensington Junior Golf Tour hosted its season-ending Ryder Cup tourney format on Aug. 8 at Moose Ridge Golf Club in South Lyon, while also staging its traditional county competition and expanding this year's tourney to include collegiate and caddy championship play.

Livingston County junior golfers seized the cup by edging out Oakland County in the best-ball tourney with 31 points.

Trailing runner-up Oakland (30 points) were Wayne County (27) followed by 2014 and 2015 defending champion Washtenaw County (21).

Moose Ridge's capacity field of 88 competed in two- and four-person squads. Points were awarded on each hole based on lowest individual scores.

"We saw very close competition amongst all four counties with only one point separating our winner and runner-up teams," Kensington Tour director Nathan Oake said. "Special congratulations go to Wayne County. It was their first year out and they made it very close. The Wayne County girls are a powerhouse. They made it very exciting."

Austin Carter, 20, fired two rare eagles to propel Saginaw Valley State University to victory in the men's collegiate division. Teammate Mason Motte, also 20, turned in an impressive performance as well.

The duo, both hailing from Port Huron's Bluewater area where they competed on rival high school teams, carded a best-ball, 4-under-par 67.

Carter's first eagle came on the par-4, No. 7 hole.

"If you gave me 100 balls, I wouldn't be able to recreate that shot again," said Carter, who sank an uphill putt. "My drive ended up on the back portion of the green. I hit it to 3 feet (from the pin) from 286 yards. Everything lined up perfectly,"



The Caddy Division winners at the Kensington Junior Golf Tour Moose Ridge event included winners (from left) Austin Dillon and Michael Blaesser of Western Golf & Country Club, and runners-up Travis Tubbs and Alex Opiteck of Walnut Creek C.C.



Virginia Gilton (left) and Megan Baumgartner combined for an 83 to win Kensington's best-ball Collegiate Championship at Moose Ridge.

His second eagle came on the the par-5, No. 18.

"I drove it out there, had 150 yards to the hole and pulled out a 9-iron," he said. "I stuck it to within 3 feet and made the putt again. I went for it and I was rewarded very well."

Virginia Gilton and Megan Baumgartner, both entering their junior seasons, swept the women's division for Cleary College.

They combined for 83, despite Baumgartner forgetting her clubs at home.

"Luckily, my old irons were in my car," Baumgartner said. "Virginia let me borrow a hybrid driver and a putter. My putting was pretty good. We had a couple of good pars and

Virginia birdied a hole by herself."

Austin Dillon, 22, and Michael Blaesser, 21, of Western Golf & Country Club in Redford shot an even-par 71 to capture the Kensington Tour's Caddy Championship.

Travis Tubbs and Alex Opiteck of Walnut Creek Country Club were runners-up.

"We hit the ball really well," Dillon said. "Both of us had a lot of opportunities for birdies, which made it easier for one of us to go at it. We both lipped out on a couple birdie putts."

Blaesser, who like Austin hails from Redford, birdied the par-3, No. 6.

"I hit my 8-iron and landed above the hole," Blaesser said.

honors in their divisions were Michael Hermann, 11, of Canton; Kristen Szabelski, 16, of Livonia; Blaesser; and Gilton.

Longest drive hitters included Emily Keyser of Cleary, Kyle Kozler of Barton Hills C.C., Jack Kamsickas of Northville, Sydney Bradford of Brighton Township, and Jeremy Gould of Belleville.

Oake saluted all those who competed. "What's noticeable is how much improvement everyone has shown this summer. This being our culminating event, it's very clear that working hard and competing all summer leads to improvement in your scores," Oake said.

The KJGT division champions also stood out.

Northville's Andrew Lack-swept three of the Boys 15-18 age titles (Wayne, Oakland and Washtenaw), while Brighton's Brendan Britz conquered the Livingston County championship.

In the Girls 15-18, Howell's Alyssa Snider earned both the Livingston and Washtenaw crowns. Livonian Madison Maurier captured the Oakland County title, while University of Detroit Mercy-bound Kendall Payne (Livonia Franklin grad) captured the Wayne County championship.

In the Boys 12-14, Novi's Dhruv Kumar captured the Wayne County championship, while Ashrith Mummadi, also of Novi, topped the Oakland division.

Other county champis include Ypsilanti Township's Vimal Alokam (Washtenaw) and Highland's Zach Piroli (Livingston County).

Ann Arbor's Ieuan Jones dominated both the Livingston and Washtenaw 9-hole divisions. Ypsilanti's Vibhav Alokam took the Wayne County title, while Westland's Damo Watson was the Oakland winner.

The Kensington Junior Golf Tour staged 27 tournaments at courses in Livingston, Washtenaw, Oakland and Wayne in its 11th season.

To support junior golf, the charitable Livonia-based Dinan Foundation offers academic college scholarships in conjunction with the tour. For more information, visit kensingtonjunorgolf.com.

How to avoid heat illness during exercise

Now I'm certainly not a meteorologist, but I think it's safe to say that the hot weather is here to stay for a while. That's why it's the right time to let you and your kids know how to beat the heat.

From a medical standpoint, when it comes to the summer heat, it's not only about staying cool – it's also about avoiding things like heat cramps, heat exhaustion and heat-stroke. Collectively, these entities are referred to as heat illness. The temperatures have really heated up lately and that makes it a good time to tell you how to avoid heat illness this summer when you are exercising, practicing, playing or simply working in the heat.

Many people think heat illnesses like heat cramps, heat exhaustion and heat-stroke are problems that they will never have to face. However, as we have seen in the news over the past couple of years, summer time heat has the potential to affect any one of us during our outdoor activities.

On a hot, humid Michigan day, an active person can lose up to two quarts of fluid in an hour. The combination of heat and humidity is particularly troublesome, because humidity hinders sweat from evaporating (this is the primary way our body temperature stays cool and under control). Believe it or not, heatstroke is the second leading cause of death among athletes in the United States. The good news is that most heat illnesses are treatable and preventable.

All heat illnesses are caused by dehydration and excessive loss of salt and fluids.

The mildest form of heat illness is known as heat cramps, which occur when athletes do not drink enough fluids while exercising. Heat exhaustion is a more serious condition that is triggered by excessive sweating and inadequate fluid replacement.

Heatstroke is the most serious heat illness and can be



Dr. Joe Guettler
GUEST COLUMNIST

life-threatening. During heat-stroke, the body's sweating mechanisms shut down, the skin becomes hot and dry and the body becomes depleted of fluids.

Preventing heat illness

» Drink plenty of water when participating in all sports activities, even if you don't feel thirsty. By the time you do get thirsty, it might be too late.

» Take many breaks during activities in hot weather.

» Participate in your activity in the morning or early evening, when the temperatures are cooler. It's important to avoid the sun's most potent heat rays between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

» Eat citrus fruits or bananas, especially if you are participating for longer times, because they are rich in potassium and sodium. On the other hand, you should avoid drinking alcohol and sodas that contain caffeine, because they actually work to dehydrate you faster.

» Wear lightweight and light-colored clothing that is made of porous materials.

» Cool water is the best fluid to keep you hydrated during workouts or events that last an hour or less. Sports drinks containing 6-10 percent carbohydrates are useful for longer events. Most sports drinks should be diluted with approximately 50 percent water.

» Drink small amounts of fluid frequently, rather than large amounts less often.

» Drink cold beverages to cool your core body temperature.

» If you have the opportunity, weigh yourself after exercising and drink two to three cups of water for every pound lost. Your body weight should be back to normal before the next workout.

» Pay attention to the amount and color of your urine. You should excrete a large volume that is nearly colorless. Small amounts of urine or dark yellow-colored urine can indicate dehydration.

When in trouble

If you are suffering from overexposure to heat or believe someone else is, take steps immediately. If the symptoms include cramping or mild fatigue, the two basic steps are to replenish the body's lost fluids and to cool the body's temperature. Here are some good tips:

» Move to a cool place out of the sun.

» Loosen any tight-fitting clothing and remove any extra layers of clothing.

» Drink fluids, such as water or sports drinks. Do not offer drinks that contain alcohol or caffeine. Try to drink about one-half glass of fluid every 15-20 minutes.

» Try to cool off by sponging with cool water or by applying cool, wet cloths, such as towels or sheets.

» In most cases, symptoms should improve within a few minutes.

If symptoms do not clear up quickly or if a person is seriously fatigued, cramping, disoriented or beginning to lose consciousness, call for emergency medical assistance immediately.

The bottom line is that if you stay properly hydrated and avoid over-exposure to the sun and heat, you should be able to beat the heat and enjoy another hot Michigan summer.

For more info and links to a variety of health and wellness issues, go to www.performanceorthopedics.com.

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Valparaiso commit



TOP DRAWER SOCCER

Novi's Jenna Schluter, who will be a junior this fall at Farmington Hills Mercy High School, recently committed to play soccer at Valparaiso University (Ind.). The central defender, who plays for under-16 Vardar in the Elite Club National League, is also a two-time basketball letter winner at Mercy. "What I specifically like about Valparaiso's soccer program is the coaching staff, the players' chemistry and how successful the soccer program has been under coach (John) Marovich's leadership," Schluter told Todd Clark of Top Drawer Soccer. "I wanted to attend to a private university that offers a variety of academic options. I'm leaning towards a business degree and Valparaiso has a premier business program with many opportunities for the future."

THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP FOOTBALL
Thursday, Aug. 25
Hartland at Novi, 7 p.m.
Northville at Dearborn, 7 p.m.
Saturday, Aug. 27
Detroit CC vs. S.H. Stevenson at U-M Stadium, 1 p.m.
BOYS SOCCER
Friday, Aug. 19
Northville at A.A. Pioneer, 7 p.m.
Saturday, Aug. 20
Detroit CC at Balcony Inv., 10 a.m.
Monday, Aug. 22
Churchill at Northville, 7 p.m.
Divine Child at Detroit CC, 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Aug. 23
Franklin at Franklin Road, 5 p.m.
Novi at Plymouth, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, Aug. 24
Northville at Canton, 7 p.m.
Thursday, Aug. 25
Dearborn at Detroit CC, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Aug. 27
Detroit CC at Canton, 7 p.m.
GIRLS VOLLEYBALL
Saturday, Aug. 20
Novi at Grand Haven Inv., 8:30 a.m.
N'ville at Lake Orion Inv., 8:30 a.m.
Saturday, Aug. 27
Novi at Grand Blanc Inv., 8:30 a.m.
Franklin Road at Oak. Christ, TBA.

BOYS & GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY
Friday, Aug. 26
N'ville at Summer Classic, TBA.
Saturday, Aug. 27
Novi at South Lyon Inv., 9:30 a.m.
Detroit CC at Lansing CC Inv., TBA.
GIRLS SWIMMING
Thursday, Aug. 25
N'ville at A.A. Huron Inv., 1 p.m.
BOYS TENNIS
Thursday, Aug. 18
Northville Quad, 8 a.m.
Saturday, Aug. 20
N'ville at Traverse City Inv., TBA.
CC at Grand Blanc Inv., 8 a.m.
Tuesday, Aug. 23
Novi at A.A. Pioneer Inv., 8 a.m.
Wednesday, Aug. 24
Northville Quad, 8 a.m.
Thursday, Aug. 25
Detroit CC at Howell Inv., 8 a.m.
Saturday, Aug. 27
Northville at Brighton Quad, TBA.
CC at Clarkston Inv., 8 a.m.
GIRLS GOLF
Monday, Aug. 22
N'ville at Hartland Inv., 8:30 a.m.
TBA – time to be announced.

NYC Marathon – former sprinter going long, longer

Running has treated Bradley Koback, 29, of Royal Oak very well in 2016. From the grueling scenic vistas of the Sierra Nevada Mountains in July for the 274-participant Tahoe Rim Trail 50 Mile Endurance Run to the 50,000-plus entrants in the world's largest marathon through New York City in November, Koback is making the most of his two lottery-accepted races in 2016.

And a special honor in October makes for a banner year for the former Wisconsin high school and college sprinter.

"Is it feasible when I finish a marathon, could I get to the finish line and then turn around and go all the way back to the start?" It is a question Koback started asking himself after completing his first marathons in 2013-14.

"Why not give it a shot?" He said leading up to his first ultra in April 2015. "So I signed up for the American River 50. ... When I did all my research, that was the most beginner-friendly course — even though after doing it, it was really not easy by any means."

Running 400 meters very fast was Koback's specialty in high school and college. After graduating from Amherst High School in Wisconsin, he attended and ran track for the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, where he was part of the 1,600-meter relay team that won a Division III national championship in 2008.

However it was a ruptured Achilles, along with fellow high school running buddy Tim Olson, that eventually got Koback running 40,000-plus meters instead of 400.

After graduating from college, moving to Los Angeles and following ultra-marathoner Olson's career, Koback ran his first marathon in 2013.

"I needed to get competitive again. ... As far as racing, I



Dan Dean
STAFF WRITER

couldn't do sprints anymore," he said. "I had done 10Ks and upwards of half-marathons before so I was, like, OK, let's try something longer, so I did the L.A. Marathon."

Koback, a lab technician at Royal Oak Beaumont Hospital, talked as we dodged light rain under a Market Fresh store canopy at 13 Mile and Southfield roads, interrupting a recent run through the Birmingham area.

Fueling his competitive nature and a new-found way to experience places he had never been, Koback followed his first L.A. Marathon by running it again in 2014, along with the San Diego and San Francisco marathons.

"It is an amazing thing. I had never been to any of these places," he said. "It gives me the perfect opportunity to go visit and actually immerse myself and run through all these areas that a lot of people even when they go and visit never get a chance to."

Immerse himself he will July 16, when he attempts his second 50-miler in Nevada. According to the race website, the event is located on the northeast side of Lake Tahoe, with the highest point of the run just below the 9,214-foot Snow Valley Peak.

The 2016 TCS New York City Marathon is about as opposite an experience one could find compared to the running events at Tahoe.

"I got an email for it. I thought, well, I have never been to New York, I will give it a shot," he said. "I got the email and it said congratulations you got in. I was just amazed, I didn't expect to get



DAN DEAN

Bradley Koback of Royal Oak runs north along Southfield Road between 14 Mile and Maple in Birmingham during a recent training run.

in. I knew I did not qualify, but it was amazing. I am super-stoked."

Before heading to New York in November, Koback has some business to attend to in Wisconsin. On Oct. 15, he will skip his planned running of the Detroit Free Press Talmer Bank Marathon and will instead reunite with his collegiate 1,600-meter relay teammates as they are inducted into the UW-Stevens Point Hall of Fame, honoring the foursome's national championship.

If you are in a runner signed up for the TCS New York City Marathon, drop me an email. I would love to profile others

from Michigan and maybe even go for a run together as we prepare for this iconic event.

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SUMMER RECREATION

Area sailors seize yet another Port Huron-to-Mackinaw title

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Chris Benedict and his team of sailors have done it again, adding to their impressive record of success in the Bell's Beer Bayview Mackinac Race.

The veteran crew aboard the Shape sailed to its fourth consecutive in-class championship and fifth win in six years July 16-18 during the annual event on Lake Huron.

Winning never gets old for Plymouth's Benedict, who co-owns the sailboat with longtime friend Win Cooper III of Fenton.

"It's an unusual stat to have four wins in a row," Benedict said. "There are very few boats that have ever done that. Part of me feels a little selfish."

"Should we back away from the race and let other people have an opportunity to win? The competitive side of me says, 'You need to go out there to defend and be the boat to beat.'

"I think the competition feels the same. The right thing to do is to stick my nose in there and go at it again."

A major advantage for the Shape is the consistency of the crew. Eight of the nine members have sailed in the last seven races and represent 222 years of experience.

The newcomer was Benedict's 21-year-old son Everett. His oldest son, Cameron, 23, participated in his 12th consecutive Port Huron-to-Mackinac Island event.

"Before the race starts, we have a team lunch down below," Benedict said. "We talk about strategy, team shifts and things that have been successful in the past."

"We didn't do any of that this year. It was like we were really comfortable with what we've been doing. We just went out there and said: 'Let's go at it.'"

"Unfortunately for Everett, the first year he comes with us, we don't do it. He had to fly by the seat of his pants, but he adapted to it and did well on his first race."

The other members of the crew are Steven Bradley, Ed Ely, Dale McNabb, Richard Birdsall and Win Cooper Sr., who taught Benedict, 50, how to sail as a teen.

"The diversity in personalities among the crew is a good thing," Benedict said. "It stimulates a lot of debate. We don't always agree. The diversity of opinion helps us make good decisions."



SUBMITTED

Cameron (from left), Everett and Chris Benedict are about to set sail in the Port Huron-to-Mackinac race.



LAUREN HARIJU

Co-owner Chris Benedict and the other members of the crew onboard the "Shape" sailed to a fourth straight Mackinac victory.

Bad weather hits

The experience factor came into play Sunday night as the Shape neared the Straits of Mackinac. A huge storm was blowing through the area, and the worst part was on the southern end.

"It nailed us," Benedict said, adding the wind reached 55 mph and overloaded the instruments. "We blanked out. The mast was shaking like made. You almost go into save-the-boat mode."

"The entire crew grew up on small boats as kids, so we were used to sailing without instruments. We went to work

like a normal day of sailing. We emerged from that and gained on the other boats during the storm."

Up to the task

Benedict, who was in charge of the team sailing the boat at that time, loves the challenge of doing so in rough weather.

"We were enjoying the radical sail and the ride," he said. "This is what we tried to do as much as we could as kids. The harder the wind was the more we wanted to be out there in the beach boats. That's where we really learned how to sail."

"We were having the time of our lives in very bad conditions. It's an opportunity to put your skills to work, and we've done it several times in those conditions."

As the Shape neared the north end of Bois Blanc Island, the storm abated about five miles from the finish line.

"It was raining and hailing so hard it hurt your face," Benedict said. "We were getting pelted. All of a sudden, the storm blows east of us. We can see Mackinac Island; we can see the bridge and the lights in the distance."

Late move is key

Benedict and his team were pretty confident of victory at that time, but it almost didn't happen. The sharp eye of Cameron Benedict helped to save the day – or rather the night.

"Cam says, 'There's a boat

at the tip of Bois Blanc that's much better positioned, so we need to get to that end of the course,'" Benedict said.

"We tacked our boat and covered that boat. Cam informed us and thank goodness he did, because we wouldn't have finished first if he hadn't."

Makes good time

The Shape, a 35-foot Santana that was made in 1979, finished the race at 1:05 a.m. Monday with an elapsed time of 36 hours, 5 minutes and 35 seconds.

It was the fastest time in a long time, according to Benedict. Shape finished in 39:46:25 last year and 37:53:47 two years ago.

"Until about 6:30 or 7 o'clock that night, we were on pace to have one of the fastest races we've had," Benedict said, adding his team would have reached the harbor about 8 p.m. if not for the storm and a period of light wind.

"There was a time we finished about 11:30 at night, which we like because you can still make last call at the Pink Pony. That's a very common first stop when jumping off the boat."

'Good camaraderie'

Shape reached the island less than two minutes ahead of the Avatar. Since all boats in the Shore Course Class K have the same handicap rating, corrected time becomes a

moot point.

It was the 30th consecutive start for Shape, which has 12 in-class victories and also won the overall Division II Shore Course title in 2014. Shape was 19th among 88 boats this year.

"It's a boat-for-boat thing," Benedict said. "You know everybody in-class has the same rating. If you beat them, you win. We were really bunched in there well. There's a fun element to that."

"Yeah, you'd like to blow away your competition, but the reality is that shouldn't happen because the boats are so similar. When the race is tight, it's exciting. That means everybody is sailing well."

"It's a really good fraternity of guys in the boats. We all compete hard against each other and want to win, but there's really good camaraderie and friendship when we're on shore and talking about the race."

Staying fit to sail

Being serious sailors, Benedict and his crewmates are disciplined during the race, making sure they sleep, drink and eat enough.

"In good weather and bad, your body is consuming tons of energy," Benedict said. "Your body is constantly working to be balanced, so the core muscles are working. The motion is zapping up energy and depleting you. It's very easy to become dehydrated."

"If you can't fight it off, you make sure to hydrate beforehand. Water comes out easily, so you're not taxing your system if you do get sick. It's important to have something to give up. That's why we eat and drink as much as we can."

"We have it down to a science — the food and beverage we take. We don't want to carry any extra weight than is necessary."

Finishing tradition

Consumption of alcohol during the race is a no-no, but the crew is ready to unwind when it's over. Birdsall opens a bottle of cognac when the boat docks.

"It's a fun tradition he's brought to the boat," Benedict said. "Thank goodness we've had a pretty solid record in those years, so we don't feel the least bit guilty breaking it out."

Given the recent string of victories, that tradition is likely to continue, too.

Cigar bar looks to relocate to Livonia

David Veselenak
Staff Writer

Livonia could see a new spot for cigar smokers to spend some time with an adult beverage.

The City Council will decide at its next meeting whether to approve a waiver petition to use a Class C liquor license to allow for Smoky's Cigar Bar and Lounge to operate in the space formerly occupied by InkStop at 37298 Six Mile in Northbrook Plaza, just east of Newburgh.

The bar, which had operated in Northville Township for many years, seeks to move to Livonia to improve the business.

Teresa Essa, the bar's owner, said the former location in Northville Township made it difficult for customers to find and locate her establishment. The new facility, she said, would have greater visibility.

"The location I was at, we were really far off the road. Really far," she said. "At the end of the road, there's a fence. By the fence, there's really, really tall bushes that, if you're sitting on Seven Mile and you look over, you know there's a plaza but you can't tell what's in there."

The proposed bar would be about 1,400 square feet with about 22 seats inside. The bar would not be in compliance with regulations that require 1,000 feet separation between Class C liquor license holders, as two other restaurants in that area also currently operate in that radius.

"That separation can be waived by you, City Council, but that is the



DAVID VESELENAK
Smokie's Cigar Bar and Lounge is looking to move from its former Northville Township location to Livonia.

only thing it does not comply with," said Scott Miller, a zoning manager with the city.

Issues with smoke

While Michigan banned smoking in indoor places back in 2010, the law allows smoking inside of existing cigar bars that serve food and drink provided 10 percent of their gross income comes from the on-site sale of cigars and the rental of on-site humidors. Essa said her bar was grandfathered in under that law. Only cigars would be allowed to be smoked in the cigar bar; no other tobacco products would be allowed.

Councilwoman Cathy White said she knows a business owner in Northville who owns a shop near another cigar bar, and said she had some concerns regarding odors coming from the business if it were to open up in that location. She said her acquaintance told her odors have been an issue for him, and wanted to raise the issue with Essa over what she plans to do with odors.

"He's indicated to me that the cigar bar next to his business does ventilate to the outdoors, and there are many times that he and his custom-

ers can smell cigar odors," she said. "Sometimes, he indicates you can smell them a block away."

Peter Tzilos, an architect who is working on the cigar bar, said the planned Smoke Eaters for the bar are designed to handle cigar smoke odors from the inside without sending the smell outside.

"Those devices are indoor devices that are used to clean the air. They're not necessarily exhausting air to the outside," he said.

The City Council will take up the petition at its next regular meeting, currently scheduled for Aug. 22.

Several council members voiced support for the project, saying it was in the city's best interest to house this kind of business so those customers don't need to leave the city for them.

Councilman Brian Meakin said he would support the petition, saying it was a good option for Livonia to have.

"I think this is an item that's been needed in this city," he said. "When you want a cigar, you don't have to go to Birmingham or West Bloomfield, so, having one in the neighborhood is going to be helpful."



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Company, city, county, state and international officials cut the ceremonious ribbon for NHK International.

NHK International expands, opens in Novi

On a beautiful July day with flowers in full bloom, NHK International Corporation celebrated two very important milestones as a company.

First, was the grand opening of NHK's new state-of-the-art Headquarters and research and development facility in Novi. The company invested \$7 million into the site and has doubled the number of employees over the last few years, company officials said.

The celebration also highlighted NHK's 40th anniversary of offering innovative products to the automotive industry in Detroit and throughout the world.

To help celebrate the occasion along with customers, community partners and employees were several local speakers



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NHK International Corporation recently opened in Novi.

including L. Brooks Patterson, Oakland County Executive, Steve Arwood, the CEO of the Michigan Economics Department, and Mitsuhiro Wada from the Japanese Consulate.

NHK International also unveiled a Japanese garden complete with an arbor and Japanese maples located in front of the new facility.

"In Japan, maple trees represent a beautiful change. We want to be part of that positive change to the community and to our customers," stated NHK International President Ko Masuda.

Officials said the NHK team is very excited about the new facility, the new location and being part of the local community.

Make cooking simple while celebrating summer's bounty

There is no better time to take advantage of summer's vibrant bounty from farmers markets, local farm stands or even your own backyard. At the Bistro, we're happily into that full bounty that warm weather brings.

Our summer menu is lighter and showcases much more produce and creative ways to use it.

For instance, cauliflower can be roasted and pureed into a delicious "hummus" of sorts. Just dug up from the garden carrots are stellar in a ginger scented soup which can be served chilled or hot. I love a lobster potato salad made with Yukon gold fingerlings or a platter of heirloom tomatoes layered with fresh mozzarella and just picked basil that can be drizzled with a tad of truffle oil — can't be beat. Serve the two together and dinner is as simple as pie.

Speaking of which, my rhubarb continues to be at its peak every day — so a rhubarb dessert will be a must.

When it comes to



Mary Brady

GUEST COLUMNIST

cooking outdoors, any firm vegetable grills easily but my absolute favorite to grill is sweet corn on the cob with sage butter.

Home grown garlic is the best and will last the winter if stored properly, and garlic scapes — the lime colored green stems and unopened flower buds of hard neck garlic garden varieties make a mean pesto that also freezes well. The key is it must be cut back before flowering so that the bulbs can mature.

Fennel this time of year has a delicate licorice flavor that makes a great slaw when finely shaved. A long time favorite on our summer menu is our original Diamond Jim Brady's Bistro summer gazpacho made with garden fresh tomatoes. I've included our special recipe for you to make at home.

It's convenient and

easy - since there is no stove cooking involved, and it "beats the heat."

Summer Gazpacho

25 ounces of diced fresh tomatoes
¼ bunch of cilantro and parley
A few basil leaves
3 ounces pure olive oil
Puree herbs and olive oil in blender and then add tomatoes.

Stir in the following:
12 ounces tomato juice
1 ounce red wine vinegar
1 teaspoon chopped garlic

Couple dashes of Tabasco
1 teaspoon salt and pepper

Garnish with diced red and green peppers, red onion, scallions, and cucumbers.

Recipe is best chilled overnight. Yields roughly twelve – 8 ounce servings

Mary Brady is a certified executive chef by the American Culinary Federation and owner of Diamond Jim Brady's Bistro, located in the Novi Town Center. You can reach her by email at djbistro@aol.com, or log onto www.djbistro.com.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING NORTHVILLE DISTRICT LIBRARY Counties of Wayne and Oakland, Michigan

ON THE ADOPTION OF THE BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS IN THE LIBRARY DISTRICT OF THE NORTHVILLE DISTRICT LIBRARY.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Board of Trustees of the Northville District Library, County of Wayne, Michigan, will hold a public hearing on Thursday, the 25th day of August, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. in the Carlo Meeting Room of the Northville District Library, Northville, Michigan, to consider the approval and adoption of the operating budget of the Northville District Library for the fiscal year 2016-2017.

Copies of the proposed budget are on file with the Library Director at the Northville District Library, 212 West Cady Street, Northville, Michigan, for inspection during regular library hours. At the public hearing, all citizens, taxpayers and property owners of the Northville District Library District, comprised of the City of Northville and the Charter Township of Northville, shall be afforded an opportunity to be heard in regard to the approval of the budget.

THE PROPERTY TAX MILLAGE RATE PROPOSED TO BE LEVIED TO SUPPORT THE PROPOSED BUDGET WILL BE A SUBJECT OF THIS HEARING.

This notice is given by order of the Board of Trustees of the Northville District Library, Counties of Wayne and Oakland, Michigan.

ALAN SOMERSHOE
SECRETARY
NORTHVILLE DISTRICT LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Any citizen requesting accommodation to attend this meeting, please contact Julie Herrin, Library Director, at 248-349-3020, Extension 206.

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CITY OF NOVI PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Zoning Board of Appeals for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on **Tuesday, September 13, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Council Chambers of the Novi Civic Center, 45175 Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider:

Jiffy Signs, Inc. (PZ16-0027). 24269 Novi Road, north of Ten Mile Road and west of Novi Road, Parcel # 50-22-22-400-026. The applicant is requesting a variance from the CITY OF NOVI Code of Ordinance; Section 28.1(2) to allow the construction of an eight foot tall monument sign. Under the current ordinance a six foot sign is allowed. This request is in addition to the pending variance request for the same property. This property is zoned B-3 (General Business).

Hunter Pasteur Homes Dunhill Park (PZ16-0032). 47700 Eight Mile Road, north of Eight Mile Road and west of Beck Road, Parcel # 50-22-32-400-013. The applicant is requesting a variance from the CITY OF NOVI Code of Ordinance; Section 28-6 for the installation of two 64 square foot subdivision business signs to allow increased visibility. A single sign of 64 square feet is allowed by right. This property is zoned R-A (Residential Acreage).

Casa Loma Home Owner's Association (PZ16-0033). north of Eight Mile Road and west of Beck Road, Parcel # 50-22-32-201-014. The applicant is requesting a variance from the CITY OF NOVI Code of Ordinance; Section 28-5(3)K to allow installation of a third entranceway sign. This property is zoned R-A (Residential Acreage).

Grand Promenade, LLC (PZ16-0034). 48975 Grand River Avenue, south of Grand River Ave and east of Wixom Road, Parcel # 50-22-17-101-026. The applicant is requesting a variance from the CITY OF NOVI Code of Ordinance; Section 28-5(3) to allow construction of a second monument sign, of 30 square feet. This property is zoned B-3 (General Business).

Curtis Builders Inc. (PZ16-0037). 41882 Ridge Road East, south of Grand River Ave and west of Meadowbrook Road, Parcel # 50-22-23-403-023. The applicant is requesting a variance from the CITY OF NOVI Code of Ordinance; Section 3.1.5. To reduce the rear yard set-back from 35 feet to 32.6 feet to allow construction of an 11 foot by 12 foot addition. This property is zoned R-4 (Single Family Residential).

Conlon Installations (PZ16-0038). 40800 West 13 Mile Road, north of Thirteen Mile Road and west of M-5, Parcel # 50-22-01-300-015. The applicant is requesting a variance from the CITY OF NOVI Code of Ordinance; Section 28-5.(2) to allow construction of a 57.5 square foot a monument sign. Under current ordinance 30 square feet is allowed, and Section 28-1 to allow for a 7 foot separation between sign faces. Under ordinance a 2 foot separation is allowed. This property is zoned R-A (Residential Acreage).

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Second orthodontist joins Novi practice

Seasoned orthodontic practitioners Dr. Nicole Teifer and Dr. Terry Timm both share a love for their professions and for their West Highland White Terriers.

Timm, an integral part of the Saline community for decades, announced that he is working with Teifer, at Today's Orthodontics, with locations in Novi and Canton. "We're so proud to add Dr. Timm's coveted experience to our team. In the busy spring, summer and fall seasons, we're able to offer even more appointments to serve our patients busy schedules," explained Teifer, owner of Today's Orthodontics.

Timm added: "Working at Today's Orthodontics, the premiere orthodontic/pedodontic practice in southeastern Michigan is a professionally awarding experience." His specialties include occlusion, and helping patients with facial pain, and temporomandibular joint dysfunction.

Teifer's westies, Spike & Lily and Timm's westie, Tilly, have become fast



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Dr. Terry Timm with his westie, Tilly, and Dr. Nicole Teifer, with her westie, Spike.

friends as they both make appearances at either the Novi or Canton locations of Today's Orthodontics. The office recently made a donation to the Westie Rescue Michigan, a 501c3 non-profit organization, to show their ongoing support for this beloved breed.

Today's Orthodontics can be reached by calling 248-306-9330 in Novi, or 734-454-9200 in Canton, or log onto today-sortho.com.



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“When you get the right lender, VA loans are actually exceptional,” says Rich Eisiminger of RichRealty Group of Plymouth.

Plymouth Realtor, Livonia mortgage lender: Veterans can get loans, move into homes

Julie Brown
Staff Writer

In his 25 years in the real estate field, Rich Eisiminger of RichRealty Group of Plymouth has handled many Veterans Affairs loans. “When you get the right lender, VA loans are actually exceptional,” Realtor Eisiminger said. “They are a great way to help out our military people. He’s seeing veterans from Iraq and Afghanistan service come home in need of mortgages for home purchases. Eisiminger handles double digits of veteran loans annually along with colleagues at RichRealty Group, and also does seminars on the topic. “Understanding them is the best thing, obviously, continuing education,” he said. In the past, military veteran apprais-

als were handled differently from other buyers. RichRealty Group was founded in 2005, and in his career Eisiminger has seen VA loans improve. “They sure have. More streamlined. They’re there to help veterans get in the home, contrary to a lot of old thought processes,” he said. The time frame to get approval may be a bit longer, he added, but not much. Appraising for veteran loans is now done the same as others. “You would get an appraisal that came from a pool,” Eisiminger recalled of past days with the VA certifying certain ones. That’s changed now with all buyers using a pool. “The conventional loan is done the same way,” Eisiminger said. “Sometimes it’s nerve-racking and it’s frustrating, but it’s to the good.”

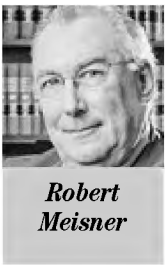
He cites time frames and ease. “Communications are much better,” Eisiminger said. “Lenders that are versed in it know it well.” Agreeing is Bruce Piper, Livonia branch manager for Ross Mortgage, based in Troy. “The VA loans are not really any different,” Piper said. Ross Mortgage is a VA-automatic lender, as most are, he noted. That means underwriting and processing are done by Ross Mortgage, with appraisal also out of VA hands. “It’s probably the very best way to buy a home,” said Piper, noting it’s zero-percent down for a qualified veteran without mortgage insurance. The VA guarantees the loan, Piper said, unlike other buyers who purchase the PMI private insurance with the 20 percent down payment.

Noted Piper of veterans, “There’s a very big demand, absolutely. We’re doing a lot of VA loans.” Ross Mortgage has been in business since 1949, with Piper having 31 years of experience. He finds too often military veterans don’t know they can qualify, with no cost for asking on pre-qualification. “If they don’t (qualify), we’ll advise them what to do on getting into a home,” Piper said. “I think a lot of people don’t check because they think they won’t qualify.” Back in Plymouth, Realtor Eisiminger said of veterans buying homes, “I think it’s just a great thing. We should do all we can to protect our freedoms. I treasure our freedoms.”

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Condo association treasurer vexed over audit request letter

Q: I am the treasurer of our condominium association and received a letter from a homeowner requesting to conduct an independent audit of the association’s books and records. The homeowner is claiming that the association has refused to give him the documents he needed. He is threatening to sue the association but has not given an identification of exactly what records he wants to look at. He has also made previous requests for records but they have been vague. What do you think?



A: I think that he is obviously looking to require you to produce records for an improper purpose. In a recent case out of Texas, the Appeals Court agreed with the trial court that the homeowner’s request on similar facts had not been specific enough as to which records he wanted. However, in that case, some of the requests were verbal, were either unclear or sought records that had already been provided to the person. It may also be relevant as was in this case that the homeowner was angry with, and rude to the members of the Board of Directors and refused to acknowledge that he lost his position when another treasurer won that seat on the board after election. Frequently, people who are disgruntled use a request for documents as an excuse to punish the association. Your lawyer should be able to lead you through this problem successfully. **Q: I read about a recent case concerning riparian rights on artificial bodies of water. Can you clarify that for me?**

A: The black letter common law rule is that riparian rights do not attach to artificial bodies of water. So if a pond was created artificially, for example, in a case where the prior owner had installed a dam, the court has held that there were no riparian rights. The court in that case said that the dam turned the natural water course into an artificial one, defeating the claim of riparian rights. To be sure, you should review your case with an experienced real estate attorney.

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National Association of Realtors: Inventory of homes issue decreases affordability a bit

Home prices maintained their robust, upward trajectory in a vast majority of metro areas during the second quarter, causing affordability to slightly decline despite mortgage rates hovering at lows not seen in over three years, according to the latest quarterly report by the National Association of Realtors. The report also revealed that for the first time ever, a metro area — San Jose, California — had a median single-family home price above \$1 million. The median existing single-family home price increased in 83 percent of measured markets, with 148 out of 178 metropolitan statistical areas (MSAs) showing gains based on closed sales in the second quarter compared with the second quarter of 2015. Twenty-nine areas (16 percent) recorded lower median prices from a year earlier. There were slightly fewer rising markets in the second quarter compared to the first three months of this year, when price gains were recorded in 87 percent of metro areas. Twenty-five metro areas in the second quarter (14 percent) experienced double-digit increases — a small decrease from the 28 metro areas in the first quarter. A year ago, 34 metro areas (19 percent) experienced double-digit price gains. Lawrence Yun, NAR chief economist, says a faster pace of home sales amidst languishing inventory levels pushed home prices higher in most metro areas during the second quarter. “Steadily improving local job markets and mortgage rates teetering close to all-time lows brought buyers out in force in many large and middle-tier cities,” he said. “However, with home-building activity still failing to keep up with demand and not enough current

homeowners putting their home up for sale, prices continued their strong ascent — and in many markets at a rate well above income growth.” The national median existing single-family home price in the second quarter was \$240,700, up 4.9 percent from the second quarter of 2015 (\$229,400), which was previously the peak quarterly median sales price. The median price during the first quarter of this year increased 6.1 percent from the first quarter of 2015. Total existing-home sales, including single family and condos, rose 3.8 percent to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 5.50 million in the second quarter from 5.30 million in the first quarter of this year, and are 4.2 percent higher than the 5.28 million pace during the second quarter of 2015. “Primarily from repeat buyers moving up or trading down, existing sales increased each month last quarter and could’ve been even higher if not for a few speed bumps,” Yun said. “Closings were slowed a bit by meager supply levels and home prices in many areas that are still rising too fast.” At the end of the second quarter, there were 2.12 million existing homes available for sale, which was below the 2.25 million homes for sale at the end of the second quarter in 2015. The average supply during the second quarter was 4.7 months — down from 5.1 months a year ago. According to Yun, without enough new construction being built, existing inventory seriously failed to keep up with the growing demand for buying. As a result, homes typically stayed on the market for around a month throughout the second quarter, and over 40 percent of

listings sold at or above list price, with June being the highest share since NAR began tracking in December 2012 (43 percent). “Many listings in a majority of markets — and especially those in lower price ranges — had multiple offers and went under contract quickly because of severely inadequate supply,” Yun said. “This in turn dented affordability and without a doubt priced out a segment of buyers attempting to seek relief from fast-growing rents.” Despite falling mortgage rates and a small increase in the national family median income (\$68,774), swiftly rising home prices caused affordability to decline in the second quarter compared to a year ago. To purchase a single-family home at the national median price, a buyer making a 5-percent down payment would need an income of \$52,255, a 10-percent down payment would require an income of \$49,504, and \$44,004 would be needed for a 20-percent down payment. The five most expensive housing markets in the second quarter were the San Jose, California, metro area, where the median existing single-family price was \$1,085,000; San Francisco, \$885,600; Anaheim-Santa Ana, California, \$742,200; urban Honolulu, \$725,200; and San Diego, \$589,900. The five lowest-cost metro areas in the second quarter were Youngstown-Warren-Boardman, Ohio, \$85,400; Cumberland, Maryland, \$94,900; Decatur, Illinois, \$95,600; Binghamton, New York, \$105,500; and Rockford, Illinois, \$109,000. Metro area condominium and cooperative prices — covering changes in 59 metro areas — showed the national median existing-condo price

was \$227,200 in the second quarter, up 4.8 percent from the second quarter of 2015 (\$216,700). Forty-four metro areas (75 percent) showed gains in their median condo price from a year ago; 14 areas had declines. NAR President Tom Salomone, broker-owner of Real Estate II Inc. in Coral Springs, Florida, says Realtors in most areas say market conditions have remained competitive well into the summer. **Regional breakdown** Total existing-home sales in the Northeast jumped 7.6 percent in the second quarter and are 11.3 percent above the second quarter of 2015. The median existing single-family home price in the Northeast was \$273,600 in the second quarter, up 1.6 percent from a year ago. In the Midwest, existing-home sales leaped 10.4 percent in the second quarter and are 6.6 percent higher than a year ago. The median existing single-family home price in the Midwest increased 5.1 percent to \$191,300 in the second quarter from the same quarter a year ago. Existing-home sales in the South inched forward 0.3 percent in the second quarter and are 4.2 percent higher than the second quarter of 2015. The median existing single-family home price in the South was \$214,900 in the second quarter, 5.9 percent above a year earlier. In the West, existing-home sales climbed 1.4 percent in the second quarter but are 2.2 percent below a year ago. The median existing single-family home price in the West increased 6.5 percent to \$346,500 in the second quarter from the second quarter of 2015.

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Benefit Estate Sale

Hall & Hunter Realtors will hold its 13th annual Estate Sale of Antiques, Collectibles and Treasures to benefit Habitat for Humanity of Oakland County. It will be held Saturday, Sept. 10, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Hall & Hunter Realtors, 442 S. Old Woodward Ave. in Birmingham. All year long, Hall & Hunter Realtors collect antiques, gently used furniture and collectibles. Since Hall & Hunter started this tradition 11 years ago, the firm has donated \$250,000 to Habitat for Humanity of Oakland County. Sponsored by: Changing Places Moving Company, Devon Title Agency, Stefek’s Auctioneers & Appraisers, Bank of Birmingham. For more information, visit HallandHunter.com or call 248-644-3500.

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Morning routines can set you up for success

BY DEANNA HARTLEY
CAREERBUILDER

Waking up early and getting a head start on the day can be an uphill climb — but mornings don't always have to be so cumbersome. Some professionals stick to specific morning routines that help them get the most out of their workdays.

Here are some practical tips you can try to turn your morning around and set you up for a more productive day.

Wake up early. This can be difficult if you're not a morning person, but a lot of successful professionals wake up early to maximize their time. "An extra hour in the morning allows me to squeeze more into my day, especially while the office is still fairly empty," says Arsineh Ghazarian, co-founder and CEO of Zveil, a bridal veil design company and online retailer.

Get some exercise. One of the last things you may feel like doing when you wake up is working out, but some professionals swear by it.

Daisy Jing, founder of the beauty product line Banish, says she has found a way to make herself accountable and help her stick with her plan. "Book early morning fitness



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classes. I actually pay ahead of time — (for example,) I pay \$20 to book the 7 a.m. class," she says. "Once you invest in something — even \$20 — you are afraid to lose it. I have never missed a morning fitness class I've already paid for. It's my way of giving myself an artificial deadline so I don't waste time in the morning, go to sleep earlier the night before and accomplish more things throughout the day."

Get your daily dose of news. Paige Arnof-Fenn, founder and CEO of strategic marketing firm Mavens & Moguls, says she listens to NPR on the radio while getting ready for work so she can catch up on the latest news around the world.

Similarly, other professionals find it helpful to consume the news as part of their morning routines. "Upon getting to my office around 8:20 a.m., I spend 30 minutes reading news sites and business blogs to catch up with current developments and remove any temptation to be distracted later on," says Noel

McCann, a marketing analyst at HomeSuite, an online marketplace dedicated to short-term furnished rentals.

Strategize and organize your day. One way to get the good ideas flowing is to plan and strategize the rest of your day to be more efficient and productive.

"I am in the office every day usually by 7 a.m., so I am able to chart out my schedule for the day uninterrupted," says Lukas Krause, CEO of Real Property Management. "I prioritize the things I know

I have to get done based on our strategic objectives and key milestone dates, and then jump right into the day."

Check work email — or not. There are mixed feelings on whether you should check your work email before arriving at the office.

Some say it's a good practice because it helps avoid surprises. "The very first thing I do is check my work email inbox. This helps me plan for the upcoming workday, not to mention avoid surprises that could disrupt my productivity," McCann says.

On the other hand, there is a case for saving this task for later.

"No work-related emails first thing — the day will have plenty of opportunities for work," says Marty Fukuda, chief operating officer at N2 Publishing, a company that produces custom magazines. "I prefer to ease into the day by catching up on news or sports while eating breakfast. It helps to minimize stress by taking a few moments just to relax first thing."

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ACROSS

1 Last letter, to Brits

4 Poove

8 Family car

13 Soenic views, as of sea or land

19 Schooner fill

20 Stale boldly

21 Put forth, as energy

22 Nook

23 All-points bulletin, e.g.

26 Little laugh

27 Bits

28 Pulitzer Prize category

29 "Great" film role for Robert Duval

30 Politico

31 Pellets of precipitation

32 Raising false alarms

35 Low grade

36 Barnyard feed

37 CEO's "C"

38 Broadway honors

39 Candid

41 Mer liquid atop a bureau

43 San — (California county or city)

45 Distinctive barnyard sound

50 Stephen of "Angie"

51 Cal's gripper

55 28-Across

56 Actress Maryam or Olivia

57 Makes whole

58 Facts and figures

60 Snail as food

62 — Bator, Mongolia

64 Dangler on a grad's cap

66 201, to Covid

67 Storm flash

71 Antique

72 Soapbuds

74 Brain flash

75 "The Creation" by Haydn, e.g.

77 Spots in la Seine

78 Boogie, e.g.

81 Warty animal

83 Rear — (car crash)

84 Irksome sort

85 Adam's

88 Decorative cloth laid atop a bureau

88 Wide-ranging

91 Lyrical verse

92 Par-unit cost

93 Big foil maker

97 Sea

89-Down

99 Sneaking

100 Needlefish

103 A team often punts on it

105 Really slow

107 Barry of "X-Men" films

109 Emu and ostrich

110 Hopping mad

112 Indemnified

113 Snacker part

114 Richard Belzer's "Homicide: Life on the Street" role

117 Lined the roof of

118 15% taker

119 1492 ship

120 AFL partner

121 Actor James of "Gunsmoke"

122 Sepheads

123 Not hidden

124 With the ends of 23-, 32-, 45-, 67-, 86-, 103- and 114-Across are synonyms of

DOWN

1 Gave an electric jolt

2 "The River" actress

3 Backspace over, say

4 Spiked clubs

5 Corner's art partner

6 Grazed, e.g.

7 TGIF's "F"

8 Neighbor of a petal

9 Quiz's cousin

10 Cut off, e.g.

11 Bow shape

12 Indefinitely large

13 The enemy below?

14 Hold firmly

15 Second play section

16 Magical drink

17 Fair way to dinky things

18 Small letter flourishes

24 Drink cubes

25 Lanka lead-in

29 Strained

31 Shamefaced

33 Top of a cup

34 Pine (for)

35 "You there!"

37 — de-sac

39 Gumbo soup

40 Vegetable

41 Big name in eye care

42 Die away

42 Was plentiful

44 Neighbor of Boyle Hls., California

45 Bicycle pedal add-on

46 Affluent

47 Lisle orally

48 Crossword

49 Arose (rom)

51 They made vinyl passe

52 Former Dodgers manager Tommy

53 Artist's workplace

54 Staller's Muppet sidekick

58 Leeds loc.

61 Building beam

63 Big fish story

65 Vanly

68 Habitual idiosyncrasy

69 Snake types

70 Tidy

73 33rd U.S. prez

76 In time past

78 Eschews

80 "Groovy!"

82 Sugar suffix

87 Turn bad

88 Sunshine bit

88 With

97-Across, has a huge fight

90 — Jones

93 Benin locale

94 Auto shop

95 Interrupts rudely

96 Blue Jay rival

98 As one

99 Flying

100 Look quickly

101 Keys of song

102 Fiery

104 Is mindful of

105 Alliances

106 Homer hater

107 Macho type

108 "The Simpsons" storekeeper

111 City with lots of slots

112 Painter

113 Magnite

114 Pops

115 Self-esteem

116 "C'est la —"

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	5				6			
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	3						7	
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		9		7				
	8		1			6	4	

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7	9	8	6	2	2	8	1	9
8	2	6	1	9	9	7	8	2
1	9	2	8	8	7	9	2	6
8	1	2	7	9	6	2	9	8
9	6	8	1	2	9	7	8	
9	2	7	9	8	8	2	6	1

BIG TOP WORD SEARCH

WORDS

ACROBAT JUGGLE
AERIAL LADDER
ANIMAL MENAGERIE
ATTRACTION MOTTO
BARRIER PARADE
BUNGEE PITCHMAN
CATCHER PROPS
CHARACTER REPRISE
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Car Report

FORD EXPLORER SPORT IS VERY POPULAR WITH A CERTAIN NEARLY FORGOTTEN DEMOGRAPHIC: GENERATION X CAR BUYERS



By Dale Buss

At least with one nameplate, Ford is actively pursuing what has become a somewhat forgotten demographic cohort for auto makers: Generation X.

New research shows that the Ford Explorer Sport—with stickers starting at about \$45,000 versus the low \$30,000s for a standard version of the vehicle—has the highest percentage of Gen X buyers of any non-luxury SUV in the United States, reflecting what the company calls a generational preference “for exclusivity and performance at a great value.”

The sporty version of Explorer delivers 365 horsepower versus about 275 for the standard version, and it has grabbed a significant 15 percent of total nameplate sales since its debut in 2014. Nearly 40 percent of Explorer Sport buyers were born between 1965 and 1978 compared with 23 percent of buyers of other midsize SUVs, Ford said.

These buyers “highly rate such attributes as ‘power and pickup,’ ‘fun to drive’ and ‘overall performance,’” Omar Odeh, Ford Explorer marketing manager, told me. “The best part is



The Ford Explorer Sport is snagging lots of buyers in Generation X.

they represent incremental buyers for us, in that some don’t even set out looking at the Ford brand.”

GenXers might feel fortunate that the Ford brand is looking at them. Auto marketers demonstrate a lot of anxiety, of course, about what kind of customer the car-shunning, ride-sharing Generation Y will become. And baby boomers still represent their most reliable cohort for luxury sales.

A simple glance at the numbers shows why it’s easy for auto brands and most other marketers to overlook the GenX generation: Americans in that demographic, now ages 35 to 50, number only about 66 million compared with about 75 million each of baby boomers and millennials. And at this point, the boomer generation still retains the largest concentration of wealth, while Gen Y is setting the trends.

But Generation X presents some compelling opportunities nonetheless. “Boomers felt the need to display their status in more obvious ways than Gen Xers do,” according to Sheryl Connelly, Ford’s manager of global trends and futuring. “While both groups are hugely important, automakers need to pay special attention to Gen Xers. Our Explorer Sport fits the profile of the successful member of Generation X.”

Specifically, for instance, the US household income for a buyer of Explorer Sport is \$175,000 versus \$112,000 for the average midsize SUV buyer, revealed a study for Ford by MaritzCX. And those Explorer Sport customers who do trade in a vehicle are twice as likely as average midsize SUV buyers (12 percent versus 6 percent) to trade in a premium one. “The reason they’re so important,” Odeh told me about GenX-ers, “is



Performance capabilities attract Gen X.

that these households now are at their peak earning power, the ones that will be able to make the biggest decisions. And as they progress to where boomers are now, it’s important for us to maintain that loyalty and not lose them to some other brand.”

How are Gen X buyers different from boomers and millennials beyond their earning power right now? “They’re less likely to have to put their wealth on status,” he said. “They don’t necessarily have to buy that premium brand. They will look at value for money and performance, and they’re more willing to give a brand like Ford an opportunity—unlike boomers, who are drawn to

premium brands.

“Part of the reason is education levels: Gen Xers are highly educated and able to look at brands like Ford and realize that, for the same money, they’re able to get more value, performance and styling without having to step up an extra \$10,000 to \$20,000.”

In that regard, he explained, Explorer Sport is particularly attractive because “for about \$45,000, Generation X buyers can get a 365-horsepower SUV. If they want anything like that in the premium segment, they’d have to pay close to \$65,000. They can get everything they want without having to compromise financially.

“And Explorer Sport delivers

more on their sense of adventure. More than previous generations, they want to go out and experience life—camping, spending time with their children outside—rather than just having something parked on their driveway. They’re more experiential.”

Moreover, Explorer and Ford’s other SUVs, Edge and Escape, are dramatically more fuel-efficient than just a few years ago, especially those versions that feature EcoBoost engines. “Once you reach more than 20 MPG, most consumers are very comfortable with the fuel economy, and in the mid- to upper-20s, they’re extremely comfortable,” Odeh said. “We see this across our lineup.”

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