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Orchard Hills students Mannat Gill (left) and Maddy Lash meet May 1 at one of the school's Buddy Benches. The benches are designed to foster friendships between students while on recess; those seated on the bench indicate they're looking for a buddy to hang out with and get to know. PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



Orchard Hills debuts unique way to foster friendship

JDY BENCH

By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer To make it work, the school's S.A.L.T. (Student Action Leadership Team) Shakers have stepped up to give a chance to fellow students – feeling lonely, looking for a new friend or hoping for play opportunity – by approaching them while they sit on the bench. Orchard Hills teacher Melissa Israel said

Orchard Hills Elementary School teacher Melissa Israel shares a hug with student Christian Mael near a Buddy Bench. Israel is promoting the idea of a meeting spot on the playground where kids can meet and make new friends. There's no lack of buddies at Orchard Hills Elementary.

As part of its Leader in Me initiative, this Novi school has designated a collection outdoor seating areas around the playground each as a "Buddy Bench." The buddy bench is a simple idea, which originated with an Illinois school boy named Christian Bucks, to eliminate loneliness and foster friendship on the playground.

"It's a really good idea," Orchard Hills first-grader Molly McLeod said. "We are always looking to see if someone needs a friend." the students have really embraced it. "Ultimately, it's about helping the students

grow their circle of friends," she said. The benches were in place already, but

there was no signage to designate them. A fundraiser was held and the school was able to purchase the signs. The use of the benches really started this past month.

Israel said if a student is feeling lonely or just wants someone to talk with, they can go to the bench. Another student will see him or her and approach them. It's an open invitation to foster more interaction and connections.

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Buddy's to bring its famous square pizza to Novi

By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer

With another step in the process completed, Buddy's Pizza is one step closer to its grand opening in Novi.

The Novi City Council by a 6-0 vote Monday approved two decisions to move the plan forward. It approved Buddy's-Novi LLC request to consider a request for a Special Land Use approval for service of alcoholic beverages and transfer ownership of escrowed 2013 Class C Resort to the location at 44225 W. 12 Mile.

Both the Police Department and the Fire Department had no objections to the request. The requests were approved and recommended to council by the

HIGH HONORS

Among its many honors, Buddy's Pizza was recognized in 2003 as one of the Nation's Five Best Pizza Places by The Food Network, in 2005 it was named the Hottest Independent Pizzeria in the Nation by Pizza Today and 2009 GQ Magazine called Buddy's One of the Best 25 Pizzas in America.

city's community development/ planning department.

"This is much anticipated," said interim Novi City Manager Victor Cardenas.

Buddy's will be located in the north end of Twelve Mile Crossing at Fountain Walk. This is a vacant part of the mall. But, according to the plan, upon making some renovations it will be transformed – the proposed interior will include a private banquet area and there will be an outdoor dining area.

It is expected to employ 100 local resident and individuals from the surrounding area.

"We are very excited to come to Novi," said Buddy's Pizza Vice President of Operations Wesley Pikula. "It's always been on our radar, but it's been a matter of finding the right spot." Owner Robert Jacobs is the

Owner Robert Jacobs is the son of the original owners and has taken over the Buddy's Pizza concept and expanded to six locations in metro Detroit. Orig-

Police arrest suspect after chase through Novi

By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer

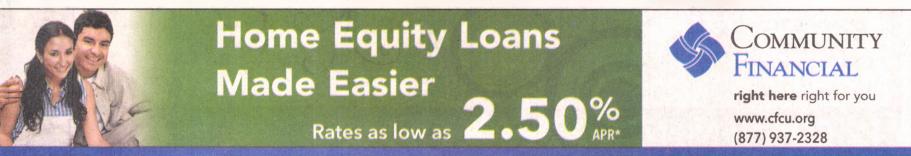
Police have nabbed a man suspected in an alleged May 3

crime spree that began with a stolen vehicle out of Redford Township and ended with multiple home invasions in the Northville community. In between, police say



between, police say Gregory the suspect was involved with a high-speed car chase through multiple commu-

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"All of the students like this," Molly said. The idea started with the school looking into ways to put into action the seven habits of the Leader in Me process, which empowers students to become better

leaders and take more responsibility over their learning environment. "The Leader in Me ideals have really helped the students

grow and the Buddy Bench is one example of this at work," Israel said.

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nities.

According to Northville City Police, Redford Township resident Thomas Gregory, 34, was arrested after Western Wayne County Investigations (WWCI) was called in and set up surveillance on his former residence and other locations he was known to frequent. He was arrested May 6 in Redford.

"Thanks to their diligence and determined police work, they were able to track the subject to the Mount Vernon Motel on Grand River near Telegraph. There, WWCI arrested the subject on Tuesday, May 6 and recovered the stolen Jeep and many other stolen items," Northville City Police Chief Gary Goss said.

Gregory was arraigned

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inally established in 1936 on the corner of Conant and McNichols (Six Mile) roads as a neighborhood tavern, it was not until 1946 that Buddy's first introduced its famous square pizza — the first of its kind --- to Detroit. Pikula said Novi holds

a special place for Buddy's because of Detroit Catholic Central, which it has always supported, and its overall familyfriendly community atmosphere. He said it's a perfect match for them along with the location. Finding a spot with ample parking and accessibility was important.

The Fountain Walk is a great place for the families that love to go to Buddy's, so we are happy to be on this side of town," said Pikula.

He said renovation is under way and they expect an opening in August or September.

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Thursday in Northville's 35th District Court on charges of first degree home invasion - a 20year felony - car theft and stolen identity. He is being held in Oakland County Jail and has a \$200,000 cash bond. Goss said Gregory is likely facing charges in other communities as well.

String of crimes

Police say a man stole a Ford F-150 in Redford and then led police on a chase through Southfield, Farmington Hills and Novi before it was called off in the area of Eight Mile and Haggerty roads around 9:30 p.m. May 3.

Goss said the man then made his way onto Clement Street in Northville Township where he abandoned the stolen Ford F-150 pick-up.

edly fled on foot and hid near a playscape at Moraine Elementary School

'Peter Pan Jr.'

The Novi Civic Theatre presents Disney's Peter Pan Jr. May 17-18. Tickets are available for purchase via www.cityofnovi.org or at the city of Novi Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department, 45175 10 Mile, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

This fun-loving classic follows Wendy Darling, who loves to tell stories to her brothers Michael and John. When her father announces she must move out of the nursery, Peter Pan comes to visit the children and whisks them away to Never Land.

The production has two casts with 80 actors in third through 12th grades. The Jolly Roger cast includes Megan Gron of Northville (Peter Pan); Camryn Tynan of Northville (Wendy); Drew Smith of Waterford (Michael); and Nick Czarnota of Novi (John). Performance

on Eight Mile Road. Police, based on their investigation believe that the man waited there until approximately 2:30 a.m. when he made his way to a home on Dunsany in the city of Northville.

'Using a ladder he found in the backyard of a residence, he made his way onto the roof of a three season room. His intent was to hide from the police that were still looking for him. While trying to pull the ladder onto the roof he pushed against a window air conditioner," Goss said.

According to Northville Police, the homeowner heard the noise and believed that the subject was trying to break into the home by pushing the air conditioner through the window. The homeowner pushed back on the air conditioner and the suspect fled once again, police said. Police then say the

man found a shed behind a home on Chigwidden in Northville City that contained pool chemicals and equipment.

"He made a bed from a pool float and went to sleep for 2-3 hours. Upon waking, he entered the home where he stole wallets with credit cards, cash, a Rolex watch and other items. He left the home stealing a Jeep from the garage," Goss said. Police believe that an

attempt was made to use one of the credit cards at the Chase Bank located at Eight Mile and Haggerty; a Speedway station located at Eight Mile and Farmington Road; and again at a 7-11 located on Eight Mile in Livonia.

While at the 7-11 a patron identified the man that led to the eventual arrest, police said.

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times are include 5 p.m. May 18.

CITY UPDATES

The Black Pearl cast includes Eve Culling of Commerce (Peter Pan); Sara Stanley of Novi (Wendy); Braden Baker of Farmington Hills (Michael); and Jack Barshaw of South Lyon (John). Performance times are 7 p.m. May 17; and 2 p.m. May 18.

Tickets are \$12 for adults, \$8 for children (age 4-12) and seniors (age 55 and older). All seats are general admission. For more information about the Novi Civic Theatre and other creative art opportunities in Novi, visit www.cityofnovi.org or call the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department at 248-347-0400

Memorial Day Parade

The city of Novi invites veterans, businesses, bands. Scout troops and other civic organizations to be a part of the annual Memorial Day Parade at 10 a.m. Monday, May 26.

The parade and ceremony honor veterans and those who sacrificed their lives. Groups are encouraged to showcase community spirit by creating a float, decorating a vehicle or marching as a unit. Families may participate by decorating bicycles and riding the parade route.

The parade route begins at 10 Mile and Karim Boulevard (just west of Haggerty) and travels west on 10 Mile, concluding at the Novi Civic Center. Parade entry forms are available online at www.cityofnovi.org or at the **Older Adult Services** Office located in the Novi Civic Center, 45175 10 Mile.

For more information about the Memorial Day Parade and ceremony, contact Sandy Fisher, Social Services coordinator, at 248-347-0414 or sfisher@ cityofnovi.org.



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Novi's Providence Park Hospital is part of the new Together Health Network. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Ascension, Trinity launch physician-led network

Novi hospital part of new system

Physician leaders in Michigan, in collaboration with the health systems of Ascension Health and CHE-Trinity Health, have created a new statewide clinically integrated network of health care providers – Together Heath Network – with a geographic presence including 27 hospitals and hundreds of ambulatory centers and physician offices.

This new company aims to improve access, cost and quality of care for the communities served by enabling its member hospitals, physicians and other providers to jointly participate in the launch of new health plan products, giving consumers greater choice and access to value-based health care services.

"We believe this oneof-a-kind collaboration between two of the state's largest health care organizations will set a new standard for providing value-based health care in Michigan," said Patricia Maryland, Dr.PH, president of Health Care Operations and chief operating officer of Ascension Health.

The Michigan Health Ministries of Ascension Health includes St. John Providence Health System in Metro Detroit, which includes Providence Park Hospital in Novi. Ascension also includes Borgess Health in Kalamazoo, Genesys Health System in Grand Blanc, St. Joseph Health System in Tawas and St. Mary's of Michigan in Saginaw.

Saginaw. "Our new health delivery model, designed to help more people achieve better health, better care at lower cost, is led by physicians, driven by physicians and run by physicians," said Rick O'Connell, executive vice president, CHE Trinity Health and president of Trinity Health Division.

Livonia-based CHE Trinity Health - Michigan is one of the state's largest employers, with almost 29,000 colleagues serving 31 counties. It provides a full continuum of care for Michigan's residents through 13 hospitals, which include the six of Saint Joseph Mercy Health System in Ann Arbor, Chelsea, Oakland, Livingston, Livonia and Port Huron, and the seven-hospital Mercy Health operating in Grand Rapids, Muskegon, Grayling and Cadillac.

Maryland said that both Ascension and CHE Trinity Health have been performing at benchmark levels in terms of quality, while at the same time delivering care at cost levels well below the state average.

"This collaboration will allow us to combine our outstanding performances in terms of cost and quality into one, statewide product unlike any other," said Maryland.

"Our organizations have worked intentionally to align with physician partners, as evidenced by our joint relationships with payers, and our creative ventures with our physician organizations," said O'Connell.

How it will work

Together Health Network is a Michigan LLC that will work with payers to develop a wide range of health plan products, including those purchased on the Health Insurance Marketplace and private exchanges. The advantage of Together Health Network is to be its ability to rapidly and efficiently achieve a statewide presence with numerous access points and advanced care coordination services to benefit consumers, without merging assets.

Together, the Michigan footprint of CHE Trinity Health and Ascension Health Michigan creates a geographic provider network that spans a majority of the state. It is estimated that 75 percent of Michiganders will be within 20 minutes of a Together Health Network

provider. For more information, visit www.togetherhealthnetwork.org.

Q&A WITH ST. JOHN PROVIDENCE'S PATRICK MCGUIRE

With the announcement today of Together Health Network, the new joint venture between Ascension and CHE Trinity health systems, the Novi News reached out to Patrick McGuire, EVP/CFO of St. John Providence, for more information.

NN: How long has this network been planned?

PM: We've been working fairly hard for about the last year, but I'd say closer to two years ago we began talking about it.

NN: What was the driving force behind it?

PM: We're two large health systems in this state, and both are part of national Catholic health systems.

We have a lot in common in terms of what our mission is and what we're trying to accomplish.

When we looked at ourselves, we have significant presence in Michigan for both systems, but for the most part we're not in geographic areas where we compete with each other.



The future of health care is to try and reduce the cost on a population health basis. We have a common philosophy: The fee for service and fee for value need to be able to deliver high-quality health care at a reasonable cost.

We have a nice geographic fit together, a commitment to the same core values, and we also have very compatible, low-cost positions in the market. There is somewhat of a coming together and utilizing these resources we have – and in a very cost-efficient basis so were not duplicating our efforts – but also bring this kind of service across a broad section of Michigan. It just made a lot of sense. **NN: Is this type of collaboration unique in the health**

industry? PM: We've had various things together – infant mortality

programs, parts of joint ventures on limited scale – but really I think this is the first time on a more major scale. It'll be more common in the future, but at this point it is relatively unique. A lot of health systems, when they get together they think merger and combining health systems, reducing back office costs, eliminating programs. That's the traditional way health systems have come together. Our goal is to reduce cost of health care to consumers and we really felt the best way was to develop more of a population health approach than traditional approach, which typically can include laying off a lot (of employees). **NN: Does this joint venture hint at a possible merger between Ascension and Trinity?**

PM: No, I don't think so, but you never know what the future is going to hold in any regard. We're two health systems with a lot of respect for each other; both have great value to the communities we serve. But I don't think we see the value in any kind of merger together. Each of our Michigan operations are big parts of national health systems. A lot of the benefits you get from size and scale, both of us already enjoy. Ascension is the largest health system in the country. There's no benefit. If you were smaller, there'd be supply chain purchasing, etc., but we both already enjoy those.

NN: What does this joint venture mean for the average consumer?

PM: Having different health care choices in the market will provide them high-quality options that have lots of access points for a low cost point. As the cost of health care has shifted more and more to the consumer, they're concerned about it the same as any other service – they're looking for high quality and a reasonable cost. We think working together we can provide it in much different way.

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Striving to be a world-class school district

hen I was a young boy, I would often dream of what I wanted to be. Quite honestly, being a superintendent was not one of my dreams. I saw myself as a ball player or a fireman or a farmer.

As each of us grow up, we develop a sense of where we want to go and what we want to be

The people in organizations do the same thing. We dream of what we want our organization to be.

I have been in Novi for three years. When I arrived in Novi, the Board of Education and I spent time thinking about and thinking through whom we wanted to be. For me the exercise was about creating our vision. I wanted to know, was our vision compelling?

From those initial conversations with the Board of



Education we created four district goals. 1 — The Novi Community

School District will ensure that each student will make no less than one year's growth in one year's time.

2 — The Novi Community School District will ensure that all students achieve at a high level. (There will be no achievement gaps.) 3 — The Novi Community

School District will evaluate and enhance opportunities for students while maintaining a minimum 10% fund balance.

4 --- The Novi Community School District will improve organizational quality and

customer service by creating common standards, systems, and principles.

These goals focus us as a district, rightfully so, on our students. Our school district was making a claim that students are the reason we exist.

As we developed our district goals, I was excited. I had found a place that valued students, that understood that our success as a district was about the success of our students.

Now three years later, the question is - how are we doing?

You can look at test scores. In Oakland County we are among the highest achieving districts based on our MEAP and Michigan Merit Exam scores.

We also use a standardized assessment (the NWEA) that compares our students to students from around the

country. Again, our students do very well. Because we give this assessment twice a year, we can use this assessment to measure growth.

We have National Merit Semi-finalists and Finalists. We have AP Scholars and IB Diploma graduates. We have students who participate in academic competitions and they rank among the highest performers in the nation.

We have bands, orchestras, and choirs that rank among the best in the state. Consistently, our bands, orchestras, and choirs earn number 1 ratings in competitions.

Our athletic teams win district, regional, and state titles.

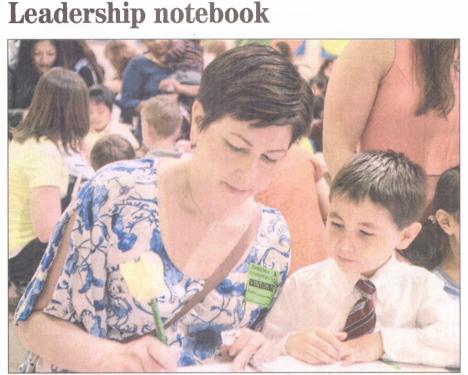
We have middle and high school students who earn awards in journalism, TV production, and film. We have student clubs and

organizations that allow our students to compete in business, health occupations, speech, forensic, foreign language, science, math, debate, Quiz Bowl, and a multitude of other activities. And our students do very well.

We provide our students with opportunity at every turn.

Almost every day I reflect on who do we want to be? I keep coming back to the answer that we want to be an exceptional, world-class school district. While we are not there yet, we are continuing to move forward and offer our students opportunities. I am happy to be here and be a part of this wonderful district.

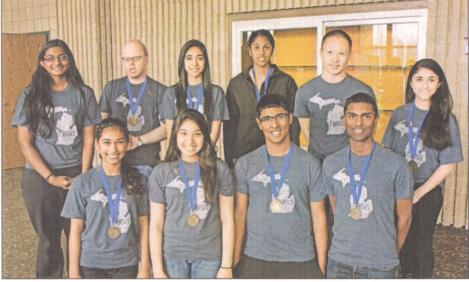
Steve Matthews is superintendent of Novi Community Schools. He can be reached at 248-449-1204 or smatthews@novi.k12.mi.us.



Brett Schlicker watches as his mom, Melissa, writes some encouraging words in his Leadership Notebook during a May 9 celebration at Parkview Elementary School. Brett and other kindergartners have already been introduced to the Seven Habits system in their first year of school and keep notebooks detailing their challenges and growth as new students. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



HOSA champs



The Novi HOSA (Health Occupations Students of America) recently was named 2013-14 Honorable HOSA Chapter. In its first year of existence, it had 123 students. Seventy-eight qualified for states and 77 competed. Out of those 77, 46 were finalists, and 27 qualified for the National Competition by earning first, second or third place. Shown are the Novi students who are state champions in their HOSA events: Aditi Jajoo, Shreya Gumate, Akhila Kadiyala and Tulasi Talluri (Biomedical Debate Team); Nick Bush (Interviewing Skills); Adithya Balasrbramanian and Ishi Nalamolu (Health Career Display Team); Anurag Koduri (Medical Math); Kevin Li (Researched Persuasive Speaking); and Tanaz Naterwala (Biotechnology). STUDENT WILDCAT ROAR PHOTOGRAPHER ABBY O'LEARY



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Novi Math Club excels at competitions

By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer

The Novi Middle School Math Club has a long history of success that can be attributed to the dedication of its teacher/club coordinator Lynn Serenson and her many students throughout the years.

"I'm here to guide and help them, but it's really the students that have made this club such a success here at the middle school," Serenson, who is retiring this year after 40 years with Novi Community Schools. "They are just so smart and motivated. I couldn't have asked for more."

Year after year she has led the team to countless trophies and now in her final year she went with eighth-grader Raviraj Rege to the National MathCounts Competition in Florida last week from May 7-11. Rege earned a spot on the state team after coming in fourth place in the individual state competition in March.

Out of the 50 states and six regions the Michigan team came in 14th place. Serenson said it was an outstanding finish.

Overall, Novi Middle School came in second place in the state while Troy Boulan Park Middle School finished first and neighboring Northville came in third at the state Mathcounts competition that pitted 23 teams against each other. These teams from around the state won their regional competitions.

There were four Novi students who finished in the top 10 for the state.

Mathcounts is a math enrichment, coaching and competition program for middle school stu-



The Novi Mathcounts team, made up of middle school Math Club members, finished second in the state this past March. Here they hold up their many honors. From left to right: teacher Lynn Serenson and eight-graders: Arushi Arora, Robert Xu, Ashwin Vangipuram, Aneesh Cherukuri, and Raviraj Rege. photo by Lonnie Huhman

dents. Its goal is to stimulate student interest by making math achievement as challenging, exciting, and prestigious as school sports. At Novi Middle School there are nearly 200 kids in the club and the best of these compete in the Mathcounts competitions. For students like Rege, the club and competitions is an opportunity to do what they do best.

"I just love it," Rege said of math. "I really like to see the multiple ways in which you can come up with one answer."

The students who compete devote a lot of their free time outside of their school work toward this club. Hours before and after school doing worksheets and solving story problems, they put in the time because they enjoy it.

It's paid off well. For Serenson, this national competition will be her last as a teacher, but she will always have the great times and memories the students have given her over the years. "Socing the kide

"Seeing the kids achieve and the smiles that it has brought them have always felt awesome to me," she said. "I've always had great kids participating and that's made it so special all of these years."

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Walled Lake Central drama students perform "You Can't Take It With You" during the 2013-14 school year.

Walled Lake Central students selected to perform at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival

The Walled Lake Central High School Drama Department, under the direction of Elizabeth Rexroat, has been selected to perform at the prestigious Edinburgh Fringe Festival as part of the American High School Theatre Festival.

Each August, Edinburgh, Scotland, welcomes performing artists from all over the world to take part in the arts festival. The whole city becomes a stage, and visitors can view performances everywhere from playgrounds to conference rooms, from city parks to churches. The Fringe Festival includes over 2,000 different performances of music, theater, dance, and comedy during its three-week run. Walled Lake Central High School's performance will be showcased at the AHSTF venue in Edinburgh during a week in August 2015.

"This means the kids have an opportunity to be recognized for their hard work and dedication to the program, and that the theater program here at Central is recognized for its quality and commitment to theatre education," said Rexroat.

More than 2,200 high school theater programs were nominated this year representing all 50 states and nearly every province of Canada. Walled Lake Central High School was one of 40 selected by the AHSTF Board of Advisers, made up of college theater professionals, to represent the countries as part of the 2015 AHSTF program. The board reviews all

completed applications and identifies the top high schools based on their most recent bodies of work, community involvement, philosophies, and recommendations.

Walled Lake Central High School drama students, their parents, and teachers will be heavily involved in fundraising activities to finance their two-week adventure to Scotland and England. Contributions and donations are welcome.

"Beth Rexroat does an excellent job in directing our dramas," said Charles Morgan, Walled Lake Central High School principal. "Her hard work and dedication have provided this is a fantastic opportunity for Walled Lake Central to showcase our acting talent."

Madonna graduates 1,300

Before Madonna University's commencement ceremonies May 4, Cheryl Nawrocki of Northville, a social work student, adjusted her graduation cap to make sure it was on correctly. On the top of her mortarboard, Nawrocki had spelled out "for U dad" in big purple letters.

It was his desire that she complete college. "He was a firm believer in education," she said. Although her dad died seven years ago from skin cancer, "he has been my driving force," Nawrocki said.

Nawrocki, along with 1,300 fellow graduates, celebrated Madonna University's 67th commencement at Compuware Arena in Plymouth. Among this group were seven students from Haiti, who



Madonna University sign language interpreting studies graduates (from left) Natalie Sanborn of Livonia, Stephanie Mayack of Washington, Laurie Kuhlman of Novi and Iris Haynes of Southgate sit together before graduation.

received a bachelor of science degree with a major in business administration and an embedded certificate in community development.

Launched in 2011, Madonna's Haiti Educational Leadership Program is a degree completion program that is delivered via distance learning technology and designed to prepare business leaders to help rebuild Haiti. Graduates are encouraged to use their leadership and entrepreneurial skills to create jobs and promote volunteerism that will improve families and neighborhoods in Haiti.



SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE UPDATES

Chef Loving earns recognition

Schoolcraft College's Culinary Department Chair and Certified Executive Chef Shawn Loving brought home a gold and bronze medal from the Food & Hotel Asia Singapore Food Competition, held April 4-11 in Singapore. Loving was the only American in the competition, which is held every two years.

Loving participated in two competition, earning gold in the hot food category and bronze in the cold food competition. He earned the highest score in the hot food division with his entry called "Neptune's Feast." Four entrees made up the entry, which featured a horseradish encrusted halibut.

Midwest Math Champion

Schoolcraft College's Math competition team recently finished third in the Midwest at the annual Student Math League contest this and student Anthony (Tony) Duda of Plymouth posted the highest scores of all. Duda scored 97.5 points in round two of the testing to become the Midwest champion.

The two-round SML competition is organized by the American Mathematical Association of two year colleges. The Schoolcraft team posted a combined score of 269. Each round lasts one hour and consists of 20 difficult questions. The top five scores from each college are added up to obtain the team score. There were a total of 12 Schoolcraft students on the team. The team is coached by professor Mike McCoy.

Piano Camp

The Music Department is sponsoring a special weeklong Summer Piano Camp for school-age students once again June 23-27 on the main campus in Livonia. Piano students at the elementary, intermediate and advanced levels will enjoy this unique experience and change of pace from their traditional private lessons. Save \$25 and register by May 15.

Golf Classic Fore Scholarships

The Schoolcraft College Foundation will host the 30th Annual Golf Classic Fore Scholarships golf outing, continuing its legacy of providing scholarships to students. The outing will be held Monday, June 2 at Walnut Creek Country Club in Walled Lake.

The day begins with registration at 10:30 a.m. and a buffet lunch at 11 a.m. Dinner and an awards ceremony will follow completion of play. A silent auction featuring a variety of great items will be held throughout the day.

Tickets are \$250 per person. The ticket price includes 18 holes of golf with power cart, complimentary beverages on course, use of the putting green and driving range, access to the club's locker room facilities and all meals. See scf.schoolcraft.edu/golf-scholarships for additional information.

Sponsorship packages range from \$350 for Hole Sponsorship to \$15,000 for Event Sponsorship. The best value sponsorship package, the President's Club, includes golf for four players, sponsorship signage at on-course beverage stations and a half-page ad in the banquet program for \$1,200. The deadline for sponsorships is Friday, May 16.

Annual Electric Vehicle Show

If you have even considered buying an electric vehicle, you need to attend the Sixth Annual **Electric Vehicle Show** from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 7 on the main Livonia campus. The show is free and open to the public. It is a great opportunity for the public to see all types of EVs and PHVs (plug-in hybrid) up-close, talk to the owners and ride or drive many of the cars around campus.

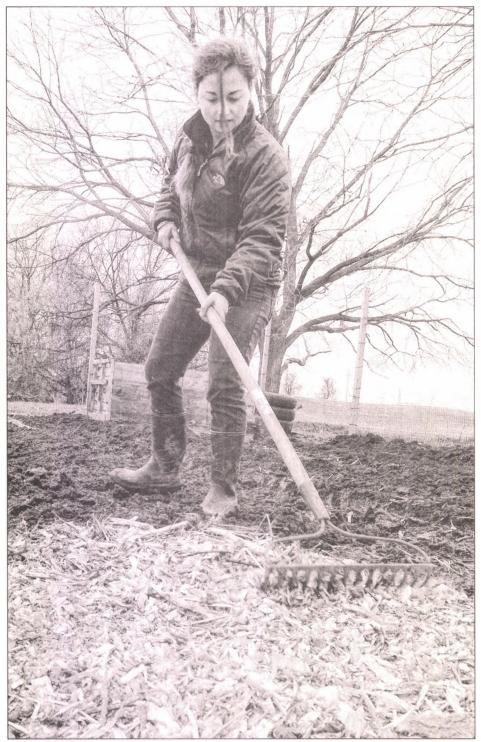
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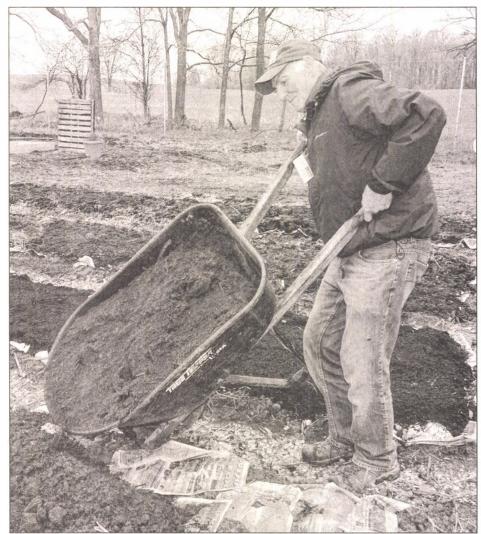


Volunteers work on prepping Tollgate's CSA gardens on May 3. ALL PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

EARTH DAY



Michigan State University's Tollgate Farms, on the northwest portion of 12 Mile and Meadowbrook roads in Novi, held Earth Day activities on May 3. Volunteers gathered at the farm's Community Supported Agriculture garden and prepped its beds for the upcoming growing season.



Tollgate Farms employee Alicia Molin works on spreading mulch at the CSA.

Don Sprague dumps a load of soil.



Fresh soil awaits spreading at Tollgate during its Earth Day activity.



Spring onions rise already from the soil at Tollgate's Community Supported Agriculture garden on May 3.

Michigan House approves \$400 million to fix roads; overweight trucks targeted

By Kathleen Gray Gannett Michigan

An additional \$400 million plus for Michigan's crumbling roads received broad and bipartisan support last Thursday in the state House of Representatives.

Many lawmakers hailed the bills as a good first step toward an esti-mated \$1.2 billion in annual needs to fix Michigan's winter-weary roads.

"This is a great step in Michigan and the first step in fixing a decades-old problem," said state Rep. Marilyn Lane, D-Fraser.

But some Democrats said the bills not only don't go far enough, but also ignore sound transportation policy.

They offered amendments that would require road agencies to fix existing roads and not invest in new lanes or thoroughfares across the state and invest some of the new road money into

public transit. Neither amendment passed.

'The headline tomorrow will be 'Congrats, the Legislature kicked the can down the road,' " said state Rep. Sam Singh, D-East Lansing. "We have a \$2-billion problem and this package may get us to \$450 million. But since when do we think a 25 percent solution is good."

The bills would:

» Earmark 1 percentage point of the 6 percent use tax collected by the state for transportation funding purposes, bringing in \$249.2 million in the fiscal year that begins Oct. 1. In addition, the portion of the state's 6 percent sales tax on gasoline that went into the general fund will shift to roads, bringing in an estimated \$135 million in the 2014-15 fiscal year.

» Double the fines for overweight trucks and sharply increase the permit fees for trucks to carry overweight loads. A total estimated in-

crease in revenues wasn't available, but the increase in permit fees is expected to see \$11.1 million in estimated revenues, up from the \$4.3 million that was generated in fees during the 2012-13 fiscal year. The maximum fines for overweight and oversized trucks would increase to \$500.

» Require competitive bidding and warranties on state and local road projects.

» Repeal the 19-centper-gallon sales tax on regular gas and 15-centper-gallon tax on diesel and replacing them with a 6 percent wholesale tax on gas.

» Create a multitiered system of registration fees based on the age and weight of cars. The system would not have much of an impact on most drivers.

Armed with polls that showed public support for more revenues for roads and complaints from constituents about

cars being torn apart by growing potholes, House **Republicans** introduced the package of bills in early April and got them out of committee and passed in less than a month, which is highly unusual in Lansing today. "We're maybe batting

250 on this, but that's better than batting zero," said state Rep. Earl Poleski, R-Jackson. "We're prepared now to dedicate the dollars to the roads.' Gov. Rick Snyder has

been calling on the Legislature for the last two years to make the big investment in roads, including increasing taxes and fees to raise the \$1.2 billion a year he said is needed to bring Michigan's roads back into decent shape. But legislators had resisted putting up substantial dollars.

That changed when the remains of the latest wicked winter season thawed, revealing just how bad the roads have gotten in the past decade.

Police: Suspect tried to cover corpse's smell with deodorants

By Elisha Anderson Gannett Michigan

A 21-year-old Walled Lake man used cat litter deodorizer powder as well as spray deodorizers to try to camouflage the smell of a badly decomposed body hidden in his closet, police said.

Police discovered the body of a 51-year-old man in the arrested suspect's apartment at the Tivoli Apartments on West Maple Road on Sunday, Walled Lake Police Chief Paul Shakinas said.

The body may have been there for up to two weeks, he said.

An autopsy determined the man died of multiple stab wounds, and his death was ruled a homicide, an official with the Oakland County Medical Examiner's Office said.

The suspect's mother went to the apartment on Mother's Day, found out about the body and took her son to the police station, officials said.

"When she came in, the smell was pretty unbearable," Shakinas said. "When she questioned him, he confessed to her.'

Police and prosecutors met Monday and an arraignment was expected Tuesday morning, officials said.

Police have not named the victim or suspect, or released details of the man's statement to police, but they say the deceased is a neighbor.

Both have had contact with police in the past, Shakinas said. The 21-year-old suspect had 23 contacts with law enforcement, including a recent arrest for alleged drunken driving, he said.

This is the second homicide in Walled Lake in the last six months.

Last December, a 28-year-old former Marine was arrested after police said he fatally shot a 45-yearold neighbor during a confrontation over the suspect's loose dog.

Illegal weapons

A man who had a booth at a recent convention at the Suburban Collection Showplace attempted to sell stun guns that the Novi police said were illegal in the state of Michigan.

On May 2, Novi Police were dispatched to the location on Grand River Avenue on the report of a weapons concern offense. According to the police report, over 1,500 stun guns, specifically Cobra Stun guns, were seized. This occurred during the Women's Show and the booth was also set up with knives and pepper spray.

The man said he had not sold any and since he was from Florida, where the guns are not illegal, he did not know the laws in Michigan.

Phone stolen at Powerhouse

A man's cell phone was stolen while he played basketball at Pow-

erhouse Gym in Novi.

He told Novi police that had set the iPhone 5 on a window ledge inside the basketball court area while playing with a small group. According to the police report, he suspected another player of grabbing it. There are no cameras in the area of the gym, and the case remains open.

NOVI POLICE BRIEFS

Tires stolen at the Spring Apartments

One case of theft involved four 20-inch tires/wheels from a 2008 Dodge Charger. They are valued at \$2,000. The vehicle was found on the morning of May 2, on landscape bricks with the items missing. The theft was in the 45000 block of Lakeview Court.

The second, also on the same night of May 1 into the next morning and in the same block, involved a 2013 Ford Fusion. Again, there was no evidence outside of the

vehicle up on bricks and missing the crucial items, which were valued at \$5.000.

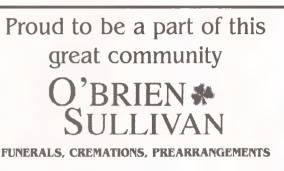
Super drunken driving

A man wanted out of Farmington Hills was arrested by Novi Police for driving with a bloodalcohol content of .225 percent.

On May 2, Novi police spotted the man driving erratically and crossing the road lines while on the I-96 ramp at Beck Road. He was stopped at Grand River Avenue and police reported smelling intoxicants inside the vehicle. He was also cited for driving without a license and a check on him revealed arrest warrants.

He told police he had four beers at a bar in Wixom, and fter losing his balance during the walk and turn field sobriety test the police gave him a breathalyzer.

Compiled by staff writer Lonnie Huhman.



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LOCAL NEWS

Karate students, teachers nominated for honors

Family Self Defense Center, a partner of the Novi Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department, continues to receive national recognition from the Isshinryu Hall of Fame

For the eighth year in a row, the school has earned Top Five in the Nation nominations for the following categories:

Outstanding Male Karate Student 12 and under: Ben Matas

Outstanding Female Karate Student 12 and under: Lily Kosaka

Outstanding Female Karate Student 13-17: Lizzy Arnold and Tanaz Naterwala

Outstanding Female Karate Student Adult: Kathy O'Meara

Outstanding Male Karate Student Adult: Mark Swanson **Outstanding Contribution to**

Isshinryu Karate: Andrew Swanson and the O'Meara family

Top Jr. Male Competitor:

Andrew Swanson Top Jr. Female Competitor:

Shaelyn Carroll Top Male Competitor:

Mitchel Huang

Top Master Senseis in the Country: Mr. Z and Ms. Chris

The Isshinrvu Hall of Fame has been in existence since 1980, uniting Isshinryu stylists from the world in fellowship, learning, and competition. FSDC students and Senseis will travel to Gatlinburg, Tenn., in July to receive their awards at the National Isshinryu Hall of Fame Awards Banquet and compete in the National Tournament.

FSDC offers classes through the Novi Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department on Monday and Tuesday evenings in both Isshinryu Karate and Samurai Sport Sword.



Pictured (I to r, front) are Gabe O'Meara and Ian O'Meara Middle row: Shaelyn Carroll, Tanaz Naterwala, Lily Kosaka, Andrew Swanson, Joshua O'Meara and Benjamin Matas; (back) Elizabeth Arnold, Katherine O'Meara, Master Chris Szelap, Master Z Szelap, Mark Swanson and Mitchel Huang.

Motor City Comic Con celebrates 25th anniversary this weekend

Living long and prospering for 25 years, Motor City Comic Con celebrates its 25th anniversary by transporting fans into the mystical world of captivating comics, fascinating fantasy and spectacular sci-fi this weekend.

William Shatner, Captain Kirk in the TV series Star Trek, has been recruited to join the all-star line-up. This will be his first appearance at Motor City Comic Con.

In addition to Shatner, Motor City Comic Con will include Karl Urban, Lindsey Wagner, Lee Majors, Andrew McCarthy, Burt Young, Mark Waid, Chris Claremont, Jose Luis Garcia Lopez, James O'Barr and Gerry Conway.

This year's event will feature over 300 comic and media guests, including comic book creators, writers, artists and actors from TV

and movies. Guests will sign autographs and sell original art, while others will be featured on a panel discussing their latest comic ventures and characters. Motor City Comic Con will also have a variety of popculture merchandise available for purchase from several comic book and multimedia dealers, partners and vendors, including comics, art, movie memorabilia, posters, apparel, etc.

Traveling across galaxies and beaming across nations, fans from all over the region can participate in several weekend activities including the fascinating Costume Contest on Saturday afternoon, sponsored by the Specs Howard School of Media Arts. Local celebrity judges will determine who will win cash and gift packages. Sunday is also Kids Day.

Cyclists prepare for 23rd Michigander tour

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

The 23rd annual Michigander Bike Tour is fast approaching and the Michigan Trails and Greenways Alliance wants to help participants prepare for the upcoming ride at the 2014 Michigander Expo, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, May 18, at Maybury State Park

Along with Michigander coordinator Barry Culham, who will highlight the 2014 Michigander stops on this year's "True North" tour, bicycle experts and outdoor gear enthusiasts will be on hand to provide information about the latest bicycle gear and resources. For newcomers to the

Michigander bicycle tour, experienced riders will be sharing their experiences about touring the state on a bicycle seat.

Michigan Trails and **Greenways** Alliance executive director Nancy Krupiarz will update attendees about the newest trail and greenway information and a light lunch will be served during the expo. Attendees are encouraged to bring their bicycles to experience Maybury's mountain bike and paved trails to get a jump start on their Michigander training.

The Michigander, a bicycle tour showcasing the trails and beauty of Northern Michigan, takes off July 12-18. The two-, six- or seven-day ride is a summer tradition for hundreds and will carry riders through picturesque towns, including Leland, voted the second "Best Place To Watch a Sunset" by USA Today, and Sleeping Bear Dunes, winner of Good Morning America's "Most Beautiful Place in Amer-

ica." The family-friendly two-day tour takes off in Farwell on the paved Pere Marquette State Trail, while the six-day ride continues to the Fred Meijer White Pine Trail State Park, the Betsie Valley Rail Trail, Leelanau Trail and TART Trail.

Admission to the expo is free, but registration is required. A state park sticker is necessary to enter Maybury State Park by vehicle.

To register, visit http:// bit.ly/1mjGpp4.

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In addition to a cover



photo, the winner will receive a \$100 gift card.

Democratic **Candidates Rally**

Over 35 Democratic candidates running for various offices in November elections are attending the Democratic Candidates Rally from 3-7 p.m. Sunday, June 8, at the Troy Community

Family & Cosmetic

Dentistry

Center, 3179 Livernois.

Ask questions or have one on one conversation with candidates on topics of your interest. Light music and dinner will be served. Tickets are \$15 each; limited sponsor tables are available for \$500 and \$250. Contact Faiz M. Khan at 248-686-4426 for more information.

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NOVI COMMUNITY CALENDAR

LOCAL EVENTS **REMOVING THE MYSTERIES OF PROBATE COURT**

Time/Date: 1-3 p.m. Thursday, May 15

Location: City of Novi Older Adult Services (Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. 10 Mile)

Details: The Citizens Alliance for the Oakland County Probate and Circuit Courts will conduct a free seminar designed to enlighten and educate senior citizens so that they may make informed decisions regarding their estate planning and understand the probate process. The seminar will provide attendees with information on wills, trusts, powers of attorney, how to begin probate proceedings, when to consider use of guardianships and conservatorships and how "avoiding probate" could cause more harm than good

Contact: To register for this free seminar, contact the City of Novi Older Adult Services at 248-347-0414

MAKING HOME AFFORD-ABLE

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday, May 15

Location: Suburban Collection Showplace, 46100 Grand River Avenue, Novi

Details: A free Help for Homeowners community event, sponsored by the Federal government's Making Home Affordable Program, the HOPE NOW Alliance and NeighborWorks America for all homeowners who may be at risk of foreclosure Contact: www.MakingHomeAffordable.gov.

DEMOCRATS MEET

Time/Date: 6 p.m. Tuesday, May 20

Location: United Methodist Church, 41671 W. 10 Mile, Novi Details: State Rep. Vicki Barnett and candidate for U.S. Congress Bobby McKenzie will address a meeting of the Democrats of West Oakland County, as will 52-1 District Court Judge Brian MacKenzie who will be running in the August primary. The meeting is free and open to the public. Snacks provided; pizza may be purchased.

Contact: For more information, visit www.mydems.info

MULTIVITAMINS SEMI-NAR

Time/Date: 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 21

Location: Better Health Market, 42875 Grand River Ave., Novi

Wildcat art



The City of Novi Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department has partnered with the Novi Community School District to present the fifth annual Novi High School Select Art Show in the Novi Civic Center Atrium Gallery through May 30. This juried, multimedia exhibit highlights the creativity of local teens - like Melissa Ramirez (pictured) - with pieces including painting, ceramics, photography, metal work, and digital media. "This is a unique opportunity for high school students to display their artwork in a professional public gallery. We are honored to have such talented young adults, and very proud to have this opportunity to display their work. Many of the featured students plan to go on to art school and pursue a career in visual art," said Erin Harbar, art teacher at Novi High School. The Novi Civic Center Atrium Gallery is located inside Novi Civic Center at 45175 10 Mile. The gallery is open whenever the Novi Civic Center is open and always between 8 a.m. and 5

Details: Nationally known expert Tom Bohager, creator of Enzymedica, will explain the

Time/Date: 3-5 p.m. Thursday, June 5, 12, 19 and 26 and July 10 and 17.

Location: Novi Senior Center (45175 W. 10 Mile)

Details: The Area Agency on Aging 1-B and the Alzheimer's Association-Greater Michigan Chapter are hosting a free training program for families concerned about and/or caring for someone with a dementia related illness, such as Alzheimer's disease. The Creating **Confident Caregivers program** has been proven to reduce caregiver stress by empowering caregivers with useful tools and information. Caregivers are encouraged to attend all six classes in order to complete the training. All materials, fliers, and

training books are provided by the AAA 1-B, and there is no cost for the caregiver to attend this training. The class is limited to 12 participants. Up to three members from one family can attend a training together.

Contact: To register for the CCC training program, as well as on-site respite care, call the Area Agency on Aging 1-B at 800-852-7795, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday

ment group

finished cancer treatment or have been out of treatment for a while and would like to connect with other survivors are invited to join this informative discussion and peer support.

Contact: Jenny Bailey at 248 465-5466 **FRIENDS OF**

ISLAND LAKE

Time/Date: 7 p.m. fourth Tuesday of each month (except December) Location: Island Lake State

Recreation Area headquarters at Kensington and Grand River Avenue

Details: Meetings are open to any interested individual. The group's purpose is to support, enhance, protect and promote the natural, historic and recreational features of the park and the Huron River by increasing awareness of the park's assets through the education and outreach activities, encouraging and facilitating communication and cooperation between users of the park and its staff, organizing volunteers and stew ardship activities and fundraising through contributions and grants to support these initiatives.

Contact: www.islandlakefriends.org

BEREAVEMENT MEETING

Time/Date: 7:30-9 p.m. third Tuesday of each month Location: Novi Civic Center (10 Mile between Taft and Novi roads)

Details: Led by Michael M. Meyer, D. Min., goal is to give each participant an opportunity to share their story

NAMI METRO

Time/Date: 7-9 p.m. second Tuesday of each month Location: Providence Park Hospital, Novi Details: Family support group

Contact: For more information,

or questions, contact NAMI metro at 248-348-7197 or visit http://www.namimetro.org/. **WOMANHEART OF**

NOVI

Time/Date: 7 p.m. fourth Wednesday of each month Location: Providence Park Hospital, Novi Details: For women with concerns about cardiac health to share information and sisterhood at monthly meetings Contact: Sharon Mallon, 248-348-5189.

SUBURBAN COLLECTION SHOWPLACE

Location: 46100 Grand River, Novi

Phone: 248-348-5600 Web: www.SuburbanShowplace.com

GOLF OUTINGS NOVI PARKS FOUNDATION

Date: Thursday, Aug. 7 Location: Links of Novi Details: You will receive 18 holes of golf with cart, continental breakfast, lunch, a gourmet steak dinner and prizes with your participation. Sponsorship opportunities are available. Contact: golf@noviparksfoundation.org

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.com or call 248-349-3743

LOCAL BUSINESS **NETOWORK MEETING**

Time/Date: 8:45-10:15 a.m. first and third Wednesday of each month Contact: To RSVP, call 248-349-

6225 or 248-685-9226

AMERICAN BUSINESS WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

Time/Date: 6:15-8:30 p.m. second Wednesday of each month

Location: DoubleTree Hotel, 42100 Crescent Blvd., Novi Details: Novi Oaks is a chapter of the American Business Women's Association. The group meets monthly for networking and a program featuring speak ers on an array of market-relevant topics. Organizers strive to bring together businesswomen of diverse occupations and to provide opportunities for them to help themselves and others grow personally and professionally through leadership, education, networking support and national recognition. Guests are always welcome; advance registration is required. Visit www.abwa-novi.org

Contact: Holly Hengstebeck at publicity@abwa-novi.org.

NORTHVILLE-NOVI BUSIONESS NETWORKING BREAKFAST

Time/Date: 7:30-9 a.m. first and third Tuesday of each month (except November and December, which are just the first Tuesday)

Location: Kerby's Coney Island, 21200 Haggerty

Details: Business networking focused on building relationships. The Sunrise Networking Group, LLC (sunriseNETWOR-KINGgroup.com) is a group of about 250 business leaders who help each other to build more business by referring people to each other. Breakfast is \$10. Contact: Fonda Milana at 586-232-3009 or fmilana@sunrisefinancial grouplic.com.

METRO NOVI BNI

Time/Date: 7-8 a.m. each Wednesday

Location: On the Border Restaurant, 21091 Haggerty (north of Eight Mile), Novi

Details: BNI is a structured networking environment for professionals. The Metro Novi BNI team members are committed to providing bona fide referrals. Members learn how to create and refine an "elevator speech," develop a network of other business professionals in the community and receive training/education on networking more efficiently. Guests are invited free of charge. Continental breakfast provided. Contact: Julie Paquette at

248-797-1665 or juliepa quette67@gmail.com; www.metronovibni.com.

HUD COUNSELING

Time/Date: 5-8 p.m. first Monday of each month

Details: HUD-certified counselors are available to assist homeowners at risk of foreclosure. There is no charge for this service. Please call if you wish to attend. One-on-one sessions will be scheduled.

Book Discussion Group

Time/Date: 6:30 p.m. first Thursday of each month Details: Drop in or call the library if you are interested in joining this group.

CLUBS

NOVI LIONS CLUB

Time/Date: 6 p.m. social; 6:30 p.m. meeting second and fourth Wednesday of each month

Location: Leo's Sports Bar & Grill Restaurant, lower level, 40380 Grand River, west of Haggerty. Visitors are welcome, dinner is from the menu. Novi Lions is part of Lions International, the largest service organization in the world. The purpose is to serve the blind and the community. Principal activities are fundraising for Leader Dogs, Penrickton Center for Blind Children and other blind charities along with fundraisers for high school scholarships.

Contact: Lions President Ron Martin at 248-473-1156 or Secretary Ed Kramer, 248-348-2747.

PROVIDENCE AND PROVIDENCE PARK HOSPITALS

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CARELINK LECTURES

Transitions – Life After Treat-

Time/Date: 6-7:30 p.m. second and fourth Monday of each month

Location: Providence Park Hospital's Assarian Cancer Center, Second floor Conference

Room, 47601 Grand River Ave., Novi Details: Those have recently

importance of enzymes in maintaining and promoting optimal health at this free seminar. Contact: 248-735-8100 **HELP AVAILABLE FOR** DEMENTIA

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LOCAL NEWS

Nonprofit Friends of the Rouge fighting for future existence

By Kurt Kuban Staff Writer

For more than 25 years, the nonprofit Friends of the Rouge has been the main catalyst in changing perceptions about the Rouge River, which was once one of the most polluted waterways in the United States due to the area's heavy industry and poor storm water planning.

The group, which founded the annual Rouge Rescue in 1986, has been promoting the restoration and stewardship of the Rouge ever since. With the help of the federal Rouge River Wet Weather Demonstration Project, which has granted millions of dollars to local communities for projects that have eliminated sewage discharges, restored habitat and increased recreational opportunities, FOTR has been a driving force in getting the public to take ownership of the river again.

Ironically, just as the river is in the midst of a huge comeback, the survival of Friends of the Rouge is very much in doubt.

Changes in perception

The Rouge River has four main branches that flow primarily through Wayne and Oakland counties, with some of the headwaters in Washtenaw County. The watershed drains 438 square miles of some of the most urban landscape in the state (or anywhere, for that matter).

Many of the 48 communities within the watershed have in recent years embraced the river again, seeing it as providing residents with recreation such as fishing, nature walks and even canoeing. A quarter-century ago, those same communities were warning residents to stay away from the river.

Friends of the Rouge has played a huge role in this transformation. through not only the annual Rouge Rescue event in which thousands of volunteers remove trash from the river and also restore habitat, but also its highly successful

ROUGE RESCUE

The Friends of the Rouge's annual river cleanup takes place in May and June. A work day have been scheduled for June 7, with the main event on May 17. Volunteers of all ages and backgrounds are invited to participate in hands-on activities to care for the Rouge River. Following are the dates and locations for events: May 17: Douglas Evans Nature Preserve, Beverly Hills; Flodin Park, Canton Township: Meadows of Canton. Canton Township; Workman Elementary Habitat, Canton Township; Ford Field Greenway Trail, Dearborn; Henry Ford Community College, Dearborn; Henry Ford Estate-Garlic Mustard Removal, Dearborn; University of Michigan Environmental Interpretive Center, Dearborn; Parkland Park, Dearborn Heights; Rouge Park, Detroit; St. Paul of the Cross Retreat, Detroit; Shiawassee Park, Farmington; Botsford Commons Senior Community, Farmington Hills; Heritage Park, Farmington Hills; Oakland Community College Orchard Ridge Campus, Farmington Hills; Coventry Gardens Park, Livonia; Allen Drive Park, Northville; Linear Park, Northville Township; Mead's Mill, Northville Township; Smith Elementary School-Byron Creek, Plymouth; Plymouth Township Park, Plymouth Township; Lola Valley Park, Redford Township; Beech Woods Recreation Center, Southfield; Berberian Woods, Southfield; Kosch-Headwaters Preserve, Superior Township; Woodside Village Subdivision, Superior Township; Goudy Park, Wayne.

June 7: Booth Park, Birmingham; Mill Race Village, Northville: Rotary Park, Novi.

Event details are provided on the Friends website at www.therouge.org.

Project into his curriculum for years at Franklin Middle School. He said the kids loved being able to go down to the river and learn in a real-world situation

"We did the water quality monitoring the entire time I was at Franklin. We did every single test there was. I did that with hundreds and hundreds of kids over the years," Walker said. "A lot of those students wanted to go into science after that and also get more involved in cleaning up the river. For a lot of my kids, it was their only chance to get out into nature. And they loved it."

Finding new funding

Due to great improvements in water quality, the EPA is phasing out the Rouge River Wet Weather Demonstration Project. It is a big blow to FOTR because the organization has received annual funding from the program for years. In fact, it has provided about a third of the group's overall budget, which this year is about \$474,000. The grant will expire at the end of May, which has left the group looking at a budget deficit and scrambling to figure out how it will off-set the lost funds.

the number of volunteer hours it coordinates for the event, they will be holding the main event

Saturday, May 17, this year. Most of the Rouge Rescue events will take place that day, while others will be held June 7. For a complete list, visit the FOTR website at www.therouge.org.

Friends of the Rouge is pretty much a bare bones operation that relies on its extensive network of volunteers. It has six full-time and one part-time employee. The FOTR board recently hired Aimee LaLonde-Norman as the group's new executive director. While she doesn't have much experience with environmental groups like FOTR, she does have a extensive experience in the nonprofit field and especially with fundraising. She realizes the group's future is dependent upon how successful she and the staff will be with finding new funding sources.

She said the focus will be on three areas: connecting with corporations and other nonprofits for potential grants; figuring out what are the key programs the group provides (and can afford); and improving public relations. She said FOTR is suffering a bit from its success, in the sense that many in the public think the battle may be won.

"We need to do whatever it takes to reconnect to the public," La-Londe-Norman said.

She is hoping she doesn't have to eliminate staff, because there are so few staff members all with many responsibilities

"We're still working through that. We'll rely on what little reserves we have for now, but there's no doubt that we're going to have to embrace creativity to survive," she said. "I'm excited because we have a lot of great partners, whether they are financial backers or our many, many volunteers. It is scary, but it's a unique situation. This is giving us a chance to really reexamine what we do as an organization."

Increasing membership

Despite the challeng-ing landscape in front of them, LaLonde-Norman doesn't think FOTR will cease to exist. There are too many people that have seen the good the organization has done.

'I have a lot of faith and hope the community won't let that happen,' she said. "I think the community will rally around us once they figure out how dire the situation is."

One of the goals is increasing membership. The group currently has about 400 paying members.

In a watershed of more than 1.5 million people, the group thinks it can do a better job of attracting members. They are expecting about 3,000 people to get involved with Rouge Rescue this year alone. Membership dues are as little as \$35 annually.

For more information about Friends of the Rouge and how you can help, visit www.therouge.org.

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ABBAS, JOHN E. Of Milfrod, May 7, 2014. Funer-al Services were held at Christ Lutheran Church, May 10, 2014. www.lynchFuneralDirectors.com

AITTAMA, **ELAINE JUDITH**

a long time resident of Highland and co-owner of Milford Baking Company for over 23 years, passed away peacefully on May 7th, 2014 after a six year battle with Leukemia. She was 71 years old. She is survived by her loving husband of 53 years, Da-vid; son, Craig (Terry) Aittama; daughter, Heidi (Mike) Kirchner; grandchildren; Kara, Lindsay, William (Alissa), Dean, Hannah, Laura; great-granddaughter, Victoria; sister, Diane (Bill) Heinz and many extended family and dear friends. A Memorial Serv-ice will be held at Lynch & Sons Funeral Home, 404 E. Liberty St., Milford on Sunday, May 18th, 2014 at 4 p.m., with gather-ing beginning at 3 p.m. Pastor Terry Klaus to officiate. Friends may visit the funeral home on Saturday from 5-9 p.m. In lieu of memorial contributions flowers.



DeBORD, KENNETH (KENNY)

On the afternoon of May 6th, Kenneth (Kenny) DeBord, passed away after a battle with cancer while surrounded and comforted by his family and staff members of Arbor Hospice Care. Kenneth was 79 years old. Kenneth was born in Robbins, Tennessee on June 8, 1934. He was one of 16 children born to Abigia and Georgia (Shannon) DeBord. In July, 1955, Kenneth beloved married his wife, Berniece Hughett. They relocated to Ypsilanti, Michigan, where he began working for Ford Motor Company and did so



GREEN, MARION

Loving and devoted wife, mother, grandmother and lifelong New Hudson area resident. Marion Jean Green, peacefully passed away on May 5, 2014, at the age of 86 in Bradenton, Florida where she had resided for the last 6 months. Marion was born on August 17, 1926, in Ann Arbor to Claude B. and Verna Scott Underhill. She grew up on a farm in New Hudson and attended New Hudson schools where she graduated high school in 1943. Four years later she mar-ried Wilfred "Butch" Green. They built their family home next door to her childhood home where they raised six children remained married until and Butch's death in 1997. Marion the majority of her life dedicated to raising her six children and thoroughly enjoying the gift of 10 grandchildren and three great grandchildren. She was a devoted member of the New Hudson United Methodist Church her entire life in addition to being a choir member and Sunday school teacher Marion worked several years as a playground supervisor at New Hudson Dolsen Elementary School. (Apparently six kids were not enough! She loved them all!) Besides her passion for her family Marion also loved playing the piano, singing, gardening, traveling, swimming, snorkeling, hiking, biking and animals of every kind. Her travels included many sojourns with her family across the country in a camper. Other trips included Alaska, Hawaii, Mexico, several Caribbean islands, Africa and Holland, as well as biking adventures across the state and backpacking Isle Royal. But her favorite trips were always to the family cabin in Brevort, Michigan. Marion was preceded in death by her husband, Wilfred (Butch); husband, Renie Mae; granddaughter, daughter, Gretchen Marie Gra-ham. She is survived by her children and their spouses: Anita and Jim Graham of Seymour, Tennessee; Fred and Terry Green of Dearborn, Michigan; Claudia and Glenn Wiseman of Holmes Beach, Florida; Andy and Vivian Green of New Hudson, Michigan; Chris and Wendy Green of New Hudson, Michigan; nine Michael, grandchildren: Eric. Renie Lynn, Justin, Amanda, Lindsey, Jacob, Rachel, and Paige; three great-grandchildren; Cooper, Kinsey and Genevieve. Marion's unfailing spirit, love of life, passion for her family, sense of humor and feistiness managed to shine on throughout her life. The "sunshine" of her spirit will remain in the hearts of everyone who was blessed to know her. A memorial service will be held on June 14th at 11:00 at the New Hudson United Methodist Church. A light lunch will follow. Donations can be made in Marion's memory to the New Hudson United Methodist

Church in lieu of flowers.

LUKE, MARY LOUISE

Age 82 of Milford, May 5, 2014. For further info, call Lynch &

Sons, Milford, 248-684-6645, or

visit LynchFuneralDirectors.com

JAMES LESLIE "JIM" Age 69, of Hartland, died Monday, May 5, 2014. Funeral serv-ices were held 11:00 a.m. Saturday, May 10, 2014 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Road, Fenton. Those desiring may make contributions to the Livingston County 4H club or the American Lung Association. Online tributes may be posted on the obituaries page at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.

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MAHINSKE, CLAIR A. Age 60, of Northville, formerly of Howell, died May 11, 2014. Full obit and online condolences www.casterlinefuneralhome.com

NELSON, WALTER O. Age 96 passed away May 7, 2014. Memorial service will be held in July. On-line guestbook available at phillipsfuneral.com

PAPE, JULIE A. Age 53, May 5, 2014. Funeral was May 9, at Cornerstone Evan-



Rouge Education Project that works with schools throughout the watershed to allow students to conduct hands-on water quality monitoring. Both of the programs have connected thousands of people with the river.

Plymouth resident Frank Walker, who is a retired Wayne-Westland teacher, implemented the Rouge Education

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BROWN, ALICE (HOLLYER)

Passed away peacefully at age 87 on Saturday, May 10, 2014. She was the daughter of Robert N and Jane (Newsted) Hollyer. Predeceased by husband of 65 years, Milner Brown, son-in-law Bill Deetz, sister Jane Wise, and brothers Robert, William and Richard Hollyer. Alice is survived her children Ann (Joe) Sartoris, Michael (Bonnie) Brown, Patricia (Paul Mercer) McDonald, Wendy (Peter) Sullivan, Susan Deetz, Nancy Brown, and John (Leah) Brown, 17 grandchildren and numerous great-grandchildren. Also her sister Wini (Hollyer) Freese and sister-in-law Doris (Richard) Hollyer. Alice was a Cadet Nurse during WWII and graduate of Grace Hospital School of Nursing Class of 1948. She was also a Girl Scout leader for many years and an avid Tiger fan. Her family was the center of her life and she will be greatly missed. A private service was held Monday May 12, 2014. Memorials in her name may be made to the Inter-national RETT Syndrome Foun-dation, PO Box 706143 Cincinnati, OH 45270-6143. Online condolences to:

obriensullivanfuneralhome.com

CIELINSKI, STANLEY Age 91, May 7, 2014. Funeral was May 13 at 11:30am, at St. Joseph Catholic Church, South Lyon. Phillips Funeral Home



CURL, LOIS B.

May 2, 2014. Beloved wife of the late Thomas Curl. Dearest May mother of James (Mary), Richard (Elizabeth) and Deborah

(Jeffrey) Fidge. Loving grand-mother of Adam and Jaime Curl, Sarah (Jason) Hoffman, Bryon Curl and Meghan Fidge. Dear great-grandmother of Abbigail, Juliette and Emma Hoffman. Lois also leaves behind many loving family members and friends. A memorial service will be held at Northville Presbyterian Church - 200 E. Main -Sunday, May 18 at 2:00 p.m.

his sons. Kenneth is survived by Berniece, their four children, Pamela (David) Johnson.

for the next 35 years. In 1958,

Kenneth established DeBord

Fence Company, which contin-

Kenneth Perry (Jeanette) DeBord, Paul (Vicky) DeBord and Phillip (Jenny) DeBord, five grandchildren, Kenneth (Sarah) Jennifer (Andy) DeBord, Jr., Merriman, Jessica (Brent) Anderson, Andrea DeBord, Tarrah DeBord, and many great-grandchildren. He was called "Grandpa" by many others throughout his years, and he cherished them all. He is preceded in death by six brothers and one sister and is survived by two brothers, Robert and Daniel DeBord, and six sisters, Jewell West, June Jones, Betty Ellison, Faye Brooks, Caroline DeBord and Jill Walker, two very special brothers-in law, Ronald Hughett and Allen McCartt, and nephew Joe Robbins, who was like a brother to the whole DeBord Family. Kenneth enjoyed hunting, fishing, casinos, yard work and following the Detroit Pistons. He also enjoyed the Bay Harbor Antique Car and Boat Show, which he looked forward to every summer. Most of all, he loved the time spent with his wife and family. Kenneth had a very strong faith in God throughout his life, he attributed that to his beating cancer 10 years ago. He attended North Ridge Church in Plymouth. Kenneth always expressed heartfelt appreciation for his wonderful doctor of 10 years, Dr. Jerome Winegarden. His sensitivity and support of his fine staff helped him through many difficult times. Funeral arrange-

ments have been made by Phillips Funeral Home, 122 West Lake Street, South Lyon, Michi-gan. Visitation was held on Friday, May 9, 2014, from 4:00pm until 9:00pm. Funeral Services were at Phillips Funeral Home on May 10, 2014 at 11:00am. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to: West Willow Church of God & Christ, In Memory of Kenneth DeBor, 1837 Tyler Rd, Ypsilanti, Michigan 48197



Brighton. Phillips Funeral Home.

PARSLEY, BILLIE J. age 84, of Milford, died on May 11, 2014. Preceded in death by her beloved husband, Robert Harold Parsley and sons, Michael and Stephen Parsley Survived by her loving children, Marsha Lee, Tami (Kenny) Baldwin; daughter-in-law, Patty Parsley; Parsley; grandchildren, Jason (Megan), Jennifer (Matt), Jodie, Brandon, Amy, Eric (Leah), Am-ber, Stephen; 12 great-grandchildren; sister Betty (Paul) brother-in-law, Cook; Paul Walker. Also survived by her extended family and many dear friends. A Funeral Service will be held at Lynch & Sons Funeral Home, 404 E. Liberty, Milford, Thursday, May 15 at 7 p.m. with visitation from 1-7 p.m. Memorials encouraged to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital or Disabled American Veterans. For further information please contact Lynch & Sons Funeral Home, 248-684-6645 www.LynchFuner alDirectors.com.

Paying tribute to the life of your loved one.



LOCAL NEWS



Olivia Landis renovated the Fellowship Hall located inside Market Street Church in Walled Lake.

Pair of Novi Girl Scouts earn Gold Award

Holmes

Two Girl Scouts from Troop 41363 in Novi - Sierra Holmes and Olivia Landis will be receiving their Gold Award for projects they each developed and implemented during a ceremony at Washtenaw Community College on May 31.

Sierra Holmes renovated a room at **Detroit Rescue Mission Ministries to** give one of the many women seeking shelter there a clean and comfortable place to stay while they put their lives back together. She assembled a team of volunteers to help her paint and set up furniture and bring in other items to make the room look cheery and welcoming.

ups for Children, Youth and Adults

Holmes said she hopes her efforts will contribute to the upward movement of these women and help them to break the downward the spiral they find themselves in.

Just because the DRMM may be the last

opportunity for many of these women to find shelter and support, it doesn't mean they don't deserve a nice environment, she said.

Holmes is a senior at Mercy High School

Olivia Landis renovated the Fellowship Hall located inside Market Street

Church in Walled Lake. It is used for functions such as baby showers and wedding and funeral receptions, but it was in such a state of disrepair that it was hindering the church's efforts to reach out to the congregation and members of the community.

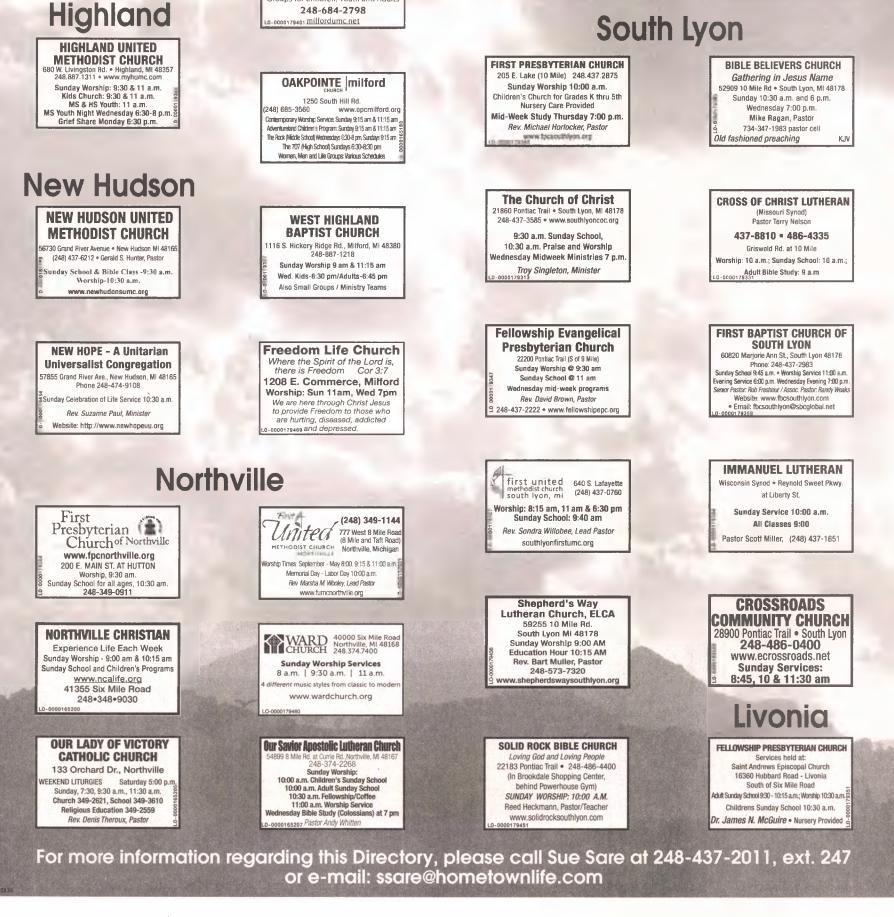
Landis, a member of the church, decided to renovate the hall with help from other church members, friends and family. The majority of their efforts focused on painting the room's dirty white walls and hanging new curtain rods and curtains.

Landis said church leadership organizes baby pantries (which provide essentials such as diapers, wipes, formula and bottles) and leads efforts to collect food for those who are less fortunate while spreading God's word. With all of the help and love provided by the church, Landis said she felt like it needed something special in return.

Landis is a senior at Northville High School. She will be attending Spring Arbor University where she will major in accounting and Spanish.

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OUR VIEWS



It will take a multi-layered community approach to save young lives

It will take a multi-faceted effort of community of parents, teachers, community officials, com-munity organizations and law enforcement agen-cies to effectively knock heroin out of Oakland County. Without a determined and cohesive attack, heroin's use will increase beyond its already significant hike and will continue to kill teenagers and young adults.

At a recent Heroin Town Hall, hosted by Oak-land County Sheriff Michael Bouchard, con-cerned parents learned the worrisome facts of heroin use in local communities. Year-to-date over 2013, sheriff's deputies have

witnessed a 300-percent increase in heroin cases. Michigan deaths from heroin overdoses have ris-en sharply since the 1999 through 2002 period, when 271 deaths were reported, to 728 between 2010-12, according to an undercover sheriff's dep-

uty. The rise in heroin use is due in part to its affor-dability, availability and relative purity. Some 15-20 years ago, heroin was 3- to 10-percent pure and padded with other drugs to reduce its strength. Today, heroin — primarily from Afghanistan — is 80- to 90-percent pure and, unlike in the past, is not being cut as heavily, according to deputies.

The Oakland County Commission's chambers were filled with parents. But they represented only a few communities. Many were sporting placards that shouted: "Hope for heroin addicts,"

"I am here because I am scared for my communi-ty" and "We support a drug-free community." Those parents were primarily from Waterford and South Lyon. Clearly a majority of communi-ties was not represented at likely what was one of

the most important meetings of the year. "Some communities don't like to talk about it black eye (to the community)," Bouchard said. "It's not a negative on property values." Nothing could be more true. There are few communities that want to make a public show of

problems. But in this case, it is necessary. Without acknowledging a community and county prob-lem, an effective solution cannot be developed and the use of heroin will increase and more young people will die.

Bouchard and his undercover deputy urged parents to get wise and to get involved with their children and what their children are doing. "It's not an inner-city drug like you think," the deputy said. "If you don't know about it, you better. It's at your door. Get into your kids' business. Indeed it is. A peek of police reports in any of the county's communities would be an eye-opener Parents, teachers, community organizations Today's heroin is not the same as was used 20

for parents. Motorists are stopped with heroin in the car and the accompanying paraphernalia. Arrests are made weekly. And first responders are seeing heroin's deathly impact first-hand. In just one week in April, West Bloomfield had five overdoses out of a total of eight in the county. and community leaders must join forces to combat the use of heroin. Parents must learn the telltale signs of use. They include a powdered substance, burned straws, syringes and burned pieces of foil, to name a few. years ago. Today, heroin comes primarily from Afghanistan. Because of the abundant supply, it's much cheaper — as low as \$10 for a bindle, enough to create the high most users live for.

COMMUNITY VOICE

If you could be any animal, what would it be and why?

This question was asked at the Novi Civic Center.



"A bird, so I could fly all over and everywhere." Nancy McNamara Novi



"A shark because they never sleep and I have a lot of things to do." **Colleen Beale** Novi



"A dolphin because they are really pretty." **Phyllis Ehrlich** Novi



"A bird as well so I could fly everywhere with my bird friends." **Sally Pietrous**

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Support Rebuilding **Together**

In the Jan. 24 issue of the Novi News, I saw an article about a community service pro-gram by St. James Catholic Church and Rebuilding Together-Oakland County to aid homeowners in Novi. I was fortunate to be chosen as one of the two homeowners to receive the generosity of the volunteers from

these worderful organizations. On April 26, my house "Captain," Kevin Clark, and his team of workers arrived and painted, installed new flooring, beautified my landscaping, and performed other projects to improve my home's security and energy efficiency. The other house captain, Bob Harmer, was instrumental in the application process. It is amazing what a difference just one day can make in someone's life. The kindness, respect, hard work and skill brought by the team of volunteers revitalized both my home and my spirit.

I encourage everyone looking for a worthy cause to support to donate their time and resources to Rebuilding Together-Oakland County and St. James Catholic Church.

Arlene Calunas

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Impact of judges

The separation of church and state has been the foundation of American democracy for over 200 years. The Supreme Court, in its recent ruling in the case of Greece, N.Y., town meetings, has crumbled that foundation. In a 5-4 ruiing the court decided it is permissible to open public meetings with a prayer from a chaplain each month. Although all faiths are welcome to appear, the majority of the chaplains are Christian. Justice Elena Kagan, who wrote for the dissent, stated that every American citizen, despite his/her religious affiliation, should be represented at governmental meetings. Last year, the Supreme Court gutted the Voting Rights Act. It is important that citizens are aware of the makeup and actions of this extremely conservative activist court. Too, voters should realize the president of the United States appoints justices to all courts. To keep and strengthen the parts of democracy which still exist, we must research candidates, support our choices, and vote in all elections, using reason rather than emotion. Hannah Provence Donigan Commerce

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trying to do the best they can at a really difficult job with 20 or more adults constantly yelling things at them. What would that do to your child's self-esteem, self-worth or self-image? Think about it.

Denise Stacer Northville

Another 'bold' idea

I saw on the news this week that the Republicans in control in Lansing are contemplating an election year tax break of \$76 for Michiganders. If you even whisper about taxing the wealthy or corporations more fairly, and ask them to contribute even a penny more to benefit others, Republicans scream "redistribution of wealth." However, when you tax the pensions senior citizens, and then pass the cash generated by this new tax they recently enacted along to everyone else, it quickly becomes another one of their bold new ideas.

New Hudson

Reducing energy use

I have a Chevrolet Volt and I love it. The Volt is energy effi-cient and gets 40 miles to a charge. In summer, I can get a full charge because of the warmth and in the winter, be-cause of the cold, I don't get a full charge.

But as I drive and use the electricity the engine kicks in and recharges the battery. The best part is that we spend about \$10 a month on gasoline and we use the car daily driving about 75 miles. I can plug in at my destination and then I'm good to return home. We use to spend \$538 per month just to gas up and now it's approximately \$10. And it only costs \$50 a month to charge the car. So, that's only \$60 a month compared to \$538. Wow. And we are helping the environment along the way. How cool is that?

One feature that the Volt has is a little Earth gauge that keeps you driving green. As long as the Earth stays green, that means that you are driving fuel-efficient. That's cool. My Volt is nicely loaded and I feel like I'm

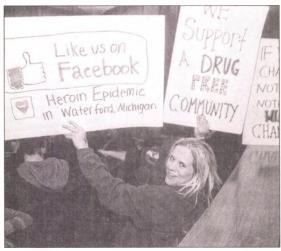
driving in luxury. Katherine Westphal Commerce

Choice needed in education

Since adopted by President Carter in 1980 the U.S. Depart-ment of Education is one more bureaucracy with little useful purpose but money distribution. In a presumably free nation we are now overwhelmed by micromanaging bureaucracies. Even tually each one functioning as overstaffed fiefdoms of central planning Every bit of public education is driven by the local culture, a common language and associated peer groups. The results either demanded or not by interest of local taxpayers. Common Core appears as the brainchild of elite's attempt to correct the total mess of their urban social engineering of the 1960s and 1970s laying the decay on urban public schools. Advancements in our education industry relies upon all sorts of circular groping toward college degrees neither cost effective nor beneficial. American one-room school houses were once pretty effective as families focused on needed and useful vocations as a thorough necessity. Happy endings may not include growing indebtedness or seductive politicians moving families ever onward toward dependency. Vouchers, which are still being held back by politics, are the answer to bring wider options and improving educational results by implementing choice. Competition corrects problems associated with unchanging manipulations and introduces cost control. Parents most desperately need choices of optional competitive and vocational educational programs. Freedom from the lockstep of national bureaucracies using equally funded options will push ever higher expectations. Competition in voucher options may require failures to upgrade or disappear. Children in the critical K-12 years should never be left without such options and easy access to them.

"Now you see why we are having these over-doses," Bouchard said. "The first-timer has no tolerance to that level."

Heroin use and overdose is one of those problems that requires more than a village to prevent the deaths of many. Let's join forces, educate our-selves and work toward keeping our communities' youth alive.



Katie Ogg Belliotti from Waterford hoists placards of support for the recent Heroin Town Hall meeting at the Oakland County Board of Commission Auditorium. JOHN STORMZAND | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



Cal Stone, **Community Editor** Susan Rosiek, Executive Editor

Grace Perry, Director of Advertising

Grow up

I would like you to imagine having your first job. You are 14-16 years old. You may make mistakes but everyone makes mistakes. Now imagine that every time you do this job that adults are constantly yelling at you even when you have not necessarily made a mistake. Not only are there adults always yelling at you, but their children are yelling at you with the parents encouraging them.

Here are some of the things that I have heard yelled by adults at a 14-16-year-old referee: loser, you are worthless, stupid, idiot, you don't know anything, you are clueless, blind, you have no idea what you are doing, you must be deaf, you are dumb, what are you doing, are vour eyes even open, where is your brain, you don't belong here and so many more things even some things that cannot be printed here.

Next time you are at soccer game, think about the example you are setting and what your children are learning from your behavior. Imagine that it was your child out in the center of the field or along the sidelines

Steve Lawrence Northville Township

Identity issue

Guess what? I have just seen an ad featuring Terri Lynn Land saying she knows me, a woman, better than Gary Peters knows me. Here is this millionaire lady who has not been heard of for years, coming out of retirement to run against Gary Peters.

Guess they could not find a woman who is facing 21st century problems and could identify with working mothers supporting children on minimum wage jobs

What facts does she give? None. Gary Peters has voted for women's rights since the day he got to Congress. What has Terri Lynn Land done? Give some facts. I need to know what programs she has done to help middle class and poor women.

I am not fooled just because she is a woman. She will not represent us women.

Of course you probably don't have time to sit around drinking coffee. You are probably too busy working to support your family

Of course, this is my opinion. What is yours?

Joanne Braund Royal Oak

Look beyond money, ads

In Michigan's 11th Congressional district, an article regarding the finances of the two candidates, Kerry Bentivolio and David Trott, sounds as if how much you spend is the only criteria for the office. I hope that people look beyond that. I have met Mr. David Trott and I believe him to be a decent person. I know Kerry Bentivolio. He is a hard worker, a veteran, a teacher and a farmer. He is not a lawyer, and I do not believe we need another one in Washington, D.C. Please look beyond the finances and slick ads when you cast your vote.

John Hicks

Jim Nowka Northville

Resume funding

Research shows that cancer screenings save lives. Detecting cancer early increases the chances of successful treatment, improves survival rates and cuts overall medical costs in Michi-

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gan.

Last year, Michigan legislators eliminated state funding for Michigan's Cancer Prevention Program. Now, less than 10 percent of women, age 40 to 49, eligible for the Michigan Breast and **Cervical Cancer Control** Program will receive life-saving cancer screenings in 2014. This means more women will be diagnosed with breast cancer at later stages when it is more costly to treat and less likely to survive.

Unfortunately, a significant number of Michiganders will remain unor under-insured. For these women, the Breast and Cervical Cancer Control Program may be the only option enabling them access screening and early detection programs. I urge all members of the Michigan legislature to remember these women, and make fully funding this program a priority.

Nasrine Altairi Dearborn

America's Constitution burns while Americans fiddle

While Americans are fiddling with their TV sets, barbecues, stock quotes and their latest symbols of conspicuous consumption, America's Constitution is being torched to ashes by the very government that has sworn to uphold and protect it. We need only to check our non-governmentally controlled news sources, to realize that things are not as rosy as mainstream media would have one to believe.

The passage of the National Defense Authorization Act is but one of many egregious laws, passed to the detriment of American liberty. While purporting to protect American citizens from "terrorists" and

"terrorist threats," the NDAA gives the president free reign to arrest anyone he deems to be a "threat" or to have committed a "belligerent act." The accused can be arrested, indefinitely incarcerated in some unknown location, with no hope of legal representation or a trial by jury. He may even be subject to execution. The writ of Habeas Corpus and the Posse Comitatus Act, along with our First, Second, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth and Eighth Amendment rights, have all been thrown out the

window. Lest you think this cannot happen to you, consider this: Do you engage in constitutionally protected free speech that criticizes your government and its policies? Do you ever meet with others that share your frustrations, such as patriotic groups, returning veterans, anti-abortionists, fundamentalist Christians or other groups who are deemed by the Department of Homeland Security to pose substantial risks for terrorist involvement? The individuals that I have met, who frequent these groups, are peaceloving and law-abiding citizens, fed up with ever encroaching government, spreading its tentacles to choke the protected rights of American citizens.

"Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty. Sitting it out on the sidelines, is exactly what has gotten us to where we find ourselves today. A few weeks ago, I met Miriam and Isaac, concentration camp survivors from Poland. Miriam intimated that she is terrified of the ominous parallels she is witnessing between our current government and pre-1933 Germany, and that they are eerily reminiscent of the rise of the Fascist German government, prior to the Holocaust.

If you are concerned about your own future, and what kind of America you will leave for your children and grandchildren, then I urge you to contact and join with others at pandaunite.org/. Find out how you can push back against governmental tyranny.

Regina Brim Lathrup Village

Stop the lies

Thanks to the YMCA, and all the volunteers and vendors that support Earth Day. Being swimmer, runner and cyclist I am all for more trees and fresh air.

That being said, I am concerned that some special interest groups might be preying on your ignorance.

The Sierra Club was handing out pamphlets and promoting how nuclear energy is harming the Great Lakes, even though there is no scientific evidence to support such a claim. I was being told that cooling tower are used to cool the water before it goes into the nuclear reactor. I know firsthand they use cool water from Lake Erie to cool reactors, and then send the hot water to two giant cooling towers to cool the water to make it safe to be sent back to the lake, having worked in a nuclear plant.

Their pamphlet says DTE Energy, a great company, is hurting Michigan families and refuses to add renewable energy sources such a wind farms and solar energy. And that coal energy kills and makes people sick, although I think we had many more sick people before electric light than after. Did anyone stop to realize that the great Chicago fire might not have ever happen if there were electric lights instead of kerosene light being knocked over in 1871?

The Sierra Club then plays on your emotions and says Consumers Energy has goal of 100 percent renewable energy by 2020. That is when I got sick to my stomach. Do they think because I

am on the east side of Michigan that I don't really know what is going on the west side of the state? Doesn't Sierra do its homework? Nowhere on Consumers Energy website does it state that. In fact groups like the Sierra Club and its allies lobbied to get former Gov. Jennifer Granholm to stop a huge new construction project of Consumers clean coal plant. It would have been great for the state along for the Essexville-Bay City area, a \$2 billion,

830 megawatt plant. So in one article they say great things about Consumers Energy, while in another article they claim victory by saying we blocked the expansion of coal plant. Yet DTE has invested \$2 billion in renewable energy and Consumers \$3 billion.

Well, I ask, have we become a country controlled by special interest that only cares about their own agendas? I think perhaps. What happen to "life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness"?

Perhaps we should stop blaming other people or companies for where we are in life and accept the fact that life is journey and some of us do better than others on the adventure. Yet we keep changing laws, to take hard-earned money away from people and companies delivering economic value. Let's stop the special interest lies and be thankful for electricity and cultural advancements.

Besides, even without man the earth that has been around for 4.5 billion years, and is expected to last another 1.75 billion years. The real question is not how long the earth will last, but rather the sun. Because without the sun it will get very cold here on planet earth, if it is not destroyed by the nuclear explosion of the sun imploding on itself. **Doug Klingensmith**

Milford

Teacher shortage coming

I read your editorial "New tests for teachers only a beginning" and thought it was excellent. Let's hope that the politicians in Lansing read it. I wonder how many politicians are sending their own children to a university for four years to go into teaching as a career?

As a retired teacher, I would like to go back a step further and look at the university standards set in the college of education. I attended many classes in which the instructor, across the board, just passed everyone. This practice is especially prevalent in the master's and specialist programs. This would never happen in the college of engineering. I, also, experienced that many of the professors in the college of education weren't teaching. On day one, they would come in and put students into groups and assign each group a presentation project. So, basically, the students taught the class and paid for it.

We must also raise the standards for the students in our public schools. We must have a zero tolerance policy for students that are behavior problems. Behavior problems in the classroom are a major obstacle in teaching. In some classes I spent more time disciplining than teaching. The very best teacher cannot teach students that are unmotivated, disruptive, and have not learned the value of education in their home. Uncooperative students are a major problem.

I predict a major teacher shortage in the future.

Carol Maynard Northville

Not so bad

I travel from Canton to Warren using I-275 and I-696. Since the closure of I-96, the traffic flow has been better than anticipated. I was able to change my work shift by 30 minutes earlier.

Morning commute starting at 6 a.m. is 45 minutes. Afternoon commute starting at 3:30 p.m. is 75-120 minutes. There is more traffic on I-275 and I-696 as a result of the closure. I alternate my route, depending on the location of the accidents, on or off the expressway.

It will definitely be worth the effort. We will have one expressway, free of potholes and crumbling bridges. I am impressed with the progress of the construction. The company developed and are executing a wellthought-out plan.

Linda Whiteaker Canton



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Join Independence Village of Plymouth Events

Fashionista Runway Thursday, May 8 6:30 p.m.

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RSVP by May 5.

Spring Fling Wednesday, May 20 1:30 p.m.

Spring is in the air! Come and celebrate with us! New Generations musical group will perform and sampling plates of delectable desserts will be served. RSVP by May 18.

Memorial Day Celebration Friday, May 23 12:00 p.m.

Veterans from VFW Post 6695 will join us as we honor and remember those who have given so much for our freedom. We will have color guard, flag raising and patriotic music. Every veteran will receive a commemorative pin. An old-fashioned cookout style lunch will be served. RSVP by May 19.

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Join Independence Village of White Lake Events

Cinco de Mayo Celebration Monday, May 5 12:30 p.m.

Get in the spirit of Cinco de Mayo and celebrate the Spanish Holiday with Mariachi Motown. The trio includes Guitar, Trumpet and Accordion. RSVP by May 3.

Mother's Day Fashion Show Wednesday, May 7 12:00 p.m.

Enjoy a Mother's Day Tea, Luncheon and Fashion Show. Everyone is welcome to enjoy shopping for the latest Spring Fashion's following the show. Cash and Carry. RSVP by May 5.

Elder Law Workshop Thursday, May 22

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Join us as Attorney Nicole Wipp with Family and Aging Law Center provides information regarding VA Benefits, Estate Planning, Long term care insurance and Tax Planning. Please register at: (248) 278-1511.

Presentation of Greece Thursday, May 29 2:30 p.m.

Come enjoy a wonderful slide presentation of Travels to Greece. Refreshments will be served. RSVP by May 25.



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Independence Village of White Lake

935 Union Lake Road White Lake, MI Between Cooley Lake Rd & Elizabeth Lake Rd

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Brightmoor Christian Church

Location: M-5 and 13 Mile, NoviContact: 248-668-7014 or CelebrateRecovery@brightmoorcc.org Web: www.brightmoorchur-

ch.org

Celebrate Recovery

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

Church of

the Holy Family

Location: 24505 Meadowbrook Road

Contact: 248-349-8847 or visit holyfamilynovi.org

Mass Schedule

Time/Day: 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Sunday; 9 a.m. Monday through Friday; 7 p.m. Monday and Tuesday; 4:30 p.m. Saturday; 6:30 p.m. Saturday (Spanish)

Morgan Jarrard of

Kalamazoo and Gregory

Sheppard of Zionsville,

Indiana, are engaged to

Morgan, the daughter

of Mike and Lori Jarrard

of Bedford, Michigan,

earned her bachelor's

degree in behavioral

neuroscience from Pur-

due University in 2012,

and is currently complet-

ing her master's degree

in occupational therapy

from Western Michigan

Gregory is the son of Steve and Cindy Shep-

graduate of Northville

High School, and earned

his bachelor's degree in

industrial engineering

pard of Novi. He is a 2008

be married.

University.

MILESTONES

ENGAGEMENT

Holy days: 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. Reconciliation: beginning 9 a.m. Saturdays or by appointment Priests: the Rev. Bob LaCroix,

pastor, and the Rev. Beto Espinoza, associate pastor **AA:** 8 p.m. Wednesdays

Crosspointe Meadows Church

Location: 29000 Meadowbrook Road, south of 13 Mile Contact: 248-669-9400, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday-Thursday or visit www.crosspointe meadows.org.

Sunday worship: 11 a.m.

Bible study classes: 10 a.m. for all ages Details: Nursery and older children programs available. Worship blends traditional and contemporary elements resulting in a multisensory worship experience.

Destiny Worship Center

Location: Ridge Wood Elementary School, 49775 Six Mile, Northville Contact: DestinyW3C@

Gmail.com or visit www.DW3C.org.

Gregory Sheppard and

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Indianapolis, Ind.

Purdue University.

Morgan Jarrard.

Emmanuel Lutheran Church

RELIGION CALENDAR

Livonia Web: www.emmanuel-livonia.org

Contact: 248-442-8822 Sunday worship: 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Youth group: 7 p.m. Wednesdays Women's Coffee Break Bible

Study: 10-11:30 a.m. Mondays; God Revealed by Fred Sievert Special Needs Ministry: Contact Judy Cook, 248-442-8822

Faith Community Presbyterian Church

Location: 44400 W. 10 Mile Contact: 248-349-2345 or visit www.faithcommunity-novi.org Sunday Worship: 10 a.m.

First Baptist Church of Northville

Location: 217 N. Wing Contact: 248-348-1020 Sunday Worship: 10:45 a.m. and 5:45 p.m. Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. Ladies Bible Study: 9:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Tuesdays Men's Bible Study: 9 a.m. first Saturday of every month

First Church of the Nazarene

Location: 21260 Haggerty, north of Eight Mile Contact: 248-348-7600 or visit

dfcnazarene.org **Sunday Schedule:** 9:30 a.m. Classic worship service, Adult Bible Fellowship classes and Children's Sunday School; 11 a.m. Contemporary worship service with Kids Church, Teen Worship Service and Adult Bible Fellowship classes. Cafe is open from 9:15-11 a.m. Refreshments at 10:30 a.m.; 6 p.m. Evening Traditional Service **Tuesday:** 9:25 a.m. Women's

Bible Study (Women of the Word) studying 1 Peter Thursday schedule: 6 a.m. Men

of Purpose Prayer Group and Bible Study

Friday: 9:30 a.m.; Sweet Fridays on the second and fourth Fridays – A Ministry for Moms of All Ages

First Presbyterian Church of Northville

Location: 200 E. Main Contact: 248-349-0911 or visit www.fpcnorthville.org Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School: 10:30 a.m. (for all ages)

First Presbyterian Church

Location: 205 E. Lake St. (corner

of Wells and 10 Mile), South Lyon

First Presbyterian Church

Contact: 248-437-2875

Location: 26165 Farmington Road, Farmington

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

Location: 41415 Nine Mile, corner of Meadowbrook Road, Novi Contact: 248-349-0565

Sundays: 8:45 a.m. Sunday School and Bible study; 10 a.m. worship

First United Methodist Church of Northville

Location: 777 W. Eight Mile, Northville Contact: 248-349-1144 or www.fumcnorthville.org

Summer Sunday Worship (Memorial Day-Labor Day): 8:30 and 10 a.m.

Summer Sunday School (Memorial Day-Labor Day): 8:30 a.m. - Nursery; 10 a.m. -Nursery-sixth grade Sunday Worship (September-

May): 8, 9:15 and 11 a.m. Sunday School (September-May): 8 a.m. Nursery; 9:15 a.m. Nursery 12th grade; 11 a.m. Nursery-sixth grade

YOUTH MUSICAL

Time/Date: 9:15 and 11 a.m. May 18 Location: First United Methodist Church Northville Time/Date: 7 p.m. May 16 Location: Northville Town Square

Holy Cross

Episcopal Church

Location: 40700 W. 10 Mile Contact: 248-427-1175 or holycrossnovi@gmail.com; visit holyCROSSnovi.org Sunday Worship: 7:45 and 10 a.m.

Sunday School and Nursery Care: 10 a.m. worship service Alzheimer's Support Group: 10 a.m. second Saturday of month.

Hope Lutheran Church

Location: 39200 W. 12 Mile (east of Haggerty), Farmington Hills

Lakes Baptist Church Location: 309 Decker Road, Walled Lake

Livonia Church of Christ

Location: 15431 Merriman, Livonia

Contact: 734-427-8743 or visit www.livoniachurch.net Sunday Worship: 11 a.m. Bible School: Sunday 10 a.m.; Wednesday 7 p.m.

Legacy Church

(formerly First Baptist Church and Orchard Hills Baptist Church) Location: 23455 Novi Road, Novi

Contact: pastor Jon Hix, 248-349-5665 or visit www.legacvchurch.us

Sunday School/Small Groups for all ages: 9:45 a.m. Worship Services: 11 a.m. Bible Study/Prayer: Wednesday 7 p.m.

Meadowbrook Congregational Church

Location: 21355 Meadowbrook Road, between Eight Mile and Nine Mile Contact: the Rev. Arthur P.

Ritter, senior minister, 248-348-7757, visit mbccc.org or email to office@mbccc.org.

Sunday Worship: 10 a.m. Church School: 10-11 a.m. Fellowship Hour: 11 a.m. Merry Widows Luncheon: 11:30 a.m. fourth Thursday of

each month Pilgrim Fellowship: 6 p.m.

Sundays Vacation Bible School Time/Date: 10-11 a.m. Sunday

and 6-8 p.m. Monday-Thursday, June 15-19

Details: Weird Animals -- Where Jesus' Love is One-of-a-Kind. All preschool through fifth graders are invited to join in for games, crafts, storytelling, music and snacks. There is a suggested donation of \$10 per child. Bring your friends.

Orchard Grove Community Church

Location: 850 Ladd Road, Building C, Walled Lake Web: www.orchardgrove.org Contact: Amanda Rehm at 248-926-6584 or amanda.rehm@orchardgrove.org.

Northville Christian Assembly

Location: 41355 Six Mile

Contact: 248-348-9030; ncalife.org

Sundays: 9-10 a.m. Sunday School for adults / youth / children; 9 a.m. Contemporary service in sanctuary; 1015 a.m.: Contemporary service in worship center; children's super church on the second level (208/210)

Wednesday Family Night: 7 p.m.; Adult elective classes; junior and senior high ministries; children's programs, Nursery and Preschool Program on Sundays and Wednesdays Home of Northville Christian School (day care; preschool through eighth grade); call 248-348-9031.

Novi-Northville Center for Jewish Life

Details: Events, programs and activities for all ages throughout the year – children's programs, Sunday school, adult Jewish classes, youth clubs, holiday services and programs, community social events.

Contact: Rabbi Avrohhom and Leah Susskind at 248-790-6075 or rabbi@novijewishcenter.com; www.novijewishcenter.com

Novi United Methodist Church

Location: 41671 W. 10 Mile Contact: 248-349-2652 or visit umcnovi.com

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/pages/Novi-United-Methodist-Church/59782031433 Sunday Worship: 9:45 a.m.

Healing Service and Holy Communion: 9:45 a.m. first Sunday of every month

Peace Vigil: noon, first Sunday of every month in front of the church. Members of the congregation and the community will stand united in prayer for peace.

Oak Pointe Church

Location: 50200 W. 10 Mile, Novi

Contact: 248-912-0043 Web: www.oakpointe. org/lifegroups Worship Services: 5:15 p.m. Saturday; 9:15 a.m., 11:15 a.m. Sunday

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

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

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

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Guinness recognizes Rosies record

It's official.

The Yankee Air Museum has announced that the publishers of *Guinness World Records* have officially recognized the 778 "Rosies" who gathered at Willow Run Airport on March 29 as establishing a new world record.

The communication received from the publishers of the Guinness book said that, "We are delighted to confirm that you have successfully achieved a new Guinness World Records title for 'Largest gathering of people dressed as Rosie the Riveter.' We would like to congratulate you on your record-breaking achievement. You are officially amazing."

The event was staged by Tribute Rosies who have part of the museum's Save the Bomber Plant Campaign aimed at the purchase of a portion of the original Willow Run Bomber Plant as the new home of the Yankee Air Museum, Officials announced May 1 that they are entering into a purchase agreement with RACER Trust after raising close to \$8 million to buy the building, a part of the former GM Willow Run Powertrain Plant.

Museum officials are



Eighteen original Rosies had front row seats for the official Guinness Book of World Records photo. FILE PHOTO

"delighted" that the record was achieved but even more so that so many women, many with family members in tow, took time out of their busy lives on a cold March Saturday to help set the record. Campaign leaders were especially moved by the participation of 18 original Rosies, actual WWII female war workers.

Among the tribute Rosies, younger women dressed as Rosie in honor of the originals, was Vickie Croston who came from Texas to participate in honor of her mother. Rose Will Monroe. Monroe was the very first Rosie, the Willow Run riveter featured in the War Department film in which the phrase "Rosie the Riveter" was first applied to female war workers

"All of us are incred-

ibly grateful to every one of the Rosies, all 778 of them," said Dennis Norton, founder of the Yankee Air Museum and President of the Michigan Aerospace Foundation, which has been conducting the Save the Bomber Plant Campaign. "Ranging in age from three months up well into their 90s, these women came out on a cold Saturday in March to set this record and help Save the Bomber Plant.

"We were especially honored that so many of the original Rosies came out to set this record and help mobilize support around our effort to save a piece of the Bomber Plant for future generations," added Ray Hunter, Chair of the Yankee Air Museum Board. "Watching these amazing women march out to take their places at the front

of the group was incredibly moving."

"The enormous turnout for this event is an unmistakable expression of the passion of this community to never forget the important role of Willow Run and the women who played a crucial part in World War II to help preserve our freedom," said Airport Authority Public Affairs Director Michael Conway.

The Yankee Air Museum was founded in 1981 to preserve and honor southeastern Michigan's aviation history. Since then, it has acquired and returned to flying status four World War II aircraft, including the Yankee Lady, a B-17G that was used in the movie Tora! Tora! Tora! and is the museum's flagship. The aircraft are flown

and displayed at numerous air shows from May through September, including the Thunder Over Michigan air show at Willow Run, which will be Aug. 9-10 this year.

Yankee Air Museum is located at Willow Run Airport and is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday.

For more information, visit yankeeairmuseum.org.

Welcome, veterans



Sen. Mike Kowall, R-White Lake, honored several veterans at the state Capitol on May 8. Pictured (left to right, front) are Jim Paul, U.S. Army; Bob Laux, U.S. Army; Norman Bolz, U.S. Army; and Bill Maul, U.S. Navy; (back) Sean Tracy, Veterans Model Project; Kowall; Rep. Klint Kesto, R-Commerce Township; Mike Blatchford, U.S. Navy; and Chester Johnson, U.S. Navy.

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Our Saviour Apostolic

Lutheran Church

Location: 54899 Eight Mile, Northville

Contact: 248-374-2268 Children (5-10) & Adult Sunday School: 10 a.m. Bible Study: Wednesdays at 7 p.m.

Orchard Grove Community Church

Location: 850 Ladd Road, Walled Lake Contact: 248-926-6584; www.orchardgrove.org

Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church

Location: 47650 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth Township Contact: 734-453-0326, Ext. 221



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Wildcat Charlie Richter lets loose with a split-fingered pitch as Novi High takes on Vicksburg during a May 9 doubleheader. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Novi locks sights on division title

Wildcat golfers edge Mustangs 163-166

> **By Chris Jackett** Correspondent

With a pair of big victories last week, Novi's boys golf team has a stranglehold on the KLAA Central Division title.

The Wildcats (4-0) defeated Livonia Stevenson (1-2) May 6 at Fox Creek and Northville (2-1) May 9 at Tanglewood, leaving South Lyon East (1-3) this week as the final victim in the division.

"The boys are playing well and we are 4-0 in the Central Division and have the lead," Novi coach Brad Huss said.

In the 151-160 victory over Stevenson, Bryan Fegert led the way with a round of 36, while Garret Buckley had 37, Mike Dickmann 38, Erik Czekaj 40, Billy Ulle 41 and Ryan Welch 43.

Following that win with a 163-166 baseline rivalry win over Northville, Buckley led with a 39, followed by both Fegert and Ulle at 40, Dickmann and Czekaj at 44, and Welch at 46.

Chris Jackett is a freelance writer and former staff writer covering Novi High School sports for the Novi News.



Wildcat sluggers in battle for division standing

By Chris Jackett Correspondent

With just two more weeks left in the regular season, Novi's baseball team is in a four-way battle for third in the KLAA Central Division.

The Wildcats (12-13-1, 5-7 Kensington) went 3-3-1 last week with several grindthem-out contests.

At times we get some really good pitching. Other times we can't get out of the first or second inning," Novi coach

Rick Green said.

Novi started the week May 6 at Canton (12-6, 8-5 Kensington), where the 'Cats battled to an 8-5 victory. The offense was scattered throughout the game, with senior Tyler Whitehead tallying three hits, while seniors Bryan Klosterman, Andrew Turek and juniors Michael Mitchell and Adam Tobias each had two hits.

Seniors Keaton Figurski, Craig Wilson and junior Brian Baxter added one hit apiece.

"Usually Canton's a pretty good pitching team, so I was pretty proud of the way we went into that park," Green said. Whitehead earned the win on the

mound, pitching a complete seven innings, allowing seven hits, five runs and three walks and striking out four.

'He struggled in the first three innings and kind of found his backing in the fourth and fifth and settled down in the sixth," Green said.

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Wildcat Ryan Welch gets in some practice putting at Tanglewood on May 9.

Wildcats defeat Plymouth, fall to No. 1 Grosse Pointe South

By Chris Jackett Correspondent

Wrapping up dual meets, Novi's girls tennis team had a busy week last week with a variety of opponents.

It started May 6 when the Wildcats (9-4, 4-1 KLAA Central) defeated South Division runners-up Plymouth (4-5, 4-1 South) 9-0 on the road, with all nine flights wrapping up in two sets

Novi then battled to a tough 8-1 loss at No. 1 Grosse Pointe South the next day. Senior Harika Bollineni and junior Dhivya Sridar (13-6) won the lone flight for the Wildcats by taking a three doubles decision 6-3, 4-6, 6-3. Despite the Blue Devils power, they did not shut out Novi 6-0, 6-0 in any flights. "Three doubles won their

match against South, which was a quality win for them," Novi coach Jim Hanson said. "It was only the second time South has been beat all year long. Their three doubles also lost to Northville. That was obviously their best win of the year.

"From top to bottom, I thought we played one of our best matches against Grosse



Novi Wildcat Allison Lollo nails a backhand during a May 6 match played at Canton High. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Pointe South. Although the scores may not show it, two, three and four doubles were all competitive there. I was pleased with their efforts."

KLAA

The Wildcats took their game to Plymouth-Canton's Educational Park on Saturday for the KLAA meet among the

top three teams from each of the four divisions. Although Northville won the association title by winning individual titles in eight of nine flights to amass 34 points, Novi tied for second with Grand Blanc by earning 20 points. The Wildcats finished as runners-up in five of nine flights, while Grand Blanc was second in two

flights.

The association tournament, Northville is a very, very good team and is solid at every flight," Hanson said. "They won every flight but one singles."

Novi's strengths were in the doubles flights, led by seniors Asawari Kanitkar and Amy Zhou (11-8) at one doubles. The third-seeded duo defeated Canton 6-10, 6-0 and secondseeded Walled Lake Northern 6-1, 4-6, 6-1 before falling to top-seeded Northville 6-2, 6-4 in the final.

At two doubles, secondseeded seniors Rachel Bailey and Dina Fawaz (14-7) defeated Livonia Stevenson and thirdseeded Northern both 6-0, 6-2 before losing 6-1, 6-4 to top-seeded Northville in the final.

Second-seeded Bollineni and Sridar did well in three doubles, defeating Hartland 6-2, 6-2 and third-seeded Brighton 6-4, 6-0 before a 6-1, 6-2 loss to top-seeded Northville in the final.

Junior Sam Martin and sophomore Carolyn Zhang (13-4) held their second seed at four doubles, defeating Canton 6-3, 6-2 and third-seeded Grand Blanc 6-1, 6-3 before a 6-0, 6-2

loss to top-seeded Northville in the final.

The second-seeded five doubles team of junior Shakila Khan and freshman Teja Mogasala (7-3) started with a 6-2, 6-2 win over Hartland, but lost to third-seeded Grand Blanc 2-6, 6-2, 6-2 in the semifinal before the Bobcats lost 6-3, 6-4 to Northville in the final.

The lone Wildcat to make it to their flight's finals in singles was freshman Jessica Lypka (10-8) at two singles. As the second seed, she defeated Hartland 6-0, 6-1 and third-seeded Northern 3-6, 6-4, 6-2 before a 6-2, 6-1 loss to top-seeded Northville.

"Jessica Lypka at two singles continues to play well for us," Hanson said. "She's a battler. She had a good comeback win against a good Walled Lake Northern player. And I think she played good in the final, too.

Junior Erin Day (8-13) had a tough day at one singles. All four first-round matches went to three sets, including Day's 4-6, 6-3, 6-4 win over Brighton. But this led to a 6-2, 6-1 quarterfinal loss to the top-seeded

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Knights split week: Ruggers pick up 1 win, 1 loss

By Sam Eggleston Correspondent

The Northville **Knights Rugby Football** Club split decisions against Lakeview and Genesee County Elite.

The Knights, coached by Ron Cornell, turned in a 20-19 victory over Lakeview, but took a 35-8 loss against Genesee County.

Against Lakeview, the Knights dominated the entire first half, going up 20-0 before halftime.

Leading the way for the club was Matt McNamara, who scored twice for the Knights as he dashed in from 20 meters out and again on misdirection play out of a 20-meter scrum.

In the first play, McNamara took a nice loop-around pass from outside center Dustin Hart that he carried into the end zone through the Lakeview defense before setting it down for the try

His second score came off a dish from fullback Tim DiMango, who flipped him the ball out of the scrum and watched as he tore across the goal line for the score.

McNamara looked like he was on his way to score another try before the end of the half as he sprinted into the defense and split two defenders. As a third came up, McNamara passed to

winger Brandon Micaliff, Lakeview surged back

meters out for the score. Ricky Lenczewski

added a conversion and a penalty kick in the half to cap the scoring for the Knights. In the second half,

les by the Knights and quickly closed the gap. The Knights rallied, however, and kept Lakeview from scoring late in the game to preserve the victory.

late in the second half, which allowed the Elite to score on some long runs near the end of the game.

"Everyone who was at the match agreed that this was, by far, the most intense, hard-hitting match of the season and the Knights played up to the challenge," Cornell said. "This was one of those rare occasions where the score did not reflect how close the match actually was."

Lenczewski opened the scoring with a 20meter penalty kick in the first half before the Elite scored to take a 7-3 lead in the contest.

The Knights came back, however, scoring just before the half when McNamara broke off a 40-meter run and was tackled just short of the try line. The Knights came in hard with strong rucking effort and kept the Elite on their heels before Paul Behe carried the ball in from 5 meters out and touched it down to make it an 8-7 score in favor of the Knights.

Sam Eggleston is a freelance writer covering sports for the Northville Record and Novi News.

CITY OF NOVI VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO SERVE ON CITY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Notice is given that the Novi City Council will be interviewing applicants for appointment to the following Boards & Commissions:

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- Historical Commission
- Housing & Community Development Advisory Committee
- Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services Commission
- Planning Commission
- Zoning Board of Appeals (Alternate)

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The deadline for filing an application (available on the website or at the City Clerk's office) is Friday, May 24, 2014. Applicants will be contacted by the City Clerk's Office regarding the date and time of interviews.

Maryanne Cornelius, City Clerk

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Wildcat post trio of shutouts

Elite

Against Genesee

County Elite, the Knights

led 8-7 at the half thanks

and lineouts and rucking,

but they just wore down

to some strong scrums

By Chris Jackett Correspondent

In a span of 48 hours, Novi's fifth-ranked girls soccer team recorded its first-ever non-win over South Lyon East and also defeated sixth-ranked Rochester Adams.

Overall, it was a solid week for the Wildcats (10-1-2, 6-1-1 KLAA Central). Novi hosted South Lyon (0-9-2, 0-7-1 Central) May 6 in a 4-0 showing before visiting East (8-4-2, 1-4-2 Central) May 8 for a 0-0 tie and then heading to Adams (8-3-1) Saturday for a 1-0 battle.

The game against the Lions was business as usual for Novi. Amanda Minissale, Christina Mac-Millan, Chloe Allen and Kendall Kramer tallied goals, while MacMillan, Kramer, Minissale and Natalie Greenhalgh tallied assists in the victory.

"Christina MacMillan did a great job filling in for the injured Gabby DeLeon and our defense - led by starters Jacqui Kozlowski, Karissa Koomen. Katrina Koomen and Amanda Minissale did a great job holding South Lyon without a shot for the entire game,' Novi coach Brian O'Leary said.

South Lyon East

East is in the midst of its best season of Central Division play. The young Cougars program has never finished with more than six points in the division, but already had five points with three games to go and is ranked No. 6 in Division II. However, improvement only goes so far as to explain how a 26-2 Wildcat shot advantage, which included eight corner kicks. resulted in a scoreless tie.

"It was a little frustrating as we dominated play in every fashion except the most important category," O'Leary said. "But as I always tell my play-ers: soccer is a unique game in that not only are you competing against the other team, but you are also competing against the game itself, and there are times when the game of soccer defeats you, and tonight was one of those times. Not to take away from the effort of South Lyon East, their goalie did a good job of keeping the ball out of the net and, when she got beat, there were defenders there to clear balls off the line. But when you out-shoot a team by that margin, you win 49 out of 50 times.

Rochester Adams

Novi netminder Bethany Kopel's toughest task to earn three shutouts in three attempts was at Adams on Saturday. She tallied two saves and helped thwart two additional attempts, as Novi had a 12-4 shot advantage, with 9-2 being on net. Novi also had four corner kick opportunities to Adams' one.

But it was Allie Mc-Dowell who would tally the lone goal for either team. Midway through the first half, Allen flicked on a Taylor Pavlika pass where McDowell ended up stealing the ball from an Adams defender inside the goal box and played a high-arching ball to the far post that found the top corner. Despite the Highlanders' efforts, the 1-0 score would stand through the final whistle.

Chris Jackett is a freelance writer.



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Shamrocks take first at invitational

By Sam Eggleston Correspondent

It was a nice day to be out golfing last Saturday when the Detroit Catholic Central Shamrocks played the Bedford Valley Golf Club in Battle Creek as part of the field in the Bedford Invitational.

It was an even nicer day to be a Shamrock, as the squad came away with a solid victory in the tournament. Detroit Catholic Central put together a final score tally of 299, which was eight strokes better than second-place finisher Mona Shores, which had 307 on the day. Brighton finished third in the tournament with a 309.

The Shamrocks used

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consistent scoring throughout their lineup to secure the victory. Leading the way for Detroit Catholic Central was Glen Piot and Dominec Mancinella, who each scored 74 as the top golfers on their squad. The performance tied Piot and Mancinella for third overall individually at the tournament.

rocks was freshman Ben Smith, who carded a 75 on the day, while fellow freshman James Piot recorded a 76. Dan Ault finished the day for Detroit Catholic Central with a 76.

Sam Eggleston is a freelance writer covering sports for the Northville Record and Novi News.

Next up for the Sham-

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NOVI SPORTS ROUNDUP

Girls lacrosse doubles up on baseline rivals

Ranked No. 31 in the state, Novi's girls lacrosse team (9-6, 5-5 KLAA Kensington) finished the regular season with a mix of results. The Wildcats lost 19-7 on May 5 to Plymouth Salem (12-2, 8-2 Kensington) before falling 7-4 at South Lyon United (9-6, 8-2 Kensington). However, they bounced back for rescheduled contests 19-9 over Northville (0-11, 0-9 Kensington) and 14-11 at Canton (6-5, 6-3 Kensington).

Next up the Wildcats were scheduled to host Grand Blanc (4-7-1, 3-5-1 Lakes) this past Monday in a battle for seventh in the KLAA.

Novi softball moves up to .500 with three victories over Farmington

Going 4-3 last week got Novi's softball team up to 12-12 (3-9 KLAA Kensington) on the season, thanks largely in part to Farmington.

The Wildcats lost a doubleheader 5-4 and 4-3 at Plymouth Salem (8-4, 8-4 Kensington) on May 7 before winning a doubleheader 17-3 and 18-2 at Farmington (4-18) on May 8. The 'Cats then participated in a Saturday tournament at North Farmington, where they lost 11-6 to Waterford Kettering (21-4, 11-2 Lakes), claimed their third victory of the week over Farmington 10-5 and then defeated Farmington Hills Harrison 9-2.

Next up for Novi was hosting Wayne Memorial (0-19, 0-12 Kensington) Monday, then South Lyon (8-7, 4-6 Kensington) for a doubleheader last night before a tournament at Canton this weekend. The 'Cats with then face a similarly seeded opponent from the South Division on Monday and from the Lakes Conference on Wednesday.

Boys cross country tryouts announced

Tryouts for Novi High's cross country team begins Aug. 13, but those interested should contact coach Robert Smith by the end of May at crosscountrycoachsmith@hotmail.com. There are several requirements that must be satisfied in order to make the team.

Wildcat soccer alumni planning second game in three years

After a successful event in 2012, Novi High School soccer alumni are planning a new alumni game for noon July 12 at Novi Meadows. Those interested should register at

http://liquidthread.me/novisoccer2014 by June 16. The \$35 cost will cover team shirts, with all excess proceeds and donations being donated in a tribute of former coach Larry Christoff to the Michigan Institute of Urology.

For more information, visit

www.facebook.com/groups/176557825720061 for updates or contact Class of 1995's Nickie (Borashko) Stocks at nborashko@hotmail.com.

Summer camp for young cheerleaders slated to take over Novi Woods

Novi's varsity cheerleaders will host a set of clinics for girls ages 5-12 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. July 7-9 at Novi Woods Elementary, 25345 Taft Road. The \$100 registration fee for the three-day, 18-hour clinic will include lunch from Subway and pizza, with T-shirts available while supplies last for \$15 each. A 2:30 p.m. showcase July 9 will display what the girls have learned. Other items will also be available for \$5-\$15.

Those attending should wear comfortable clothing, tennis shows and have their hair up and away from their face.

All registration is available at www.novi.k12.mi.us/athletics under "Summer Camps." Contact coach Ashley Karinen at AKarinen07@gmail.com with any questions.

Successful girls basketball camp returning to Wildcat gyms

The Novi Wildcats girls basketball camp is just

Mustang girls, Novi boys rule on track

By Brad Emons Staff Writer

There was little drama determining the boys and girls KLAA Kensington track and field champions Friday at Livonia Churchill.

The Northville girls, led by double individual winners Rachel Coleman (800-meter run, 1,600) and Chloe Abbott (100, 200 dashes), put on a dominating display to repeat as champion with a team-best 161.6 points.

Novi was a distant second with 90, while Salem (86.6), Churchill (74.6), Plymouth (59.1) and Livonia Franklin (49.6) rounded out the top six

On the boys side, Novi (101.5) repeated as champ, with Livonia Stevenson edging Westland John Glenn for sec-ond place, 69.33-68. Churchill (54.5), Northville (53), Canton (52.33) and South Lyon (52.33) were the next four teams.

"Obviously, it was very good competition and we knew Northville was going to be way out

KENSINGTON CONFERENCE

KENSINGTON CONFERENCE TRACK & FIELD MEET RESULTS May 9 at Livonia Churchill TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Novi, 101.5 points; 2. Livonia Stevenson, 69.33; 3. Westland John Glenn, 68; 4. Livonia Churchill, 54.5; 5. Northville, 53; 6. (tie) Canton, South Lyon, 52: 33; 8. Plymouth, 52; 9. Salem, 48; 10. Livonia Franklin, 44; 11. Sarchi Lune, Text, 21:2. Winner, Memorial, 31. Shot put: 1. Michael Jordan (P), 47

feet, 4.25 inches; 2. Jannik Schmitt (S), 46-8; 3. Nick Hitchcock (LS), 46-7; 4. Zach Barrick (LC), 45-11; 5. Marshall Sayles (Novi), 44-9; 6. Benjamin Tabor (LS), (Novi), 44-9; 6. Benjamin Tabor (LŠ),
44-8.25; 7. Danny Pocalujka (LS), 42-10; 8.
Elijah Albert-Grayer (S), 42-4.25.
Discus: 1. Trent Willenborg (SLE),
152-10; 2. David Dyer (SL), 142-10; 3.
Pocalujka (LS), 142-5; A. Hitchcock (LS),
137-10; 5. Colin Caflish (C), 137-7; 6. Chris
Bluga (Novi), 136-10; 7. Leland Pavlinac
(SLE), 142-6; 8. Daniel Goertz (P), 133-5.
High jump: 1. Jamal Dixon (C), 6-8; 2.
Terry Buford Penderga (LS), 6-5; 3. Dhruv
Patel (S), 6-2; 4. Brett Lee (C), 6-0; 5.
Allante Wheeler (S), 6-0; 6. (tie) John

Patel (s), 6-2; 4. Brett Lee (C), 6-U; 5. Allante Wheeler (S), 6-0; 6. (tie) John Hamilton (N'ville), Nathan Harris (P), Max Yanke (Novi), 5-10. Long jump: 1. Ali Taha (Novi), 21-0.75; 2. Shakur Lockett (LC), 20-3.75; 3. LeDell O'Bryant (WM), 19-8.5; 4. Joe Newman (SL), 19-8.25; 5. William Ivory (WJG), 19-8; 6. Brenden Sherrod (S), 19-6.75; 7. Jurkh Hurder (MJG) 19-4; 8 (19-6,75; 7. Tyrikh Hunter (WJG), 19-4; 8. Dixon (C), 19-3.25. Pole vault: 1. Jacob Hage (LC), 14-6; 2.

Nick Burkhalter (SL), 13-6; 3. Stephen Fedak (LC), 13-6; 4. Ethan Burke (LC), 13-0; 5. Kyle Zander (C), 13-0; 6. Matt Boris (LS),

KENSINGTON CONFERENCE TRACK & FIELD MEET

May 9 at Livonia Churchill

in front," Salem girls coach Dave Gerlach said. "And we did some things with our lineup today, just trying to see what we could do in different events. Now we got to concentrate on regional finals and get kids to the state (finals).'

The Rocks got a sterling performance from freshman Isabel Rodriguez, who posted an impressive time of 58.06 to win the 400. She also teamed up with Kaya Knake, Anya Cho and Kayla Kavulich for a first in the 1,600 relay (4:06.31).

"Very exciting race," Gerlach said of the 400. "They came around the turn there with 100 (meters) to go and three abreast. That's one tough kid, Isabel Rodriguez, as a freshman. To run 58 flat, that's the real deal."

Canton sophomore Emily Meier swept the shot put (38 feet, 9.25 inches) and discus (124-0), while Franklin's Sheila McKinley captured the pole vault (10-9).

The Novi boys were

12-6; 7. Grant Mast (C), 12-0; 8. Ted Lang 11-6

(SLE), 16.05; J. Nathan Falzon (LS), 16.12;
 (SLE), 16.05; J. Nathan Falzon (LS), 16.12;
 Aaron Lu (Novi), 16.42; 6. Kevin Schopa (SL), 16.48;
 7. Jemai Vaunado (C), 17.08;
 Ryan Bragiel (LC), 17.29;
 300 hurdles: 1. Schelske (SLE), 40.28;
 2. Parker Sutton (Novi), 40.95; 3. Falzon (LS), 41.74;
 4. Thompson (WIG), 41.95; 5.
 Bragiel (LC), 42.47; 6. Vaunado (C), 42.49;
 G. Stava (G), 42.96;

Schopa (SL), 42.86; 8. Steve Hartlep (SL),

100 dash: 1. Jordan Love (Novi), 10.85; **100 dash:** 1. Jordan Love (Novi), 10.85; 2. Jaron Flournoy (WJG), 10.99; 3. Shakarri Hill (WM), 11.08; 4. Steven Homrich (S), 11.8; 5. Jacob Mallad (C), 11.35; 6. Nathan Rodgers (LF), 11.44; 7. Ty Traylor (S), 11.74; 8. Malik Johnson (LC), 12.03. **200:** 1. Love (Novi), 22.06; 2. Flournoy (WJG), 22.28; 3. Schopa (SI), 22.99; 4. Ali Taha (Novi), 23.28; 5. Austin Hickerson (WJG), 23.31; 6. Homrich (S), 23.46; 7. Alan Lones (C) 23.60

(W)G), 23:31; 6: Homrich (S), 23:46; 7: Alan Jones (C), 23:60.
 400: 1: Flournoy (WIG), 48:59; 2: Montel Hood (WM), 48:88; 3: Schopa (SL), 50:55;
 4: Jamal Allen (LC), 51:14; 5: Colin McCor-mack (S), 51:21; 6: Joseph Gaton (WM), 52:21; 7: Kimari Johnson (WJG), 52:54; 8.
 Kevin Callow (LS), 52:.
 400: 1: Longe (P), 156: 55: 2

Kevin Callow (LS), 52.. 800: 1. Jonny Dalton (P), 1:56.55; 2. Keenan Jones (LF), 1:58.01; 3. Jason Ferrante (N'ville), 1:58.93; 4. Blerim Mema (P), 1:59.84; 5. Brian Barnes (Novi), 2:00.26; 6. Jerod Allen (SL), 2:01.45; 7. Matt Cohan (LC), 2:02.60; 8. Zach Mias-tourki (US), 2:06.16 towski (LS), 2:06.16. **1,600:** 1. Dan Sims (N'ville), 4:19.49; 2. Jones (LF), 4:24.31; 3. Barnes (Novi),

GIRLS TRACK RESULTS

100-meter hurdles: 1. Morgan Roberston (N'ville), 15.27; 2. Jenny Chang
(Novi), 16.25; 3. Abby Downs (Novi), 16.56;
4. DeAnna Martynenko (Novi), 17.11; 5.
Kirsty McInnes (Ply.), 17.15; 6. Rachel Falzor
(Salem), 17.46; 7. Hailey Foster (Ply.), 18.2;
8. Maddie Toai (Canton), 18.83. led by sprinter Jordan Love, who captured the 100- and 200-meter dashes and anchored the first-place 400 relay (43.58).

The Stevenson boys got only one first, but it was a big one as Terry Buford-Pendergast took the 110 hurdles in 15.84. He was also runner-up in the high jump behind Canton's Jamal Dixon, who set a meet record with a leap of 6-8.

"Buford-Pendergast did a very nice job today ... that was a surprise for him to come out and win the hurdles," Stevenson coach Scott Shaw said. "He's had more success in the high jump and has been following Nate (Falzon) a little bit, but he came out and took that first. He also got a second for us in the high jump, so he was the man today.

"Again, we were strong in our normal areas. We only had seven kids technically all-conference (top three), but we got guys taking fifth, sixths, sevenths down the line. That's what does it." Glenn junior Jaron

BOYS TRACK RESULTS

4:27.30; 4. Nick Noles (N'ville), 4:31.69; 5.

4:27.30; 4. NICK NOIES (N. VIIIE), 4:33.81; 6. Conor Naughton (N. VIIIE), 4:33.81; 6. Cohan (LC), 4:36.58; 7. Jerod Allen (SL), 4:36.87; 8. Stephen Fenech (LS), 4:40.54. **3,200**: 1. Naughton (N. VIIIE), 9:44.03; 2. Joost Plaetinck (Novi), 9:44.82; 3. Zane 3, 200: 1. Naughton (N'ville), 9:44.03; 2. Joost Plaetinck (Novi), 9:44.82; 3. Zane Berlanga (P), 9:45.50; 4. Sean McCullough (N'ville), 9:45.71; 5. Matthew Pahl (P), 10:02.42; 6. Tony Floyd (LF), 10:04.87; 7. Ammar Chishti (C), 10:11.34; 8. Malik Jordan (WM), 10:11.66.
 400 relay: 1. Novi, 43.58; 2. Livonia Franklin, 43.77; 3. Canton, 44.12; 4. Salem, 44.40; 5. Livonia Churchill, 44.50; 6. Wayne Memorial, 44.94; 7. Livonia Stevenson, 45.90; 8. South Lyon East, 46.35.
 800 relay: 1. Westland John Glenn, 1:29.69; 2. Novi, 1:30.50; 3. Livonia Franklin, 1:31.42; 4. Canton, 1:31.73 5. Livonia Churchill, 1:32.17; 6. Livonia Stevenson, 1:35.04; 7. Salem, 1:35.05; 8. Northville, 1:36.31.
 1,600 relay: 1. Westland John Glenn, 3:29.76; 2. South Lyon 3:30.71; 3. Plymouth, 3:32.16; 4. Livonia Franklin, 3:32.76; 5. Novi, 3:33.21; 6. Wayne Memorial, 3:34.76; 7. South Lyon East, 3:35.36; 8. Salem, 3:36.24.
 3,200 relay: 1. Northville, 7:54.53; 2. Plymouth, 8:11.20; 3. Livonia East, 3:35.77; 7. Canton, 8:16.23; 4. Novi, 8:28.47; 5. Salem, 8:31.95; 6. Livonia Franklin, 8:35.37; 7. Canton, 8:16.23; 4. Novi, 8:28.47; 5. Salem, 8:31.95; 6. Livonia Franklin, 8:35.37; 7. Canton, 8:16.23; 4. Novi, 8:28.47; 5. Salem, 8:31.95; 6. Livonia Franklin, 8:35.37; 7. Canton, 8:16.23; 4. Novi, 8:28.47; 5. Salem, 8:31.95; 6. Livonia Franklin, 8:35.37; 7. Canton, 8:16.23; 4. Novi, 8:28.47; 5. Salem, 8:31.95; 6. Livonia Franklin, 8:35.37; 7. Canton, 8:16.23; 4. Novi, 8:28.47; 5. Salem, 8:31.95; 6. Livonia Franklin, 8:35.37; 7. Canton, 8:16.23; 4. Novi, 8:28.47; 5. Salem, 8:31.95; 6. Livonia Franklin, 8:35.37; 7. Canton, 9:16.23; 4. Novi, 8:28.47; 5. Salem, 8:31.95; 6. Livonia Franklin, 8:35.37; 7. Canton, 9:16.23; 4. Novi, 8:28.47; 5. Salem, 8:31.95; 6. Livonia Franklin, 8:35.37; 7. Canton, 9:16.23; 4. Novi, 8:28.47; 5. Salem, 8:31.95; 6. Livonia Franklin, 8:35.37; 7. Canton, 9:16.23; 4. Novi, 8:28.47; 5. Salem, 8:31.95; 6. Livonia Franklin, 8:35.37; 7. Canton, 9:16.23; 4. Novi, 8:28.47

DUAL MEET RESULTS BELLEVILLE 99 LIVONIA CLARENCEVILLE 29

May 8 at Belleville Shot put: 1. Clark (B), 46 feet, 11 inches; 2. Ibn Ali (C'ville), 45-5; discus: 1. Anderson (B), 133-11; 3. Brad Davis (C'ville), 121-8; **high jump:** 1. Jackson

Caroline George (LC), 5:36.47; 8. Lauren Arquette (Salem), 5:37.39. 3,200: 1. Barrott (N'ville), 11:00.24; 2. 3,200: 1. Barrott (N'ville), 11:00.24; 2. Eckenroth (N'ville), 11:09.39; 3. Emma Hermann (N'ville), 11:18.75; 4. Natasha Stevenson (Salem), 11:54.57; 5. Arquette (Salem), 11:55.55; 6. Kayla Hughes (Salem), 11:59.03; 7. K. George (LC), 12:07.6; 8. Marina DeBiasi (PJy.), 12:11.44. 400 relay: 1. Northville (Goble, Aimee Montambeau, Roberston, C. Abbott), 50.61; 2. Salem, 51.39; 4. Novi, 51.97; 4. Churchill, 51.98; 5. Franklin, 52.5; 6. Canton, 52.77; 7. S.L. East, 53.47; 8. Wavne, 53.86.

SJ. S. Hanklin, S. S. S. Lanton, S. 17, 7.
 S.L. East, S3.47, 8. Wayne, 53.86.
 800 relay: 1. Northville (Alison Rob-inson, Goble, Robertson, C. Abbott), 1:45.44;
 Churchill, 1:47.05; 3. South Lyon, 1:47.33;
 Aplymouth, 1:47.81, 5. Salem, 1:47.92, 6.
 John Glenn, 1:51.18; 7. Wayne, 1:51.72; 8.
 Canton, 1:52.34.

1,600 relay: 1. Salem (Isabel Rodriguez Kaya Knake, Anja Cho, Kavulich), 4:06.31; 2 Northville, 4:09.49; 3. Plymouth, 4:14.91; 4.

Novi, 4:15.95; 5. South Lyon, 4:17.81; 6. S.L. East, 4:19.61; 7. Canton, 4:19.77; 8. Chur-

3,200 relay: 1. Northville (Zimmer, Nicole Mosteller, Robinson, Barrott), 9:38.99; 2. Churchill, 10:00.05; 3. Salem, 10:04.96; 4. Novi, 10:08.43; 5. Canton,

10:11.14; 6. Plymouth, 10:17.13; 7. Franklin, 10:20.29; 8. Stevenson, 10:32.17. Team point scoring table: 10-8-6-

DUAL MEET RESULTS

BELLEVILLE 99 LIVONIA CLARENCEVILLE 23

LIVONIA CLARENCEVILLE 23 May 8 at Belleville Shot put: 1. Harrison (B), 30 feet, 7 inches; 2. Staneisha Chambers (C'ville), 30-2; discus: 1. Chambers (C'ville), 104-4; high jump: 1. Paris (B), 4-8; long jump: 1. McGinnis (B), 14-5; 100-meter hurdles: 1. Pollock (B), 17, 13. Delanie MacRae (C'ville), 20.1, 300 hurdles: 1.

chill, 4:28.82

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(48.88) in the 400 finals. Flournoy also teamed up with Freddie Thompson, Kenyatta Mason and Austin Hickers for a first in the 800 relay (1:30.5). The Rockets' quartet of Thompson, Kimari Johnson, Hickerson and Mason also captured the

Flournoy ran a blistering

48.59 to edge Wayne Me-

morial's Montel Hood

1,600 relay (3:29.16). "Coming into the meet, I knew we'd be in the top three," Glenn coach Ja-son Dixon said. "Of course, you always hope for a first-place finish, but I'm very proud of them.

"Everyone did what I thought they were going to do. It's getting towards the end of the season. We're getting some PRs, some great performances."

Meanwhile, Churchill senior Jacob Hage broke his own conference record in the pole vault (14-6), while Plymouth sophomore Michael Jordan was best in the discus (47-4.25).

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(B), 5-8; long jump: 1. Palmer (B), 19-5; 3. Nic Ballard (C'ville), 16-2.5; pole vault:-1. Dale (B), 7-6; **110-meter hurdles**: 1. Johnson (B), 16.7; **300 hurdles**: 1. Davis (C'ville), 45.9; 3. Tony Longoria (C'ville), no time available; **100 dash**: 1. Cleaver (B), 11.3; **200**: 1. Hayes (B), 22.6; 3. Jalen Bryant (C'ville), 23.9; **400**: 1. Hayes (B), 52.0; **800**: 1. Kimani Dooley (C'ville), 4.00; **3.04** khn (C'ville), 2.560.0; **1.600**: 1. David Vandekerckhove (C'ville), 4.400, **3.200**: 1. Connor Nolan (C'ville), 11:36.0; 3. Jake Phone Snay (C'ville), 12:55.0; **400 relay**: 1. Belleville, 44.1; 2. Clarenceville, 46.0; **800 relay**: 1. Belleville, 1:34.0; 2. Clarenceville, 1:36.7; **1.600 relay**: 1. Clarenceville, 1:36.7; **1.600 relay**: 1. Clarenceville, 8:33.0; **Livonia Struesson 75**

LIVONIA STEVENSON 75

Livervine, 3.3.7, 2. Characterine, 3.3.7, LIVEVENSON 75 NORTHVILLE 62 May 6 at Stevenson Shot put: 1. Nick Hitchcock (LS), 45 feet, 7.75 inches; discus: 1. Hitchcock (LS), 141-1; high jump: 1. Buford-Pendergast (LS), 6-0; long jump: 1. Christian Sullivan (LS), 18-4.5; pole vault: 1. Matt Boris (LS), 12-6, 110-meter hurdles: 1. Falzon (LS), 42.02; 100 dash: 1. Austin Petrie (LS), 11-63; 200: 1. Milewski (N), 23.93, 400: 1. Kamm (N), 53.04; 800: 1. Sims (N), 1:56-42; 1,600: 1. McCullough (N), 4:31.89; 3.200: 1. Naughton (N), no time available; 400 relay: 1. Stevenson, 45.17; 4:3:69; 3,200; 1. Naugnion (N), no time available; 400 relay: 1. Stevenson, 45:17; 2. N'ville; 46:18; 800 relay: 1. N'ville, 1:35:4; 2. L5; 1:35:52; 1,600 relay: 1. N'ville; 3:41:67; 2. L5; 3:45:44; 3,200 relay: 1. N'ville; 8:01:21.

Pollock (B), 53.6; 2. MacRae (C'ville), 1:06.9; 100 dash: 1. Belleville, 16.8; 200: 1. Paris (B), 28.8; 3. Kamaaria Sanders (C'ville), 29.3; 400: 1. Lawrence (B), 1:06.7; 2. Sanders (C'ville), 1:07.7; 800: 1. McLane (B), 2:59.0; 2. Nele Von Daacke (C'ville), 1:06.9; 1,600: 1. Mall (B), 6:34.0; 2. Von Daacke (C'ville), 6:43.0; 3,2200: 1. Mall (B), 16:49; 400 relay: 1. Belleville, 55.8; 800 relay: 1. Belleville, no time available; 3.200 relay: 1. Belleville, no time available; 3.200 relay: 1. Belleville,

LOCAL SPORTS

around the corner. Winners of the past five KLAA Central Division titles, coach Bill Kelp and his squad will be back on the court in June to teach local girls the finer points of dribbling, shooting, passing, pivoting, faking, rebounding, team play and sportsmanship and provide an introduction to the Wildcats' offensive and defensive schemes. Gym clothes and shoes are required, while all participants will receive a T-shirt and outdoor basketball. Awards and trophies will also be given out for individual and team competitions.

The camp runs from 9 a.m. to noon June 16-20 at Novi High School's performance gym and fieldhouse. Teams and competitions will be separated into two groups — grades 2-5 and 6-9 — with the younger group using 8-foot baskets instead of the standard 10-foot baskets. Cost for the camp is \$120.

All registration is available at www.novi.k12.mi.us/athletics under "Summer Camps." Contact coach Kelp at bkelp@novi.k12.mi.us with any questions.

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Novi Wildcat Aubrev Diephuis tries to check a South Lyon Lion during the teams' May 8 meeting. JOHN HEIDER STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



May 9 at Livonia Churchill TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Northville, 161.5 points; 2. Novi, 90; 3. Salem, 86.6; 4. Livonia Churchill, 74.6; 5. Plymouth, 59.1; 6. Livonia Franklin, 49.6; 7. Canton, 47; 8. South Lyon, 35.5; 9. South Lyon Fast, 30; 10. Livonia Stevenson, 20; 11. Westland John Clang, 15: 13. Wayne Mamprial, 3. Glenn, 15; 12. Wayne Memorial FINAL EVENT RESULTS

FINAL EVENT RESULTS Shot put: 1. Emily Meier (Canton), 38 feet, 9.25 inches; 2. Taylor Pavilika (Novi), 38-1.75; 3. Tionne Johnson (Ply.), 34-6.75; 4. Gabby Carter (LC), 34-2.75; 5. Sophia Modes (LF), 33-5.25; 6. Kyndra Parker (Salern), 31-3.75; 7. Rebeca Falzon (Salern), 30-7; 8. Emma Hammelef (Novi), 30-0. Discus: 1. Meier (Canton), 124-0; 2. Pavlika (Novi), 119-5; 3. Carter (LC), 118-4; 4. Johnson (Ply.), 116-6; 5. Falzon (Salern), 113-1; 6. Modes (LF), 108-9; 7. Karlie Kondrath (LC), 106-3; 8. Maddy Petitpas Kondrath (LC), 106-3; 8. Maddy Petitpas (LS), 105-5.

(LS), 105-5.
High jump: 1. Kerri McMahan (Novi),
5-2; 2. Abby Downs (Novi), 5-0; 3. Jocelyn
Moraw (Canton), 4-11; 4. Maggie Law (LS),
4-11; 5. Eryka Ely (Novi), 4-10; 6. Symone
Abbott (N'ville), 4-10; 7. Chloe Smither
(N'ville), Kelly Whalen (Salem), Juliet Hope
(C) Divide the (D'Chebrait United Hope) (LC), Julie Wonch (LF), Katherin Harris (Ply.), 4-8 each.

Long jump: 1. Carlie Fernandez (SL), 16-11.25, 2. Diane Senkowski (LS), 15-10.5; 3. Hallie Hollister (SLE), 15-10; 4. Taylor Pelland (Canton), 15-9.75; 5. Mary Catherine McLaughlin (N'ville), 15-5.5; 6. Hailey Foster (Ply.), 15-3.75; 7. Hayle Weber (Ply.), 15-2.5; 8. Erin McCann (Salem), 15-0.25. Pole vault: 1. Sheila McKinley (LF),

PORE VALIE: 1. Shelta MCMIEy (LF), 10-9; 2. Emma Bauer (SL), 10-6; 3. Amanda Fox (LC), 10-0; 4. Sommer Pappas (LS), 10-0; 5. Tasha MCKinley (LF), 9-6; 6. Olivia Ryktarsyk (LC), 9-6; 7. (tie) Meg Darrow (SL), 9-6; Emily Welch (Ply.), 9-6.

TENNIS

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eventual champion Aimee Moccia from Livonia Stevenson.

"The one singles flight was so deep, it was a very difficult flight at the conference tournament," Hanson said. "That's the toughest it's ever been at the girls tournament."

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Livonia Public Schools **Opens Renowned Academically Talented Program** To Out-Of-District Students

Eight seats are open to students entering 1st or 2nd grade, and Eight seats are open to students entering 3rd or 4th grade for the 2014-15 school year.

Limited Registration window: May 9-May 23, 2014.

Livonia Public Schools is opening its Alternative Classrooms for the Academically Talented (ACAT) program to Limited Schools of Choice for the 2014 - 2015 school year.

This program is geared toward academically talented students looking for a specialized learning experience.

Registration will be open from May 9 - 23, 2014 at Webster Elementary School, 32401 Pembroke, Livonia, MI 48152 from 8:00a.m. - 4:00p.m. Monday - Friday.

All candidates MUST meet the ACAT selection testing criteria.

For complete information on the application process, visit www.livoniapublicschools.org or contact Webster School at 734-744-2795

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300 hurdles: 1. Bertie Schelske (SLE), 48.68; 2. Roberston (N'ville), 49.46; 3. Danielle Waranauckas (SLE), 49.6; 4. Kristen Schubring (Novi), 50.06; 5. Breylin Mecks (WJG), 50.67; 6. Rachel Falzon (Salem), 50.96; 7. Ellie Bullock (Novi), 51.21; 8. Talia

50.96; 7. Ellie Bullock (Novi), 51.21; 8. Talia Edgar(Salem), 51.78. **100 dash**: 1. Chioe Abbott (N'ville), 12.7; 2. Bryah White (LF), 12.84; 3. Ryen Draper (Ply), 12.91; 4. Elyssa Hofmann (LC), 12.98; 5. Aisa Gardner (WIG), 13.04; 6. Gracie Goble (N'ville), 13.33; 7. Jasmine Crowley (LF), 13.33; 8. Chanel Gardner (LC), 13.35. **200**: 1. Abbott (N'ville), 25.88; 2. Draper (Ply), 26.25; 3. Goble (N'ville), 26.61; 4. Hofmann (LC), 26.61; 5. Asia Gardner (WIG), 26.94; 6. Carlie Fernander (SI), 27.27. 26.94; 6. Carlie Fernandez (SL), 27.25; 7. Bryanna Samuels (Salem), 27.29; 8. Gardner (LĆ), 27.39:

(LC), 27.39;
 400: 1. Isabel Rodriguez (Salem), 58.06;
 2. Julie Wonch (LF), 58.88; 3. Jewel Davis (Ply.), 59.78; 4. Kerri McMahan (Novi),
 100.0; 5. Lindsay Walters (N'ville), 1.00.2;
 6. Madison Swiatlowski (SL), 1:00.99; 7.
 Erica Slawski (SL), 1:02.03; 8. Bridget
 Alaniva (Canton), 1:02.63.
 800: 1. Rachel Coleman (N'ville), 2:15.86;
 Y wild K wullich (Salema, 1219, 1219, 27.586;

Z. Kayla Kavulich (Salem), 2:18.97; 3. Erin Zimmer (N'ville), 2:22.71; 4. Alison Robinson (N'ville), 2:23.49; 5. Hannah Lonergan (Novi), 2:25.0; 6. Natalie Douglas (LF), 2:30.75; 7. Alexis Lombardo (LC), 2:31.88; 8. Erin O'Donnel (SLE), 2:32.79.

Erin O'Donnel (SLE), 2:32.79. **1,600:** 1 Coleman (N'ville), 4:50.8; Z. Kavulich (Salem), 4:59.83; 3. Lexa Barrott (N'ville), 5:01.83; 4. Cayla Eckenroth (N'ville), 5:21.43; 5. Olivia McIntee (Canton), 5:33.66; 6. Kathleen George (LC), 5:34.17; 7

As the three seed at three singles, sophomore Youna Lee (6-10) was upset 1-6, 7-6 (5), 6-2 by Canton in the quarterfinal.

Sophomore Allison Lollo (10-12) wrapped

things up at four singles. The second-seeded Lollo beat Stevenson 5-7, 6-2, 6-2, but didn't have enough gas in the tank to defeat third-seeded Grand Blanc, as the Bobcat counterpart won 6-4,

no time available; 3,200 relay: 1 Belleville, 12:35.0

Clarenceville's dual meet record: 2-2 overall, 2-2 WWA

NORTHVILLE 89 LIVONIA STEVENSON 48 May 6 at Stevenson Shot put: 1. Hannah Egan (LS), 29 feet, 5.25 inches; 3. Morgan Waters (LS), 27-0; discus: 1. Maddy Petitpas (LS), 95-10; 2. Waters (LS), 85-10; 3. Audrey Stahrr (LS), 81-0; high jump: 1. Maggie Law (LS), 4-8; 3. Emily Chatterjee (LS), 4-6; long jump: 1. Diane Senkowski (LS), 15-10; 5; 2. Anna Lertka (LS) 14-8.75 pole vault: 1. Nicole Letrka (LS), 14-8.75, pole vault 1. Nicole Sokolosky (LS), 9-6; 2. Sommer Pappas (LS), 9-6; 3. Sam Ellis (LS), 9-0; 100-meter hurdles: 1. Morgan Robertson (N), 14-97; 2. Erica Burgess (LS), 19-11; 3. Taylor Fedrigo (LS), 19-11; 300 hurdles: 1. Burgess (LS), (LS), 19-11; 3UO nutraties: 1: Burges (LS), 53,74; 3: Fedrigo (LS), 57,39, 100 das(h; 1), 26,06; 3: Senkowski (LS), 28,0; 400: 1. Linsday Walters (N), 102,52; 800: 1. Abbott (N), 26,06; 3: Senkowski (LS), 28,0; 400: 1. Linsday Walters (N), 102,52; 800: 1. Rachel Coleman (LS), 212,84; **1,600:** 1. Lexa Barrott (N), 512,44; **3,200:** 1. Coleman (N), 102,44,65,400 eralayst (S), 66; 66; Barrott (N), 5:12.44; 3, 200:1. Coleman (N), 10:34.45; 400 relay: 1 Northville, 50.69; 2. Stevenson 56:38: 800 relay: 1. Northville, 1:49.41; 2. Stevenson, 1:56:85; 1,600 relay: 1. Northville, 4:19.46; 2. Stevenson, 4:29:59; 3,200 relay: 1. Northville, 1:057.4; 2. Stevenson, 1:16:71. Dual meet records: Northville, 5-0 KLAA Central; Stevenson, 1-3 KLAA Central.

6-4 in the semifinal before losing 6-1, 6-0 to top-seeded Northville.

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Boys lacrosse finishes in three-way title tie

By Chris Jackett Correspondent

Improving to 11-5 and a No. 27 ranking after a 2-4 start to the season, Novi's boys lacrosse team (5-1 KLAA Kensington) picked up three victories last week

The Wildcats started last week with a 13-3 win May 5 at Plymouth Salem (5-8, 2-3 Kensington). The offense was led by Mark Ghannam (two goals, two assists), Alex Caprara (two goals, one assist), Michael Werth (three goals) and one goal apiece from Keith Pravato, Ryan Moore, John VanderMey and Justin

BASEBALL

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Plymouth Salem

The Wildcats headed back south again the next day for a doubleheader against Plymouth Salem (9-4, 8-4 Kensington). In a cold, wet pair of contests, Novi failed to register a single run, losing 2-0 and 11-0.

Whitehead notched Novi's only two hits in the first game, while seniors Andrew Stefan, Jared Casaccia and Tobias tallied the only three hits in the second game.

Senior Mark Czapski gave the 'Cats a chance in the first game, allowing four hits, zero walks and two runs (one earned) and striking out three in a full seven innings.

It was a group effort in the second game, as Wilson was lit up for eight runs (six earned), five hits, one walk and two hit batters in 1 ½ innings. Senior Blair Myers allowed one earned run, two hits and one walk to close out the final two-thirds of an inning, before Turek allowed five hits and two runs while closing out the Lipski.

"The defense was led by Travis Sparling, Tommy McMaster and Jimmy Hole," Novi coach Eric Hoffman said. "They each had four ground balls.'

Netminder Connor Patterson had 11 saves on 14 shots for the Wildcats.

"It was a well-played game," Hoffman said. 'We dominated the faceoff X; Alex Caprara won 15 of 16. He has done a great job for us all season.'

The 'Cats had a tougher contest May 8 in a 13-11 win over Canton (7-5, 2-3 Kensington).

"Canton's goalie

played a great game and he kept them in the

game," Hoffman said. The Novi offense was led by two goals apiece from Werth, Ghannam, VanderMey and Pravato, while Sam Meisel picked up two assists.

McMaster (two goals, 13 groundballs) and Sparling (one goal, one assist, two groundballs) held down the defense again, as Patterson saved 18 of 29 shots that came his

"We came out a little flat," Hoffman said. "It was hot out for the first time this season and we did not respond well to it. It was a hard-fought

game that is nice to come out on top in."

Troy Athens

Novi ended the week Saturday with a 10-6 victory over Troy Athens (8-6)

"Athens dominated Novi the previous year," Hoffman said. "This year was much different. The score does not show the dominance of the game. Our defense kept Athens to very few opportunities to score. The defense played great. The defense was led again by Tommy McMaster, Travis **Sparling and Patrick** Wojtylo.

The trio combined for

Wildcat Keaton Figurski scoops up a ball near third as he and his teammates warm up between innings on May 9. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

game with zero strikeouts and zero walks.

"We didn't get off to a good start. We only had three hits on the afternoon," Green said. "That was a disappointing loss. If we had played them in different conditions ... our team's been a warm weather team this year."

Vicksburg

Novi then hosted Kalamazoo neighbors Vicksburg for a doubleheader

last Friday, winning 7-6 before losing 16-4.

Senior Charlie Richter pitched the Wildcats to a 7-0 lead through four innings, but gave up six runs in the fifth, finishing with nine hits and zero walks. Tobias came in to close out the last two innings with one strikeout, zero hits and zero walks.

Junior Mike Ninkovich had a tougher time on the mound in the second

game, allowing 10 runs (two earned), zero walks and eight hits in onethird of an inning.

"He gave up a lot doubles (five) in the first inning," Green said.

Myers capped the final two-thirds of the first inning before sophomore Scott Beaton took over for two innings, allowing six runs (four earned), six hits (three doubles) and one walk. Freshman Alec Bageris

12 groundballs, while McMaster also picked up a goal.

The offense was led by Chris Kennedy, Brian Stewart and Caprara with two goals each, while Werth, Pravato and VanderMey each had one. Rvan Moore had two assists and Ghannam had one.

"It was an all around great game for Novi from the beginning to the end," Hoffman said

Patterson made nine saves on 14 shots, while Dan Savela made three of four.

The victories meant a three-way tie with Northville (9-4, 5-1 Kensington)

came in for two innings of relief, allowing one hit, two walks and zero runs and striking out two. Vicksburg had nine doubles in the game.

"That was a pretty impressive team in Division III I think. I think they won their league," Green said. "It's just one of those games you like to get everybody in. We only had two of the same guys from the first game."

Grosse Pointe North, Rochester

Novi capped its week by hosting the Breast **Cancer Research Games** on Saturday, where they played two games in a series of four. The Wildcats tied Grosse Pointe North (15-7) 4-4 in a timerestricted battle before defeating Rochester 3-0 later that afternoon.

"For some reason when we put those pink jerseys on, we play better," Green said.

Czapski got the start against North, allowing six hits, two walks and two earned runs and striking out two in five innings, before Whitehead came in for the sixth inning, allowing three hits, one walk and two earned runs and striking out two in one

and South Lyon Unified (11-2, 5-1 Kensington) for the conference title, putting Novi into the KLAA title game against Brighton (10-2, 7-0 Lakes).

'This is going to be a redemption game for Novi," Hoffman said. "We played them earlier in the season with seven of our seniors on spring break already; Brighton won 13-6. Having all of our players will be a difference maker for us. It should be a very good game."

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inning.

Behind two hits from Mitchell and one apiece from Whitehead, Figurski, Tobias and Turek, the 'Cats led 4-2 late.

"We were one out and one strikeout away from winning it, and their guy came up with a big double," Green said of the tying run.

Wilson picked up the victory against Rochester, striking out five and allowing five hits, six walks, two hit batters and zero runs in six innings before Whitehead grabbed the save with two strikeouts, one walk and zero runs in the final inning.

"They came up with a lot of base runners and we'd just get out of it," Green said. "I think he got out of bases loaded a couple times. We played some good defense in this game.'

Mitchell had two hits, while Figurski, Tobias, Baxter and Stefan each grabbed one. Turek and Baxter combined for a double play to escape an inning where Rochester poised their comeback attempt.

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The luncheon is organized by the Novi and Livonia chambers of commerce and sponsored by Walsh.

The cost is \$15 for chamber members, \$20 for nonmembers. Call the Novi Chamber of Commerce office at 248-349-3743 to register.

Nachi Robotic hosts partner meeting

Nachi Robotic Systems Inc. celebrated its 25th anniversary (1989-2014) by hosting a partner meeting at its new and much larger facility located in Novi.

Nachi Robotic Systems Inc. has been supplying robots and robotic manufacturing process solutions to a variety of industries for the past 25 years. During that time, Nachi has been part of the robotic industry in servogun spot welding, arc welding, material handling, robotic vision, machine tending, palletizing, press transfer, dross removal, resistance seam welding, and dispensing.

dispensing. At its 25th anniversary partner meeting, it hosted representatives from member companies within its integration network to discuss cutting edge technologies, new robotic products, and the future of Nac One attendee of the event was Wyco, a key Nachi partner in delivering successful automation solutions throughout America for the past 24 years

Sticky Bellies grows into big business for Novi mom

By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer

What started out as just an idea to capture some monthly milestones of her daughter turned into a big business for Novi resident Carly Dorogi.

"I wasn't too serious at first, but through word of mouth and social media this idea turned into a new opportunity that has grown ever since," said Dorogi, founder and CEO of Sticky Bellies.

A great idea

Sticky Bellies are removable stickers that help a person photograph life's most important milestones with style and ease. This homegrown small business came from Dorogi's memories of her mother making her custom-made shirts. And each month, as a parent, Dorogi was taking photographs marking a big moment in her two daughters' lives.

"People have been documenting their child's monthly growth since the days of Polaroids and painted portraits, so I wanted to add a new way to do this," she said of starting the business in 2010.

She said with advanced technology, people now have the opportunity to share photos, with friends and family all around the world as often as they like on Facebook, in emails, and on photo-sharing websites. The only way to mark the moment really was the camera's date stamp in the corner.

With some motivation from her husband, she designed and created some temporary stickers to go on a shirt. It blossomed so much that it led her to leave her job as a teacher in the Bloomfield Hills school district.

"I thought it would be great to have a creative, stylish and



Novi resident Carly Dorogi has successfully advanced her line of children's T-shirt stickers, Sticky Bellies, to more than 1,000 retailers in the country within the last four years. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

easy way to document a child's monthly growth," she said.

How they work

Sticky Bellies work by removing a sticker from its backing and applying it to a shirt. Then, take pictures and later remove it and replace it with the next one when taking a photo for the following month. The stickers are safety-tested and kid-friendly, and in the short term can be reused until the adhesive wears off.

"It's about sharing, displaying and enjoying adorable milestone photos!" Dorogi explained.

She had no idea it would grow the way it did. Her husband, Jim, calls it a viral product because it was truly To learn more about Sticky Bellies or to place an order, go to http:// www.stickybellies.com or call 248-515-9314.

through social media like Facebook and Instagram that helped it take off so quickly. The stickers come 13 to a package.

Success

To date, Dorogi has shipped 300,000 total packs.

Sticky Bellies has turned into a huge wholesale and retail store business that has become internationally recognized. It's received a lot of media attention and has appeared in a variety of news outlets, including a feature in *Parents Magazine*. As it grew, Dorogi hired a small staff to help out. But, she still keeps a hands-on approach to the business by having weekly contact with their customers. Business has doubled each year since its establishment.

"I love the customer service aspect to it and connecting with the customer," she said. "I think it's important for parents to know there is a fellow parent behind this."

She has developed new lines to commemorate the different seasons and expects to add more this fall. The new line of stickers will be even more fashionable with sports jerseys being one type coming out soon.

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Srinergy showcases solar installations

Residents of Great Oak Cohousing in Ann for building a strong sense of community through shared resources and civic mindedness. With the recent installation of roofmounted solar panels on nine of 37 condominiums in this close-knit community, homeowners are also demonstrating their commitment to conserving energy and protecting the environment. "During the past few years, we've researched various solar options," said Elph Morgan, Great Oak resident who was involved in the community's design and construction more than 10 years ago and helped to spearhead the solar installations. "A friend, who works for the nonprofit EcoWorks, introduced us to Srinergy and its president, Prasad Gullapalli. Srinergy's team did an excellent job helping us through the entire process that included design, engineering, and installation." Headquartered in Novi, Srinergy is a fullservice provider of solar energy solutions with sales, design and engineering capabilities available for residential, commercial and nonprofit organizations throughout the United States. "We worked with each of the homeowners to design and install systems that met their budget and energy savings' needs," Gullapalli said. Each condominium has its own meter and inverter box that show how much energy is being saved. Residents also have access to a web login to track real-time energy savings.

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Hino Trucks approved

Novi-based Hino Trucks' Class 5 195h and 195h-DC diesel electric cab-over has been approved by the New York Truck – Voucher Incentive Program (NYT-VIP).

The NYT-VIP is an important partnership between the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA), New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT), New York City Department of Transportation (NYC-DOT), and CALSTART. What is available is \$19 million first come-first served incentive funding that aims to accelerate the deployment of al-ternative fuel vehicles and diesel emission control devices for medium to heavy duty commercial fleets in New York.

By promoting the use of advanced vehicle technologies, NYT-VIP will help reduce diesel emissions and promote a more fuel independent New York.

"New York customers are already seeing the benefits of our 195h diesel electric COE vehicles realizing up to 30 percent fuel savings over diesel-only products in well matched conditions," said Glenn Ellis, Hino Trucks vice president of marketing.

"By utilizing the NYT-VIP, customers can realize an immediate payback on the incremental cost of our hybrid truck, and start to see operational savings on day one!"

Condominium owners at Great Oak selected from a variety of

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To showcase the new solar installations, Srinergy is inviting the public to a Community Solar Open House in partnership with Great Oak Cohousing from 12:30-3:30 p.m. Saturday, May 24, in the community's Common House located at 500 Little Lake Drive in Ann Arbor. Srinergy team members will be on hand to answer questions about solar energy solutions, and walking tours will be available

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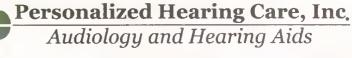
financing options though several elected to take advantage of the Michigan Saves' Home Energy Loan program that provides affordable financing for energy efficiency and renewable energy improvements.

Depending on the number of solar panels used, Great Oak condominium installations ranged from 10 to 12 thousand dollars per unit. Morgan estimates that each family will experience a utility savings of 50 to 75 dollars each month.

According to Gullapalli, the solar installations are warranted for 25 years though are expected to perform even longer. The nine systems at Great Oak are expected to make a 25-year environmental contribution by the community that is equal to the planting of 93 acres of forest.

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New home building on a rebound, skilled workers in demand

By Julie Brown Staff Writer

Michael Stoskopf, CEO of the Home Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan, isn't the only one who's glad spring is here.

"It is a frustratingly old story," Stoskopf said of this winter's impact on home construction. Even in March, builders could continue work on some existing projects but starting new home development was difficult.

He was at an existing Canton home development in mid-March. "You could barely drive through because there was so much construction activity," Stoskopf said. "Now we're seeing that pick up in

April" regionally. Based on single-family new home permit data compiled by the HBA of Southeastern Michigan and reported in the HBA/Wells Fargo Southeast-ern Michigan Residential Building Activity Report, 245 such permits were issued in Macomb, Oakland, St. Clair and Wayne counties in March 2014.

That was 15 percent higher than February 2014 but nearly 36 percent less from March 2013 (381). HBA expects a surge of new, single-family home permits beginning in April.

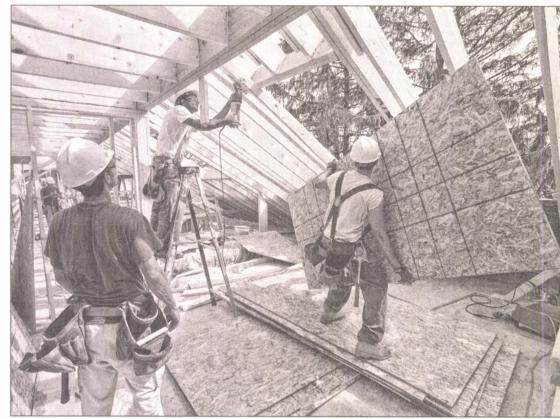
Local areas on upswing

"The city of Novi got a lot of activity," he said of current home building. For 2014 through March, new home permits show Lyon Township first, Novi second and Orion Township third, with Oakland Township fourth.

"If you don't have a job, you're not going to be able to buy a house," he said. The report shows local unemployment for February 2014 at 8.9 percent. Last February, it was 10.2 percent.

Obviously that positive growth is what makes a difference," he said. "That has been going up every month," with nine consecutive months of local employment growth, figuring in the active jobseeker factor.

The number of people em-



Carpenters are among those in demand in construction work. GETTY IMAGES/HUNTSTOCK

ployed grew faster than people seeking work locally in that February to February time, he explained.

'There is a shortage of qualified labor, or experienced labor," he agreed, in fields such as carpentry. For example, there are

fewer local excavator companies. "They only can do so much work," Stoskopf said.

Some businesses and workers relocated to places like North Carolina during the recession. "They haven't re-turned yet," he said, noting weather is a factor for those businesses.

He anticipates new local businesses forming to address that

"We support trade educa-tion at the high school level," as well as college, but don't have their own academy. His association provides continuing competency training for licensing, as well as at the national level certification.

Stoskopf and other industry leaders advocate for high schoolers interested in construction. Such teens are often "geeked" about the work, he said

industry, "They're turning and burning at a high rate," similar to local home building

Getting the word out

He wants parents, media and government leaders to recognize, "Housing and new home construction is a valid field here.'

His alma mater, Michigan State, leads in construction management bachelor's degree training, also offered at Eastern Michigan University and well regarded. Ferris State University has a strong HVAC mechanical bachelor's degree program. he added, and community colleges like Henry Ford and Schoolcraft do well in qualifying students for building licenses.

He doesn't see Realtors as competitors. "In my personal experience, it's a symbiotic relationship," Stoskopf said, adding in the boom years six existing homes were sold for each new one built. That declined in the recession, but is

beginning to trend back upward.

His daughter and son-inlaw, recently married, will likely buy an existing home due to financial reasons. The home they buy, however, will perhaps prompt another homeowner to build a new home.

Stoskopf said both new and existing home sales are crucial at all income levels and home types. He added that a strong housing market indicates a strong, improving economy. The HBA/ASA New Hous-

ing Permit Forecast projects a total of 2,475 permits will be issued in the six-month, Aprilto-September time frame. If activity is limited to the forecast level, it would represent a 10 percent decline compared to the same period in 2013 (2,756). However, if adjustments are made to account for "pent-up activity" that was not possible during the past four months, the six-month permit forecast is for 2,755 permits, equal to activity in 2013.

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Community gardens often bloom where planted

Q: I have heard that the popularity of community gardens has exploded in recent years nationwide. Can you give some idea of what at community garden is?

A: Community gardens are shared spaces at associations, apartment complexes, and other housing sites where resi-

dents gather to garden and grow food. They can range in size from one communal raised bed, to hundreds or thousands of square feet of individual



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plots, to several acres. They can serve just a few residents or as many as 50 or more, and can serve special populations of residents, such as seniors, youth, or residents with disabilities. Some communities have gardens that generate income to benefit the garden program or for residents themselves, and grow a diverse array of vegetables, flowers and herbs for sale. Some communities use their gardens to teach classes and empower disabled residents and young

people. Community gardens provide numerous benefits to residents and to associations such as: 1) beautifying community grounds; 2) increasing community property value; 3) creating social activities for residents; 4) empowering youth and disabled residents; 5) encouraging water conservation, waste reduction and recycling; and 6) giving residents access to fresh, healthy food. A good idea if the circumstances warrant.

Q: One of our neighbors lives on a manmade lake and claims he has riparian rights to it. We have been telling him that he is wrong, but I would like your opinion.

A: In a recent case, the **Michigan Court of Appeals** ruled that riparian/littoral rights do not attach to land abutting a large manmade body of water. In doing so, the court seems to have put to rest any issue that may have existed as to whether the Inland Lakes and Streams Act abrogated the common law definition of riparian rights. In effect, the case establishes that lands abutting artificial surface water bodies do not abut a natural water course so that your neighbor may well be out of luck.

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How to get the most out of a recruiter

By Kelly Services

Using the industry knowledge and networks of recruiters can be a critical component of any job search. A professional recruiter can offer career advice, inside knowledge of your target industry or company, compensation guidance and "cultural fit" insight on prospective employers.

The right can make a difference

Avoid the general inbox: Recruiters have relationships with human resources and hiring managers, so your resume goes directly to them, not a "job response inbox" containing hundreds of resumes.

Access unadvertised opportunities: Recruiters often know about and fill positions well before they are advertised.

Gain valuable insight regarding company culture: A good recruiter should be able to tell you about the company culture and what to expect from individual interviewers on your schedule.

Get your own advocate: As an advocate, a recruiter can present you in the best way, provide feedback and follow-up, and provide assistance through the negotiation and hiring process.

Different types of recruiters

Staffing recruiters work for staffing firms to provide a wide range of candidates to customers. Staffing recruiters may place administrative, professional or technical candidates, ranging from entry level to senior level, in temporary contract or permanent jobs.

Corporate recruiters handle most aspects of the employee recruitment process for their own organization. Corporate recruiters are typically in the human resources division.

Executive contingent recruiters work for search firms that are engaged by clients to perform a specific search for a range of mid- and senior-level positions. Contingent recruiters receive a fee only upon the successful placement of a candidate.

Executive retained recruiters work for search firms that are engaged by clients to perform a specific search for a senior executive position. Retained recruiters receive a retainer (upfront fee) to execute a search.

Make a recruiter shortlist

There are many types of recruiters, and each may have a specific industry or area of expertise. Ideally, you should focus on building relationships with the recruiters that can best help you with your career aspirations.

Don't just engage a recruiter, build a relationship

The best recruiter-job seeker relationships are mutually beneficial. A candidate receives access to unadvertised career opportunities and gains an advocate. A recruiter will appreciate reciprocal access to your network of potential referrals as well as specific company or industry insight.

A common job-seeker mistake is to engage with a recruiter only when actively searching for a new job. A strictly transactional relationship candidate needs a job, recruiter needs a candidate to fill a job is less valuable for you, the recruiter and ultimately the hiring organization. Be prepared to invest time in building and maintaining a long-term relationship.



Consider these guidelines to strengthen a good working relationship with recruiters:

Make a good first impression: Approach a recruiter as you would a prospective employer, and send an email with a professional cover letter or social media message.

Make an introduction: Introduce yourself during the first conversation, just as you would in an interview. A recruiter will need to be comfortable with you before advocating for you as a candidate to a prospective employer.

Provide information: Let recruiters know how you found them and if you're interested in working for a specific company or targeted industry.

Think longer term: Be prepared to stay in touch over the short, medium and long term to find the right opportunity.

Keep your information cur-

rent: Ensure they never have an out-of-date resume on file, and update your recruiter when things change.

Be open to constructive feedback: A recruiter can share a great deal of information about the company, job requirements and even specific interviewer characteristics before an interview. After the interview, ask for and be open to constructive feedback.

Share insights: What did you learn in the interview that would help both you and your recruiter? Was the job as described by the recruiter or has it changed? Was there a new interviewer in the process? Is this the right role for you based on your career goals?

Keep the communication open: Maintain a positive relationship for the future, even if you secure another job.

Become a resource: Share

your industry knowledge and network of contacts who may be interested in learning more about an opportunity.

Consider all kinds of work: Short- or long-term project and contract work can often be a steppingstone to a permanent job and allows you an opportunity to evaluate the job and company.

Be clear: An open dialogue regarding your work experience, career goals and salary requirements will increase the chances of a successful placement.

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Open Houses Sunday, May 18 WEIR MANUEL



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OPEN 1-5 | 334 Bryn Mawr Street, Birmingham Tranquil Idyllic setting on peaceful tree lined street. Mature trees, perennial plants. \$575,000 James Riley (248) 213-8215



OPEN 1-3 | 15845 Magnolia , Clinton Twp. Beautifully maintained two bedroom end unit. New carpet, freshly painted. \$115,000 Peggy Bonbrisco (313) 214-2551



OPEN 2-4 | 100 Meadow, Grosse Pointe Farms Gorgeous classic French Colonial in a great cul-de-sac location! Remodeled. \$484,900 Jim Addison (313) 214-2305



OPEN 2-4 | 2328 Allard , Grosse Pointe Woods Newer: furnace & cac (2012), roof, most windows, water heater, Natural fireplace. \$115,000 Patt Koller (313) 214-2357



OPEN 2-4 | 39466 Lanse Creuse , Harrison Twp. Custom built brick ranch with full basement Updated kitchen. All appliances stay. \$189,000 Kay Rinke (313) 486-9143





OPEN 1-4 | 725 Half Moon, Bloomfield Village Beautiful home with more than 3200 sqft, hardwood, wet plaster, two fireplaces. \$725,000 Rosalee Hill (248) 365-7138



OPEN 1-3 | 3716 Riverview Terrace, East China This is the life-4400 finished SF and a boat well! Great floor plans on all 3 levels. \$389,900 Don Alcorn (586) 200-1224



OPEN 2-4 | 188 Kerby, Grosse Pointe Farms Location! Location! Outstanding 4B Tudor in the heart of "the Farms". Extensive updates. \$419,000 Dori Daskas (313) 208-7922



OPEN 2-4 | 19115 Woodland , Harper Woods So many updates, every detail attended to. Spacious updated kitchen. \$48,000 Marsha King (313) 214-2295



OPEN 1-4 | 7500 Perry Lake Rd, Independence Fabulous home! Simply stunning. Minutes from I-75 and downtown. \$399,900 Hosted by Dianne Giovinazzo (248) 513-8586





OPEN 1-4 | 4376 Barchester Dr, Bloomfield Twp. This 5 bedroom, 3 full bath Colonial located in Vernor Estates is move-in ready. \$679,900 Helen Butler (248) 494-4585



OPEN 1-4 | 26170 Hersheyvalle Drive, Franklin Outstanding location in Franklin. 2300 sq. ft. ranch, 3 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms . \$399,000 Kim Elliott (586) 477-4592

OPEN 2-4 | 44 Regal, Grosse Pointe Shores

OPEN 2-4 | 37958 Seaway , Harrison Twp.

Matt Mannino (313) 214-2288

Paulette Wcisel (248) 365-7231

Meticulously kept Quad level sitting on a lot

and a half featuring 120' canal space. \$399,900

Laila Abud (313) 214-2320

Great curb appeal. Spacious Colonial w/3 car

garage. Large foyer w/open staircase. \$525,000



OPEN 1-4 | 7341 Admiralty, Canton Another Sunflower Gem! Move-in ready and meticulously maintained in and out! \$255,000 Denise Bondoni (248) 513-8570



OPEN 2-4 | 24411 Bloomington, Franklin Amazing eat in kitchen with fireplace and Overlooks over a half acre of nature. \$219,900 Chris Dasaro (313) 214-2493



OPEN 2-4 | 70 Clairview, Grosse Pointe Shores Must see this spacious 3 bedroom ranch. Completely updated. \$575,000 Chris Dasaro (313) 214-2493



OPEN 1-4 | 39363 Canterbury, Harrison Twp. Former model great room ranch w/10' ceilings &many upgrades. Hardwood floors. \$258,000 Hosted by: Jim Hedrick (586) 229-1248



OPEN 2-4 | 46332 Plum Grove, Macomb What a meticulous home loaded with wonderful features and updates. \$195,493 Hosted by: Nancy Shelby (313) 214-2317



OPEN 2-4 | 54587 Autumn View , New Baltimore Spectacular Split level with first floor master bed and bath. Natural fireplace. \$239,900 Chris Dasaro (313) 214-2493

OPEN 1-4 | 18236 Edenderry, Northville Spacious 3000 sqft, 4 bed, 2.5 bath home in Edenderry sub on wooded lot. \$475,000 Jim Wolfe (248) 237-7687



OPEN 1-4 | 5010 Ridge Trail, Independence Twp

Upscale custom home w/open kitchen, 1st floor

apartment for in-laws or a college kid. \$445,000

OPEN 1-4 | 3238 Erie Drive, Orchard Lake Panoramic views of Cass Lake! Sprawling ranch w/updated kitchen, hardwood floors, \$1,250,000 Teri Spiro (248) 639-4885

OPEN 1-4 | 3589 Park Meadow, Orion Twp. Tranquil views in the BEST neighborhood in Lake Orion. 2,915 sqft. \$425,000 Leslie Doran (248) 365-7135



OPEN 1-4 | 446 Indian Trail, Orion Twp. Beautiful 4 bedroom, 3.5 bath home in the Lakes of Indianwood Subdivision. \$395.000 Amy Chermside (248) 213-7826



OPEN 2-4 | 3342 Hardwood Heights , Prescott 157 Sqft of private Sandy Frontage. 2.5 hours from downtown Detroit to paradise. \$175,000 Chris Dasaro (313) 214-2493



OPEN 1-4 | 8132 E. Pearson, Shelby Twp. Immaculate builder's custom home offers up to 6 bedrooms. Premium master suite. \$334,900 Scott Jesnig (586) 782-3598



OPEN 2-4 | 1011 Troon, St Clair Newer, lovely colonial which has it all! First floor master suite. \$399.900 Laila Abud (313) 214-2320



OPEN 1-4 | 1715 Carpenter Drive, Troy Beautifully maintained home in the desirable Oak River East subdivision. \$619,900 Amy Chermside (248) 213-7826



OPEN 1-4 | 7295 Danbury, West Bloomfield Premium end unit townhome with private cul-desac setting. Spotless, move-in ready. \$299,500 Hosted by Galina Stasyuk (248) 639-4994



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OPEN 1-3 | 1715 River Rd. # 83, St. Clair St. Clair River View! End unit 2nd story ranch condo, lots of light and privacy. \$145,000 Barbara Mueller (586) 270-5040



OPEN 9-12 | 30506 Palomino, Warren Spacious 4 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath full brick north Warren ranch! \$122,900 Hosted by: Jim Hedrick (586) 229-1248



OPEN 2-4 | 774 Red Maple Lane, Wixom Spacious ranch condo in desirable Maple Forest. Lots of windows. Great light. \$160,000 Karen Thomas (248) 639-4916



Custom brick ranch. Well maintained with plenty of updates. Open floor plan. \$249,900 Jeffery Alasina (248) 639-4958



OPEN 2-4 | 7790 Barnsbury Dr, West Bloomfield Lakefront - all sport Union Lake! Breathtaking views across long span of lake. \$800,000 Karen Thomas (248) 639-4916



OPEN 1-3 | 6143 Cherrywood Drive, Ypsilanti Gorgeous home that is loaded with curb appeal. Flowing floor plan. \$230,000 Jan Carey (734) 389-7737





Modern Cass Lake lakefront home surrounded on 3 sides of water. 2 sides are canals. \$599,000 Gwen Schultz (248) 817-4567



OPEN 2-4 | 1866 Telford Court, Ypsilanti Like-New family home is located on a cul-desac and in move-in condition. \$209,000 Jean Williams (734) 389-7709

OPEN 2-4 | 4555 Prospect St, West Bloomfield

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