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Library board seeks applicants

The Board of Trustees of the Northville District Library is seeking resident applicants for the position of library trustee to fill the remainder of a four-year term ending in December 2018, due to a vacancy. Information regarding trustee duties and the library board is available at the Information Desk.

Contact Library Director Julie Herrin, no later than Friday, March 24, if interested. Herrin may be reached by phone at 248-349-3020 or email at jherrin@northvillelibrary.org

Japanese customs

Northville Garden Club members will share "A Cultural Experience: Japan," at their monthly meeting, which starts with a social and luncheon at noon March 13 at Cady Inn. The meeting starts at 12:30 p.m.

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



The winner! Brad O'Neill, the principal at Meads Middle School, shows off his empty bowl on March 2 as he celebrates his win in a mac 'n' cheese-eating contest over sixth-grade teacher Wendy Martin, right.

Noodling around: Eating contest raises cash for school

Educators from Meads Mill Middle School tucked into bowls of noodles one evening last week to raise money for a program designed to reinforce positive student behavior.

The March 2 mac 'n' cheese-eating contest between Principal Brad O'Neill and Wendy Martin, who teaches science to sixth-graders, took place at Noodles &

Co. in Northville Township. O'Neill won the timed contest, polishing off his noodles — using only chopsticks — in the allotted 10 minutes, while Martin didn't quite finish her bowl before time expired.

Meads Mill students gathered around the noodle-eaters, cheer-

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Supporters of President Donald Trump rally March 4 at Eight Mile and Haggerty in Northville Township. A few counter-demonstrators gathered on the Novi side of Eight Mile.

'A VERY BRAVE MAN': RALLY SHOWS SUPPORT FOR PRESIDENT

Matt Jachman
hometownlife.com

Right, left and in-between can agree: President Donald Trump isn't a traditional politician.

That's one of the things Barry Gibbs likes about him, that he's an outsider shaking things up in Washington, D.C.

"There are too many career guys in there," said Gibbs, of Northville Township, who was

among about 60 people at a rally for Trump on Haggerty, just south of Eight Mile, on Saturday afternoon.

Waving U.S. flags and carrying signs with pro-Trump messages, supporters cheered the new president and urged passing drivers to honk the horns on their vehicles. Many obliged, but there were some middle fingers, too, Gibbs said.

"I really think that he deeply

cares about every American in our country," Gibbs said of Trump.

Projects Trump has taken up so far — working to repeal or revise the Affordable Care Act and trying to create jobs and keep U.S. companies in the country — "are good for the county and need to be done," Gibbs said.

"He's just been speaking out against globalization and he's talking about America first and

that's what we need," said Linda Ann Isaacson of Westland, who wore a button that read, "Deplorable and Proud of It," a reference to a remark by Hillary Clinton, whom Trump defeated in an Electoral College victory to win the presidency, that half of Trump's supporters belonged in a "basket of deplorables."

Several participants said it

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Locomotive fans all aboard at Novi's Great Train Show



Michael Singleton of Farmington Hills, a 60-year-old model train dealer, shows a car and demonstrates the various sizes of model trains at the Novi show.

Matthew Dolan
Detroit Free Press

Michael Singleton heard the alluring whistle of the model train world when he was just 4.

"My dad started me out," said Singleton of Farmington Hills, who is now a 60-year-old model train dealer. And he remembers the details of his first miniature set: A Lionel Santa Fe F3 locomotive with a Pennsylvania Railroad Porthole Caboose.

But many enthusiasts at the Great Train Show held over the

weekend at the Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi know all too well that the hobby they love has an ongoing challenge: how to appeal to a new generation dazzled more by technology than traditional trains.

Singleton said he thinks he has an attractive answer for parents.

"Video games are someone else's imagination," Singleton said. "A train is your child's imagination."

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Gordonfred W. West, 77, of Detroit came to the show in Novi to share his love of model trains with his son and 4-year-old grandson.

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TRAINS

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The weekend's Great Train Show in Novi was expected to draw more than 5,000 visitors by the time it concluded Sunday afternoon, according to organizers. A larger version of the show, which arrives every four years and features a popular Thomas the Tank Engine ride, usually draws 25,000 visitors, according to show manager Kurt Jablonski.

The decades-old hobby still has its core supporters. Devotees can spend hundreds of dollars on antique engines that still choo-choo. The Boy Scouts continue to offer a model railroading merit badge.

And the New York Botanical Gardens in the Bronx has hosted an annual holiday train show for the last 25 years, drawing in thousands to see G-scale locomotives humming along replicas of the Brooklyn Bridge, the Statue of Liberty and Rockefeller Center on nearly a half-mile of track.

On Sunday, Bill Bosse, 67, of Toledo sat next to a mammoth display of European-style mini-trains as part of his club's handiwork. It takes six to seven hours to assemble on-site, but it's worth it, according to Boss.

"It's great to see kids' eyes light up when they come by," he said.

Despite an aging base of enthusiasts, there are some encouraging signs for the future, Jablonski said. Keeping up with the times, famed toy train



Great Train Show manager Kurt Jablonski oversaw the event that drew thousands of model train enthusiasts.

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maker Lionel now sells video games in addition to railroad sets.

Still, Jablonski said, the industry "is going to have to evolve" to keep young fans buying train sets and building the intricate displays to show them off. National leaders concur.

Some toy trains are now Bluetooth enabled, allowing the engines to be manned remotely through an iPad rather than a traditional control panel to set an engine's speed and throw track switches.

"If it's not a hand-held device or something free on the Internet, it's of very little value to them," Charlie Getz, 67, president of the National Model Railroad Association, told the Wall Street Journal earlier this year. Getz estimates that the average age of the association's nearly 19,000 members is 64, up from 39 in the mid-1970s, the Journal reported.

Still, there are signs the hobby is chugging along.

Young ones still flock to Thomas the Tank En-

gine, the popular children's book character that spawned an industry of toys and TV shows. Lego displays drew children of all ages at the Novi show. Many Christmas trees are still ringed by toy train tracks that draw wide-eyed attention.

"He just loves everything about trains. He says he wants to be a train driver," Mary Lusch, 69, of Clinton Township said of her 5-year-old grandson Kylan, who was aboard a train ride at the Novi show.

Train dealer Mike Taylor, 62 of Dayton, Ohio, remembers fondly lining up near his hometown train tracks just to check out the origin of each boxcar than rumbled by. But Taylor said of his sons, one has no interest in his hobby at all while another is more captured with a video game that simulates what it would be like to be the engineer of a locomotive traveling across the country.

"I still look for the stuff I had seen as a kid," Taylor said.

He's not alone. Gordonfred W. West, 77, from Detroit's east side, came to the Novi train show with his son and young grandson. While they rode on a train ride, West looked on with a bright smile at a large train yard display with cars stacked like building blocks.

"It's fantastic," West, a retired federal government executive, said, leaning on a cane for support. "If I hadn't had a stroke, I would have loved to have a train display of my own."



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Children flocked to the model train show in Novi over the weekend.



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A world created from Lego blocks drew visitors at the Great Train Show at the Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi.

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JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER
Linda Pillow helps to hang creations by brain injury patients March 1 at the Novi Civic Center.



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Tim Edmonds displays a clay sculpture he made of an octopus March 1 at the Novi Civic Center.Awareness Month as well.

Brain injury survivors’ art work showcased in Novi

The city of Novi will partner with Cassell and Associates to bring awareness to survivors of traumatic brain injuries by showcasing their clients’ artwork through March 31 in the Novi Civic Center atrium.

Clients of Cassell and Associates, whose work helps brain injury survivors move beyond survival to a life filled with purpose, triumph and pride, have been working on the pieces since last fall. Included in the exhibit are watercolors, acrylics and pottery pieces available for showing and purchasing.

Since 1989, Cassell and Associates has been providing vocational opportunities for clients with traumatic brain injuries. Its primary goal is to provide a fun, yet challenging and low-stress work environment that allows clients to continue



This is one of the paintings that will be exhibited at Novi Civic Center.

to gradually heal and rehabilitate on mental, physical and emotional levels. By providing them with creative and non-traditional work opportunities, clients are

better able to adjust and further develop lives filled with purpose, integrity, kindness and joy.

For information about the Novi Civic Center atrium and other art

opportunities in Novi, contact the Novi Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services office at 248-347-0400 or go to cityof-novi.org.



Another painting by survivors of brain injury that will be exhibited at Novi Civic Center.

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A Night for Northville

Enjoy delicious hors d'oeuvres from Schoolcraft's Culinary artists, video horse racing, \$1,000 prize raffle, silent auction and cash bar all to benefit Northville Educational Foundation. The fun takes place 7-11 p.m. Saturday, March 11, at Schoolcraft's VisTa Tech Center. Tickets are \$50 each and includes funny money for betting. Horse sponsorship is \$25. Call 248-344-8458 or go to <http://www.nightfornorthville.com/index.html> for more information.

NHS All Night Party

"Words of Wisdom" for seniors are available for just \$5 each. Go to www.northvillesanp.com to place orders. And while you're there, be sure to also grab a Senior All Night Party ticket (\$50) for your senior. Held at NHS the evening following graduation (June 4), the Senior All Night Party provides a safe, chaperoned way for new graduates to celebrate this milestone with their classmates. The themed party provides food, entertainment and activities with the main hallway, cafeteria and gyms transformed to reflect the year's theme. As always, the Northville community will be invited to walk through just prior to graduation June 4.

NHS blood drive

Northville High School Student Congress will be hosting a blood drive from 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Thursday, March 16, at NHS. Those interested in donating blood can fill out the form and return it to the main office by Friday, March 3. For more information, contact Student Congress at northvillesuco@yahoo.com

NHS Freshman Night

The Freshman Information and Activities Night will be held Monday, March 13, at the high school. The evening begins 6-7 p.m. with administrators and counselors presenting information about freshman orientation, graduation requirements curriculum, registration, block scheduling, building safety and athletics. The activities fair follows 7-8 p.m., when students can meet with coaches/sponsors and learn more about clubs, activities and athletic programs.

Novi HS Talent Show

Novi High School's seventh annual International Talent Show will be held at 7 p.m. Friday, March 17, in the Novi High School auditorium. All proceeds this year will be donated to Save the Children, an organization committed to helping children in crisis in 120 countries around the world. Last year, more than 300 people attended



The cast of Novi Middle School Theater Company will perform Meredith Willson's "The Music Man JR." at 7:30 p.m. Friday, March 17.

the event, which raised almost \$1,500 donated to Amnesty International. The show will feature Novi High School students performing in acts representing various countries. Some of the many acts include dances, soloists, instrumentals and more. Following the performances, a food court will be set up where attendees can sample international foods.

The production was organized by Novi High School's IB Diploma candidates. This event is part of their CAS (creativity, activity, and service) requirement for earning the IB diploma. The students planned all aspects of the show from recruiting to advertising, ticket and program preparation and emcee duties. In addition, many of the IB students are performing in the show under the direction of their staff coordinator Barbara Clift.

Tickets are \$7 per person and can be purchased at the door.

'The Music Man JR.'

Novi will dance the Shipooopi and revel in the excitement of the Wells Fargo Wagon coming to town when students from Novi Middle School Theater Company perform Meredith Willson's "The Music Man JR." at 7:30 p.m. Friday, March 17.

The musical tells the story of charismatic con man Harold Hill who galvanizes a stodgy, entertainment-starved Iowa town at the turn of the 20th century. Intending to fleece River City's citizens with a false scheme to organize a boys' band, Hill's plans hit a sour note when he falls for Marian, the town librarian.

Novi Middle School is located at 49000 11 Mile Road. Tickets are \$7 and may be purchased by contacting Novi Middle School, main office. For more information please call/email Lori Burkhardt at lburkhardt@novischools.net.

Preschool open house

Everbrook Academy, 26195 Beck Road, will hold an open house from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, March 18. For more information, call 248-349-3950 or go to www.everbrookacademy.com.

'Alice' at the Marquis

Journey through Wonderland with Alice as she follows the white rabbit and other curious friends as the Marquis Theatre presents "Alice in Wonderland." Come see this fun, interactive musical with lots of singing and dancing. Tickets for all performances are \$9. For more information, call the Marquis Theatre at 248-349-8110; go to www.northvillemarquistheatre.com; email marquistheatre@sbcglobal.net or go to Facebook page at facebook.com/MarquisTheatreNorthvilleMI.

Show times and dates:
» 2:30 p.m. Saturday, March 4, 11, 18 and 25, April 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29 and May 6
» 2:30 p.m. Sunday, March 5, 12, 19 and 26, April 2, 9, 23 and 30 and May 7
» 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, April and Thursday and Friday, April 6-7

Evenings in the garden

MSU Tollgate Farm and Education Center is the setting for a new season of Evenings in the Garden classes. Speakers will be sharing their wisdom and experience 6:30-8:30 p.m. Thursdays at Tollgate, 12 Mile and Meadowbrook roads, in Novi. The speakers are Dr. Tony Reznicek on March 2 and Dr. Norm Lownds on March 30.

The cost of each class is \$20 and supports further adult education programming at MSU Tollgate. To find more information and to register, go to <http://tollgate.msu.edu/events/evenings-in-the-garden>.

The classes are for novice and seasoned gardeners, homeowners, landscapers and outdoor enthusiasts. This educational series is an opportunity to get out of the house, meet others who are suffering from cabin fever and start planning for spring gardening

Annual exhibition

The Northville Art House presents the 11th annual member exhibition, featuring original works in all mediums, including painting, drawing, photography, sculpture, jewelry, clay and mixed media. The exhibition showcases the talents of more than 60 member artists of the Northville Art House, as well as recognizes the people who support the growth and creativity of the arts in the community.

The exhibition runs

through Saturday, March 25, during Art House hours, noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and noon to 4 p.m. Saturday.

Become a member today to be considered for future Northville Art House member exhibitions and events, as well as other exciting benefits. Applications are available online at www.northvillearthouse.org, by calling 248-344-0497 or at the Northville Art House, 215 W. Cady Street. Memberships start at \$30.

Honorary Irishman Luncheon

Join friends to share the shenanigans and malarkey of a St. Patrick's Day luncheon. Enjoy Celtic tunes and a festive meal — and that's not blarney! This program is sponsored in partnership with Maple Manor Rehab. The event for adults ages 55 and older is from noon to 2 p.m. Wednesday, March 15, at Meadowbrook Activity Center, 25075 Meadowbrook Road. The cost is \$7.50 for Novi residents, \$9 for non-residents. The ticket deadline is March 9 or until sold out.

To purchase tickets, visit the Older Adult Services office, inside the Novi Civic Center, 45175 10 Mile Road, or the Meadowbrook Activity Center.

For more information about Older Adult Services programs, contact Judy Klein, recreation programmer for Older Adult Services at 248-347-0414, jklein@ctyof-novi.org or go to cityfnovi.org.

Forbidden Art

Forbidden Art, a collection of images of artwork created by concentration camp prisoners while imprisoned by the Nazis during World War II will be on display at the Wixom Public Library from March 20 through April 6. The exhibition is made up of 20 large color photos of drawings and sculptures made by inmates of the Auschwitz, Buchenwald, and Ravensbrück concentration camps. Each photograph is accompanied by a historical commentary and narrative account as to why the piece was created.

The exhibit opens with an almost-black-tie reception at the Wixom Community Center on the evening of Sunday, March 19. The reception

will open with author, historian, and distinguished lecturer Teresa Wontor-Cichy of the Auschwitz Birkenau State Museum of Poland who will deliver her powerfully emotional interpretation of the art and artists featured in this exhibit. Following the introduction, guests will mingle while enjoying music, wine and a wide variety of elegant appetizers provided by local sponsors. Guests will also be treated to a private group 45-minute viewing of the exhibit. Tickets for the reception are \$25 and can be purchased on-line at the city of Wixom website.

Raise funds for veterans

The Fallen and Wounded Soldiers Fund, a Livonia, Michigan-based nonprofit organization dedicated to helping our military heroes and their families, will receive funds from this year's SOS at the EXPO, which is sponsored by Sound of the Soul Classic Car Audio of Sterling Heights. The fundraising event kicked off in December 2016 and continues through the event's culmination at the 2017 Motor City Hot Rod and Racing Expo, presented by Soaring Eagle Hotel and Casino, March 25-26 at the Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi. For further information regarding donations, go to http://www.fwsf.org/upcoming_events.html.

EMS Classic Car, The Automotive Easel and the Motor City Hot Rod and Racing Expo are also supporters of SOS at the Expo. This year's SOS at the Expo lineup includes: Kimberly Matte, international model, actress and spokesperson for Sound of the Soul, who will host the fundraising event; Ron Carley, renowned Abraham Lincoln impersonator and personality; Ed Syrocki of EMS Classic Car Care, who is one of Michigan's leading experts in classic and antique car care; and Sarah Storme (a.k.a. Miss High Performance) from Dragons Performance, who will sign autographs and pose for photographs.

For more information on the Fallen and Wounded Soldiers Fund, go to <http://fwsf.org>. For more information on Sound of the Soul Classic Car Audio, go to <http://soundofthesoul.net>.

MILL RACE MATTERS

Mill Race Historical Village is at 215 Griswold, north of Main Street near Ford Field. Grounds open daily dawn until dusk. Mill Race relies on rentals and memberships to maintain the Village. Consider becoming a member or making a donation today; go to www.millrace-northville.org for details.

Upcoming events

Lecture Series: The History of Michigan's Largest Commercial Fishery: 7 p.m. March 22. New School Church at Mill Race Village. No fee. Donations accepted.
Herbal Tea: 1-3:30 p.m. April 8. Tickets available.

General information

Website: www.millracenorthville.org
Volunteers: The Northville Historical Society at Mill Race Village accepts volunteers in many different areas. We are in special need of Sunday store clerks and help with our fundraising teas. Students, we're happy to verify your volunteer hours with school or scouts. Contact the office for more information.
Rentals: Call or email the office to rent the Cady Inn or Church for a wedding or party. Many dates are available. More information on our website.

Donations: Archives donations accepted from 9 a.m. to noon each Tuesday.

Archives: The archives are open Monday and Tuesday. Questions about donations or research can be emailed to Carri.lee@millrace-northville.org or call the office during archives hours.

Office: The office is open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Wednesday. All other times by appointment only. Call 248-348-1845 or email office@millrace-northville.org.

NORTHVILLE CHAMBER NEWS

The Northville Chamber of Commerce offers a variety of activities and events for members and the community. For more information, contact the chamber at 248-349-7640.

Northville Business Showcase

The annual event will run from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday, March 18, at Northville High School, 45700 Six Mile. The public is invited. Tickets are \$3 and available at the door. Community Financial is the presenting sponsor. The business showcase will feature more than 70 diverse businesses and professionals.

After hours mixer

At 5:30-7:30 p.m. March 22, at Union Home Mortgage, 640 Griswold, Ste. 100, Northville.

CITY OF NOVI
NOTICE OF MEETING
OF BOARD OF REVIEW

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Review shall convene for the Organizational Meeting at 9:00 a.m. EST, Tuesday, March 7, 2017 in the Novi Assessing Department at 45175 Ten Mile Road for the purpose of reviewing and correcting the assessment roll.

Notice is further given that the second session of the Board of Review will meet for the purpose of hearing and considering assessment appeals in the Novi City Council Chambers at 45175 Ten Mile Road on March 13, 14 and 15, 2017.

All appearances before the Board will be by appointment only.

If you or your representatives want to appear in person, the appointment must be made on or before 5:00 p.m. EST, Friday, March 10, 2017. Appearances before the Board of Review are limited to five (5) minutes or less. Petitions are available at the Assessor's Office or at www.cityofnovi.org

NO APPOINTMENTS WILL BE GIVEN UNTIL A PETITION IS RECEIVED BY THE ASSESSING DEPARTMENT.

Letters of protest will be accepted on or before 5:00 p.m. EST, Tuesday, March 14, 2017. Postmarks will not be considered. When submitting a letter of protest for the Board of Review consideration, you must attach a completed petition along with any supporting information.

All agents protesting values on property, other than their own, MUST HAVE written authorization from each property owner they are representing.

Persons on fixed or limited income may be eligible for a reduction in property taxes due to poverty. Applications are available at the Assessing Department, or at www.cityofnovi.org

BOARD OF REVIEW SCHEDULE

Monday, March 13, 2017 - 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Council Chambers
Tuesday, March 14, 2017 - 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Council Chambers
Wednesday, March 15, 2017 - 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Council Chambers
Located in the Civic Center, 45175 Ten Mile Road Novi, MI 48375

Any questions should be directed to the Assessing Department at (248) 347-0485.

CITY OF NOVI
NOTICE OF ADOPTION
ORDINANCE NO. 17-110.05

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CITY OF NOVI CODE OF ORDINANCES, AT CHAPTER 17, "HISTORICAL PRESERVATION," ARTICLE II, "HISTORICAL COMMISSION," SECTION 17-17, "COMPOSITION," IN ORDER TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF VOTING MEMBERS FROM FIVE TO SEVEN, TO DELETE THE REQUIREMENT THAT A MEMBER SERVE ON THE NOVI HISTORICAL SOCIETY, AND TO DELETE THE REQUIREMENT THAT CERTAIN CITY ADMINISTRATION MEMBERS SERVE AS NON-VOTING MEMBERS.

The Ordinance was adopted by the City Council on Monday, February 27, 2017 and the provisions of the ordinance shall become effective fifteen (15) days after its publication. A complete copy of the Ordinance is available for public use and inspection at the office of the City Clerk, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, during the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., prevailing local time.

Cortney Hanson, City Clerk

CITY OF NOVI
NOTICE OF ADOPTION
ORDINANCE NO. 18.280

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CITY OF NOVI CODE OF ORDINANCES, ORDINANCE 14-18.271, AS AMENDED, THE CITY OF NOVI ZONING ORDINANCE, IN ORDER TO AMEND ARTICLE 4, "USE STANDARDS," SECTION 4.86, "USES NOT OTHERWISE INCLUDED WITHIN A SPECIFIC USE DISTRICT," AND ARTICLE 2, "DEFINITIONS," SECTION 2.2, DEFINITIONS," IN ORDER TO RECOGNIZE AND PROVIDE FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF STATE AND FEDERAL LEGISLATION REGARDING WIRELESS COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES.

The Ordinance was adopted by the City Council on Monday, February 27, 2017 and the provisions of the ordinance shall become effective seven (7) days after its publication. A complete copy of the Ordinance is available for public use and inspection at the office of the City Clerk, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, during the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., prevailing local time.

Cortney Hanson, City Clerk



Woodchips fly as Ray Frase of the Detroit Area Woodworkers demonstrates how to use a wood lathe during the March 3 session of the Woodworking Show at Novi's Suburban Collection Showplace. The three-day event featured lots of gear and material for woodworkers and hours of demonstrations and workshops.



As sawdust flies around, Tyler Hillyard of Arbor Tech Woodworking Supplies demonstrates one of his company's attachments for power tools during the March 3 Woodworking Show at Novi's Suburban Collection Showplace.

Northville prep hockey

Prep hockey will host tryouts for its two spring teams. Tryout dates are 4:15-5:45 p.m. March 15 and 5-6:30 p.m. March 19. Both tryouts are at Novi Ice Arena. and the cost is \$15 per session. Tryouts are open to current students in grades 7-10 who attend Northville Public Schools. Go to northvillehockey.org to learn more about the program.

Youth football

This is a nonprofit organization committed to teaching the fundamentals of football and cheerleading in a positive, safe and fun environment. New player/cheerleader registration

for the Northville Colts and Stallions starts Monday, March 13. The Colts and Stallions are looking for new players/cheerleaders to fill their flag (ages 6-7), freshman (ages 8-9), JV (ages 10-11) and varsity (ages 12-12) units for the 2017 season. Teams/units are filled on a first-come, first-served basis based on middle school affiliation. For more information or to register, go to www.northvilleyouthfootball.com.

Off to the Races

Off the Races is a benefit for Northville Educational Foundation. Join NEF 7-11 p.m. Saturday, March 11, at Visi-Tech Center at Schoolcraft College. Presented

by Community Financial Credit Union and sponsored by many other supporters, A Night For Northville is the premiere fundraising event for the Northville Public Schools. Enjoy delicious hors d'oeuvres from Schoolcraft's culinary artists, video horse racing, DJ entertainment, \$1,000 prize raffle, an amazing silent auction and a cash bar. Proceeds benefit the Northville Educational Foundation and the many programs it funds throughout the entire district.

This Off to the Races event is for 21 and older. Tickets are \$50 each (\$15 is tax-deductible) and includes funny money for betting. Plus you can sponsor one of the 144

race horses for \$25; name your horse and cheer it on to victory. Horse sponsorship includes a raffle ticket for the \$1,000 prize. (Purchase an event ticket and a horse sponsorship and receive two free drink tickets.) More information and tickets can be found at www.nightfornorthville.com or by calling 248-344-8458.

Learn what fake news is

For teens in grades 6-12. Fake news is real. Learn what it is, why it matters and how to fight it. After the presentation, put your newly learned skills to the test with prizes for the winners No

registration required. The event is 6-8 p.m. Thursday, March 9, at the Northville Library. Go to the Teen page at northvillelibrary.org for more information.

Learn to ice skate

Learn to Skate at USA Hockey Arena follows a curriculum that offers something for everyone from the first steps on the ice to mastering advanced techniques. Solid skill development based on the ABCs of basic athleticism: agility, balance, coordination and speed. A progressive system that, upon completion of the program, allows skaters to confi-

dently advance to more specialized areas of skating. Learn to Skate classes meet once per week. Each class is grouped by skating level and includes a 25-minute lesson and 25 minutes of supervised practice time. Register at usahockeyarena.com or 734-453-6400.

Cheering

The Northville High School cheer program will host a high school prep cheer clinic for athletes currently in grades 5-8. Pre-registration is due by March 17. Contact Coach Gentz with questions at gentzme@northville.schools.org.

NORTHVILLE TOWNSHIP POLICE BRIEFS

Trespassing at hospital

Seven Monroe men, ages 17-18, were cited for trespassing and released Feb. 19 after officers caught them on the former Northville Psychiatric Hospital, which has "No Trespassing" signs posted. The men told an officer that they wanted to see the hospital because others in their school had done the same.

In a similar incident, also Feb. 19, a 19-year-old Farmington Hills man was cited for trespassing after an officer on foot patrol saw him running from the hospital to the

Rocky's restaurant parking lot

As police spoke with the man, it was discovered he did not have a driver's license. Police also learned he was wanted on a misdemeanor arrest warrant and transferred him to the Farmington Hills police.

Larceny

A 44-year-old Northville Township woman contacted police when she discovered in her mailbox an empty envelope with a hole, indicating it had been opened by someone. She told police that the envelope was from a company from which she had ordered oils valued at \$80.25.

Damaged car

A 41-year-old Canton man contacted police after he discovered his 2015 Jeep Patriot had been dented with what appeared to be rocks, Feb. 25 at a Sprint store on Haggerty. The man told police he was parked on the north side of the store. When he returned from the store, he discovered his car damaged. The man continued to tell police that he had been in a road rage incident with a driver in a silver Chevrolet Malibu earlier. The man said he looked for the Malibu throughout the parking lot, but could not find it.

CITY OF NORTHVILLE

VACANCY ON DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Notice is given that the Northville City Council is accepting applications for consideration of appointment to fill vacancies on the Downtown Development Authority (DDA). The DDA Board of Directors meet at 8am on the third Tuesday of each month. Information on the DDA Board of Directors, board composition, and the purpose of the DDA is available on the DDA website www.downtownnorthville.com.

Applications are available on the City of Northville's website at www.ci.northville.mi.us (go to Government, Boards and Commissions) or at the City Clerk's Office, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan, 48167. Applications accepted until the vacancy is filled. Applicants will be contacted by the City Clerk's Office regarding interview dates and times. Applications received after the vacancies are filled will be placed on file for future consideration.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

March 28, 2017 – 7:00 P.M.


The Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, March 28, 2017 at the Northville Township Municipal Offices, 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, Michigan 48168. The Planning Commission will consider the following proposals:

- A request to rezone property on Haggerty Road from Local Business (B-1), Office Service (OS) and Senior Housing (SH) to a Mixed Use Planned Unit Development (PUD) to combine the an existing commercial business with a proposed office building and provide shared parking (Parcel ID's 77-052-99-0006-704 and 77-052-99-006-706).
- A Special Land Use (SLU) request for a proposed day care facility to be located on a residential lot located on the Northwest corner of 7 Mile and Smock Roads (Parcel ID#77-003-0084-000).

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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Paid sick leave for all workers is aim of bill

Kathleen Gray
Detroit Free Press

Bills that would require employers to provide paid sick time have been introduced by Democrats in both the House and Senate.

They are similar to bills that have been proposed in previous years, but have never gone anywhere in the Republican-controlled Legislature. That doesn't mean that Democrats should stop trying, said Sen. Jim Ananich, D-Flint.

“For the many Michigan residents who cannot afford to lose a day’s wages, earned sick leave provides the opportunity to get better without jeopardizing their jobs,” Ananich said. “We know that happy and healthy employees are more productive in the workplace — when workers can stay home to get better, everyone wins.”

The bill would require that one hour of sick time would be earned for every 30 hours an employee works.

Another bill introduced last week would prohibit low-income Michiganders who qualify for food assistance — more than 739,000 households in the state who get an average of \$227 in food assistance per month — from buying soda and other carbonated beverages with their Bridge Cards.

Bill introduced last week:

House bills

HB 4276: Create an open government commission to deal with complaints about the administration of the Freedom of Information Act. Sponsor: Rep. Martin Howrylak, R-Troy.

HB 4277: Provide for immunity from liability for firearm injuries on business or commercial property. Sponsor: Rep. Beau LaFave, R-Iron



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HB 4279 would prohibit auto insurance premium increases for repair claims, such as replacing tire rims like these, caused by potholes.

Mountain.

HB 4278: Prohibit the purchase of soft drinks or soda with a Bridge Card. Sponsor: Rep. Beau LaFave, R-Iron Mountain.

HB 4279: Prohibit auto insurance premium increases for repair claims caused by potholes. Sponsor: Rep. Brian Elder, D-Bay City.

HB 4280: Clarify the limitation and restrictions on retirement income tax deduction for a surviving spouse. Sponsor: Rep. Jim Ellison, D-Royal Oak.

HB 4281: Provide for civil fines for providing false information on applications, reports or documents submitted to the departments of Natural Resources or Environmental Quality. Sponsor: Rep. Robert Kosowski, D-Westland.

HB 4282: Prohibit a pharmacist from disclosing an individual's mental illness. Sponsor: Rep. Robert Kosowski, D-Westland.

HB 4283: Allow health care professionals licensed in another state to provide health care at free clinics in Michigan. Sponsor: Rep. Robert

Kosowski, D-Westland.

HB 4284: Require department of Health and Human Services to establish a prescription drug monitoring system for controlled substances and allow interstate sharing of information. Sponsor: Rep. Robert Kosowski, D-Westland.

HB 4285: Clarify the personal responsibility for unpaid property taxes. Sponsor: Rep. Peter Lucido, R-Shelby Township.

HB 4286: Provide for the addition or a removal of a county from a drainage district. Sponsor: Rep. Roger Victory, R-Georgetown Township.

HB 4287: Increase the penalties for possession of a weapon during a robbery. Sponsor: Rep. Clint Kesto, R-Commerce Township.

HB 4288: Modify the jurisdiction to establish a support order in family court. Sponsor: Rep. Clint Kesto, R-Commerce Township.

HB 4289: Create the crime of altering data used for official reports to intentionally mislead. Sponsor: Rep. Phil Phelps, D-Flushing.

HB 4290: Specify the rainfall levels that constitute a defect in a sewer overflow or backup. Sponsor: Rep. Michael Webber, R-Rochester Hills.

HB 4291: Provide for an income tax credit for teachers who buy their own supplies. Sponsor: Rep. Sheldon Neeley, D-Flint.

HB 4292: Provide for pay for a director of a village or township community center. Sponsor: Rep. John Kivela, D-Marquette.

HB 4293: Require that schools provide instruction in African-American history. Sponsor: Rep. Sherry Gay-Dagnogo, D-Detroit.

HB 4294: Modify the restriction on the number of 18-year-olds residing in a child care institution. Sponsor: Rep. Wendell Byrd, D-Detroit.

HB 4295-4296: Provide for penalties for failing to collect or embezzling fees for documents relating to real property. Sponsor: Reps. Abdullah Ham-moud, D-Dearborn, Jeff Noble, R-Plymouth.

HB 4297: Create a presumption that certain

documents affecting real property are forged or counterfeit. Sponsor: Rep. Leslie Love, D-Detroit.

HB 4298-4300: Require video recording of child interviews in child protection cases and allow those recordings as evidence in a criminal case. Sponsors: Reps. Robert Kosowski, D-Westland, Jim Runestad, R-White Lake, Pamela Hornberger, R-Chesterfield Township.

HB 4301: Require monthly Internet posting of salaries for state employees in all state departments. Sponsor: Rep. Brandt Iden, R-Oshtemo Township.

HB 4302-4304: Increase penalties for assaulting court personnel, prosecuting attorneys. Sponsors: Reps. Kim LaSata, R-Bainbridge Township, Andy Schor, D-Lansing.

HB 4305: Revise the exemption from registration of securities issued by Michigan companies. Sponsor: Rep. Bronna Kahle, R-Clinton.

HB 4306: Increase motorcycle endorsement fees and earmark the money into a motorcycle safety fund. Sponsor: Rep. Jim Tedder, R-Clarkston.

Senate bills

SB 195: Modify the eligibility requirements for attorneys licensed in another state to practice law in Michigan. Sponsor: Sen. Tom Casperson, R-Escanaba.

SB 196-197: Provide for an income tax check-off for contributions to the Fostering Futures Scholarship trust fund. Sponsors: Sens. Marty Knollenberg, R-Troy, Peter MacGregor, R-Rockford.

SB 198: Provide for music instruction in K-5 grades' curriculum. Sponsor: Sen. Curtis Hertel, D-East Lansing.

SB 199: Expand local

government authority over the use of fireworks. Sponsor: Sen. Morris Hood, D-Detroit.

SB 200-201: Enact sentencing guidelines for the crime of assaulting a sports official. Sponsor: Sen. Morris Hood, D-Detroit.

SB 202-204: Allow for social media Internet game to provide awards to players; allow and regulate Internet gambling. Sponsors: Sens. Jack Brandenburg, R-Harrison Township, Mike Kowall, R-White Lake.

SB 205: Enact sentencing guidelines for violations of lawful Internet gaming. Sponsor: Sen. Joe Hune, R-Whitmore Lake.

SB 206: Create congressional redistricting commission. Sponsor: Sen. Steven Bieda, D-Warren.

SB 207: Provide for arrest authority to security officers at state-owned facilities. Sponsor: Sen. Mike Green, R-Mayville.

SB 208: Allow for free parking for people over the age of 75. Sponsor: Sen. Coleman Young II, D-Detroit.

SB 209: Designate a portion of M-10 in Wayne County as Sgt. Collin Rose Memorial Highway. Sponsor: Sen. Coleman Young II, D-Detroit.

SB 210: Establish a database for all road and bridge construction projects. Sponsor: Sen. Patrick Colbeck, R-Canton.

SB 211: Increase the penalties for possession of a deer or elk carcass from another state. Sponsor: Dale Zorn, R-Ida.

SB 212 and HB 4307: Require employers to provide paid sick leave. Sponsors: Sen. Jim Ananich, D-Flint, Rep. Stephanie Chang, D-Detroit.

SB 213: Provide for the use of tele-health prescribing of drugs. Sponsor: Sen. Peter MacGregor, R-Rockford.

For more information on bills, go to www.legislature.mi.gov.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Two-party system still works

I am writing in response to Bob Cushman's letter in last week's Northville Record.

He closed his letter, in which he generally labeled Democrats as being communists in disguise, by saying, “... if you vote on the Democratic Party side of the ballot, you are an enemy to the principles upon which our great country was founded.”

I take extreme exception with just about everything he says, but especially with his closing remarks. I am a Democrat, and I do a lot of voting on that side of the ballot these days, but I began my political life as a registered Republican. I changed my registration not so much because my political beliefs changed, but rather because the Republican Party changed. The basic principles and underlying goodness of Republicans of the cloth of Lincoln, Teddy Roosevelt and Dwight Eisenhower began to evaporate in the age of Newt Gingrich and Tom DeLay. The Republican Party was no longer my party.

I do not hate the Republican Party, nor do I hate the members of it, nor do I consider them to be the enemy of anything American. They are no longer my party, but I recognize that our entire system of government requires a healthy two-party system, and to damn one of the parties as being an enemy of the country is to damn the political system on which our country is based. Those who would damn this system are the true enemies of “the principles upon which our great country was founded.”

John D. Webster
Northville

No fake news

My mistake, Mr. McLaughlin. My letter of March 2 mistakenly attributed a law, passed by the Republican congress, and signed by Donald Trump, with one of Trump's many silly executive orders. H.J. Res. 40 makes it legal in law for around 75,000-plus mentally ill people to be able to purchase the firearm of their choice. These people whose mental issues are severe enough that they qualify for Social Security disability, or are deemed unfit to handle their own affairs, will no longer be part of the national background check database. No “fake news” here, but it was quite refreshing, Mr. McLaughlin, to see a Trump supporter in lock step with the ACLU.

I also found it strange and puzzling that when my friend, Bob Breslin, wrote about the many wonderful friends he has made that have enriched his life, and came to this country as immigrants, you decided to go on a

rant about illegal immigration, and felt the need to speculate on their immigration status. Bob Breslin's letter expressed the warmth and richness of his friendships with those he knows that have come here from other countries to contribute to our way of life. I'm quite sure you have nothing to fear from his friends.

Steve Lawrence
Northville Township

End gerrymandering

Thank you for your recent issue featuring immigration. I found the facts regarding refugees especially helpful. I was not familiar with the regulations regarding refugee immigration. I appreciate the balance in the supporting articles and the attempt to cover the issue from differing perspectives. Even though my parents were immigrants, I sometimes forget the challenges people face when relocating to a foreign country and was unaware of the refugee process.

I would love to see the same level of coverage given to gerrymandering, a topic which is frequently misunderstood. Two weeks ago I attended a forum in East Lansing regarding gerrymandering. Four groups presented at the event: The League of Women Voters, Michigan Election Reform Alliance, American Civil Liberties Union and CountMIVote.

Gerrymandering is a non-partisan issue. Republicans and Democrats are guilty of carving out districts to guarantee their party's dominance. Politicians are said to pick their voters instead of voters picking their politicians. In Maryland, Democrats manipulated districts in their favor much like Republicans altered the maps in Michigan for their gain.

Politicians from opposing parties are often hesitant to voice their objection; instead, they lie in wait for the chance to rewrite the boundaries in their favor. Fair representation may be achieved through various methods, including appointing independent commissions or developing a proportional representation system. Carving up districts to resemble salamanders is not a fair method. I admit I am a Democrat who wants this nonsense to end in Michigan, but I want the same for Maryland. All states should aim for fair representation. I encourage you to contact the organizations I mentioned (LWV, MERA, ACLU, and CountMIVote) to explore this topic.

Thank you again for making the editorial decision to educate and inform your readership instead of contributing to the sound bite rhetoric which fills social media. I wouldn't mind seeing issues devoted to campaign financing/election reform in Michigan and charter schools/vouch-

ers.

Nancy Czech
Highland

New immigrants should assimilate

The legal immigrants coming into this country today are different from the immigrants coming here 100 years ago. A 100 years ago, the immigrants wanted to build a “new” and better life here in America. They were driven to learn our language, work hard to get ahead and helped to form our society as it is today.

The immigrants coming in today reflect the sign that the young man is holding up. “I'm Muslim & American, #Deal with it.” I agree with Terry Olexy when he says that the legal immigrants need to learn English and assimilate into our society, instead of creating a small homeland of their own within this country and expecting us to change and accept this. And any legal immigrant coming here, if they want to belong here, should be making an effort to assimilate instead of demonstrate. This young man will have to “deal with it.”

Carol Maynard
Northville

Trott at it again

Dave Trott's weekly Sunday love letter to constituents had Congressman Trott making the wildly exaggerated claim that government regulations “impose a burden of \$1.89 trillion on the economy each and every year.” As usual his claim is not sourced and of course does not take into account any monetary savings that regulations generate, like protecting personal life savings and retirement accounts or positive externalities like the millions of lives regulations have saved or the millions of jobs that owe their existence to regulations. Studies abound that find that the many businesses engaged in responding to regulation create as many or more jobs than they destroy.

Trott goes on to brag about three bills he supported that would reduce regulation and likely endanger the health, welfare and finances of citizens by removing consumer protections now enjoyed and by permitting polluters to pollute and pillagers to pillage. Unfortunately Trott would have us all believe that businesses would never do anything that would cause loss or injury to consumers. Not surprising since Trott's family fortune was born out of deregulation of the mortgage industry coupled with lax enforcement of then existing consumer protections.

Recently in the Republican war on regulation that Trott actively supports, we saw The Clean Water rule, which prevented the dumping of toxic sub-

stances and animal excrements into tributary streams eliminated, a rule that had prevented Social Security disability recipients judged incapable of conducting personal affairs due to mental impairment or illness from purchasing guns abolished and a fiduciary rule that would require financial advisers while handling retirement accounts to operate in their client's best interests instead of their own blocked. Shamefully, “puppy mills” were even deregulated. Considering the ridiculous GOP proposal that would arbitrarily require two existing regulations be abolished for each new one enacted, it seems as though Trott and his Republican colleagues are bent on making Americans poorer, dumber and sicker and the 1 percent richer through deregulation.

Mitch Smith
Canton

A breath of fresh air

After President's Trump's visionary, optimistic and forward-looking speech to Congress on Tuesday night, you could just feel the nation's spirit being lifted.

President Trump outlined a comprehensive plan that would restore our nation's economy for everyone, rebuild our weakened military, secure our borders, and restore the respect and enforcement of our laws in order to keep our citizens safe and allow them to pursue their individual dreams.

What a breath of fresh air, after eight years of the heavy government repression of the Obama administration. Remember, President Obama was the only president to serve eight years in our nation's history — the only one — without even one year of 3 percent GDP growth. The nightmare of crushing government regulations and endless intrusion by the Obama administration into our daily lives is finally over!

President Trump repeatedly reached across the aisle to the Democrats during this speech. Unfortunately, based on the sour looks on the faces of the Democrat leaders, they did not seem very interested — despite their previously professed concerns for many of these same issues.

According to a recent nationwide Rasmussen poll, 45 percent of U. S. voters now think that the U.S. is headed in the right direction — one of the highest readings in over 12 years of regular polling and up dramatically from the 13 percent back in October of 2013 under the prior administration.

If we work together as a nation to implement the blueprint that President Trump outlined in this speech, our future will be bright indeed!

Randy Kniebes
Brighton

Area residents graduate as leadership fellows

A number of area residents area among the Michigan State University's Michigan Political Leadership Program's announced Class of 2016 fellows who have completed their leadership training.

They include:

- » Amber DeLind of Farmington, an engagement strategy director for the Center for Michigan.
- » Adi Sathi of Novi, vice chair of coalitions for the Michigan Republican Party and APAICS Legislative Fellow for U.S. Sen. Orrin G. Hatch.
- » Ingrid Tighe of Birmingham, a business development manager for the Michigan Economic Development Corp.
- » Cathy White of Livonia, a member of the Livonia City Council.

Nationally known analysts with insider experience in major political campaigns – former Vermont governor and Democratic presidential candidate Howard Dean and Republican analyst Ana Navarro — were guest speakers at the March 2 graduation ceremonies.

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High school sports teaches life lessons

Our Novi High School girls basketball team won the Michigan High School Athletic Association district championship. As a result, its season continues. Players should be justifiably proud of their accomplishment. It is a big deal and very exciting.

I have been around high school athletics for a long time. Not as an athlete. Oh, no! I tried out for teams when I was in high school but, for those of you who have seen me attempt to swing a bat or throw a football or hit a golf ball, this will come as no surprise, I was cut from the teams for which I tried out. My



association with high school athletics has been as the parent of sons who participated and as a fan. I believe in middle and high school athletics. The majority of students who participate on athletic teams will never participate on a school team beyond high school. The overwhelming majority of high school athletes do not play on a varsity college or university team. And that is just fine. High school athletics

is not about preparing our student athletes to be college scholarship players. While that may happen for a select few student-athletes, that is not the purpose of high school athletics. High school athletics is about helping our young women and men learn life lessons. High school athletics is about learning lessons that will be valuable in their lives. What are those lessons? Gregg Popovich, one of the most successful coaches in the National Basketball Association, said that the measure of who we are is how we react when something does not go our way. One

of the most important lessons that our middle school and high school athletic programs teach is about this — learning how to react when things don't go our way. Do we get mad? Do we sulk? Do we work harder? Do we quit? Do we find ways to work together? Our Novi Community School District athletic program helps our student-athletes learn through experience how to react when things go wrong. Our athletic programs also teach our student-athletes the value of being part of something bigger than themselves. Learning to be part of a team is an important skill to learn. Our athletic

teams give our student-athletes experience in working together toward a common goal. Our student-athletes learn how to work with and for each other. Our student-athletes learn how to support each other when things are difficult and celebrate together when things go well. Being part of an athletic team also helps our students learn to manage multiple projects at one time. How do I get my school work done while also managing the schedule for my sport? How do I find time to get better when I have exams next week? High school athletics also teaches our student-

athletes about the importance of community. Our Novi Community School District student-athletes wear the name of our hometown on the front of their jerseys. Our student-athletes learn about the pride our community invests in them and the responsibility of playing for the hometown team. I am proud of our Novi Community School District student-athletes. I am proud of the way they compete, of the way they represent Novi and of their heart and hustle.

Steve M. Matthews, Ed.D., is superintendent of the Novi Community School District. He can be reached at smatthews@novischools.net.



FILE PHOTO
Mill Race Village docent Debbie Whitaker celebrates in Victorian costume.

Victorian clothing sale moves to April dates

The Northville Historical Society has moved its annual Victorian Clothing Sale to April, rather than the fall, at the Mill Race Historial Village, 215 Griswold Avenue, one block north of Main Street. The sale will be April 20-22 and will feature Victorian era clothing and accessories provided by various vendors. New, vintage and gently-used

clothing will be available. Admission is \$2. Vendors prefer cash sales. The sale is for the Northville Heritage Festival. The sale will be open 1-7 p.m. Thursday and Friday, April 20-21, and 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, April 22. or more information, call the Northville Historical Society at 248-348-1845 or go to www.millracenorthville.org.

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JAMES ARZEL "JIM" Age 60 of Highland, formerly of Pontiac, went to be with the Lord on February 26, 2017. Survived by his loving wife of thirty-eight years, Cynthia Turnbow. Proud father of James (Angela) Turnbow, Jennifer (Jeffrey) Naumann, Jacob (Christine) Turnbow, and Joanna (Joshua) Morlan. Cherished grandchildren Guy (Danyelle), Quentin, Darin, Logan, James Colby, Eric, Zachary, Emma, Nicholas, Christopher, Alexandria; great-grandchild Adeline. Jim will be fondly remembered by many other in-laws, nieces, nephews, and dear friends. Preceded in death by his parents, Arzel and Martha Turnbow, and his siblings Bill, Jerry, and Lucille. Survived by his siblings Joyce, Patricia, and Christina. Jim attended Bob Jones University, Midwestern Bible College, and graduated from Oakland Community College. Jim served in the Michigan Air National Guard as a jet engine mechanic. He retired from General Motors as a Skilled Trades Millwright. He was an extra in several television shows and films, including "Oz the Great and Powerful." He enjoyed guitar, fishing, photography, traveling, chess, being a private pilot, and riding his motorcycle. A memorial service will be held on March 10th, 2017 at 6:00p.m. at Cornerstone Church, 4995 N Hickory Ridge Rd., Highland. Memorials may be made to the family at <https://www.gofundme.com/j6d9sd-memorial-for-james-a-turnbow>.

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MAISEVICH
NANCY M. a resident of Milford since 1977, former resident of Livonia, native of Detroit, and longtime employee with Sears Department store in Twelve Oaks Mall in Novi, died at her home on February 27, 2017 at the age of 86. She was preceded in death by her husband, Earl Maisevich in 1992, and brothers, John and Jim Holden. She is survived by her sons, David (Laura) Maisevich and Mark (Cindy) Maisevich; grandchildren, Matthew (Veronica), Alex, Taylor, Lindsey and Zachary Maisevich; great grandchildren, Olivia and Colton Maisevich and Emmett Hissong; sister-in-law, Barbara Maise, and fellow congregants of the Christian Science Church in Milford. Services will be held privately. Memorials may be made in her name to the Christian Science Church, 905 E. Commerce St., Milford, MI 48381. Condolences may be left at LynchandSonsMilford.com

KUSCHEL
LEONA T. a resident of Fishers, Indiana passed away on February 28, 2017 at the age of 88. She was born August 31, 1928 in Detroit, MI. Leona was a homemaker and a member of Holy Cross Lutheran Church. She is survived by her daughter, Michele (David) Daehler; daughter-in-law, Shari Kuschel; her sister, Yvonne Anna Trotter; 10 grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her loving husband, Glenn G. Kuschel, in 2002; sons, Glenn, Steven, and Keith Kuschel. A Funeral Service was held at Lynch & Sons Funeral Home with The Rev. Martin Dressier officiating. Burial in Milford Memorial Cemetery. For further information please phone 248-684-6645 or visit LynchFuneralDirectors.com.

KELLEY
MARY January 14, 1924 - January 22, 2017 Expressions of sympathy may be made to obriensullivanfuneralhome.com

'Turn to Jesus'

Lola Park Lutheran Church, 14750 Kinloch, Redford, will have special midweek Lenten worship services on Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m. through April 5. This year's theme is "Turn to Jesus!" There will be free treats after the services. For more information, call 313-532-8655 or 734-968-3523.

Holy Week services
Lola Park Lutheran Church, 14750 Kinloch, Redford, announces its schedule for Holy Week. Maundy Thursday service is at 7 p.m. April 13. Good Friday services will be held at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. April 14. Easter Sunday service will be held at 9:30 a.m. April 16. A free Easter breakfast will be held from 8-9:15 a.m. All visitors will receive a free DVD "My Son, My Savior." For more information, call 313-532-8655 or 734-968-3523.

Fish Fry
St. Mary Catholic Church in Wayne is hosting its Lenten Fish Frys. The weekly Fish Frys are 4-7 p.m. and run for seven weeks through Good Friday, April 14. Dinners are \$7 or \$10. Choose from fried or baked fish, shrimp dinner or mac and cheese. Each meal comes with french fries or baked potato, cole

LENTEN CALENDAR

slaw, roll and lemonade, water or coffee. For an additional small charge, desserts and pop are available.

Resurrection Parish
If you knew you were going to die today, what would you do? How would that reality change you? Would you be more forgiving? More merciful? Attend a Lenten presentation at 7:30 p.m. March 16 by author Chris Stepien as he shares the inspiration for his latest book, "Dying to Be Happy Discovering the Truth About Life."

Orthodox Christian services
The Council of Orthodox Christian Churches of Metropolitan Detroit will hold its annual series of Vespers services each Sunday of Orthodox Great Lent.

The remaining four services in the series will be held on:
» March 12, Sunday of St. Gregory Palamas, at Assumption Greek Orthodox Church, 21800 Marter Road, St. Clair Shores;
» March 19, Sunday of the Holy Cross, at St. George Romanian Orthodox Cathedral, 18405 W. Nine Mile Road, Southfield;
» March 26, Sunday of St. John Climacus, at Holy Trinity Orthodox Church, 20500 Anglin St., Detroit.

» April 2, Sunday of St. Mary of Egypt, at Holy Transfiguration Orthodox Church, 36075 W. Seven Mile Road, Livonia.
Members of the public are invited to attend the services.

Praise and worship
St. Edith Church will have a Praise and Worship Concert 4-5 p.m. Sunday, March 12. Come and sing to your favorite Christian rock hits. The music will be provided by In Praise and a small fellowship will follow in the Gathering Area. For more information, go to www.stedith.org

Lenten Fish Fry
American Legion Post 32, 9318 Newburgh Road, Livonia, will host its annual Lenten fish fry 5-8 p.m. each Friday through April 29. Cod dinners are \$10 and perch will return. Baked items will be sold for \$1 each. The meals are open to the public.

St. Bellarmine Fish Fry
St. Robert Bellarmine Men's Club will host fish frys each Friday during Lent with drive-thru service available. The dinners are available 4-7 p.m. St. Robert's is at the corner of West Chicago and Inkster roads in Redford.

Prince of Peace Lutheran
Midweek Lenten services with a soup supper will be offered at Prince of Peace Lutheran each Wednesday, with supper at 6 p.m. followed by service at 7:30 p.m. through April 5. Contact the church at 248-553-3380.

'Calling them Home'
St. Michael the Archangel Parish will offer a new Lenten series, "Calling Them Home," for all parents, grandparents, siblings and others interested in helping loved ones find their way home to the church. The four-week series, which will meet on consecutive Mondays through March 27 in the St. Michael's School cafeteria, will be led by well-known Catholic author, apologist and award-winning "Michigan Catholic" columnist Gary Michuta, who has extensive teaching experience with teens and young adults. There is no charge or reservation required for this series. All area Catholics who are interested in this subject are welcome. St. Michael's is at 11441 Hubbard Road, just south of Plymouth Road, in Livonia. For more information, call the parish at 734-261-1455, ext. 200, or go to www.livonia.stmichael.org.

'They don't make them like they used to' still holds true

It was not so long ago that I watched a news special on television which talked about print media being on a slow downhill slide due to the high-tech world we live in today. It stated that the newspapers which covered local communities would continue to become more popular than ever before.

The following email I recently received is an example of why I continue to write this column after many years of doing so: "Dear Joe, my sister forwarded me your column from Hometown Life and I read it immediately because I have a house full of appliances that were bought in 1995. They are still running fine, possibly because I'm a single guy who doesn't overuse or abuse them, but I'm guessing they will all need replacement within five years. I'm especially concerned about the fridge and the dishwasher, both Jenn-Airs, since they could cause a mess if they fail. Neither has given me any problems to date. Correction, I had to call a repairman once for the fridge, about eight years ago, because of an icing problem. It was solved and it's run fine since.

"I also had to call my



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appliance guy last week for my clothes washer, which stopped mid-cycle, a top-loading Kenmore also of 1995 vintage. He found and fixed the problem and told me, 'Keep this machine until it fails apart and can't be fixed anymore because the new ones have more complicated drives and need more repairs and fail much sooner than these older models.' If you write a regular column, I'd like to get it by email, if you have an email distribution for it. I figure I could use your information and perspective to help me make good choices when the time comes to replace my appliances. "One thing I know

already is that I'd like to avoid Chinese-made appliances. Some things made over there are good, some aren't. You don't know until you buy whatever it is. A salesman at ABC Warehouse told me recently when I was checking out new fridges that Whirlpool has brought all its manufacturing back to the U.S. and everything of theirs is now made in Ohio, I think it was. Is that true? Sorry for the long message. Hope your column available by email. Signed, Jim."

Reply: Well, Jim, I must thank you for the long message as it hits many subjects I write about and hope to do so for many more years. As for Whirlpool's production standards these days, I will trust the salesperson who gave you this information. I will trust that if you found out he knew different or didn't know what he was talking about, you might not deal with him again. But then again, there is so much fake news going around these days one can never know what to believe.

I also don't like what is being made in China and 95 percent of the recalls I read on my radio show come from exactly that country. I would agree

with the service technician who told you to keep that old 1995 Kenmore washer. It is built like a tank and has two major components that are common to fail. One is the coupler between the transmission and the motor and the other is the plastic lid switch and both of these parts are commonly changed by homeowners. I will help you along the way as my personal email is at the bottom of what you are reading. As for your sister's consideration in sending my column to you, please thank her for me. I wonder if she is the lady I recently met who has saved every one of my columns and places them in a scrap book after she sends copies to relatives across the country.

As for the email system, that is not necessary. You can go to hometownlife.com and read many of the past columns to catch you up on the appliance world news. Meanwhile, stay healthy and remember, "They don't make them like they used to." Stay tuned.

Joe Gagnon can be heard at 8 a.m. each Saturday on WAAM-AM (1600). You may email your problems and questions on appliances to appldr@twm1.rr.com.

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LAUNCHING A PUSH FOR ACCEPTANCE

Renata Soto's initiative collects hearts, reminds that everyone can belong

DAVID PLAZAS
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Each week, this series will introduce you to an exceptional American who unites, rather than divides, our communities. To read more about the American profiled here and more average Americans doing exceptional things, visit one-nation.usatoday.com.

Casa Azafran, adorned with a multi-colored mural atop five arabesque porticos, shines as a beacon on Nolensville Pike, the gateway to the international district in Nashville, Tennessee.

The building houses several nonprofits, which mainly focus on integrating immigrants into American society. Signs are in English, Spanish and Arabic.

Nashville's foreign-born population is about 12 percent, and the Southern city has developed a reputation as a welcoming community.

The rhetoric of the recent election, however, created fear among immigrant families that think that they might be targeted for deportation or discrimination.

Renata Soto — the co-founder and executive director of Conexion Americas, one of Casa Azafran's nonprofits — called on Nashville to respond through love and civic participation.

"We at Conexion Americas have launched a campaign called #Indivisible, which ... tries to remind everyone of all the dreams and aspirations that we share as a people and the inspiration that we draw either as a fifth-generation American or as an immigrant that came yesterday," said Soto, 44, a Costa Rican native who came to the United States to finish college and met her future husband.

"We all are inspired by the ... notion of an indivisible nation where everyone can belong and where everyone's roots and possibilities are celebrated," she added.

People, have been flowing into Casa Azafran to make the symbol of a heart with their hands and appear in photos that are being shared on social media and added to a growing wall mural.

They are also being encouraged to write post cards to members of Congress, advocating for policies that value



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Americans of all backgrounds.

Recently, U.S. Rep. Congressman Jim Cooper of Nashville came to Casa Azafran to receive 300 post cards and hear students' stories.

"So we hope that through the #Indivisible campaign that people raise their hearts but also raise their voices," Soto said. "I am hopeful that a lot of people will find their voice — will raise their voice — that have not before."

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Renata Soto

Location: Nashville, Tenn.

Age: 44

Profession: Co-founder and executive director of Conexion Americas and co-founder and organizer of the #Indivisible campaign.

Mission: Bringing together concerned Nashvillians from all political stripes who commit to protect the ideals upon which this country was founded.

Q&A WITH RENATA SOTO

What does it mean to be an American?

I am an American who is trying to build bridges so that we find the humanity in each other when we look into each other's eyes. We see the same fears, the same dreams, the same humanity. I am an American trying to build bridges and making sure that we uphold the values that have created this indivisible nation where we celebrate the roots and possibilities of all its people.

What moment motivated you to become part of this effort?

So, for now 15 years since we founded Conexion Americas, we have been dedicated to making sure that Latino families have the supports that they need to achieve the dreams that they brought with them, whether becoming a homeowner, starting a business and becoming an entrepreneur, and most importantly seeing that dream of children graduating from high school and being the first in their families to go to college.

What gives you hope?

I think that out of difficult times, trying times, testing times, beautiful things can come from that, and I do hope that as vulnerable as we feel right now, as fearful as we feel right now, as uncertain as we feel, I do feel a sense of energy from people who have not been engaged in the community.

What concerns you?

What we're trying to do through #Indivisible is to make sure that people have a way to connect to that sense of urgency to do something because we are concerned about the tone of the conversation in the country. We are concerned about the policies that might take us back 50 years.

What do you hope to accomplish through your efforts?

Through that campaign, we really hope that it is a way for people to show to each other in very visible ways, through making your sign of a heart in your hands, and showing it to each other, and showing the love to the Muslim Nashvillian, the Latino, the LGBT neighbor. It is also about remembering that if we don't use our voice every day ... we are also accountable and we are also responsible for what happens.

Garden City draws skating competitors

The Garden City Figure Skating Club will host its 38th annual Figure Skating Competition on March 10-11 at Garden City's Civic Arena. More than 200 skaters representing 35 figure skating clubs will convene to compete for the gold.

The civic arena will welcome skaters and visitors from Michigan,

Ohio and Pennsylvania. "We are so excited to see so many skaters competing this year," said Monica Fulton, president of GCFSC. "Our annual competition is a great opportunity for skaters. They all work so hard and strive for excellence every day. It really shows!"

Skaters from GCFSC

competing in this year's competition include Brooklyn Amburgey, Shelby Baker, Kelsey Baker, Emma Carlton, Carlee Carter, Hannah Carter, Sarah Cross, Emily deHaan, Alessandra Donakowski, Cassidy Fulton, Alexis Johnson, Abigail Kilbury, Kaelyn Meyers, Alisha Saile, Jennifer Sherk and Kayla Wallet.

Other nearby clubs whose members will participate include Birmingham Figure Skating Club, Farmington Hills Figure Skating Club,

Livonia, New Edge Figure Skating Club (Royal Oak), Onyx-Suburban Skating Academy (Rochester), Westland Skating Club and Novi Skating Club.

The competition begins at 4:45 p.m. Friday, March 10, and will have 16 events that evening, ending at 9:15 p.m. The competition resumes at 7:45 a.m. Saturday, March 11, and will have 61 events that day, ending at 9:45 p.m.

"Anyone interested in watching some great skating is encouraged to

stop in. Especially if you have a young skater who is just learning to skate; the competitors will inspire them," Fulton said.

Events include freestyle, ice dancing and Learn to Skate programs

and include skaters ages 6 to adult.

The GCFSC provides the Learn to Skate program, including the annual ice show being held May 12-13 at Garden City Civic Arena.

The Novi Twp. Board will hold a public hearing on the proposed township budget for the 2016-17 fiscal year on March 21 at 7:30 pm at 44020 Cottisford Road. A copy of the budget is available for public inspection at 44020 Cottisford. Individuals with disabilities requiring assistance may contact the clerk at (248) 231-6210.

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BUSINESS BRIEFS

ITC has new VP

Novi-based ITC Holdings Corp., the country's largest electric transmission company, has promoted Amy M. Perlman to vice president and controller. Perlman will be responsible for the company's accounting, financial reporting and tax functions. She previously served as director and assistant controller. Perlman has worked at Ally Financial (for-



Perlman

merly GMAC) and Price-waterhouseCoopers. ITC owns and operates high-voltage transmission facilities in Michigan, Iowa, Minnesota, Illinois, Missouri, Kansas and Oklahoma and has about 15,700 circuit miles of transmission line, 660 employees and nearly 1,000 contractors. **AFS honored** Ann Arbor-based Applied Fitness Solutions, which has satellite fitness centers in Plymouth Township and Rochester Hills, was named by the online business resource Entrepreneur.com as having one of the best

company cultures among the nation's small businesses. To come up with the list, Entrepreneur.com, working with Culture IQ, a management software provider, scored companies in 10 different categories: collaboration, innovation, agility, communication, support, wellness, mission and value alignment, work environment and responsibility and performance focus. AFS was 10th on the list among small companies and was the only company in Michigan to make the list. A story about top company cultures will appear in the March issue of

Entrepreneur magazine. **Healthy rating** The DaVita Kidney Care center in Novi, a dialysis provider, has been given the top rating, five stars, by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. Dialysis clinics around the country are rated after CMMS analysis of data around seven measures of quality. DaVita Kidney Care has about 2,300 dialysis clinics around the country that serve about 186,000 patients. **Jobs in Novi** Increased production at the U-Haul's Novi

manufacturing plant has created 60 new jobs there for truck assembly. While assembly experience is valued, it is not required: U-Haul will train new employees. Hourly pay ranges from \$13.07 to \$20.24 based on experience. Job hours will be flexible. Interested candidates should apply at www.u-hauljobs.com and may contact recruiter Shawn McConnell at 602-263-6627. **Job fairs** Weingartz, a family owned chain of outdoor power equipment stores, is hosting job fairs at three locations this

month as it tries to fill more than 40 positions available in Farmington Hills, Clarkston, Utica and Ann Arbor. Positions available include customer service representatives, salespeople, service technicians, and shipping and receiving workers. Applicants should bring a resume. The fairs are: » 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, March 11, at the Utica store, 46061 Van Dyke. » 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, March 18, at the Clarkston store, 6585 Dixie Highway.

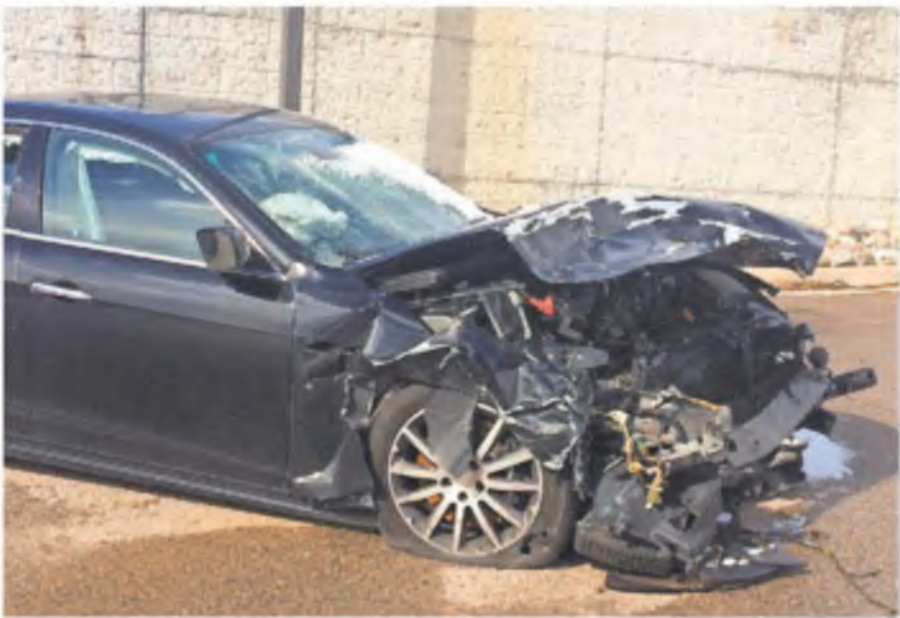
Police: Maserati driver out of control in fatal crash

Jay Grossman
hometownlife.com

It was the evening of Jan. 24 and Bloomfield Township Police Officer Scott Schuknecht just happened to be in the area of Square Lake Road and Woodward Avenue. Traffic on Square Lake Road was slowing down in front of him and a large cloud of dust filled the air in the distance. He drove a little farther and discovered a black Maserati, stalled in the median with its front end smashed and flames shooting out from under the hood. Schuknecht checked the vehicle and found no one inside. He then saw a second car crashed into a white barrier fence, approximately 30 yards from the Maserati. Schuknecht ran to the blue Subaru and found the driver unresponsive and badly injured. In his report, the officer also noted there was a man, later identified as Gregory Allen Belkin, running around the vehicle and laughing. "Gregory said he was the driver of the Maserati several times," Schuknecht wrote in his report. "Gregory said he looked down and looked up while driving and the vehicle he hit was stopped on the road. I reminded him the other driver was seriously injured and laughing was not appropriate."



Belkin



JAY GROSSMAN

When police came upon this Maserati near Square Lake Road and Woodward, it was stalled in the median with its front end smashed and flames shooting out from under the hood.

They believe Belkin dropped his cellphone right before the crash occurred on eastbound Square Lake Road. Police say excessive speeds and alcohol were factors in the crash. According to the data downloaded from the Maserati's event data recorder, Belkin was traveling at approximately 144 mph seconds before impact. Crash investigators at the scene calculated the Subaru's speed at approximately 54 mph. Rhonda T. Williams, 53, the driver of the 2009 Subaru Legacy, was transported to St. Joseph Hospital and pronounced dead. The mother of three was driving from work to her home in Oakland Township when the crash occurred. Belkin, 43, was arraigned three days after the crash on felony charges of second-degree murder and operating under the influence of alcohol, causing death. He pleaded not guilty and was denied bond. He's currently undergoing a competency evaluation to determine if he's mentally fit to stand trial. **Tanning salon** On Jan. 25, Bloomfield Township officers Steve Sherwood and Jason Murphy met with Belkin's roommate, Allen Kakoz, at his job in Birmingham. Kakoz stated he went to a tanning salon with Belkin at about 1 p.m. After returning home, Belkin reportedly turned

around right away and left to tan a second time at a different place. Belkin then returned home at about 4 p.m. According to police reports, Kakoz said he "passed out" in his bedroom at around 5:30 p.m. When he awoke a few hours later, he discovered that Belkin had left the house. Kakoz told police Belkin did not return home that night. Kakoz also told investigators he received a call the next morning from Madison Aleck, an employee at the Parkway Grill who saw a story on the news about a 43-year-old man in a Maserati being involved in a fatal car crash. Police talked with Aleck later that afternoon. The Parkway Grill is located in the Marriott Hotel in Pontiac and Aleck told police that Belkin sat at the restaurant bar and ordered two glasses of wine between 7 p.m. and 8 p.m. According to Aleck, Belkin drank one glass of wine, but only half of the second, before taking a call on his cellphone. He then asked Aleck to have the bartender quickly run the drinks and a bottle of wine on his tab. **'I'm going 100 ...'** Belkin's ex-girlfriend, Kimberly Glazer, met Jan. 25 with Murphy and Sherwood at the Bloomfield Township Police Department. According to police reports, Glazer told the two officers she had recently ended her relationship with Belkin,

but that he was not taking it well. On the day of the crash, Glazer said Belkin had been texting her non-stop in an effort to get her back. One text indicates he drove by her house earlier in the day. Glazer said Belkin called her from the Marriott and insisted on coming over. He arrived at her house at about 8:15 p.m. and presented her with an engagement ring. She told him no and asked him to leave. It was shortly before 9 p.m. when Belkin got back into his Maserati. She told police that she kept her distance from Belkin during the conversation and couldn't tell if he had been drinking. Glazer's cellphone records indicate she received a call from Belkin at 9:02 p.m. The crash itself was first reported to dispatch at 9:04 p.m. She told police that at the end of the phone call, Belkin began reading off odometer speeds. "We'll see how the night goes," Belkin reportedly told Glazer. "I'm going 100, I'm going 120. I'm going 150 ..." At that point, the call disconnected. The Maserati and Subaru were traveling in the same direction on eastbound Square Lake Road, near Emerson Drive. Numerous witnesses on the road reported seeing the Maserati driving at a high rate of speed. One witness told po-

lice he heard the collision and then saw the cars spin. Another driver said the Maserati passed him on the right and was traveling at least 80 mph. A third witness said he heard a booming sound and saw police lights. Schuknecht, the first officer on the scene, detected alcohol on Belkin and asked him to perform several field sobriety tests. After Belkin failed each of the tests, he was handcuffed and arrested for drunken driving, police said. The two were in an ambulance, heading to St. Joseph's hospital so that Belkin could be examined, when Schuknecht updated him on the crash. "I informed Gregory the other driver died due to the accident," Schuknecht wrote in his report. "Gregory began to cry, but would later ask me about the condition of his Maserati and the location of his cellphone." **Belkin interview** On Jan. 26, one day prior to his arraignment, Belkin agreed to talk to investigators without an attorney present. He signed a Miranda Rights form and the conversation was recorded. The interview was held at the Bloomfield Township Police Station. Belkin said on the morning of the crash, he went to a tanning salon in Waterford with his roommate. He didn't like the tanning salon, so he decided to try another one at Square Lake and Telegraph. Belkin reportedly said his memory of that day was "foggy." He reportedly wasn't sure how much he had to drink that day, but was surprised at how high his PBT results were. He reportedly remembered going to Glazer's house and presenting her with the engagement ring. He reportedly did remember stopping at a few places for drinks. He told investigators the crash occurred when he dropped his cellphone in the car and leaned over to pick it up. He did not think he was speeding at the time of the crash, police said. Asked how fast he was driving, Belkin reportedly said sometimes he'll go 80 mph, but will quickly slow down. As far as his conversation with Glazer, Belkin re-

portedly said he told her that he was going over 100 mph "to get a rise out of her." When investigators told him that he was likely traveling over 100 mph, he had no response. According to the police reports, Belkin then raised concerns over how high his bond was going to be and how he would get home because of his damaged Maserati. One of the detectives asked Belkin if he wanted to write a letter to the family of Rhonda Williams. Belkin stated he wanted to and proceeded to write the letter. He then was placed back in his cell to await arraignment. **'I am screwed'** At the arraignment before 48th District Judge Diane D'Agostini, Oakland County Assistant Prosecutor Ken Frazee said Belkin is a 17-year employee of the U.S. Coast Guard and that his main task is painting buoys. Belkin has been a renting a house in Bloomfield Hills since April 2016 and Frazee noted that some of the neighbors around Belkin have complained about him speeding through the neighborhood. The assistant prosecutor noted Belkin actually got into an argument with two of his neighbors over speeding the night before the accident. Frazee told the court that Belkin was previously arrested for drunken driving in Virginia. He also said the Coast Guard is investigating an incident in which Belkin appeared to be intoxicated when he showed up for work in December 2016. "This is a defendant who displayed a depraved indifference to the life and safety of all the people on the road that day," Frazee told the court. "He drank an excessive amount of alcohol ... this is someone who is a danger to the public." In his report, Murphy said Belkin walked out from the arraignment and said to the escorting officers, "I am screwed." Belkin's attorney, Deanna Kelley, did not return phone calls about the case.

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CITY OF NORTHVILLE

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE

At its regular meeting on March 20, 2017, the Northville City Council will introduce for first reading proposed amendments to the City of Northville Zoning Ordinance. The proposed amendments would update several sections of the Zoning Ordinance, as follows:

1. Include covered porches in the definition of lot coverage (Sec. 26.02).
2. Eliminate take-out restaurants as a Special Land Use in the Central Business District, and leave take-out restaurants as a Permitted Use in the Central Business District (Sec. 2.06, 10.03 and 16.07).
3. Allow an additional 12 square feet of wall sign area at a secondary means of access to a business site in the Central Business District (Sec. 21.01).
4. Clarify side yard setback requirements in the business districts described in the footnotes to the Schedule of Regulations (Sec. 15.02).
5. Correct the definition of "Basement" to coordinate with illustration (Sec. 26.02).

Public comments will be received at the City Council meeting scheduled for March 20, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. at the City of Northville Municipal Building – Council Chambers, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan, 48167, 248-349-1300. Written comments may also be submitted to the above address. Complete text of the proposed ordinance amendment is available for review at the City Clerk's Office during normal business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, local prevailing time, or on the City's website www.ci.northville.mi.us.

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Volunteers keep shelves stocked with food



Northville Civic Concern volunteers Noreen Perkins and Frank Eisenhauer help to stock the shelves at the charity Feb. 24. The food bank has two official distribution days a month, the second and fourth Fridays, and provides food and personal care items to more than 200 families in the area. To drop off donations, visit them at 43275 W. Seven Mile Road in the Highland Lakes plaza or call 248-344-1033.



A bulldozer begins to tear down the NAPA auto parts store on Milford Road, just south of M-59 on March 6. The fire began in the morning and was under control by 10 a.m. The fire was fought by firefighters from Highland, Milford and other communities.

Blaze guts auto parts store in Highland Township

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Fire destroyed Highland Auto Supply, 315 N. Milford Road, in Highland Township early Monday morning.

Highland firefighters responded to the call at approximately 5 a.m. and found fire venting through the center of the roof, Fire Chief Ken Chapman said in a press release. The Highland crew called for additional help to battle the blaze and firefighters from Milford, North Oakland Community Fire Authority in Holly, Hartland Deerfield Fire Authority, Springfield, Commerce, South Lyon and Brighton responded.

The store is located on the west side of Milford Road, about a block south of M-59. Portions of M-59 and Milford Road were closed, slowing the morning commute.

“Due to the nature of this type of business and large fire load consisting of vehicle repair, maintenance fluids and parts, our main goal was to contain the fire to the building of origin, as well



A Highland Township fire engine draws water from a pool near the auto parts store.

as contain the hazardous run off from reaching the storm drains,” Chapman said.

The Oakland County Hazardous Materials Team was called to the scene to monitor air quality and release of hazardous materials into waterways.

Laura Palmer, owner of Wee Friends Child Care & Learning Center, said flames were still “shooting out of the building” when she arrived at work at 6:30 a.m. Wee Friends is on the east side of Milford Road, across from the auto parts building.

“It burned to the ground. It’s so sad,” Palmer said. “It’s a

shell.”

Palmer said the blue-colored brick building “had character” and that the store, which sold NAPA auto parts, had been part of the Highland business community for many years.

“I’ve been here 30 years and some of those guys have been there (at Highland Auto Supply) as long as I have. I can’t imagine the inventory that is gone. It’s sad to see two iconic businesses in the area lose their business to fire,” Palmer said, referring to the August 2015 blaze that destroyed the Highland Feed & Supply. The feed store was located about a block south of Wee Friends. It rebuilt and reopened late last year.

Highland Auto Supply was closed at the time of the fire. No serious injuries were reported and the cause of the fire is undetermined.

The Highland Township Fire Department is working with the Oakland County Sheriff’s Office Cause and Origin Team and insurance investigators.

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Firefighting personnel at the scene in Highland.

Bonds always an important part of a diversified portfolio

Q: I’ve been reading on the Internet and in financial publications that when interest rates start to climb, investors should dump their mutual funds that own bonds because the funds will decline in value. On the other hand, I heard it made more sense to own individual bonds, because they never lose money and you’ll always get your money back at maturity. Which advice should I follow?

A: This is such a great question! Given that U.S. stock markets have performed so well since the financial crisis, someone asking about bonds is very exciting. In actuality, bonds are about as boring as they get, but a long-term, diversified portfolio would have a difficult time existing without them. That’s because bonds are important diversifiers to stocks. Think of them as “bread and butter.” Butter always tastes better on bread. Translation: stocks and bonds are a great combination!

I tend to view bonds as the anchor of a portfolio. When stocks are zigging and zagging, bonds tend to hold up reasonably well, even during periods when interest rates are going up. Their volatility reduction is such a huge benefit to owning them and this often gets lost when the financial media jump into a topic that confuses investors. Diversification is an important part of in-



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vesting and, even if you have identified individual bonds you want to own, you still have to own more than one to be diversified. And just because you can own a bond until maturity (say, 10 years) you can still experience fluctuation and decline either due to rising interest rates or credit-related problems.

So while owning individual bonds can help take some of the pressure off of rising rates, they become more difficult to manage in a portfolio. As an example, let’s say you have a stated allocation of 60 percent stocks and 40 percent bonds in your investment portfolio. If stocks dropped significantly, it could result in the allocation of bonds becoming 50 percent of the portfolio. As a result, you would have to sell some of your individual bonds to get the portfolio balance back to 60/40.

Unfortunately, it is more challenging to sell partial shares of bonds due to how they trade.

That’s why I recommend bond mutual funds that invest in more than one particular bond vs. owning individual bonds. With the mutual funds, a seasoned fund manager can buy and sell shares of the variety of individual bonds in the fund as needed. Doing that yourself for

individual bonds you own can be difficult and you may make bad decisions on which ones to sell, which could ultimately hurt your overall portfolio.

Lastly, a key characteristic of bond mutual funds is the reinvestment of interest income, which is used to purchase more shares and helps offset some of the volatility associated with rising interest rates. If you own or invest in individual bonds, then the interest paid does not get automatically reinvested, it merely sits in cash until you do something with it. Depending on the type of bond fund, reinvesting interest income plays an important role in the fund’s total return over time.

If one was concerned about rising rates, then they could invest in bond funds with shorter average maturities, which are less impacted by rising interest rates than bond funds with longer average maturities. Bond funds do not have definitive maturity dates like individual bonds do, but as you can see, investors can take comfort in the advantages bond mutual funds offer no matter what interest rates do going forward.

Good luck!

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GIRLS BASKETBALL

Novi upends Canton for district title

Wildcats win first crown since 2006 with victory

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The last time Novi captured a Class A district title was when the Michigan High School Athletic Association still had girls basketball as a fall sport.

Bill Kelp was the Wildcats' coach in 2006 and, 11 years later, his girls hoisted the trophy once again with a 46-40 victory Friday over Canton in the final at Salem.

"This is one of the toughest districts to get out of," said Kelp, who is in his 14th season. "And just to get to the final game is an accomplishment in this district. You've got Canton going to final four three of those years. Salem making a deep run and Northville ... it's a tough, tough district. We've had



The Novi girls basketball team hoists its first Class A district trophy since 2006.

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some battles and this little team played their hearts out. We beat three very good teams this week. I'm just happy."

The Wildcats, who improved to 17-6, used the same recipe that upended district favorite Northville on Wednesday in the semifinals — stingy defense, holding their own on the boards and making timely free throws.

And despite the team's leading scorer Ellie Mackay picking up two early fouls and sitting on the bench most of the first half, the Wildcats were able to keep their distance from the Chiefs (16-6).

Mackay, a junior point guard who scored a school-record 40 points in Novi's 66-44 win Feb. 22 over Canton, finished with a game-high 20 after scoring just two in the opening half.

Picking up the offensive slack was senior guard Cara Ninkovich, who scored 10 of

her 13 in the first half as the Wildcats held a 22-20 lead.

"She picked up two fouls; it happens," Ninkovich said of Mackay. "I'm pretty comfortable at the point guard, so I knew I had my team to rely on and everyone did a really great job helping out when she had to go off."

Ninkovich was able to shake free around the basket as Chiefs senior forward Shamyia Butler (10 points) stuck to Mackay throughout the game like flypaper.

"I knew that they were going to face-guard Ellie, so I knew I had to get to the basket more, attack more and score," Ninkovich said. "I think we did a good job attacking and picking up fouls. We converted on our free throws, which was huge."

Novi finished the night making 20-of-25 from the foul line, with Mackay going 13-

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BOYS SWIMMING

NOVI'S MURPHY SWIMS IN THE FAST LANE



Senior has set many records this season

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Camden Murphy's first and only high school swim season has been a whirlwind, to say the least.

The Novi High senior, who joined the team in mid-December after completing his club season with Kingfish Aquatic in Waterford, has elevated the Wildcats from top 10 status to a serious title contender going into this weekend's MHSAA Division 1 state finals at Oakland University.

"It's bittersweet, I guess," said Murphy, a junior national age-group champion who has set three individual and two relay school records. "The whole season has gone by really, really fast. I remember my first two practices and my first two meets here and now we're going to states. It's all gone by so fast. I'm really excited."

Defending Division 1 state champion Birmingham Brother Rice, the only team to finish ahead of Novi this season (at the Oakland County Meet), remains the prohibitive favorite to repeat. But the Wildcats hope to make some serious

Novi's Camden Murphy is making the most of his one and only prep swim season.

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BOYS HOCKEY

McKee's late goals give Northville regional title

Mustangs win in OT for first crown since 2008

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Northville's Daniel McKee will be the first to tell you he'll take them any way he can get them.

And the senior forward did just that Saturday, scoring the game-tying goal with only 3:05 left in regulation and the game-winner just 1:41 into overtime to give the Mustangs

their first Division 1 boys hockey regional title since 2008 with a dramatic 3-2 win over Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook at the Dearborn Ice Skating Center's Kilpatrick Arena.

The victory puts Northville (22-6-1) in Wednesday's quarterfinal against Macomb Dakota (15-10-2).

Both of McKee's goals came in scrambles in front of the net, both not anywhere close to being on the artistic side.

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Northville captains (from left) Jack Sargent, Alex lafrate, Nick Williams and Brett Miller receive the Division 1 regional trophy from Dearborn Edsel Ford A.D. Robert Picano.

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GIRLS BASKETBALL

Wildcats stun Northville at district

Novi turns tables in third meeting, 35-32

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Novi's standout junior point guard Ellie Mackay may have summed it up best following the Wildcats' 35-32 upset win March 1 over rival Northville.

"Free throws matter," said Mackay, who finished with a team-high 15 points. "Free throws are what wins games and that's what happened tonight."

Nobody could argue about that key statistic in the Class A girls basketball district semifinal at Salem as Mackay went a perfect 7-of-7 from the line and the Wildcats went 10-of-12 overall for the game.

Northville, which had beaten Novi in two previous meetings, went an abysmal 4-of-16 from the foul stripe, missing eight in the final quarter despite making a furious comeback to take the lead after being down by as many as 14 in the third quarter.

"We had a chance in the fourth," said Northville coach Todd Gudith, whose team finished 17-4. "We certainly ran them down pretty quick, quicker than I probably expected. But you go 2-of-10 in the fourth — and we're usually a better free-throw shooting team than that — that's certainly the difference."

With senior forward Jessica Moorman scoring 10 of her game-high 16 points in the second half, Northville overcame an eight-point halftime and 28-20 third-quarter deficit, going ahead for the first time with 4:05 left in the fourth on Bryce Quick's basket to make it 31-30.

But the critical play came with 2:08 remaining, when Mackay was fouled on a 3-point attempt. She calmly drilled all three foul shots to put Novi back up for good, 33-31.

Northville countered when Quick split a pair of foul shots to make it a one-point game again with 1:33 left. But the Mustangs went 0-of-3 from the line during the final 90 seconds and Mackay drained two more with 31.4 remaining to seal the victory.

"Of all the kids on the team that you don't want to put at the free-throw line, she's definitely not the one," Gudith said of



Northville's quick-thinking Bryce Quick tosses a ball against the head of Novi's Bailey Baubick, so that the ball goes out of bounds and Northville retained possession, during the teams' March 1 district game.

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Northville's Brook Adams (middle) is bumped out of bounds as she goes for a rebound surrounded by Novi's Jessie Bandyk (left) and Bailey Baubick.

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Mackay. "She's basically automatic. A foul shot is like a layup for other kids."

With the win, Novi (16-6) advanced to face Canton (16-5) in the district championship

game.

For the first three quarters, Novi played lights-out defense frustrating the Mustangs while holding them to 20 points on 8-of-29 shooting.

"They're an offense that likes to make you move," Mackay said of Northville. "They move the ball around a lot, so you've got to play defense for a long period of time, but I feel like we really stepped up and got rebounds tonight."

Northville had the clear size advantage up front, but the Mustangs simply couldn't get anything going offensively until the final quarter.

"They kind of sagged defensively and challenged us to take outside shots," Gudith said. "We took a lot of quick triples early and didn't connect on any. And, quite frankly, I don't think we moved the ball very well for ourselves. There was a lot of standing around and that kind of played right into their hand."

The Mustangs did come alive with a full-court press, forcing Novi coach Bill Kelp to burn five of his allotted six timeouts as turnovers began to mount for the Wildcats.

"I think I had one left," Kelp said of his timeout situation. "I was kicking myself and thinking maybe we didn't play enough kids in the third quarter. We were looking gassed in that fourth and they started

chipping away. They started to speed us up in that press and we fell into it. We played in a hurry. Sometimes, we got away with it and got to the basket, but then we didn't convert on them. It was one and done. We can't fall in that trap."

Novi won despite not making a field goal during the final quarter. Julia Lalain, who finished with six points, added the other two free throws with 6:39 left.

"They made us play fast and that's what hurt us in the end but, once we slowed it down, we got ourselves together," Mackay said.

Another key to the win was rebounding, as the Wildcats held their own against the taller Northville front line. C-ara Ninkovich grabbed seven boards, while Bailey Baumbick and Jesse Bandyk each added six.

"The girls adjusted. I'm just proud of the them," Kelp said. "I'm a very proud coach right now."

A year ago, Northville went all the way to the Class A quarterfinals before eventually losing to state champion Warren Cousino, which had four returning starters back this season, including Miss Basketball candidate Kierra Fletcher.

The Mustangs, who won the KLAAs Central Division with a 10-0 record, beat Cousino and Fletcher, 62-51, in their own holiday tournament this season (Dec. 28).

"We got a lot of upset kids right now and rightfully so," Gudith said. "They put their heart and soul into it. We have a team that knows we can battle back and can play with anybody. So being down eight in the third, which maybe would cause most teams to shut down, we knew we still had a fighting chance as long as we kept playing hard."

But the Mustangs' tournament hopes were cut short by Mackay, who returned to the lineup quarter after limping off the court midway through the second quarter, only to return shortly after.

"I landed on someone's shoe, but I'm all right," she said. "But you've got to fight through it and do whatever it will take to win."

And, yes, free throws do matter.

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BOYS HOOPS

Franklin Road cruises in district opener

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Senior Max Holleman's game-high 22 points lifted Novi Franklin Road Christian to a 74-51 triumph Monday over Auburn Hills



Hankerson

Christian in the opening round of the Class D boys basketball district at Waterford Our Lady of the Lakes.

The Warriors, who won their second straight, led 31-30 at halftime before outscoring the Cougars 29-13 in the third quarter to improve to 4-17.

Freshman Mackenzy Blackwell chipped in 16 points and 20 rebounds, while fellow freshman Rahmon Scruggs added 15 points, 10 assists and 10 steals.

"Rahmon did a great job of getting everyone involved and Mackenzy is starting to get in a groove," Franklin coach coach Mike Mikel said.

Andrew James and Elisha Adams led Auburn Hills (11-9) with 15 and 12 points, respectively.

Franklin Road advanced to the district semifinals at Our Lady of the Lakes (6-12).

NOVI 70, WALLED LAKE 43: Junior point guard Trendon Hankerson led the way with 18 points and six assists as the Wildcats (14-6) rolled to a convincing Kensington Lakes Activities Association consolation bracket win March 2 over host Walled Lake Northern.

Novi jumped out to a 39-20 halftime lead as Hankerson made all six of his field goal attempts while adding five assists.

Also contributing to the win for Novi was junior Traveon Maddox Jr. (13 points, eight assists), senior center Jonny Davis (13 points, six rebounds) and sophomore guard Giovanni Miles (10 points, five rebounds). The Wildcats made 14 of 18 free throws (77.7 percent).

Ethan Arick scored a team-best 15 points for the Knights (14-5), who connected on 16 of 19 free throws (84.2 percent).

MILFORD 60, NORTHVILLE 55: Junior guard Aiden Wazarcha connected on six 3-pointers en route to a game-high 22 points March 2 as the Mavericks (12-8) earned the KLAAs consolation bracket victory over the Mustangs (11-9). Senior guard Dominic Dawson and sophomore forward Gunnar Gustafson chipped in 14 and 13 points, respectively, for Milford.

"This is a very strong win for us against a good Northville team," Milford coach David Gilbert said. "I'm happy our seniors to earn the win on their home floor and have that be a lasting memory in our gym. We're playing some good basketball right now and will use that momentum heading into the districts."

Northville senior guard Jake Justice paced all scorers with 25 points, while senior guard Kevin Morrissey and senior forward Phil Jovanovski added 14 and 10, respectively.

Milford was 14-of-22 from the foul line (63.6 percent), while Northville was 7-of-11 (63.6 percent).

"We weren't very efficient on offense and (Milford) made big plays when they had to," Northville coach Todd Sander said.

FRANKLIN ROAD 53, GENESEE CHRISTIAN 51: Freshman Mackenzy Blackwell scored 17 points and pulled down 11 rebounds as Novi Franklin Road Christian (3-17) snapped a nine-game losing streak with a non-conference win March 2 at Burton Genesee Christian (12-7).

Blackwell split a pair of free throws with only three seconds left to put the Warriors up, 53-51. The Soldiers then missed the game-winning 3-point attempt at the buzzer.

Senior Nick Surcheky contributed 12 points, while senior Joshua Beck contributed 10 points and 12 rebounds for the Warriors, who led 30-22 at halftime and 46-36 after three quarters. Dominic Reggio paced Genesee Christian with a game-high 26 points. Keryon Reece added 16.

The Soldiers made 11-of-18 free throws (61.1 percent), while Franklin Road was 5 of 7 (71.4 percent).

DETROIT CC 71, FORDSON 57: Senior forward C.J. Baird continued his hot shooting streak, scoring a game-high 30 points Feb. 28 as host Novi Detroit Catholic Central earned a non-league win over Dearborn Fordson (7-12).

The 6-foot-5 Baird, who nailed four of CC's nine 3-pointers on the night, racked up 21 second-half points.

Senior forward Jack Morris chipped in 10 points, while sophomore forward Davis Lukomski added nine for CC, which made 15 of 21 free throws. Fordson, unable to overcome a 38-27 halftime deficit, got 22 points from Hamze Elzayat and 21 from Yousuf Farhat (on seven 3-pointers).

EVEREST 56, FRANKLIN ROAD 48: Host Clarkston Everest Collegiate (10-9) overcame a 33-22 halftime deficit to pull out a non-league triumph Feb. 28 over Novi Franklin Road Christian (2-17). The Mountaineers were led by Steve Fenske, who scored a game-high 19 points.

Rahmon Scruggs and Mackenzy Blackwell, both freshmen, paced the Warriors with 14 and 10 points, respectively.

"We couldn't buy a bucket in the second half, couldn't get to the free throw line and we kept fouling," said Franklin Road coach Matt Mikel, whose team was outscored 34-15 over the final two quarters.

Everest was 14-of-25 from the free throw line (56 percent), while Franklin Road was 7-of-16 (43.7 percent).

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BOYS BASKETBALL

Novi rallies late to oust Canton from tournament

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Survive and advance. That was Novi's motto in the opening round of the Class A district tournament Monday night as the Wildcats came on late to beat Canton, 57-54, at Northville.

The Wildcats, who erased a seven-point deficit midway through the final quarter, improved to 15-6 and advanced to the district semifinals against Salem (9-11).

Novi won despite making only 22-of-36 free throws (61.1 percent), including 10-of-18 in the final quarter, but it was still enough.

"We talked about how we've got to make free throws to win games in the playoffs," Novi coach Brandon Sinawi said. "And (that) was completely disproved with us winning tonight and us shooting as poorly as we did from line. Again, we'll learn from it and our guys get tougher from it and we'll get back (and) hopefully shoot better from the line on Wednesday."

Canton (13-8) let one slip away after leading by as many as nine in the third quarter and holding



Novi's Jonny Davis (right) gets a shot blocked by Canton's Noah Brown.

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a 50-43 advantage with 4:24 to go in the fourth following a basket by sophomore guard B. Artis White, who led all scorers with 19 points.

After shooting a sizzling 60 percent (14-of-23) in the opening half, the Chiefs cooled down considerably over the final two quarters, going 7-of-31 (22.5 percent).

"I think maybe we took some rushed shots," Canton coach Jim Reddy.

"I can think of a few in the lane, especially. You're not always going to shoot it that great. I think we were stuck on 50 (points) forever. You've just got to find a way to get more stops when you can't score."

Novi took the lead for keeps, 51-50, when Trendon Hankerson split a pair of free throws with only 50.7 seconds left.

The Wildcats' Giovanni Miles then made 6-of-8

free throws during the final 38 seconds to pull out the victory, while a 3-point attempt at the buzzer by Canton's Vinson Sigmon (10 points) from the corner just missed the mark.

Junior guard Traveon Maddox Jr., who got fouled making a triple but didn't convert the free throw in the final quarter, led the Wildcats with 15 points, while senior center Jonny Davis and Hankerson both added 11.

Junior Blake King also connected on a 3-pointer and made the subsequent foul shot for a four-point play in the final minute of the first half.

"We talked about guarding the three-line and keeping them off the free-throw line and we just didn't do that," Reddy said. "But 36 (free throws) in a high school game is an absolute joke."

Junior forward Danny Lanava gave Canton a spark with 13 points, including eight in the first half as the Chiefs led, 33-30. He was a perfect 5-of-5 from the field and 3-of-3 from the foul stripe.

"It's out the ordinary, but he's been coming around," Reddy said of Lanava. "He's pretty hard-nosed and that's the

best he's finished around the rim all year. He's done a pretty good job that last month. He gave us a big lift off the bench."

It was a struggle for Novi for three quarters, but the Wildcats were able to come away with the victory.

"Our kids responded, especially in that fourth quarter with their defense," Sinaw said. "We learned a lot from this game. Normally, you learn a lot from losses. We learned a lot from this win tonight. We're going to come back better and ready to go Wednesday against Salem."

Canton's demise was a 2:54 scoring drought late in the final quarter before White made two free throws with 16 seconds remaining, followed by a basket from Chase Meredith with only 6.4 seconds left to play.

"Those little things hurt us, but we didn't get enough stops and we couldn't get a score," Reddy said. "It was 50-43 (lead) and we just couldn't get over the hump and extend the lead there."

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BOYS BASKETBALL

Northville bounces Shamrocks from district

Catholic Central's season ends at 13-7

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Northville's Jack Burke might have only scored one point and fouled out, but his presence on the court in Monday's 52-39 boys basketball Class A district win over Novi Detroit Catholic Central spoke volumes.

A full-time starter as a junior, Burke missed Northville's first 19 games this season after the quarterback went down in his final football game last November with a broken foot.

"Jack is energy and is a special young man," Northville coach Todd Sander said. "He picked a great game to score his first points tonight. He made a free throw. When he started to come to practices a couple of weeks ago, our practices started to get ratcheted up. That's the type of young man he is."

Playing before a large and boisterous home crowd, the Mustangs controlled the game pret-



As Catholic Central's Jack Morris (left) looks on, Northville's Gustaf Tjernberg goes up for a rebound during the district game at Northville High School.

ty much from start to finish to improve to 12-9.

Senior guard Jake Justice led the way with game-high 16 points, while 6-foot-5 Swedish exchange student Gustaf Tjernberg added 13 points in his finest 32 minutes as a Mustang.

"Gustaf did a great job," Burke said. "He rebounded all night. We got some easy offensive rebounds, defensive

rebounding we did well and we dominated the boards."

Northville led 14-8 after one quarter, 26-18 at halftime and 41-27 after three quarters (thanks to a triple from senior guard Colin Latta with 1:27 left).

The Mustangs stretched their lead to 44-29 when Latta nailed another 3-pointer to start the fourth quarter and

the Shamrocks never got closer than 10 the rest of the way.

"We had a good idea of what they were going to do on offense, so we tried to stop that and make them go to something else," Burke said. "I think that really threw them off their rhythm and then we just competed and played really hard. That's what put us over the top."

CC had a hard time shooting, going only 14-of-41 from the field (34.1 percent).

"We've spent a lot of time prepping for this game," Sander said. "Credit coach (Sean) Turner and coach (Ed) Kritch. Once the (KLAA Central) division was out of the reach of ours, we really turned a lot of our focus in preparation to get ready for this game. So we had a pretty good idea of how they were going to play. And all of our guys, from the first guy to last guy, and the JV guys we just brought up, really bought in over these last three days to get ready for tonight."

CC senior forward C.J. Baird, who had come into the game on an offensive roll with 30- and 28-point

outings, finished with a team-high 11 points, along with senior guard Brandon Recto.

"Right down from the first half, we had (Northville) down for nine offensive rebounds and that's just too many," CC coach Bill Dyer said. "We lost some shot opportunities with some missed layups and then they beat us up on the glass and then they controlled the tempo after that."

Northville shot 47.2 percent from the field (17-of-36) and made 14-of-20 free throws (70 percent).

And when the Mustangs did miss on a possession, it seemed they would always come up with an offensive board and then convert for a timely 3-pointer.

"I was really glad how hard we fought on the glass," Sander said. "It's been a weak point for ours on and off this year. To see it come together in an important game was very exciting."

Northville advanced to the district semifinals against Plymouth (9-11). The Wildcats beat Northville earlier this year, 59-56.

"They're a really good team," Sander said. "We spent a lot of energy tonight, but we're getting ready for them tomorrow and enjoy this one tonight."

Catholic Central ended its season at 13-7.

"They're great students, really super human beings, better people than players," Dyer said of his 2016-17 squad. "It didn't pan out for us tonight, but we've had a pretty good season. We had a lot of good wins and a lot of great moments with each other, a lot of laughs. We did the best we could."

As for Burke, he hopes he can make up for lost time while logging some valuable minutes in his new role off the bench. It was only his second game back, but he is already proving to be a valuable asset.

"I don't know how to describe it," Burke said. "Getting a win, coming back, my first home game, beating CC this year, our crosstown rival ... I can't really put it into words. It's amazing."

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waves when the prelims start Friday with Murphy leading the way.

"It was just fun to watch him in practice," Novi coach Brent Pohlonski said. "You see someone who can train at that level day in and day out and it was just great and he makes it so effortless. You just look him ... he looks average and then you look up at the clock and see how fast he's really going. It just blows your mind. To just see him go that fast in practice makes me think we're in store for some really big things this week. I think it's going to be fun."

Top butterflyer

Although the University of Georgia signee has demonstrated his versatility in just a short period of time with the Wildcats, the 100-yard butterfly remains his signature event.

In 2015 at the USA Swimming Speedo Junior Winter Nationals in Atlanta, Murphy set an age group record in the 100-yard butterfly of 46.25, only to have it broken the same day by just 0.02 seconds in similar meet in San Antonio, Texas, by 2016 Olympic Trials finalist Michael Andrew of Lawrence, Kan., the youngest U.S. swimmer ever to turn professional at age 14.

Murphy's best butterfly time this season is an Oakland County and

school-record 47.94, which is well within the range of the MHSAA all-class record of 47.51 set by Battle Creek Lakeview's Clay Youngquist in 2011. Just this past week, Murphy broke the KLAA Kensington Conference record in the 100 butterfly (48.12).

Murphy also set a new Oakland County mark in the 200 individual medley, as he swam a school-record 1:49.10, which would have placed him third in last year's Division 1 state finals.

More records

He added a school record in the 100 backstroke (51.33) at the KLAA Central Division meet and has posted times off the blocks of 21.95 and 46.76 in the 50 and 100 freestyles, including relay splits of 20.84 (Oakland County) and 45.93 (anchoring at the conference meet).

Murphy has been a part of school-record 200 freestyle relay (1:26.85 at Oakland County) and the 400 freestyle relay (3:11.07, which was also a conference record.)

"He so wants to get better," Pohlonski said. "He's very humble. He doesn't come in here with the aura that he's super great and he knows everything. He's been a great team player. Every time we have a meet and I say, 'Hey, thinking about putting you in this event or that event' and he'll usually just say, 'Put me wherever you need me.' And that's great. The good thing is that a lot of the guys on the team

knew him and were friends with him ahead of time, so when I had talked to our captains about the possibility of him joining with us, they were all behind it right away. I even said, 'Having him join us, you could lose relay spots at the state meet now' and they were, like, 'Let's do it.' They were still really excited to have him here."

Getting started

Murphy, the only child of Jamie and Monyka Murphy, found his athletic niche at an early age.

"I've always gravitated towards the water," he said. "We live five minutes from Lifetime Fitness in Novi and, when I was younger, we'd just go to the pool and I always loved going in the water and going down the water slide. And I never took swim lessons, but my parents decided to put me in YMCA swimming and I just went from there jumping from club to club and I got a lot faster over the years."

Teammate Joey Berman, a senior captain and state placer (ninth) in the 100 backstroke last year, first crossed paths with Murphy as 9-year-olds on rival Novi swim clubs. Murphy swam for the Spartans, while Berman swam for the Spurgeons.

"I distinctly remember being at the 10-and-under state meet and they were congratulating him and the entire crowd cheered because he had just broken the national record in the 50 fly," said Berman, who has been

accepted to Boston University and Carnegie Mellon, but would like to swim at Michigan. "I think it was kind of right then that I knew he was something special and, through the years, he's going to be something special."

Berman is glad Murphy decided to join the team for his senior year after training his first three high school years under coach Brad Brockway at Kingfish.

Fun teammate

"It's been really fun," Berman said. "Just the fact to have somebody that's such a talent training with you and swimming in the same lane with you, you almost want to be better because you're racing against him and you want to be as fast as he is. Also, he's a really cool guy to be with. He's funny and he makes practice easier to get through. You definitely don't want to be caught by him, because it's a scary thought of him swimming right behind you."

After winning the USA Swimming Speedo Junior Winter Nationals East title last December in the 100-yard butterfly (46.84) and placing ninth in the 200 butterfly (1:46.25), Murphy decided to take the plunge and join his high school team.

"It was a really hard adjustment, because we had to do doubles before school," he said. "In club swimming, I never had to do doubles before school. Having to do that every day and having to swim a

meet every Thursday was a really hard adjustment, but I got used to it and I think it really benefited me for the season and I think I'll really do well at states."

And even though he did doubles during the winter and summer breaks with his club team, Murphy had to change his internal clock.

Quick adjustment

"It was definitely rough trying to manage my time with school and swimming," he said. "I had to go to bed earlier. We get up earlier, so I have to get more sleep and we're doing more yards, more swimming, so you have to get more rest."

But Murphy quickly made a smooth transition and swimming for his school proved to be rewarding in more ways than one.

"I don't think anything surprised me," he said. "I knew it was going to be really exciting. I think the team atmosphere is really positive. I think what really surprised me was going to morning practices and everyone had such a positive attitude at 4:30 in the morning."

After placing seventh as a team in last year's state finals, Novi hopes to play spoiler role of unseating three-time defending champion Brother Rice, which enjoyed a 48.5-point margin over the Wildcats at Oakland County.

"The moment Camden decided to join us we already had a good team

coming in," Pohlonski said. "We run time trials the first week and our guys coming back were already faster than they were a year ago, so that alone would have been enough to be excited about. When Camden wanted to be a part of the team, that just elevates you right into one of those top teams in the state. To be mentioned in the conversation is a thrill for us. The rankings have us third right now and we're enjoying the ride."

After Saturday's state meet, Murphy will travel to Orlando, Fla., to compete in the Junior Nationals. He'll also participate this summer in the U.S. Nationals in Indianapolis, which is a World Trials qualifier. (Murphy's personal best 100-meter butterfly time of 53.79 also came in a 2015 meet held in Indianapolis.)

He'll then take a few weeks off before heading to his next destination, the University of Georgia, where he'll swim in the fall under 2016 U.S. Olympic coach Jack Bauerle.

But Murphy has some unfinished high school business before he turns the page.

"I think we really good chance this year," he said of his Novi team. "We have a lot of fast seniors, juniors and sophomores. This our biggest team by far that we're taking to 'states.' I think it will be extremely close this year."

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NORTHVILLE

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"They count the same," McKee said. "Just get to the net, put it in the net."

The game-winner was described afterward as a "dirty goal." Teammates Jack Sargent and Nick Bonofiglio drew the assists.

"We got a quick shot," McKee said. "We had, like, four guys crashing to the net and, luckily, it slid through. It's was a nice, clean backhand, the ones you work on in practice. It slid right through. We'll take it."

Cranbrook, which opted to move up from Division 3 to Division 1 this season, owned the first period, outshooting the Mustangs 13-4 while getting a somewhat fluky goal at 4:42 from junior Stefan Topouzian on what appeared to be a routine shot outside the blue line that cleared the shoulder of a stunned Northville senior goalie Brett Miller.

"A lot of these guys



Northville celebrates its first regional boys hockey title since 2008 after a 3-2 overtime win over Cranbrook.

haven't been here before," Northville coach Clint Robert said. "First time in a regional final in seven years, so I think there were probably a little nerves the first period. And, obviously, God bless Miller, he's been our anchor all year and we were 100-percent determined not to let that be the fate."

Northville began to turn things around in the second period, outshooting the Cranes 14-10 as Alex Iafrate tied it at 10:23 on a backhand off a rebound, with Devin Laba and Nick Williams drawing assists, to tie the score 1-1.

Cranbrook regained the lead, 2-1, with 11:59

remaining in the second period on a goal by Blake Johnson from Alex Lyckett and Case Kantgias..

McKee then sent the game to OT when he banged home a loose puck in front of Cranbrook goaltender Colin Rutter with only 3:05 remaining, with Bonofiglio collecting the assist.

After McKee's goal, officials huddled briefly to make a final ruling, much to the chagrin of Cranbrook's bench.

"The (official) who was in perfect position behind the net that waved it off said that he thought the net moved," Cranes coach Andy Weidenbach said. "And he

was overruled by the linesman that was outside the blue line. I've never seen that happen before, but I can't change it and it is what it is."

The lanky 6-foot-2 Miller stood tall over the final period and in OT, finishing with a total 25 saves.

"Miller has been unbelievable," Robert said. "We told him, 'We got you' and he has, too, the second and third period. Miller was outstanding."

Rutter made 24 saves for the Cranes, who finished 15-12-1.

"We played good enough to win," Weidenbach said. "It was a good game; the shots were even. I think we both had good scoring opportunities, so the game could have gone either way. It's a shame somebody has to lose a game like that, because both teams deserved to win."

During Weidenbach's tenure, Cranbrook has captured 10 MHSAA state championships, including nine Division 3 state titles and one Class

B-C-D crown. This is the Cranes' first season in D1.

"It wasn't my decision, it was something the school decided to do," Weidenbach said of the switch. "It didn't matter to me. The competition in every division is really good. Our (Division 3) region has been a little bit weak the last couple of years, but the competition has been great all the way through, so I have no complaints in any division."

"We're really young. We have only four seniors dressed, so the upside is that we're young and we got a lot of guys some valuable experience for the future."

The Mustangs had circled the regional final on their calendar well before the season, with the idea ending a nine-year regional drought.

"We decided to say, 'Hey, you know what? We've been talking about this game for 123 days and that's all we've been talking about,'" Robert said. "Our whole goal all was to get to this game, beat Cranbrook and

we're halfway there. Obviously, we knew Cranbrook was a hell of a team and hats off to them as well."

Going into the OT intermission, Robert reinforced what was at stake in the dressing room.

"We've been talking about, 'What's our team's moment? Our program's moment?'" he said. "We had one, but it was eight or nine years ago. We needed a new moment. Get pucks to the net, crash the net, get ugly goals and let's make our moment."

And for McKee, it was a signature moment he and his teammates could sense going into OT.

"Coming from Northville, the private schools always win a lot, but we're getting tired of it and it's time to turn the program around and beat the private schools and we've got more to go," he said. "It's our seniors last chance here. We're not about to blow it. Send the Cranbrook boys home."

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BOYS HOCKEY

Shamrocks rally to advance to quarters

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After a pair of 8-0 blowout victories in the opening two rounds of the boys hockey state tournament, Novi Detroit Catholic Central got a severe test in Saturday's Division 1 regional final against Utica Eisenhower.

Jared Lee notched a hat trick and added one assist as the three-time defending state champions broke a 2-2 deadlock with three unanswered

goals in the final period to beat the Eagles, 5-2, at Suburban Ice Macomb.

Zachary Sprys-Tellner scored the game-winner at the 43-second mark of the final period, assisted by Austin Roell and Nicco Zervos.

Brendan West then made it 4-2, from Lee and Michael Considine, at 11:39 and Lee's unassisted empty-netter at 15:10 put the game out of reach.

"I can't say we played our best game, but we had to gut out a win in the third period in some

tough circumstances," CC coach Brandon Kaleniecki said. "Tied 2-2 going into the third in their barn and their crowd, not playing our best, we found a way to put together a solid third and move on. We found the urgency that we didn't have in the first periods and finished off the game."

Eisenhower (16-11-1) got on the board at 6:43 of the first period on Keegan Nolan's goal from Nick Cvetanovski, but Lee countered for CC

at 14:53 of the same period, with Michael Considine collecting the first of his three assists.

Lee scored his second of the game just 14 seconds into the second, assisted by Considine, while Matthew Haist countered with power-play goal for Ike from Zachary Hamilton to knot the game at 12:49.

CC wound up outshooting the Eagles, 31-9.

Eisenhower goaltender Dominic Bard made 27 saves, while CC's Sean Finstrom was called upon

to make just seven.

"It was a gritty, hard-fought game, as we knew it would be," Kaleniecki said. "Their goalie played really well and made some great saves, especially in the first two periods."

The Shamrocks (20-7-1) advanced to the state quarterfinals, scheduled for Wednesday against Bay City Central-Western (19-9).

"We did a good job limiting their chances all day and didn't give up a lot of shots, but still a

tied game in the third," Kaleniecki said. "So we faced some adversity there and found a way to get through it. They played really hard and we knew it was gonna be a really competitive hockey game. Our coaches were pleased with the third and the character we showed to grind out a win when facing some adversity."

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BOYS HOCKEY



Stevenson goalie Will Tragge (right) makes the save against Novi's David DeNova.

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Stevenson holds off Novi upset plans at regional

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With a loaded field of teams, the road to an MHSAA Division 2 boys hockey state championship is going to be a gauntlet.

Livonia Stevenson, which has been to three of the last four state finals, found that out ast Thursday and survived a stiff challenge from upset-minded Novi to earn a 3-2 regional semifinal win at Novi Ice Arena.

"I just don't want my last game to be this one," said Stevenson senior Alex Walkuski, who scored the game-winning goal on a power play late in the second period. "I want to win the last game of the season, the state championship."

Stevenson (16-10-1), D2 state runner-up the last two years, spotted the Wildcats (10-14-2) a two-goal lead in the opening period, only to

respond with three unanswered goals and advance to regional final against White Lake Lakeland (14-12).

Walkuski's game-winner came with only 6.5 seconds left in the second period to break a 2-2 deadlock after the Wildcats' David DeNova was sent off for a roughing penalty just 24 seconds earlier.

"Julian Decina came around the net and I figured I should probably go in front," Walkuski said. "He tossed it in front and I just happened to whack it in the right place and it just went in."

Walkuski, who has 21 points on the year with five goals and 15 assists, also had a game-winning goal just eight days earlier in a 4-2 win over Warren De La Salle.

"Alex Walkuski has been through a lot for us and been in these moments and we're just very happy for him to

get a goal like that," Stevenson coach David Mitchell said.

Meanwhile, the game-tying goal by senior Ryan McCamant came just 50 seconds into the second period on a shot from the right point that Novi goaltender Manny Legace Jr. (29 saves) got screened on. Sam Judd and Justin Alton drew the assists.

It was McCamant's first career goal as a Spartan and he couldn't have timed it any better.

"To have a goal and a moment like that ... it's nice to see them rewarded and have moments like this," Mitchell said.

Novi senior Zach Perpich scored the game's first two goals, with the first at the 58-second mark of the first after he pounced on a Stevenson turnover and went top shelf to beat Stevenson goalie Will Tragge (21 saves).

Perpich followed up his unassisted goal with

a perfectly timed tip-in on a power play at 4:41 of the same period, with Derek DuBois and Cam Czapski drawing the assists.

The Spartans, however, did get on the board at the 11:17 mark of the first on Vincent Decina's goal from brother Julian and Kevin Stefanick to trim the deficit to 2-1.

But after Novi outshot Stevenson 11-7 in the first period, the tables turned for the Spartans during the second.

Stevenson outshot Novi 16-3 in the second period and put plenty of pucks in the Wildcats' defensive end.

"We knew they were going to come back in the second and they took it to us," Novi coach Mark Vellucci said. "I thought that penalty (on DeNova) was a questionable call, but that's the way the game goes sometimes and you got overcome it. Yeah, it was a tough goal to give up

late in the period. But we pushed back in the third and it was one-goal game that could have gone either way."

Novi couldn't convert on a pair of third-period power-play chances and then took a costly penalty with only 2:42 left , which prevented the Wildcats from pulling Legace for the extra attacker until only 20 seconds remained.

Novi's Ryan Fonda, however, got off a decent shot from the blue line that deflected over the top of the goal with three seconds remaining in one last-ditch attempt after Vellucci had called a timeout.

"We had two break-aways and didn't get a shot off, hit a post on a blocked shot there," Vellucci said. "Any of those things that happen different for us, it's anybody's ball game."

In the first meeting between the two teams Dec. 9, host Novi came

away with a 4-2 win. The Wildcats started the season 8-1-2, but injuries turned their season upside-down.

With nine seniors playing their final game, the mood in the Novi locker room afterward was somber, to say the least.

"I thought Manny (Legace), compared to where he is now and when he was a sophomore ... night and day," Vellucci said. "It's sad for the seniors. We had good senior leadership this year ... Cam Czapski, Brandon Kour, Anthony Luongo. To go out like this is a heartbreak and I'm sure I'm going to go in there now and see some crying tears. But it's the way it goes. Everybody got their money's worth tonight. Saw a good high school game between two good programs."

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BOYS HOCKEY ROUNDUP

Defending champ Catholic Central freezes South Lyon

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South Lyon Unified's boys hockey season came to a swift end March 1 as three-time defending MHSAA Division 1 state champion Novi Detroit Catholic Central rolled to an 8-0 triumph in the regional semifinal at the Farmington Hills Ice Arena.

The Shamrocks (19-7-1) outshot SLU 38-10 as Brendan West led the way with two goals and one assist. The game ended after two periods because of the eight-goal

mercy rule.

Jared Lee and Michael Considine both added a goal and two assists, while Dylan Montie collected a goal and assist.

Other CC goal scorers were Zachary Sprys-Tellner, Nicco Figano and Mitch Morris.

Rylan Clemons and Austin Roell contributed two assists apiece.

Patrick Brandemihl, Jack Chartier, Nicco Zervos, Spencer Kimball and goalie Joe Pernecky (10 saves) chipped in one assist each for the Shamrocks.

Goalie Jared Paugh

made 30 saves for South Lyon (10-14-1).

NORTHVILLE 8, MONROE 0: Nick Bonofiglio notched a pair of goals and added one assist March 1 as the Mustangs (21-6-1) took two periods to mercy Morrice United (9-15-1) in a Division 1 regional game at the Dearborn Ice Skating Center.

The Mustangs, who led 3-0 after one period, also got one goal and two assists from Danny Scorzo, while Ty Kilar, Daniel McKee, Noah Eckerle and Easton Rea each added one goal and one assist.

Devin Laba had the other Northville goal, while Nate Czarnota finished with three assists. Other assists went to Alex Iafrate, Joe Toban, Nick Bogenhagen and Luke Skilman.

Northville outshot Monroe 34-7 with Brett Miller, who played the first 25 minutes, and backup Colin Smith, who played the final five, combining for the shutout.

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Catholic Central's Jared Lee (middle) battles along the boards with South Lyon's Grant Gardiner (left) and Ashton Jones.

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PREP WRESTLING

Five Shamrocks repeat at D1 state finals

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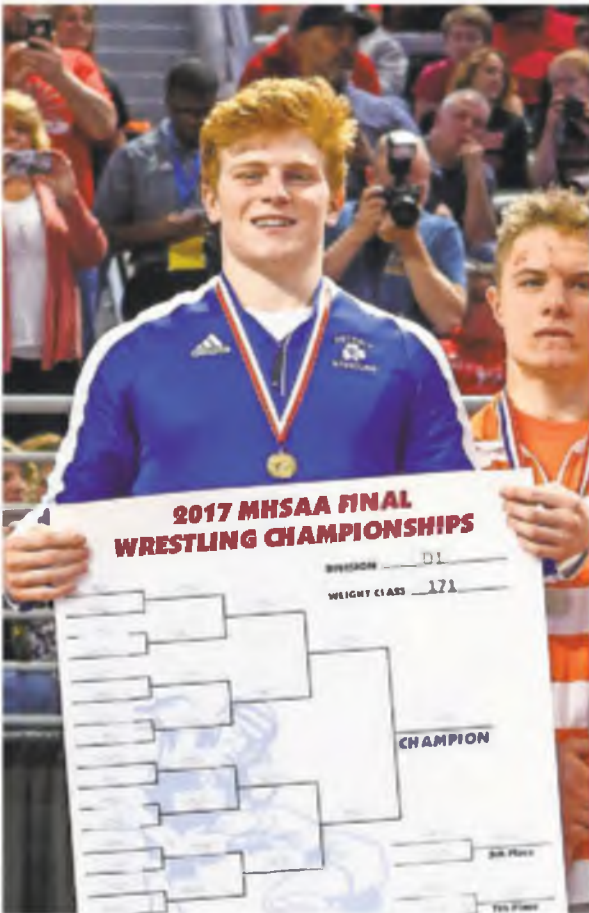
It was icing on the cake with a cherry on top for five Novi Detroit Catholic Central wrestlers Saturday at The Palace of Auburn Hills. The Shamrocks' quintet of Cameron Amine (145 pounds), Ty Morland (171), Nick Jenkins (285), Ben Kamali (112) and Kevon Davenport (130) all repeated as individual state champions at the MHSAA Division 1 state finals. They were among a total of 14 CC grapplers who qualified for the state finals, with teammates Jackson Ross (215) and Rhett Newton (112) both taking third. Derek Gilcher (119) was fourth, while Devon Johnsen (103) took seventh. Morland, who is headed to wrestle at Northwestern University, capped his senior year with a perfect 37-0 record by defeating Portage Northern's Matthew Heaps in the final on a technical fall, 17-2. En route to the title, Morland scored wins over Danny Smyk (Utica), a pin in 0:50; Sam Greco, a 7-0 decision; and Austin Malczewski (Romeo), an 18-3 technical fall.

Jenkins, a fellow senior who will wrestle next year at Central Michigan, won all of his matches by close decisions, defeating Austin Emerson (Temperance Bedford) in the final, 3-2, after beating Rahmi Khalil (Macomb Dakota), 2-0; Nic Lloyd (Grandville), 2-0; and Aaron Gilmore (Davison), 4-1. Jenkins finished the year 46-1 overall. "Just remarkable poise, leadership and commitment," CC coach Mitch Hancock said of his two outgoing senior state champs. "They do all the little things right. Great kids, great individuals. I've never met two more humble state champions in my life."

Not to be outdone was Amine, a sophomore who racked up a 45-3 record this season, capped by a 9-3 decision in the final over Danny Pheffer of Fraser. Other wins came against Brian Case (Davison), 1-0 in the semifinals; Nick Bleise (Brighton), 20-5 technical



Shamrocks senior Nick Jenkins captured the 285-pound state crown for the second year in a row.



CC senior Ty Morland captured his second straight 171-pound D1 state title.

fall; and Braxton Gabold (Flushing), 7-5. "Cam is our leader in the room, even though he's a sophomore," Hancock said. "Just a workaholic. He has all the respect of his teammates. He's very vocal, very loud and he controls the tempo in that room, he really does." Kamali, a junior, went 41-3 on the year, finishing with a pin in 3:31 against Battle Creek Lakeview's Bryce Brust in the final. Kamali also earned victories over Jack Samuels (Hudsonville), a 11-3 major decision; Corey Cavanaugh (Hartland), a pin in 2:34; and Michael Thackthay (Holt), a pin in 54 seconds. "Kamali is just a scorer. He reminds me of Ken Bade," Hancock said. "He just a kid who likes to put points on the board. He's got the highest-pitched voice you'll ever want to meet. He's just a fantastic young man, he really is. He's a scorer and likes a fast-paced match." Davenport, also a sophomore, avenged a 6-4 regional loss to Wood-

haven's Xavier Graham by posting a 4-3 victory in the final. Davenport, who went 43-3 overall, also defeated Conor Donahue (Clarkston), a 9-0 major decision; Jack Snauko (Grandville), a 10-1 major decision; and Garrett Tyrrell (Oxford), a 9-3 decision. "Davenport is a winner, he's a champion," Hancock said. "He just has all the right attributes. Extremely confident, yet not arrogant. He works hard and understands the sport very well. He's a very smart wrestler and I think that showed in the finals, when he was able to get some revenge on that kid who beat us two weeks ago." Ross, meanwhile, lost in the semifinals to eventual champion Ben Cushman of Flushing, 5-3, but rebounded to beat Monroe's Zack Kramer in the third-place match, 7-6. Ross, who went 5-1 over the three-day tourney, finished 29-10 overall. Newton, a sophomore who competed in the same weight class as Kamali, lost to Brust in

the semifinals, 7-4, but rebounded to win his final four matches, defeating Dakota's Justin Tiburcio for third, 8-2. Newton finished the year at 36-9 overall. "What resiliency those two guys showed," Hancock said of Ross and Newton. "Rhett beat a kid who beat us earlier in the year and just wrestled an extremely great tournament. The kid he lost to (Brust) ended up taking second, then got stuck (by Kamali) in the finals. For Rhett to do that as a sophomore showed that type of composure and was pretty awesome." "And Jack Ross, what a way to go out as a senior. He's just come such a long way in the last two or three years. He's just a great athlete who understood the sport and really, really works hard." Gilcher, a freshman, won four of six matches, suffering a 6-4 semifinal loss to eventual champ Rayvon Foley of Ann Arbor Pioneer. Gilcher, who was pinned in the consolation final by Anchor Bay's Jack Medley (1:24), finished the year 32-10 overall. "We were one situation away from being in the finals as a freshman," Hancock said. "He lost to Foley in a close match. He's got a great career wearing the CC singlet."

Also placing was Johnsen, a junior, who wound up going 3-2 in the tourney, defeating Hartland's Wyatt Nault, 6-1, for seventh place, while finishing the year at 35-12. "He had a good outing," Hancock said. "It's obviously not what he wanted or what we wanted, but he got to finish with his hand on top and his hand raised in his last match of the day. That's important and he did that to a kid (Nault) who beat him earlier in the team state tournament. He got a little revenge win there." CC individual state qualifiers who did not place were Stone Moscovic (125), 29-13 overall; Dane Flynn (189), 30-11; Easton Turner (171), 25-11; Aiden Wagh (152), 30-14; and Joe Urso (140), 35-15.

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PREP GYMNASTICS

Runner-up Northville reaches state finals

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For the first time since 2010, the Northville gymnastics team punched its ticket to the upcoming MHSAA state finals after earning a runner-up honors in the regional meet Saturday at Plymouth High School. Canton edged the Mustangs for the team title, 143.425-142.450. Also earning a spot this Friday in the finals were third-place finisher Plymouth (141.050) and Livonia Blue (140.400), which earned a wildcard spot in the 13-team field. The team state finals will start at 2 p.m. Friday at Plymouth and will also include two-time defending champion Rockford/Sparta, runner-

up Grand Rapids Forest Hills, Farmington, Grand Ledge, Lowell, Howell, Port Huron and Troy/Avondale. "We are beyond proud of this team's commitment to excellence and improvement this season and can't wait to represent Northville at states this coming weekend," Northville coach Erin McWatt said. Junior Erin McCallum was Northville's individual regional standout, placing third in the Division 1 all-around with a score of 36.30, which included first in vault (9.125), third on balance beam (9.45) and a tie for seventh on floor exercise (9.2). She also was 10th on the uneven parallel bars (8.425). The Mustangs won a total of three individual

regional titles as sophomore Mackenzie Willson was the Division 1 beam champ (9.55), while junior Grace Jankowski earned a title on the Division 2 uneven bars (9.125). Jankowski was also second on vault (9.05) and fifth in the all-around (34.525). Other Mustangs headed to the individual state finals, which start at noon Saturday at Plymouth, include freshman Maria Scavnicky and senior Rachel Robitaille, who placed fifth and sixth on the Division 1 uneven bars with scores of 8.7 and 8.65, respectively. Willson and Robitaille placed ninth and 10th, respectively, in the Division 1 all-around with scores of 35.275 and

34.750, respectively. Senior co-captain and four-time letter winner Emma Cemalovic topped off the evening with a career-high 8.55 on the Division 2 floor (28th) in her final appearance for the Mustangs. Other Division 1 champions included Victoria Faber (Canton), all-around (36.60) and uneven bars (9.475), and Saydee Viau (Livonia Red), floor (9.45). Livonia Blue's Jessica Weak was the Division 2 champion in the all-around (35.65) and vault (9.15). Canton's Rachel Socia took the balance beam (9.15), while Livonia Red's Mikaela Hille won floor exercise (9.35).

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Northville senior co-captain Emma Cemalovic competes on the balance beam during the regional meet Saturday at Plymouth.

NOVI

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of-15. "When when you've got guards like ours that can make free throws, it's an advantage," Kelp said. "There's no question about it. You've got a guard (Mackay) who has shot over 200 free throws and a guard (Ninkovich) who's got over 100 free throws this year. That's unheard of." Mackay scored eight third-quarter points as Novi led by as many as

nine while taking a 35-28 advantage into the fourth. The Chiefs tried to make a late run, getting a 3-pointer from senior forward Erin Hult (nine points) with just under a minute left, but Mackay canned 3-of-4 foul shots in the final 40 seconds to seal the win. "Although this team might be as talented, I think this team works harder than other teams I've played with in any sport," Ninkovich said. "And I think this is a really well-deserved win and a well-deserved

trophy we got." Canton shot 34.6 percent from the floor (18-of-52) compared to Novi's 12-of-30 (40 percent), but the Chiefs went only 1-of-5 from the foul stripe. "We did have shots," Canton coach Rob Heitmeyer said. "The first 14 games of the season, we were actually shooting a percentage of about 44 percent in games. In the last eight games, we kind of lost a little bit that moxie that we had early in the year. We work hard to get the kids open. Again, it's

district playoff time. It's a lot like hockey. Anytime you're in the playoffs, it's a little more physical, a little more fast, refs let a little more go and so we expected that. Our girls did the best they could to battle through it." And although the Chiefs limited Mackay to 20 fewer points than the previous outing, they couldn't quite corral the junior point guard down the stretch. "Of course, they made an adjustment the first half," Heitmeyer said of Novi. "Ellie was

going to come out. She shot two threes on their first two possessions. She made one and missed one, but the idea was definitely to get the ball back in Ellie's hands more and we did our level best to deny her whenever we could." Ninkovich's play the first half was especially key after Mackay got into early foul trouble. "Cara is a senior and that's her job to grab her senior year by the throat," Kelp said. "And that's what she's done. She's made some plays, improved so much and

I'm proud of her where she's come from in this program. That was a luxury because we got to sit Ellie. We weren't forced to put her back in and that was a huge part. And (Mackay) got a lot of rest for the second half." The Wildcats advanced to the regional semifinals, scheduled for Tuesday against Walled Lake Western (19-4) at North Farmington.

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Why it's crucial to use keywords in your résumé

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When it comes to finding a new job, there's a crucial step in the résumé-writing process you may not have heard about to improve your chances of making it past the initial round of screening.

"With ... more and more recruitment services transitioning to being solely online, HR departments are using different computer programs to scan through résumés and pull out documents based on the frequency of certain words and acronyms," says Valerie Streif, senior advisor at Mentat, an organization that hires, manages and mentors prospective job candidates.

While you painstakingly perfect your résumé, remember that a hiring manager potentially has to sift through dozens of other résumés and use an applicant tracking system (ATS) to cut through the clutter.

"An ATS scores résumés based on how well their content matches the keywords input by a hiring manager — this is why it's imperative to incorporate relevant keywords and phrases throughout your résumé," says Andrew Pearl, partner at Precision Resumes, Inc., a career management



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services firm. "Without those keywords, you won't make it past the first gatekeeper in the hiring process. You can have the best qualifications, but if you're not framing them right and using the most relevant keywords, you'll miss out on opportunities."

Keep these tips in mind when writing your résumé to help you get your foot in the door.

Research and identify other keywords to highlight.

Don't be afraid to borrow language from the job description.

"Recruiters are comparing you against the job description, and often times they're looking for buzzwords," says Cristina Lara, manager

of global diversity programs at Amazon, and a former national diversity manager for Hillary Clinton's presidential campaign. "It's still a good best practice to reframe your work experiences using the language of the job description. This will make it easier for recruiters to mentally align your background with the job, and you'll increase your chances of having your résumé sent up to the hiring manager."

Examples of keywords you'll want to integrate include job title, technical skills and academic requirements, according to Pearl. "Evaluate the posting you're applying to, line by line, and highlight what appear to be the most fundamental terms," he says. "If the job posting is sparse,

find other similar job descriptions online and use those as a guide for determining keywords and phrases. Focus particularly on similar jobs in similar industries to make sure the jargon you incorporate in your résumé is on track."

Master the art of sprinkling keywords throughout your résumé.

Cheryl E. Palmer, owner of executive career coaching firm Call to Career, recommends including a section at the top titled "Core Competencies" where the keywords could be highlighted prominently.

"That way, the keywords are at the top of the résumé and are easily found, [and] you can also judiciously sprinkle keywords in the 'Professional Experience' section," she says.

Remember that context is key.

"Keywords should also be in context with the content — plugging in a list of skill sets in a bulleted list and not actually relaying how you know the skill, or what you did with it, is useless," says Dawn D. Boyer, résumé writer and CEO of D. Boyer Consulting. For example, instead of merely listing "business development," "marketing," or "sales," Boyer advises that you say "Responsible for business development and marketing to 25 Fortune 500 clients, with contract sales resulting in \$500 million in revenue within six months of hire."

Palmer agrees it is more effective to show rather than to tell. "For soft skills, I recommend demonstrating a result rather than simply listing these types of skills," Palmer says. "Instead of saying: 'good people skills,' it's more impactful to say, 'Improved staff relations through regular meetings where staff members could clearly define expectations for upcoming projects'."

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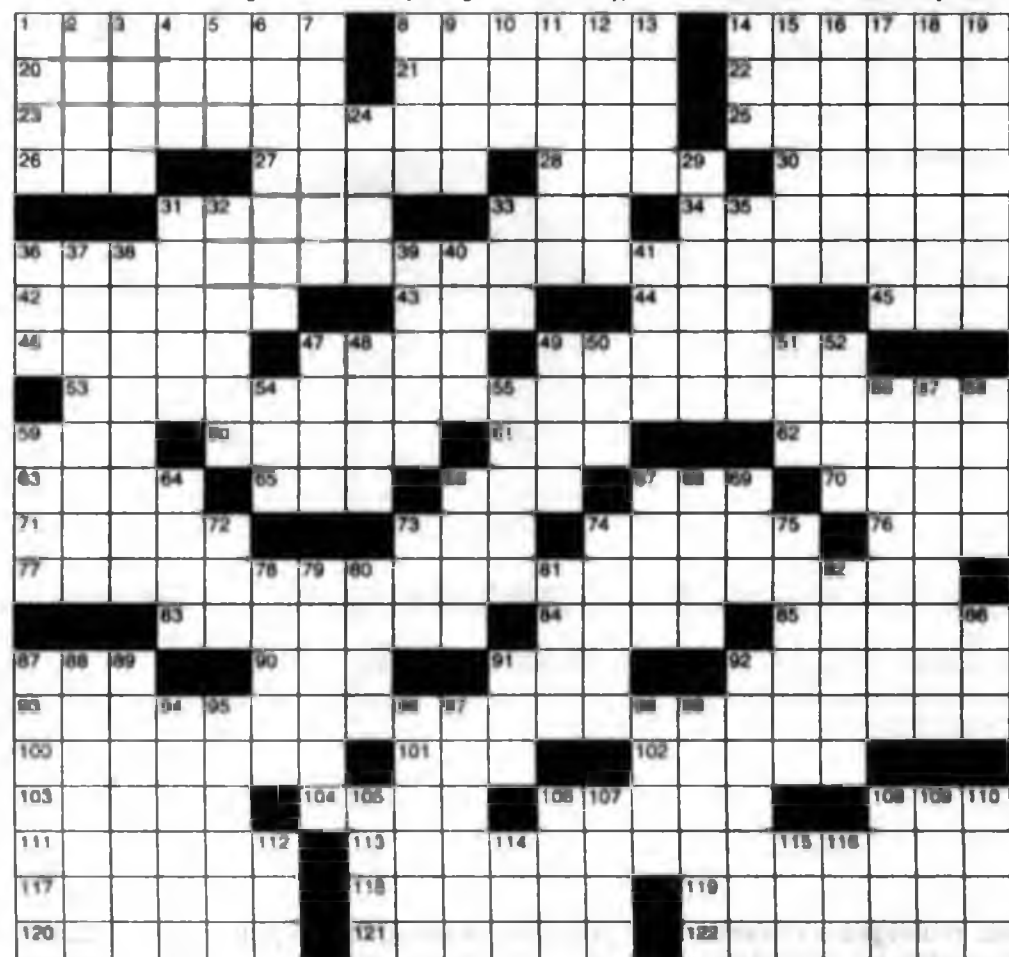
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