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Candidate questions

The Novi News will be conducting interviews with candidates for the August primary races for state House 38th District and 52-1 District Court. If you have a question for these candidates, please send to cstone@hometownlife.com.

52-1 District **Court forum**

The League of Women Voters Oakland Area is co-sponsoring with the Oak-land County Bar Association and the Detroit Free Press a 52-1 District Court candidate forum at 7 p.m. Monday, June 23, at Wixom City Hall, 49045 Pontiac Trail. The public is invited to learn more about the candidates for this office and ask questions. The district in-

cludes Novi, South Lyon, Walled Lake and Wixom, the townships of Commerce, Highland, Lyon, Mil-ford and Novi and the villages of Milford and Wolverine Lake.

Scott W. Powers and Travis M. Reeds are challenging incumbent judge, Brian MacKenzie, for the six-year term.

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Novi man extradited from India to stand trial in killings

Mother, children found slain in '08

By L.L. Brasier Gannett Michigan

In 2008, Novi police say, Lakshminivasa Nerusu did the unthinkable. He slit his wife's throat, then waited for his son and daughter to come home from school and killed them in the same manner.

A year after being brought back from his native India, where he had fled and gone into hiding, the 46-year-old computer programmer will go to trial in Oakland County Circuit Court in the killings in the fam-



Nerusu Nerusu

ily's Novi town house. The trial had been scheduled to start Monday, was adjourned until today and then rescheduled again for Tuesday. Jury selection was ex-pected Tuesday morning and opening statements are expected to begin that afternoon. If convicted, he faces life in prison without parole.

The defense attorney says he plans to argue that Nerusu was insane



Tejasvi

Nerusu

Siva Kumar Nerusu

the morning of Oct. 13, 2008, when he killed his wife, Jayalakshmi, 37.

Investigators say he then went to a drug store, bought bandages to treat his own injuries, then laid in wait for his daughter, Tejasvi, 14, and his son, Siva Kumar, 12, to arrive home from school. He then killed them. The bodies were found two weeks later, when worried family members alerted police.

Within hours of the killings, Nerusu fled Michigan and flew to India, where he remained free until his arrest in February 2013 near Hyderabad, in southern India. He waived extradition in May 2013 and has since been in the Oakland County Jail, held without bond.

Psychiatrists who have examined Nerusu say he is competent to stand trial and was not insane at the time of the killings. But his defense attorney, Lawrence Kaluzny, said insanity is the only explanation. "When I first met him

at the jail, he said, 'Look, I loved my kids, I had to be crazy to kill my kids," Kaluzny said in a phone

interview last week. **Oakland County Chief** Assistant Prosecutor Paul Walton said it's time

for Nerusu to face justice. "We will extradite all over the world for mur-

der and we went to India to get him back," Walton said. And he noted that investigators think Nerusu waited for his children to arrive. "That's what we call premeditation."

The trial is before **Oakland County Circuit** Court Judge Nanci Grant and is expected to last a week. Nerusu is charged with three counts of firstdegree murder and faces life in prison if convicted.

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'It's happening!'



Police arrest man for sexual conduct with minor

17-year-old will be charged as an adult

> **By Lonnie Huhman** Staff Writer

A call from Child Protection Services led the Novi Police to arrest a 17-year-old man for firstdegree criminal sexual conduct involving a family member.

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Novi High Class of 2014 member Jame O'Reilly places a last-minute call on the floor of the Eastern Michigan University Convocation Center before receiving his diploma May 31. See pages A9-12 for more photos of the graduation ceremony, as well as the top 10 students from Novi, Catholic Central, St. Catherine of Siena Academy and Franklin Road Christian School. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Walkathon to help fight Parkinson's

By Julie Brown Staff Writer

A benefit walk for the Michigan Parkinson Foundation and local people with Parkinson's will be Sunday, June 8, at Northville High School, on Six Mile west of Sheldon Road.

"That's a big initiative for us," said Don McLean of Plymouth Township, a board member for the MPF who was appointed in January, referring to the west side "I Gave My Sole for Parkinson's" Walkathon and 5K Run. "My dad actually has Parkin-

son's," the younger McLean said of Don McLean Sr. of Livonia. "He just turned 70.3

The senior McLean has had Parkinson's about 10 years. "He has a very positive outlook," his son said of his father, who has trouble walking and uses a walker as well as a wheelchair sometimes.

Roop Raj of WJBK-TV (Channel 2) will be master of ceremonies for the walk

"And my band is going to be playing there, too," McLean said of Cosmic Groove, which offers top 40 music from the 1960s to

today

This is the 12th year for the benefit walk, he said. Registration information can be found at https://parkinsonsmi.org/mpffundraising/walk-a-thon-5k-run.

Registration that day will be 9:30-10:30 a.m., with the opening ceremonies beginning at 10:45 a.m. The 5K begins approximately at 11 a.m., with the awards presentations around noon. Fees are \$20 for the 5K run, \$15 for the walkathon for age 13 and up, \$10 for the walkathon for age 12 and

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be named because the case allegedly involves his 13-year-old sister.

According to Novi Police, the department was notified by CPS back in February of the situation at a residence in Novi.

With that information, police arrested and charged him on two counts.

Because of his age, he has been charged as an adult.

"This is a very sensitive case because it involves a minor," Novi Police Sgt. Scott Baetens said.

The case reportedly goes back to 2009. The man reportedly has also resided in Westland over these last four years. However, it's not clear yet if there will be charges filed in that jurisdiction.

A \$25,000 conditional bond was posted by the defendant.

He was arraigned in 52-1 District Court on the two counts of first-degree criminal sexual conduct with relation and has been bound over to Oakland Country Circuit Court, where there will be a pretrial hearing June 17.

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Church showing cars for good cause

By Julie Brown Staff Writer

Brightmoor Christian Church of Novi will offer its free Made in Detroit car show for the third year, set for Friday, June 13. The church is at 40800 W. 13 Mile, near M-5.

"It's open to the entire community," said church member and organizer Larry Smith, on the deacon board. "It continues to grow every year. We are expecting over 200 cars this year.

The show begins at 4 p.m. and ends at 8 p.m. The cars will be able to get on the lot at noon. Anyone who would like to enter a car or motorcycle in the show can register online at www.madeindetroitcarshow.org

or call the church office at 248-668-7000. This year, organizers will be raising money for Royal Family

Kids Camp. This organization provides a one-week camp for foster care kids. There are vendors that will be selling food during the car show this year and several will be donating all money raised to Royal Family Kids Camp. The vendors are Buffalo Wild Wings, Rolling Stove Pizza, LaMarsa, Dan's Ice Cream and Sugar Macarons.

Smith, a Beverly Hills resident, said last year's show included a 1932 Chevy roadster, also



Last year's benefit car show featured more than 200 cars.

in the earlier church car shows. That car won the grand prize its first year in the show.

Show organizers have five categories for cash prizes and trophies.

Last year, car show organizers raised money for the Wood Bridge Community Center in Detroit and brought in about 50 of the youth to participate in the show. The money was raised by a barbecue grill that was donated by Quality Grills in Detroit. The grill was raffled off to people attending the car show.

UAW-GM and the March of Dimes will also raffle a 2014 Corvette this year. Price is \$40 for one ticket and \$60 for two tickets. The drawing will take place Thursday, June 19, at the UAW-GM CHR.

Smith said the Brightmoor men's ministry, Men of Brightmoor, puts on four major events each year, including the car show



said, with close to 1,000 people attending last year. Pastor Jamie Kjos is big on supporting community organizations, especially those for youth, Smith said.

Last year, the church show also featured more than 200 cars in the show and many won cash prizes. The major sponsors for the show are: UAW-GM (Gold), UAW-Chrysler (Bronze), and VAS Consulting (Silver).

There will also be live entertainment from Duane Parham and his Jazz Band from Detroit and lots of activities for kids, such as face painting, slot car racing, micro reality car racing, giant trikes racing and a paintball target course.

The church draws people like Smith of Beverly Hills, as well as others from some distance away.

It's a big show and gives Novi "bragging rights" in the car show realm, said Smith, who works with other men's ministry members and a committee on the show.

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under.

Pre-registration is needed to guarantee your T-shirt, with late registration available on-site June 8, with a late fee of \$5 for each registration price.

The Michigan Parkinson Foundation also offers ongoing support groups for those with Parkinson's. Support group details are at https://parkinsonsmi.org/ support-group-detail?county=63.

Making connections

There is a Novi/Fox Run group that meets 3 p.m. the first Tuesday of each month in the Ascot Music Room, 41000 13 Mile in Novi. Its contact is Ruthann Lapham, 248-668-8633.

"It varies from month to month," Fox Run social worker Lapham said of attendance. "We usually get around 20, I would say."

The Fox Run group is open to family, including caregivers. Monthly sessions focus on different topics, with some speakers from Fox Run or outside.

"They will give us feedback about what they want to learn," Lapham said of members, who sometimes discuss how they cope with Parkinson's.

"They live in the surrounding communities," Lapham said, adding it's best to call her in advance of attending a Tuesday afternoon session, due to the security gate and access.

Her group, also led by a physical therapist colleague, draws mostly seniors. "That's kind of our main demographic," Lapham said. "I think it's a really great way for them to connect with other people."

Caregivers also benefit: "They can see other people going through similar things as themselves," she said.

MICHIGAN PARKINSON FOUNDATION WALKATHON **AND 5K RUN**

When: Sunday, June 8 (registration 9:30-10:30 a.m.)

Where: Northville High School

Cost: \$20 for the 5K run, \$15 for the walkathon for age 13 and up and \$10 for the walkathon for age 12 and under (add \$5 for late registration the day of the event)

Registration: Visit https://parkinsonsmi.org/ mpf-fundraising/walk-athon-5k-run

She's been at Fox Run about a year and a half and finds support group sessions beneficial.

"It's nice to connect. It is rewarding. It's just nice to get to know them. I get to learn a lot as well," Lapham said.

Parkinson's widespread

Lapham works with Debby Orloff, MPF CEO, and Orloff's staff in referring some people to other nearby support groups for those with Parkinson's and their loved ones.

There is also a Moving Up Together group which meets at 7 p.m. the third Thursday of each month at Salem United Church of Christ, 33424 Oakland St., Farmington. This group is for those under age 50 and their families. Call Laura Goring at 734-449-2969 or email movinguptogeth-

er@gmail.com. Royal Oak has a 6:30 p.m. group the second Monday at the Beaumont **Hospital Administrative** Building, 3711 W. 13 Mile, Royal Oak, CI 2, lower level. This group doesn't meet July and August. Call David Bartczak at 248-755-8034 or Dennis Cavanaugh at 248-683-1153.

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Novi Youth Recognition Award Ceremony recipients are Ibrahim Abdulridha, Ashi Arora, Hyunji Choi, Julia Clark, Megan Hartmus, Ashna Jain, Andrew Jamison, Toyoka Li, Pavithra Nakirikanti, Anthony Nicholas, Alexis Parenti, Christa Schafer, Zach Woolston and Katie Zhao.

Novi youths' good deeds honored

By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer

Ten Novi teens were recently recognized as an exceptional group of young adults who understand the value of volunteering

"They have gone above and beyond any school or club re-quirements," said Tom Swieboda, NYA caseworker. "They are truly mature, caring and compassionate individuals. As Novi Youth Assistance relies heavily on volunteers, we truly appreciate their efforts."

The group was honored May

NOVI YOUTH RECOGNITION AWARD CEREMONY RECIPIENTS

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22 at the NYA's Youth Recognition Award Ceremony.

The group contributed a total of 2,000 community service hours performed at the following locations over the last year: Providence and Botsford hospitals, Novi Public Library, the Novi High School Media Center, Novi Youth Council, Manor of Novi, Relay for Life, Buddy to Buddy program, Community Education Preschool, NorthRidge Church, Hope Soup Kitchen, Maybury State Park and Open Door Ministry.

The NYA provided these quotes from the student's essays as an example of what

community service means to this group. "Community Service be-

stows the perfect chance to further fulfill my role as a member to help write a chapter in my community's story.'

'I have learned that from the smallest child to the eldest senior, we are all people who deserve respect and the right to be heard."

"I learned that the most important thing you need in life is compassion for what you do and the people you work with. I never imagined learning so many life lessons through

something as simple as volunteering."

"We have been taught about leadership in Novi schools since our very first day of kindergarten. It has many definitions but the one leadership quality that has stuck closest to my heart is to treat others the way that I wish to be treated."

Swieboda said the students were nominated by teachers, parents and individuals in the community.

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Governor appoints Chief Molloy

Gov. Rick Snyder has appointed Novi Police Chief David Molloy to the Governor's Traffic Safety Advisory Commission.

Housed within the Michigan Department of State Police, the 11-person commission identifies traffic safety challenges and develops, promotes and implements strategies to support traffic safety programs.

Molloy will serve a three-

year term ending May 27, 2017. His appointment is not subject to the advice and consent of the Senate.

Lingenfelter hosting **MotorCity Gumball** organizers

Lingenfelter Performance Engineering debuted May 3 the first Saturday morning Lingenfelter Cars & Coffee event. Despite the rain, more than 200 visitors stopped by. The event will continue to take place 8-10 a.m. each Saturday this summer at Lingenfelter's North Engine Build Facility in Wixom.

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

On June 7, the event will highlight the 2014 MotorCity Gumball rally. In 2011, entrepreneurs Alex Haggart and Waseem Qureshi formed the MotorCity Rally Club. The duo combined their passion for automobiles and the city of Detroit to host the first Motor-City Gumball rally in 2012. The rally combines luxury lifestyle, motor sports activities

and extreme sports into one action-packed weekend. The 2014 MotorCity Gumball is set for Aug. 23-24.

Although there is no fee to participate in the June 7 event, guests are encouraged to bring a donation of nonperishable food items to be donated to **Gleaners Community Food** Bank and/or make a donation to Reach Out World Wide.

Lingenfelter Cars & Coffee will be held rain or shine. Guests can visit, view many unique automobiles and take a tour of the dyno testing area.

Grandparents raising grandchildren

OLHSA's Grandparents Raising Grandchildren is having a free support group meeting where participants can talk with fellow grandparents who share similar stories and experiences 9:30-11 a.m. June 5 at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. 10 Mile.

Call Lisa Grodsky for more information at 248-209-2622 or email LisaG@olhsa.org,





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Mena first to file for school board seat

After years and countless volunteer hours on various Novi School District committees and organizations, Willy



tion. Mena, 50, who currently serves

Mena is ready to

take that next

step in public

service by serv-

ing on the Novi

Board of Educa-

as the president on the Novi Library Board, formally filed June 3 his petition to seek a position as trustee on the Novi Board of Edu-

cation. Novi voters will choose three trustees to serve on the seven-person board at the Nov. 4 general election.

Mena is the first candidate to file for a seat on the board. Trustee Jason Manar resigned his seat on the board effective June 2. The school district is currently seeking applicants to fill that position. If the position is not filled by July 2, the Oak-land Intermediate School District will step in and fill it.

Mena, an account manager for Oracle, an American computer technology corporation, said he's ready to leverage his

Pops Concert

extensive resume of community leadership and volunteerism on the Novi Board of Education

"I am very passionate about many issues facing the Novi School District," Mena said. "I love Novi schools and I love Novi kids. I am thrilled and excited to take this next step in my public-service career."

Mena has been a fixture in the Novi High School football press box for the past 10 years, serving as the Wildcats chief statistician and technologist. He also is the chief statistician for the Detroit Lions professional football team and has worked as a statistician for the National Football League in Super Bowls XL and XLII.

I have been actively involved with the school district on many volunteer positions over the years," Mena said. "I love offering my time and service to the Novi School District. Now I would be honored to serve as a trustee on the Novi Board of Education. I'll make sure that all my decisions on the board are based on what's best for our kids.

Mena has been part of the fabric of the Novi community for the past 22 years. He is married to Marita, his wife of 20 years. They are members of Holy Family Catholic Church in Novi. They have three chil-dren: Elizabeth, a 2013 graduate of Novi High School and freshman at Western Michigan University; Owen, a junior at Novi High School; and Julia, a sixth-grader at Meadows Elementary School.

For more information about Mena and his bid for a seat on the Novi Board of Education, visit his website at http:// www.willymena.org or email him at willy@willymena.org.



Walled Lake Western High School sophomore Sabrina Shingleton, with the Jazz Band, wowed the audience with "Skyfall" at the school's end-of-the-year Pops Concert, May 29-30. CURTIS DROGMILLER

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Community Education Preschool Program

SCHOOL BRIEFS

Registration is open for Novi Community Education Preschool's Young 5's, fullday 4's and half-day preschool programs for 3-, 4-and 5-year-olds. The program has certified teachers and low staff-to-child ratios. Preschool classes follow the Creative Curriculum.

Preschool CA.R.E. (child care for before and after school) registration is ongoing via www.novi communityed.org.

For more information about Preschool or C.A.R.E., call the Early Childhood office at 248-449-1713.

Summer C.A.R.E.

Registration for Novi Community Education's Summer Child C.A.R.E. has begun. This program is for children ages 3 who have attended one year of preschool up to children going into the eighth grade.

The program begins Monday, June 23, and ends Friday, Aug. 15. Hours of opera-tion are 6:45 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Students will be placed in age-appropriate groups and will participate in crafts, sports, field trips, games and free play. This year's location will be at the Instruc-

tional Technology Building (Novi Meadows), located at 25425 Taft Road. Lunch and snack are included (except on field trips days).

Registration and scheduling is done online at www.novicommunityed.org. Call 248-449-1713 for more information.

Summer school registration

Novi Community Education has begun registration for summer school.

New this year is online registration (high school summer school only) at www.novicommunityed.org. High school students and parents will now view the courses online, download the forms for verification and fax or email them to the Community Education Office after they process their online selection and payment.

Summer school refresher courses pre-kindergarten to eighth grade will continue to register at the Novi Community Education office. Summer classes begin Monday, June 23, and end Thursday, July 24.

A list of classes, times and fees are online at www.novi.k12.mi.us under Community Education - Summer School.



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SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE UPDATES

Two new culinary baccalaureate degrees approved

At its recent monthly meeting, the Schoolcraft College Board of Trustees approved two new baccalaureate degree programs in culinary arts. The bachelor of arts in culinary entrepreneurial leadership degree program will prepare career-focused professionals for owning or managing a restaurant, hospitality or food service business. The bachelor of science in culinary nutrition and leadership blends advanced culinary skills with nutrition and food service management knowledge and experience to prepare students for a career in culinary nutrition or dietary management.

The creation of these two new programs was in response to Public Act 495 of 2012, which authorized community colleges in Michigan to offer baccalaureate degrees in four applied and technical programs: concrete technology, maritime technology, energy production technology and culinary arts. This legislation was created in direct response to industry and work force demand, and increases access and affordability for many Michigan residents whose educational success has been limited due to finances and geographic barriers.

The curricula for Schoolcraft's two new baccalaureate degrees were designed to also prepare students for certification exams in the professional chef sequence for the American Culinary Federation or the Certified Dietary Manager credential from the Association of Nutrition and Food Service Professionals. The next step in the implementation process for offering these programs in fall 2015 is approval of the programs by the Higher Learning Commission. This rigorous national accrediting process includes several types of consideration including but not limited to peer review of the curriculum and site visits.

Seminar for students with disabilities

The Counseling Department at Schoolcraft College is sponsoring an informational seminar for high school students who have disabilities and are interested in attending Schoolcraft this fall. This session, at 11 a.m. Saturday, June 14, in the Livonia campus' Liberal Arts Building, is designed to provide information that will be useful in making the transition to Schoolcraft. Topics of discussion will include the documentation required for accessing accommodations at Schoolcraft and the important differences between accommodations provided in high school and those offered at Schoolcraft.

Registration is required. Space is limited. Visit www.schoolcraft.edu/disabilitysupportservices for more information and to register. There will be two other sessions offered on July 12 and Aug. 9. Call the Schoolcraft College Disability Support Services Office at 734-462-4421 with any additional questions.

Schoolcraft College is a predominantly two-year college offering classes at the main campus in Livonia, the Radcliff Center in Garden City, the Public Safety Training Complex in Livonia and online at www.schoolcraft.edu.

Thank those retiring for service to students, community

Retirement. It's a word that conjures up a variety of images.

I have heard some people talk wistfully about the day they can retire. They know exactly how many years it is until they can retire. They may even know the number of hours or minutes!

Others know that they will retire someday, but they clearly are not ready for it yet. In their minds, they still have much to do.

At the June 5 Novi Board of Education meeting, we will honor some of the people in our district who have decided to retire this year. These are people who have given much of their professional life to working with other people's children.

Think for a moment of what these people have given our community. They have risen every day and come to work so that the children of our community could have a safe, engaging and stimulating place to be.

It was a bus driver who would arise early to be the first person in our district to greet students as they climbed onto the bus and the last person in our district who would say goodbye at the end of the day. The bus driver who every day looked forward to the road while 30 to 40 students sat behind them laughing and talking, secure that the bus driver would get them to school safely.

It was the Food Service worker who would prepare meals, learn students' names as they came through the line and come to know food preferences of scores of children. The Food Ser-



vice worker, who tried to make meals special even in the face of rapidly changing federal requirements, understood the value of nutrition in the education of our students.

It was the teacher who every day would prepare to spend more than six hours with other people's children, teaching, encouraging, motivating and caring for students as if they were their own children. The teachers, who would buy things with their own money because they knew that They have risen every day and come to work so that the children of our community could have a safe, engaging and stimulating place to be.

some children needed something special, learned to care for all the variety of students who would walk through their classroom door.

It was the secretary who would learn children's names, care for their bumps and bruises and listen as children talked about what happened in the hallway or the playground. The secretary, ever patient, who would anticipate problems and direct teachers and administrators to trouble well before it turned into a problem.

On June 5, we will honor the people in our district who have given so much to our children. If you know someone who is retiring this year, make sure to thank them for their life of service to our students and our community.

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





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Orchard Hills Elementary School employee Jewaun Glenn sits down to an upright piano in the school's cafeteria May 19 to play a tune or two. Ever since Glenn has played the piano – and encouraged students to try their hand at it, too – the cafeteria has been much quieter and calm. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

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LUNCH AT ONE NOVI SCHOOL HAS BECOME SWEET MUSIC

By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer

Soothing music played at an old piano by students and a staff member during lunch has become a big thing at Orchard Hills Elementary School.

"It's a lot of fun and a great experience, especially for those who love music," said third-grader Chloe Brookes, who is part of a group that plays the piano at lunch. "It's soothing and nice to listen to."

The piano is brought into the lunch room each Monday and Tuesday by custodian Jewaun Glenn, who plays the piano each time. The idea to do this came about as an effort to maximize the strengths of the school, which is a goal of the school's Leader in Me initiative.

Glenn, who is also a talented musician, said the idea was to make the lunch room a calmer place, but it has really taken hold and become popular. He's amazed at the amount of talent at the school.

"It's really caught on and given the lunch room a different feel," he said with a smile. "It's a blessing to have this many gifted kids here at the school."

The piano was originally in storage, but was moved to the teachers lounge, where Glenn first played it. However, teachers like Melissa Israel thought it would make a positive impact on the lunch room environment.

She said it's done just that.

"The conversation volume has gone down a bit but, more importantly, it's given the students something to talk about while they eat. There are a lot of smiles when the music is playing," she said.

The students who play go through a mini audition in order to demonstrate they can play a bit. Many of them are currently taking lessons, so this has become a great way for them to show off some new songs they've learned. Israel said it's a platform for them to share their talents.

"I love the piano, because it helps me express my feelings and emotions," Chloe said.

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Friday, June 13 | 1:30 pm

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Tuesday, June 24 | 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Elder Law Attorney Nicole Wipp will show you the simplest, smartest path to planning for your family, protecting your assets. Get info on the Veteran's Improved pension benefit as well. Light refreshments will be served.

Presented by: Family & Aging Law Center

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Presented by: Mark Edwards

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Novi residents Elaine Kokko and Debbie Knurek enjoyed their cup of coffee with officers from the Novi Police and local Michigan State Police departments. LONNIE HUHMAN

Cops talk with residents over coffee

By Lonnie Huhman

Staff Writer

Coffee with a Cop gave Novi residents Elaine Kokko and Debbie Knurek a chance to meet who protects and serves them.

"I was surprised to see them here," Kokko said. "But they were phenomenal. It's nice to see them working together."

Officers from the Novi Police Department and troopers from the Michigan State Police and community members came together May 23 at Panera Bread in an informal, neutral space to discuss community issues, build relationships and drink coffee.

"This is an opportunity for community members to ask questions and learn more about how both of our departments work in Novi and the surrounding area," Novi Public Safety Director/Police Chief David Molloy said.

This is the first time for the Novi department doing something like this and it's something it wants to continue. Molloy said the event was a success.

"It's good to get out and meet the community while helping to educate them a little bit," he said. The goal of the event was to

break down barriers and allow for a relaxed, one-on-one interaction.

It worked. "It was a great conversation and I'm glad we had this chance," Knurek said.

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NOVI POLICE BRIEFS

Multiple drunken driver offender

A driver was cited for his third drunken driving offense after Novi Police stopped him for causing other vehicles to swerve as he was driving in the wrong lane.

On May 17, the Novi Police spotted the man going southbound on Novi Road when he was observed going into the northbound lane to make a turn; there were oncoming vehicles. He eventually turned into Kim's Garden near Grand River Avenue. The police reported smelling alcohol on the man as he spoke with them.

He did not have a

valid driver's license and he registered 0.13 percent on his preliminary breathalyzer test.

Roommate dispute

A Novi man told police his former roommate took \$2,600 in electronic equipment without his permission.

The man reported the larceny May 13 to Novi Police, which he said happened in March at a residence in the 45000 block of Gateway Road, and that he would not press charges if his things were returned. The roommate told police that she took the stuff as collateral for some money she said that was taken by him.

The police report did not state whether or not

the items have been or returned.

Earrings stolen

A woman attempted to steal some earrings from JC Penney in Twelve Oaks Mall before being detained by store security.

The incident happened May 17 and was caught on surveillance camera. The female suspect walked out of the store, passing checkout lines, before being stopped by a store employee. The suspect handed over the merchandise, which had been taken from its packaging and placed in her back pocket.

She was arrested for retail theft by the Novi Police and later released on a \$100 bond.

Cash stolen from car

A Novi man had \$40 in gas money stolen from his locked vehicle

by an unknown person. The morning of May

16, the vehicle owner discovered his Chevy Impala had been broken into while it was parked outside his residence in the 24000 block of Olde Orchard Street. Someone had punched a hole below the driver's side door handle and then used a tool to unlock it. The owner found the trunk open and the inside rummaged through. There was no other

evidence or witnesses.

– By Lonnie Huhman

Third wolf petition would leave hunt decisions in hands of NRC, scientists

By Kathleen Gray Gannett Michigan

LANSING — There already are two wolfhunt petition questions on the November ballot and now there might be a third.

A group hoping to keep the wolf hunt going turned in 374,000 signatures May 27 to get its question on the ballot.

It's meant to pre-empt a second anti-wolf hunt petition that has already been approved for the November ballot.

It's also a citizeninitiated piece of legislation, so the Legislature could take it up within 40 days and it will automatically become law, making another anti-wolf hunt question moot.

"This initiative will not guarantee a wolf hunt; it will only guarantee that the decision about whether or not to have another wolf hunt, and other hunting and fishing decisions, are based on scientific data and the recommendations of professional biologists," said Merle Shepard, chairman of **Citizens for Professional** Wildlife Management, which spearheaded the petition drive.

The initiative would give those decisions to the Natural Resources Commission, which has already approved and set a wolf hunt for three areas in the Upper Peninsula. The first wolf hunt was held in November and December and had a goal of killing 43 of the Upper Peninsula's population of more than 650 wolves. The hunt resulted in 23 wolves being killed.

being killed. "The out-of-state special interests who oppose our efforts fail to understand what most residents of the Upper Peninsula do ... that in some parts of the U.P., wolves are killing pets and livestock and entering our communities, without fear," said Sen. Tom Casperson, R-Escanaba, who sponsored the legislation allowing for the hunt in the first place.

Animal rights advocates have launched two petition drives to repeal laws passed by the Legislature that would give control over setting wolf hunts to the Natural Resources Commission. They believe that it's too early to begin any wolf hunt because the animals just got taken off the endangered species list in 2012.

They gathered enough signatures in 2012 to repeal the first law passed by the Legislature allowing the wolf hunt. Another law was passed last year that was enough to bypass the first petition drive mounted by the Keep Michigan Wolves protected group last year.

That move infuriated the organizers of the petition drive because the 255,000 signatures they collected became merely a symbolic gesture to protect the wolves. So they mounted a second petition drive and both initiatives have been approved for the November ballot.

Jill Fritz, executive director of the anti-wolf hunt group, said she expects the pro-wolf hunt group has no intention of taking the issue to the ballot, but wants the Legislature to deal with it once again.

If the Legislature doesn't act on the third petition, it also will go to the ballot.

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Hungry Howie's comes to Novi

By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer

After having success with their Farmington location, husband and wife duo Vijay and Nitaben Patel have opened up their second Hungry Howie's Pizza restaurant in Novi.

"This is a great community and we're excited to be here,' Vijay said of the opening last week

He mid Hungry Howie's Pizza is continuing its home state expansion in Michigan and Novi was selected as prime location.

Hungry Howie's is known for its baked fresh daily dough and eight crust flavors, including butter, butter cheese, garlic, garlic herb, Cajun, onion, ranch, sesame and Asiago cheese.

To commemorate this newest location, Hungry Howie's Pizza will be making donations to both Novi Parks and Paralyzed Veterans of America, two local organizations that strive to improve the day-to-day lives of numerous people. Additionally, one customer will be selected to receive free pizza for an entire year.

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Location: 24265 Novi Road Phone: 248-348-1111 Hours: 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and 11 a.m. to midnight Friday through Saturday

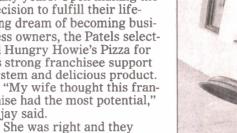
Before opening their first Hungry Howie's, the Patels both worked in the quickserve restaurant industry for many years. Upon making the decision to fulfill their lifelong dream of becoming business owners, the Patels selected Hungry Howie's Pizza for its strong franchisee support system and delicious product.

chise had the most potential,' Vijay said.

She was right and they hope to bring their style of customer service to the community. The Patels said they are from the area, so they're quite familiar with Novi.

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The restaurant is now



Hungry Howie's employee Brian Beard brings a table outside the restaurant at 24265 Novi Road for its grand opening. The shop is located near the northwest corner of Novi and 10 Mile roads. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

BUSINESS BRIEFS

in Wisconsin and Iowa called multi-value project No. 5 the Midcontinent Independent System Operator. This project, a new 345 kV line from the Dubuque, Iowa, area to the Madison, Wisc., area, was iden-tified because it is expected to improve service reliability, reduce system congestion and facilitate the interconnection of lower-cost generation resources in the region. The project is a reflection of ITC's continuing efforts to facilitate the development of regional transmission projects.

Southeastern Equipment offering Boyd and Sons

Southeastern Equipment is now offering Boyd and Sons Machinery undercarriage parts and rubber tracks at all 18 locations, including the Novi facility at 48545 Grand River Avenue. The parts are produced by the same manufacturers that most OEMs use and

the availability and reliability of the Boyd and Sons parts, says Charlie Patterson, president of Southeastern Equip-ment. "Their delivery time is excellent and the quality is ers will be happy to take ad-vantage of this addition to our parts offerings.

The Boyd and Sons undercarriage parts are manufactured through a series of machining and heat treatment operations to assure durability and longevity. Their rubber tracks are made with the finest materials for extended track life.

Registration opens for Demonstration Alley

Registration is now open for life science and health care companies who want to showcase their innovative products and technologies at Demonstration Alley as part of INNO-VENTION 2014 – a Medical

NEWSMAKERS

Lotus Bank promotes Chinoy

Lotus Bank, a state-chartered full service commercial bank based in Novi, has promoted Novi resident Usha Chinoy to assistant manager at the Novi office,

44350 W. 12 Mile Road.

In her new role, Chinoy is responsible for customer service, the training and supervision of



personal bankers Chinoy and the day-to-

day operation of the branch. "Usha has been with Lotus Bank since our founding in 2007 and she is an invaluable member of our team," said Neal Searle, president and CEO of Lotus Bank. "This is her third well-deserved promotion and it is an honor and pleasure to announce her new role as assistant manager."

Prior to joining Lotus Bank, Chinoy served as a customer sales manager for a metro Detroit credit union. She also served a customer sales manager for a prominent national bank, receiving high-profile internal awards for her work. Chinoy completed the national banking exams, the CAIIB, from the Indian Institute of Banking and Finance. She also is a graduate of Bombay University.

life science event. They are looking for exhibits that have a demonstrable "wow" factor. **INNO-VENTION 2014 is set for** Oct. 21-22 at the Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi. Information on the conference can be found at MedicalMain-Street.org

Product evaluation criteria for the demonstration area includes: health care-related products that are new-to-market, visual and award winning. Interactive live demonstrations are preferred. Companies wishing to be considered for space on Demonstration Alley should apply online at MedicalMainStreet.com. Submissions must be received by Sept. 5.

The fee to participate in Demonstration Alley is \$500, which includes exhibit space and one complimentary conference registration.

Questions may be directed to Leslie Smith, CMP at 248-

Signature sells, leases in Novi

Signature Associates has negotiated the sale of 23,804 square feet of industrial space located at 22213 Roethel Drive, Novi. Steve Kozak and Steve Gordon of Signature represented the seller, Graham Clements Management, LLC. Kozak also represented the purchaser, Bella Bones.

Signature also negotiated the lease of 7,861 square feet of industrial space located at 22650-22670 Heslip Drive, Novi. Kozak and Gordon represented the landlord, Irwin J Arkin. Kozak also represented the tenant, Quick Send Delivery Service.

ABWA event June 11

Join the Novi Oaks Chapter of the American Business Women's Association for an evening of networking and fun 6:15-8:30 p.m. June 11 at the Hyatt Place, 46080 Grand River Avenue, Novi. Presenter Karen Bell-Brege

is an author, comedian, voice-

over artist and public speaker and founder of Totally Unrehearsed Theatre improv group. Her presentation, "Im-prov Yourself!" will helps people de-stress, laugh and become more spontaneous and flexible. Dinner and networking

included. Advance registration is required; visit www.abwanovi.org for registration and payment information. Contact publicity@abwa-novi.org for more information.

ITC attains public utility status in Wisconsin

Novi-based ITC Holdings Corp. announced that the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin has approved its applications to become an authorized public utility holding company in the state and for its operating subsidiary ITC Midwest LLC to become a Wisconsin public utility.

The approvals issued by the

PSCW May 7 represent ITC Midwest's first step toward developing its portion of a regional transmission project

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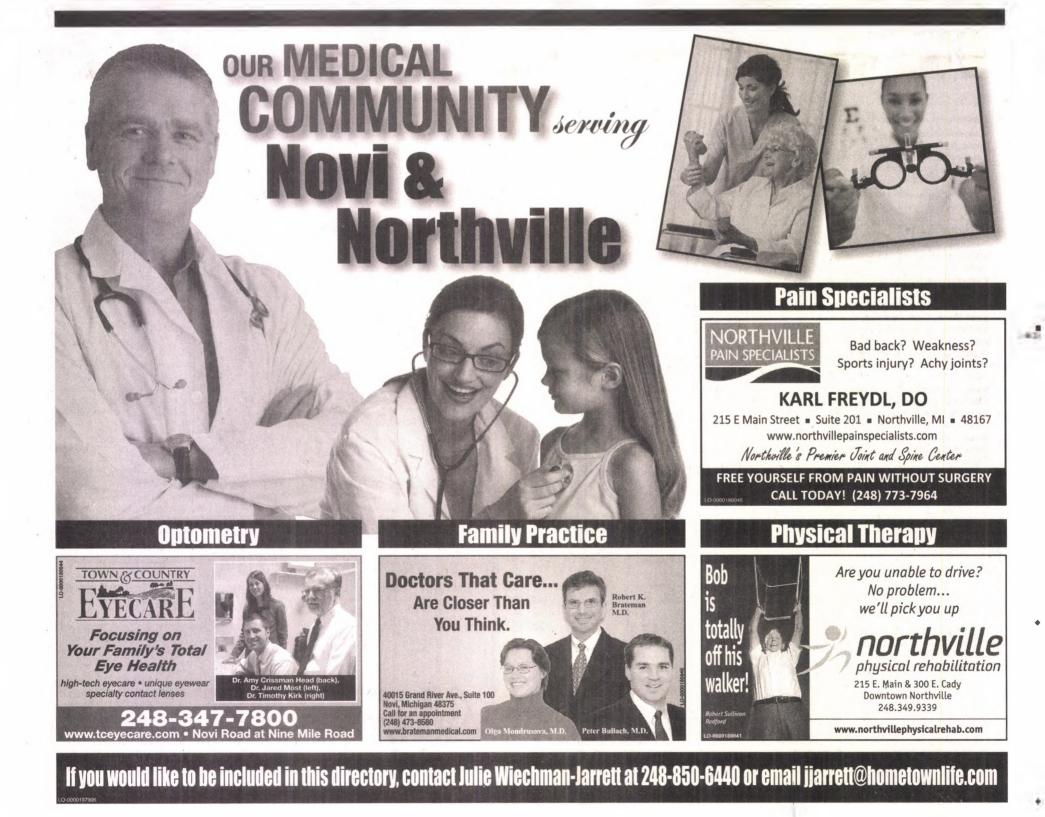
Main Street Conference.

Conference organizers have expanded Demonstration Alley for the 2014 health care and

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353-0735, ext. 152, or lsmith@esd.org. Those selected will be notified by email by Sept. 12.



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Congratulations



Novi High students parade into the EMU Convocation Center. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



The floor at EMU's Convocation Center was packed with Novi High graduates. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



Shane McClure exchanged a high-five with classmate Akshay Bamzai, president of Novi High's Class of 2014, as they prepare to enter the floor May 31 at the EMU Convocation Center. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

NOVI HIGH SCHOOL TOP 10 STUDENTS – CLASS OF 2014



Vinesh Arun

Parents: Uma Arun, Arun Velu Academic honors: National Merit Finalist, National AP Scholar, summa cum laude, four-year Honor Roll, President's Education Award, Phi Beta Kappa

Extracurricular activities: President of Computer Club, Model United Nations

Post-graduation plans: I plan to attend the University of Pennsylvania and study either economics or computer science.

Career plans: Consulting or computer programming

Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why?: My dad for pushing me the most and guiding me these past four years. Most memorable high school

moment: Getting accepted into UPenn.



Michael Chang

Parents: Ki-Seok Chang and Ryung-Hee Chang Academic honors: summa cum Iaude, Honor Roll, Phi Beta Kappa,

National Merit Finalist Extracurricular activities: Founder of the Novi HOSA chapter; captain of the varsity tennis team; officer of Novi DECA; treasurer of student council; Model United Nations; Quiz Bowl; play the piano; play the drums for my church band; employee at Kumon.

Post-graduation plans: I plan on attending the Wharton School of Business to study finance.

Career plans: I hope to work as a hedge fund manager on Wall Street. Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why?: Both of my parents have influenced me to strive to be the best that I can be. They have provided me with support and given me invaluable advice throughout my high school career in all aspects of my learning, from the classroom to the tennis court. They have also been great role models, always working hard and never giving up; in turn, I have learned to emulate this mentality of maintaining a good work ethic. Most memorable high school moment: My most memorable high school moment would be when I got accepted to college



Alyssa Suining Chen

Parents: Gang Yin and Ping Chen Academic honors: High School Honors Science, Math, and Engineering Program participant; achievement in level X of MMTA piano testing; AP scholar with distinction; KLAA scholar athlete award, summa cum laude

Extracurricular activities: Cross country, FIRST robotics; Interact Club; Science Club; piano; Novi Chemistry Society; summer research internship; Art Club

Post-graduation plans: I plan to attend Yale University.

Career plans: Medicine Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why? Both my parents have encouraged and supported me to pursue activities and classes that interested me. Most memorable high school moment: My most memorable high school experience is when the Black Eyed Peas performed in the middle of the robotics world championship.



Kyle Kilponen

Parents: Ron and Annie Kilponen Academic Honors: National Merit Commended Student; Academic All-State; Speedo Academic All-American; summa cum laude; Honor Roll; Presidential Excellence Award, Phi Beta Kappa, Chemistry Olympiad qualifier; KLAA Scholar-Athlete Extracurricular activities: Marching band (section leader, band, principal chair trombonist); swim and dive team (captain); National Honor Society; Eagle Scout; lifeguard Post-graduation plans: I plan to

attend the Honors College at Michigan State University to study chemical engineering.

Career plans: Chemical engineering Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why?: My band teacher, Mr. Mark Hourigan, has influenced me the most in my academic career. I have taken his band class for all four years of my high school experience, and he has been nothing but supportive of both my musical and athletic endeavors. He has encouraged me to push myself both inside and outside of the classroom to be the best person that I can be. He has high expectations for his students, and I have learned to strive for excellence in everything that I do because of him.

Most memorable high school moment: This year's KLAA conference meet for swimming. The meet allows each team to send 40 entries to prelims, where the top 24 swimmers in each event come back for finals. We ended up sending all 40 of our entries to the finals on Saturday, which had – until this year – never been accomplished in our team's history. It was so amazing to end our season with such a perfect meet.



Raj Raina

Parents: Reeta and Abhinav Raina Academic honors: Brightest and Best; three-time USAMO qualifier; Research Science Institute Fellow and Jane Street Scholar; semifinalist for Intel STS and Siemens MST competitions

Extracurricular activities: Model United Nations president; Math Club president; varsity debate; track and field

Post-graduation plans: I will be attending Stanford University, where I will be majoring in mathematics and computer science

Career plans: I would like to either go into finance or work at a tech company

Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why?: My dad, for always pushing me to do better academically until I ultimately started pushing myself.

Most memorable high school moment: The first day of high school – walking through the doors and realizing that I would be spending the next four years there.



Yash Sathe

Parents: Suhas and Sonali Sathe Academic Honors: Summa cum laude; A & B Honor Roll; Phi Beta Kappa; Presidential Award for Educational Excellence; National Merit; National AP Scholar

Extracurricular activities: Debate, Model United Nations; Science Club; Interact Club; DMC/Wayne State research assistant

Post-graduation plans: I plan to attend the University of Michigan to study neuroscience.

Career plans: Med school or related health profession

Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why?: Mr. Walthall at Novi Meadows. He was the first teacher I had to demonstrate that there's more important things to be gotten out of school than academics.

Most memorable high school moment: Visiting the White House with other students from across the nation and seeing President Obama speak as an award for the 2010 Siemens We Can Change the World Challenge.



Tanvir Singh

Parents: Dilbag Singh and Kanwal Mandeep Kaur

Academic honors: National Merit Finalist, Honor Roll; summa cum laude, Presidential Award for Academic Excellence;

Extracurricular activities: Science Olympiad (vice president); French Club (vice president); Science Club (secretary); Model United Nations; Math Club; National Honor Society

Post-graduation plans: I will be continuing my education at the College of Engineering at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, and plan to pursue a degree in computer engineering.

Career plans: Computer engineer at Apple or Google

Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why?: My parents have influenced me the most by always motivating me to do my best in everything I participate in, whether it be school or any other activity in my life.

Most memorable high school moment: The weeks after the AP exam for physics; mechanics in 10th grade.



Jonathan Sohn

Parents: Kyuyeon Sohn and Euijung Sohn

Academic honors: AP Scholar Award; National Merit Semifinalist, Honor Roll

Extracurricular activities: Currently doing HOSA and model United Nations; JV track and field (shot put and discus) and freshman and JV football in freshman and sophomore years.

Post-graduation plans: I plan to attend the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor to major in biomedical engineering.

Career plans: To either continue on in biomedical engineering or go to medical school and become a physician of some sort.

Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why?: I can't really think of a single person, but I guess most of the teachers that I have had all throughout high school have been interesting, passionate and engaging and helped me become interested in matters academia. Otherwise, I feel like I've been more self-driven as my parents haven't pushed me anywhere in particular but are generally supportive of anything I choose to do so long as I enjoy it.

Most memorable high school moment: Yesterday, because I can remember it like yesterday.



Tanner Vincent

Parents: Michael and Shona Vincent Academic honors: summa cum laude; Detroit Free Press Scholar-Athlete; four-year full-tuition Army ROTC Scholarship winner; National Merit Finalist; AP Scholar with Distinction; Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizens Award; MHSAA Scholar-Athlete Scholarship winner; Academic All-State – Michigan Interscholastic Swim Coaches Association; Novi Schools National Geographic Bee Winner and representative to State of Michigan Bee.

Extracurricular activities: Varsity Quiz Bowl president, four-year Nationals Qualifier; National Honor Society secretary and president; Class of 2014 vice president Grade 11; Student Council representative; student prayer group leader; Memorial Church of Christ Small Group Leader of Middle School students; attending medical missions trip in Amazon in Brazil, May 2014; varsity swimming (two-year captain); 2014 Michigan High School Athletic Association Swimming All-State; Novi **Community School District Team** Achievement Awards: Leadership Award (Grade 11), Student-Athlete Award (Grade 10, 12); Novi Sturgeons Swim Club for 12 years.

Post-graduation plans: I plan to attend Calvin College to major in history and kinesiology, and then to attend medical school.

Career plans: Anesthesiology **Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why?:** Mrs. Emily Pohlonski taught me that no matter where you are or what you are doing, all you need is a positive, go-getter attitude to make a big difference. She also taught me how to balance lots of different activities and how to make the most of each opportunity with the limited time we receive in life.

Most memorable high school moment: My favorite memory of high school would have to be looking up at the board at MHSAA Swimming state meet and seeing my All-American time in the 200 IM next to my name – while also missing our 30-year-old varsity record by .02 of a second!



Andrew Ying

Parents: Hao Ying and Julia Cheng Academic honors: 2013-2014 Siemens Competition in Math, Science & Technology semifinalist; National AP Scholar Award; 2013-14 National Merit Scholarship Competition Scholar; 2014 United States Presidential Scholar candidate; summa cum laude

Extracurricular activities: Scientific research at Wayne State University; varsity tennis; Student Council; Model United Nations; Math Club; City of Novi Youth Council

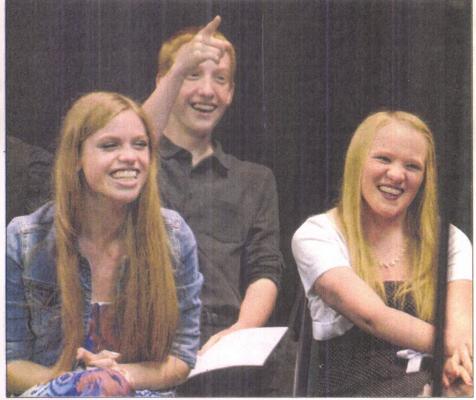
Post-graduation plans: I plan to attend the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor to study biology and follow a pre-med track.

Career plans: Physician-scientist practicing medicine while simultaneously conducting biomedical research.

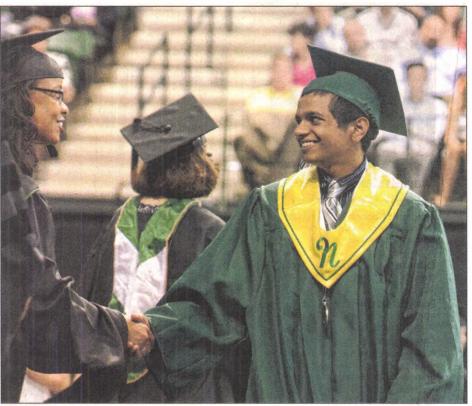
Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why?: My parents – they have always been supportive of my endeavors, encouraged me to follow my true passions and helped me keep myself on track and focused.

Most memorable high school moment: This happened quite recently, actually: walking through the halls of Novi High School with my classmates one final time as underclassmen and juniors clapped for us departing seniors.

Pomp and circumstance



Undergraduate members of Novi High's Novi Singers give a shout out to one of their graduating seniors as they pass by the dais May 31. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



Novi High Class of 2014 graduate Matthew George. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

CATHOLIC CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL TOP 10 STUDENTS – CLASS OF 2014



Mark Bilger

Parents: Donald and Kathleen Bilger Academic honors: National Merit Finalist; National Honor Society; AP Bio and Christian Vocations awards; Gabriel Richard Club; AP Scholar with Distinction; Science & Engineering Fair of Metropolitan Detroit Outstanding Award; Timothy Youth Appreciation Award; Health and Honors Biology awards; National Latin Exam Magna Cum Laude; President's award for Educational Excellence

Extracurricular activities: Football (back-to-back state finalists); wrestling (three-time state champions); track and field; Shamrock Voice; Archery Club; Fellowship of Christian Athletes; tutoring at Cristo Rey; Latin Club; Drive decorating

Post-graduation plans: I plan to attend the University of Michigan to study biochemistry and pre-veterinary medicine. I then hope to attend veterinary school at Michigan State University

Career plans: Veterinarian Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why?: arald Durrell founder of the Zoo, and David Taylor, a veterinarian at the Belle Vue Zoo, whose books first made me want to be a veterinarian.



Jonah Kemp

Parents: Craig and Julie Academic honors: Valedictorian (Dillon Award); All-State Academic (football); Catholic League All-Academic (football); Scholastic All-Catholic (junior and senior years); Frederick Douglass and Susan B. Anthony Award from University of Rochester; Gabriel Richard Award (highest honor roll) all four years Extracurricular activities: Varsity football; editor-in-chief of school newspaper

Post-graduation plans: I am attending the University of Michigan where I have been pre-admitted into the Ross School of Business.

Career plans: Business Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why?: My brother. He went through CC before me and he really set the bar high.

Most memorable high school moment: When our student section took over the basement of Compuware Ice Arena after our hockey team won states.



Joseph P. Kenzie

Parents: Earl and Sandra Academic honors: Permanent Gabriel Richard Club; AP Scholar with Honor Award; Scholastic All-Catholic Award

Extracurricular activities: Marching and symphonic band; Ann Arbor Amateur Hockey Association (AAA-HA) player

Post-graduation plans: I plan to attend the University of Michigan to study cell and molecular biology and biomedical engineering. Career plans: Surgery

Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why?: My dad has influenced me most because he has always been there to assist me when I was struggling with an assignment or needed someone to proofread my paper, encouraging me to never give up even when I was most challenged. He has also been a role model for my dedicated work ethic because he had to work fulltime while earning two college degrees on a part-time basis. Most memorable high school

moment: My most memorable high school moment came during my

freshman year when I went on a

New Year's Day parade.

one-week trip to London with the

marching band to participate in the



Nathan Lawera

Parents: Gary and Lori Academic honors: Gabriel Richard Club; AP Scholar Award; Departmental Awards in Honors and AP Chemistry; Honors Math; Honors and AP Latin, Intro to Art, Economics and Religion

Extracurricular activities: Cross country team; track team Post-graduation plans: I plan to

attend the University of Michigan to study chemical engineering. Career plans: I would like to go into

medicine.

Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why?: My teacher for Honors and AP Chemistry, Mr. Lemieux. He sparked my interest in chemistry and taught me everything I know about it.

Most memorable high school moment: The summer cross country camp in Canada with my team.



J.P. Mulcahy

Parents: Patrick Mulcahy, Meridith Mulcahy

Academic honors: four-year Gabriel Richard Award winner; Catholic League Athletic-Leadership Scholastic nominee; three-year Scholastic All-Catholic; AP Scholar with Honor Award.

Extracurricular activities: Track team for four years (captain) cross country for four years (captain); Ultimate Frisbee Club four years

Post-graduation plans: I plan to attend the University of Notre Dame to study business.

Career plans: Business

Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why?: My sister has been my biggest influence. She has pushed me to do well academically from a very young age and has been a role model to me my entire life.

Most memorable high school moment: The two weeks I spent in Canada for cross country camp every year with my teammates during the summer.

Most memorable high school moment: My most memorable high school moment was going to Jeff Jordan's State Champ Camp with the wrestling team and meeting U.S. Olympic gold medalist Jordan Bur roughs. It was a lot of work but it was worthwhile.



Patrick Michael Ray

Parents: Frank and Mary Lou Ray Academic honors: Permanent Gabriel Richard Award; Father John D. Sheehy C.S.B. Memorial Scholarship Award; Superior Achievement Awards: Honors Precalculus, AP English Language and Composition, Church History, Health; Michigan **Competitive Scholarship**

Extracurricular activities: My extracurricular activities include the track and field team, the cross country team, Latin Club and Art Club.

Post-graduation plans: I will be attending the University of Michigan's College of Literature, Science and the Arts in the fall.

Career plans: I am unsure of what I will do, but I am considering pursuing an English major and acquiring a job related to that field.

Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why?: My parents have influenced me because they taught me how to work hard and to stay focused on what is important.

Most memorable high school moment: My most memorable high school moment was being selected by my classmates to give a speech on the quality of good character at the National Honors Society ceremony.



Neil Robinson

Parents: Karen and Gene Academic honors: Academic salutatorian; elected valedictorian speaker; Scholastic All-Catholic (threetime); National Merit Finalist; 14 Catholic Central Academic Department Awards; Gabriel Richard Award/Club, WXYZ-TV "Best & Brightest"; The Detroit News/CATCH **Outstanding High School Graduate** runner-up; AP Scholar; National French Contest: Laureat National; President's Education Award for Outstanding Academic Excellence;

Rensselaer Medalist Extracurricular activities: I was on the varsity swim team where I was an MHSAA state meet qualifier all four years and was a captain my senior vear. I was involved in my youth group at St. Fabian parish through which I was a youth leader my senior year and have attended Appalachia service trips each summer. I was a member of National Honor Society and also participated in cross country, student activities, and French Club at various times during high school.

Post-graduation plans: I plan to attend Miami University in Oxford on a pre-med track.

Career plans: Medicine

Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why?: The entire faculty at CC wants nothing but the best for all its students. so I just owe my success to all my teachers.

Most memorable high school moment: Being the valedictorian speaker at graduation was a great way to top off four incredible years.



Douglas Schmieder

Parents: Robert Schmieder and Kuo-Mei Schmieder

Academic honors: Permanent Gabriel Richard Award; National Honor Society; National Merit Commended Student

Extracurricular activities: Marching band; math field day team; academic team; Chinese Quiz Bowl team; symphonic band; student council; Drama Club

Post-graduation plans: I am going to attend the University of Notre Dame this fall to study engineering

Career plans: I plan to become a programmer or computer engineer.

Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why?: My parents have been the biggest influence in my life. They have helped me every step of the way from kindergarten to my high school graduation. I cannot express how much they have done for me over the last 17 years of my life.

Most memorable high school moment: My most memorable high school moment was looking out at the student body after I had just finished performing the 2014 Drum Feature with my friends.



Matthew Wolfe

Parents: Keith and Maureen Wolfe Academic honors: National Honors Society (grades 11-12); SAE First Place at the Science and Engineering Fair of Metro Detroit (10); Presidential Academic Excellence Award; AP Scholar (12); National Merit Commended Scholar (12); Catholic League All-Catholic Scholastic Award (9-11); various Catholic Central Superior Academic Achievement Awards (9-12); Gabriel Richard Honor Roll (9-12)

Extracurricular activities: During my time at CC, I have been a fouryear member of the tennis team, three-year member of the academic team, held a part-time job and participated in a range of community service projects.

Post-graduation plans: I plan to attend the University of Notre Dame to study engineering

Career plans: Automotive industry engineering

Who has influenced you most in vour academic career and why?: My parents have had a big influence on my academic career. They have pushed me to do well in school, guided me to set academic goals and encouraged me as I worked to reach those goals.

Most memorable high school moment: My most memorable moment was when I attended the state championship hockey game this year and watched CC win.





Matthew Zahari

Parents: Barbara and Daniel Zahari Academic honors: Gabriel Richard; National Honor Society; President's Award

Extracurricular activities: Tennis team

Post-graduation plans: I plan to attend Kettering University to study chemical engineering

Career plans: Work in the oil industry

Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why?: My mom has influenced me the most because she said that school was the most important thing in my life until I finished college. She always pushed me to work to the best of my ability, and she was always willing to help me with anything. I definitely would not be where I am today without my mom's support.

Most memorable high school moment: The 2014 state championship wrestling assembly.

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FRANKLIN ROAD CHRISTIAN SCHOOL TOP 10 STUDENTS – CLASS OF 2014



Mariah Cardenas Parents: Hollie Cardenas

Academic honors: Valedictorian; National Honor Society; National Merit

Scholarship Finalist; National Hispanic Scholar

Extracurricular activities: Track team; cross country team; Fine Arts Festival; jazz band

Post-graduation plans: I plan to attend the University of Michigan to study Spanish

Career plans: Interpreter/translator

Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why?: My grandpa influenced me most in my academic career by fostering my love for Spanish and instilling in me a good work ethic. He embodied the American dream.

Most memorable high school moment: My most memorable high school moment was when I made it to states in cross country this past year. I barely beat out a girl at the end to be able to get to states for the first time in my running career.



Marcus Dane Charlick

Parents: Mark and Vivian Charlick Academic honors: High Honors; National Honor Society Extracurricular activities: Club and

high school soccer; high school basketball; cross county

Post-graduation plans: I plan to attend Colorado Christian University where I will be studying to become a doctor and playing soccer there Career plans: Physician

Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why?: My parents ALWAYS pushed me to do my best, even when senior-itis was in full effect.

Most memorable high school moment: Winning a banner in soccer my senior year.



Mary Ann Mansour

Parents: Jason and Bonnie Mansour Academic honors: National Honor Society; math award; computer award; honor roll

Extracurricular activities: Volleyball; choir; church events

Post-graduation plans: I plan to attend Southwestern Assemblies of God University to study counseling/psychology.

Career plans: Church ministries Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why?: My teachers have influenced me because they pushed me to be my best and they encouraged me every step of the way. Most memorable high school moment: Last day of senior year. Parking lot tailgate.



Kristen Massey

Parents: Olivia and Kevin Massey Academic honors: High Honor Student; National Honor Society Extracurricular activities: Basketball team; track team

Post-graduation plans: I plan to attend Malone University to study pre-law.

Career plans: Lawyer

Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why?: My mother has influenced me in my academic career. She has always encouraged me to be a student-athlete and to strive for excellence in the class room. Most memorable high school moment: My most memorable high school moment would be when my basketball team won the district championship my senior year.



Stephanie Anne Mautz

Parents: Timothy and Nancy Mautz Academic honors: High Honor Roll four years; 4.0 GPA for senior year; Outstanding Achievement in Art (junior year); Outstanding Academic Achievement in Algebra I; Outstanding Academic Achievement in Algebra II; National Honors Society

Extracurricular activities: Student Council president; High School Ensemble; varsity cheer captain; drama; Children's Ministry

Post-graduation plans: I plan to attend Wayne State University and study fashion design.

Career plans: Fashion designer Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why?: Mrs. Swaffield, my high school English teacher. She saw my potential and continued to push me to do better than I thought I could.

Most memorable high school moment: Performing in dramas with my best friends.

Scott Lorence McSweeney

Parents: Tom and Jeanna Academic honors: Yes Extracurricular activities: Varsity basketball and baseball

Post-graduation plans: Attend Grove City College in Grove City, Penn. **Career plans:** Engineering

Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why?: My older siblings. Tommy is in grad school in Taiwan and Mollie graduated from Biola in political science last year and Maureen is in nursing school in Indiana.

Most memorable high school moment: Being able to be in school with all of my siblings at the same time. Our family is close and it was the best when we would all drive together.

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Brecken Mumford

Parents: Mike and Kim Mumford Academic honors: National Honor Society; High Honors

Extracurricular activities: Yearbook; varsity softball; reading; photography

Post-graduation plans: I plan to attend Taylor University to study either English or professional writing.

Career plans: I am currently undecided on what I wish to do career wise, but I trust that God will lead me in the right direction.

Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why?: The person who has influenced me the most in my academic career is my English teacher, Mrs. Teresa Swaffield. She has encouraged me to pursue excellence, live my life to a higher standard, and also give all the glory to God. She really cares about her students and their futures. I am so thankful she was my English teacher for my four high school vears!

Most memorable high school mo-



Victoria Schinzing

Parents: Russ and Nicole Schinzing Academic honors: I am a member of the National Honors Society and received the Math award my freshman year in high school. I have received high honors all four years of high school. Extracurricular activities: I played softball, volleyball, basketball and soccer. I went on two short-term mission trips to Nicaragua and The Dominican Republic, as well as some local ministry outreaches in the city of Detroit. I am also a student leader for my youth group at Brightmoor Christian Church. Post-graduation plans: I plan to attend Oral Roberts University in Tulsa, Okla., and study social justice.

Career plans: I plan on working for or opening my own nonprofit organization to help those trapped in human trafficking.

Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why?: My teachers have influenced me by encouraging me to always do my best.

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Jacob Reynolds Weaver

Parents: Jeff and Sharon Weaver Academic honors: Distinguished Honors (all four years); National Honors Society; Academic All-State (cross country and soccer)

Extracurricular activities: Varsity soccer; varsity cross country; varsity baseball; jazz band; class president Post-graduation plans: I plan to attend Hillsdale College to study history and philosophy.

Career plans: Constitutional lawyer Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why?: The two people who have had the greatest impact on my academic career are Ms. Townsend and Mrs. Swaffield, my high school teachers. They have brought out the best in me by challenging me academically, by encouraging me to set high goals, and by truly caring about me and my future.

Most memorable high school moment: My most memorable high school moment was placing 24th at the state cross country meet, earning a position

FRANKLIN ROAD CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

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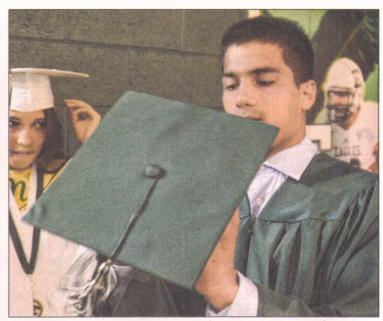
ment: My most memorable high school moment was probably when I won prom queen. It caught me off-guard and I was so touched that the junior class chose me. It doesn't hurt that I get to keep the crown either, ha ha!

ment: My most memorable moment was when my basketball team and I won the conference banner my junior year. on the all-state podium.

A lifetime of memories



Novi High Principal Nicole Carter shakes the hand of a graduate as her first graduation as head of the school. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



Novi High Class of 2014 graduate Ali Taha prepares to put on his mortar board before the May 31 commencement. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



Novi High's Class of 2014 members take their seats May 31 at EMU's Convocation Center. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA ACADEMY TOP 10 STUDENTS – CLASS OF 2014



Allison Barsh

Parents: Michelle and Bill Academic honors: Honor roll four years

Extracurricular activities: Two years varsity softball; one year junior varsity softball; one year junior varsity volley ball; one year varsity volleyball; All-Catholic League and All-District for softball; Pro Life Club; Yearbook Club; senior class president

Post-graduation plans: I am attending Oakland University to study nursing. Career plans: Pediatric nurse

Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why?: My grandfather, Ben Di Ponio, because he came to America with nothing and with hard work and determination proved one can do anything. He inspired me as I started this new school .

Most memorable high school moment: Winning the Catholic High School League championship for softball for the first time in school history.



Ria Manimalethu

Parents: Toby and Simy Manimalethu Academic honors: Honor Roll: English Departmental Award; Jupiter Optimus Maximus Award in Latin; Academic Excellence in Theology; and Academic Excellence in Chemistry

Extracurricular activities: Student council; varsity basketball; varsity cross country; future doctors of America; St. Gianna Molla Society

Post-graduation plans: Wayne State University as part of the MedStart program (direct med)

Career plans: Emergency medicine Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why?: I owe my academic success to my parents because they taught me to pursue what I love, and, for me, that happened to be serving people through medicine.

Most memorable high school moment: Going to the Dominican Republic on a medical mission trip



Lauren Dallo

Carly Duey



Mary Green

Parents: Bob and Jacki Green Academic honors: Four years of Honor Roll, class salutatorian

Extracurricular activities: Varsity softball; varsity basketball; varsity

volleyball; student council; Pro-Life Club Post-graduation plans: I plan to attend Saint Mary's College in Indiana to study biology and play softball. Career plans: Doctor

Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why?: The teachers at Saint Catherine's have influenced my academic career the most. They not only encourage hard work, but also offer to help in any way possible. They will do anything to see their students succeed.

Most memorable high school moment: My most memorable high school moment was winning the 2014 Catholic League softball championship.



Carolyn Laforet

Parents: Todd and Katie Hallett and Mark Laforet

Academic honors: Economics award; physics award

Extracurricular activities: Cheerleading; pom pon; choir

Post-graduation plans: I plan to attend Michigan State University to study business.

Career plans: To one day be a successful entrepreneur

Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why?: My mom. She has always been on top of me about my grades, which was a little annoying, but now I understand how important they really are.

Most memorable high school moment: Doing a Chinese fire drill on Napier Road.

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA ACADEMY

Allison Barsh Lauren Dallo **Carly Duey** Mary Green **Carolyn Laforet Ria Manimalethu Emily Nowka Elizabeth Peters Patricia Schimeck Mary Simon**



Emily Nowka

Parents: Albert and Tamara Nowka Extracurricular activities: Volleyball; softball; student council

Post-graduation plans: I plan to attend Wayne State University to study psychology

Career plans: Clinical psychologist Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why?: Ms. Jacci Brown influenced me the most because she is an exceptional leader. Most memorable high school moment: Dominican Republic Mission trip



Elizabeth Peters

Parents: Robin and Dawn Peters Post-graduation plans: I plan to attend Michigan State University to study pre-med., and then University of Texas for Medical school.

Career plans: In the future I plan to become a dermatologist and eventually open up my own practice and develop an organic skin care line. Who has influenced you most in

your academic career and why?: The teachers at Saint Catherine's and my parents



Patricia Schimeck

Parent: Kelly Schimeck Academic honors: 3.0 Extracurricular activities: Gymnastics team, cheerleader

Post-graduation plans: I plan on attending Eastern Michigan University to study occupational therapy Career plans: Occupational therapy Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why?: The person who has influenced me the most has to be my mother, she has always pushed me to do well in school.

Most memorable high school moment: My most memorable moment has to be when I switched over to Saint Catherine's this past year. I am so glad that I made that move and I am so happy I met all the girls there. They are probably the best people in my life right now.



Mary Simon

Parents: Gerald and Linda Simon Academic honors: High Honor Roll Extracurricular activities: On youth group leadership team; temporary head coach of cross country; ran track and cross country; president of Business Club; and a regular volunteer at Center for Exceptional Families.

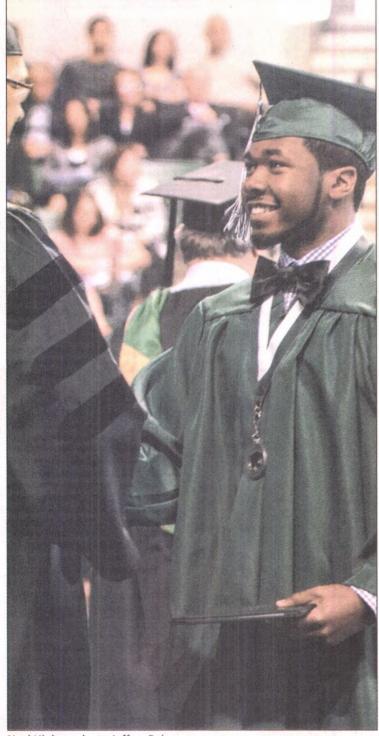
Post-graduation plans: Western Michigan University to study mechanical engineering

Career plans: Engineering future technologies

Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why?: The most influential person in my life would be my dad, the smartest engineer I've encountered. He has opened my eyes to all the opportunities I can reach for. He's also the one who can bring me back to reality. My father loves to teach and I love to listen to him, whether it's watching him work on engines or getting math help from him. He has given me life experiences and shared his wisdom from the working aspect while allowing me to decide what really interests and inspires me. The irony here is that he is the one I aspire to be most like.

Most memorable high school moment: This past year, leading my cross country team has been such an exciting and memorable experience for me. It has taught me patience and dedication which will be useful for my future endeavors.

An end and a beginning



Novi High graduate Jeffrey Baker. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



Karissa Koomen receives her diploma May 31 at EMU's Convocation Center. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

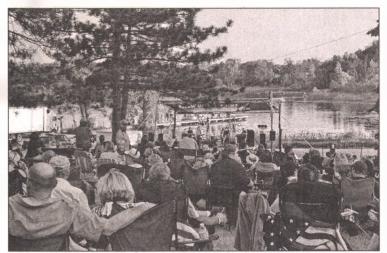


Novi High Principal Nicole Carter presides over her first graduation ceremony May 31, Novi High's 46th commencement. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOG-RAPHER

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Rockin' Under the Stars coming June 14 to Commerce



The Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce presents Rockin' Under the Stars, Saturday, June 14, on the grounds of the Multi-Lakes Conservation Association in Commerce.

Cover band Fifty Amp Fuse will headline Rockin' Under the Stars, presented by the Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce, Saturday, June 14, on the grounds of the Multi-Lakes Conservation Association in Commerce.

In its fourth year, the event is expected to draw more than 2,000 visitors, who will be treated to a high-energy show which combines pop, rock, funk and dance music.

Fifty Amp Fuse played at the grand opening of the Hollywood Casino in Toledo and has performed at the Detroit fireworks celebrations, as well as a host of major festivals and events in the area – Summerfest in Auburn Hills, Spree in Livonia and the Street Art Fair in Wyandotte. It has been voted as the No. 1 Detroit band by *Ambassador* magazine.

Power Play will open the show at 6:30 p.m. Fifty Amp Fuse will take the stage at 8 p.m.

The cost for the event is \$5 per person; free for children ages 12 and under. Those attending should bring lawn chairs or blankets. Food, beer, wine and soft drink concessions will be available throughout the event. No coolers or carry-ins will be permitted. Event participants are also encouraged to bring nonperishable food and personal care products to the show. These items will be donated to the Open Door Outreach Center in Waterford.

The event is being sponsored by the following Lakes Area Chamber members: DMC/Huron Valley Sinai Hospital; Doug Browne Agency of Farm Bureau; Four Seasons by Redwood Management; Goddard-Talmay Agency; Huron Valley State Bank; Multi-Lakes Conservation Association; Travel Plus/Travel Leaders; Walmart-Commerce; Westlake Health Campus; and Westend Newsmagazine.

Additional information on the event can be found at www.LakesAreaChamber.com or by calling 248-624-2826.

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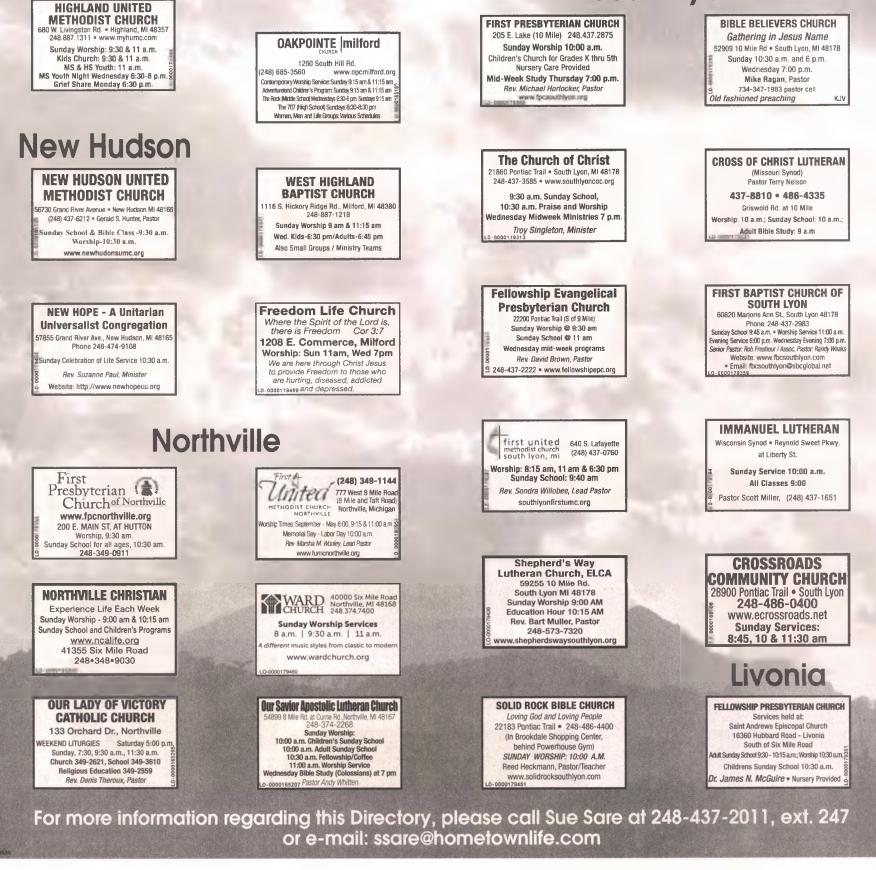
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HOLLY CROSS EPISCOPAL 40700 W. Ten Mile Rd. • 248-427-1175 Sunday Worship 7:45 am & 10 am Healing Service Wednesday 11:45 am *Rev. Ann Webber, Rector* holycrossovi@gmail.com

OAK POINTE CHURCH 50200 W. 10 Mile Road, Novi

Saturday Worship 5:15 p.m., Sunday 9:15 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. Casual, contemporary service Phone (248) 912-0043 www.oakpointe.org





Walled Lake

Church

Northville

11:30 a.m.

service

northville.org

Contact: 248-926-6584;

www.orchardgrove.org

Our Lady of Good

Counsel Catholic

Location: 47650 N. Territorial

Contact: 734-453-0326, Ext. 221

Our Lady of Victory

Location: 132 Orchard Drive,

Contact: 248-349-2621 or olv-

Saturday Worship: 5 p.m.

Sunday Worship: 7:30, 9:30,

Road, Plymouth Township

Catholic Church

Brightmoor Christian Church

Location: M-5 and 13 Mile, Novi Contact: 248-668-7014 or CelebrateRecovery@brightmoorcc.org

Web: www.brightmoorchurch.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)

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.

Emmanuel Lutheran Church

Location: 34567 Seven Mile, Livonia Web: www.emmanuel-livonia.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. Café 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

Contact: 248-437-2875

First Presbyterian Church

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

RELIGION CALENDAR

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

Hope Lutheran Church

a.m.

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

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 and Nine Mile roads

Contact: The Rev. Arthur P. Ritter, senior minister, at 248-348-7757; visit mbccc.org; or email to office@mbccc.org. Sunday Worship:10 a.m.

Church School and Nursery Care: provided during worship 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 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 congre-

1-800-579-7355 • fax 313-496-4968 • htwobits@hometownlife.com Deadline: Tuesday 9:45 a.m. for Thursday

BARTLETT, LEWIS March 31, 1924 - May 18, 2014 obriensullivanfuneralhome.com

COLLINS. HAZEL (BALDWIN)

Age 77, of South Lyon, passed away on Saturday, May 731, 2014 at Granny's Delight Adult Foster Care Home in Brighton. She was born on December 21, 1936 in Avery County, North Carolina, daughter of the late Roby and Cora Baldwin. She was a loving and devoted wife and mother. She loved gardening and was known for her green thumb with flowers. She enjoyed family gather-ings for the holidays and reunions. Hazel was a devoted member of the Brighton Church of the Nazarene. She is survived by her husband of 58 years, Ronel, her son, Lonnie, her brother, Claude Baldwin and her sisters-in-law, Lorraine Smith, Edith VanBuren, and Linda Williams. Hazel is also survived by numerous nieces, nephews and a daughter-in-law in heart, Paula Doan. A funeral service will be held on Tuesday, June 3 at 1:00pm at the Brighton Church of the Nazarene, 7669 Brighton Rd, Brighton, MI. Visi-

HUFFMASTER THOMAS DEAN "DOZER"

Age 56, of Cambria Township, passed away Sunday May 25, 2014 at home. He was born September 10, 1957 in Ann Arbor Michigan to Richard Eugene and Neala (Pearson) Huffmaster. Tom was a 1975 graduate of South Lyon High School and a self-employed builder. Known as "Dozer", he belonged to the Broad Jumpers Motorcycle Club woodworking, and enjoyed crafts, fixing cars, and motorcy cles. Survivors include his wife, Ella (Brooks) Huftmaster whom he married April 7, 1998; his mother, Neala Pearson of Fountain Hills AZ; and one brother, Richard Eugene Huffmaster, Jr. of South Lyon MI. He was pre-ceded in death by his father, two sisters (Cindy Huffmaster and Lisa Morgan), brother-in-law (Bill Morgan), and his favorite uncle (Jerry Pearson). Cremation has taken place and there will be no funeral service. Memorials may be made to his family. Arrangements by Eagle Funeral Home-George White Chapel,

Reading. To view this obituary or send condolences, visit

MILES, ARTHUR C.

May 26, 2014 age 88 Beloved husband for 62 years to Aurelia. Father of the late Dennis and Ar-thur and his late brothers Henry and Edward. Resident of Northville Township for 40 years. Services were held Friday at St. Kenneth Catholic Church. www.schrader-howell.com

NADEAU, DENNIS October 25, 1938 - May 23, 2014 obriensullivanfuneralhome.com

WILLIAMS, GARY May 17, 1961 - May 25, 2014 obriensullivanfuneralhome.com

WINTERS

DOROTHY M. Age 96, May 28, 2014. Visitation May 30 at Phillips Funeral Home. Graveside service May 31, 1 p m. South Lyon Cemetery.

WURSTER, ANNE

Presbyterian Church Location: 1200 S. Sheldon Road, Plymouth Contact: pastor Bill Burke at 734-927-0891 Wednesday Bible Study: 7

Our Shepherd

p.m Sunday Bible Study: 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m. with fellowship and food after

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Oak Pointe Church

Location: 50200 W. 10 Mile,

Worship Services: 5:15 p.m.

Saturday; 9:15 a.m., 11:15 a.m.

ReNew Life Group Ministries:

7-9 p.m. Monday (groups meet

Women's Life Groups Minis-

tries: 7 p.m. Tuescay; 9:30 a.m.

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

Contact: 248-912-0043

Web: www.oakpcinte.

org/lifegroups

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Our Saviour

Lutheran Church

Contact: 248-374-2268

Orchard Grove

Location: 850 Ladd Road,

day School: 10 a.m.

Location: 54899 Eight Mile,

Children (5-10) & Adult Sun-

Bible Study: Wednesdays at 7

Community Church

Apostolic

Northville

p.m

stand united in prayer for peace.

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

www.fumcnorthville.org

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

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

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

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

Tuesday from 9:00am until the time of the service at 1:00pm. Hazel will be laid to rest in Washtenong Memorial Park. Memorial contributions may be made to Granny's Delight Adult Foster Care Home, 1661 S. Old US 23, Brighton, MI 48114. Online guestbook at

tation will be held at church on

www.phillipsfuneral.com

HARE, RICHARD M.

age 90, May 27, 2014. Visitation May 30, PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME. Funeral May 31 St. Joseph Church, South Lyon

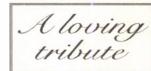


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JOHNSON, NEIL D.

Of Jackson, formerly of Northville, passed away May 30, 2014. Online condolences, www. casterlinefuneralhome.com.

McArthur, Michael C. Age 65 of Northville, formerly of Plymouth, died 5/29/14. Online condo ences at: casterlinefuneralhome.com



Of Wixom, age 87, went to her Lord and Savior April 1, 2014. She was a loving mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. A memorial will be June 7 at New Hudson United Methodist Church. Service at 11:00 a.m. with lunch to follow. Expres-sions of sympathy may be made to New Hudson United Methodist Church. No flowers please.

ZAGUROLI, DOMINIC Age 91, of Milford, June 1, 2014. Funeral Mass at St. Mary Catholic Church, Milford Thursday 11 a.m. For more information call 248-684-6645.

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RELIGION

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Our Savior Apostolic Lutheran Church

Location: 54899 Eight Mile, Northville

Pentecostals of Novi

Location: Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. 10 Mile Contact: 248-697-8158 or visit www.thepentecostalsofnovi.org

Plymouth St. John's Episcopal Church

Location: 574 S. Sheldon in Plymouth Contact: 734-453-0190, Ext. 16, or visit www.stjohnsplymouth-.org

Praise Baptist Church

Location: 45000 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth Contact: 734-748-3898

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church

Location: 28000 New Market Road, Farmington Hills Phone: 248-553-3380

Fine Arts Camp: June 23-27, An educational ministry open to children who have completed first grade through the sixth grade. Help your child discover the fine arts and develop their gifts in art, music and drama! Children will learn the basics of vocal and instrumental music, acting and performing, and art. The theme for camp this year is "Prayer and Promises." This is a half camp day (8:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.) and registration with fee has begun. Early bird discount is available. Call the church office for more information or to register

St. James Catholic Church

Location: 46325 10 Mile, Novi Contact: 248-347-7778 Pastor: Monsignor John Kasza Mass Schedule: 8, 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. Sunday; 9 a.m. Monday-Tuesday; 7 p.m. Wednesday; 5 p.m. Saturday

St. John Lutheran Church

Location: 23225 Gill Road, Farmington Hills Contact: 248-474-0584 or visit stjohn-lutheran.com Saturday Worship: 5:30 p.m. Sunday Worship: 9, 11:15 a.m. Sunday School: 10:15 a.m.

St. Paul's Lutheran Church

Location: 201 Elm St., Northville Contact: 248-349-3140

Unity of Farmington Hills

Location: 32500 W. 13 Mile, Farmington Contact: 248-737-9191; AdministrativeDirector@unityfh.com

Unitarian Universalist Church of Farmington

Location: 25301 Halsted, Farmington Hills Contact: www.uufarming-

ton.org Youth Interfaith Journey: 9:30 and 11 a.m. Sundays Details: This religious education program is open to the public and currently enrolling new students. Classes are grouped into grades K-five, six-eight and nine-12 with age-specific education materials for all. Contact: Jennifer Teed at 248-478-7272 or dre@uufarmington.org

Lifelong Learning Forum:

7:30-9:30 p.m. Thursdays **Details:** Six weeks exploring different topics like religion, philosophy, science, health, social and political issues. No advance registration necessary; a \$5 donation is suggested. Drop in and pick the class that interests you most at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Farmington.

Contact: 248-478-7272 or uufarmington.org/uucf/relifespan

Multigenerational Services: 6:45 p.m. Fridays

Details: Family members of all ages can gather for drumming, chanting, and meditation followed by a brief participatory worship service which could include stories, songs and sharing. A religious education activity will follow, such as an art project, music, dance, game or theater. The evening will close with a light snack and a short time to socialize, ending at 8:30 p.m.

Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church

Location: 40000 Six Mile, Northville (behind the shopping center at the corner of Six Mile and Haggerty)

Web: www.wardchurch.org Contact: 248-374-7400 Sunday Worship: 8 a.m. Li-

turgical in the Chapel; 9:30 a.m. Contemporary in the Sanctuary; 11 a.m. Traditional in the Sanctuary; 11a.m. Post-Contemporary in Knox Hall

Sunday Groups and Classes: Nursery, Children's and Middle School programs available on Sunday mornings. High School Sunday night at 6:30 p.m. Sunday Morning Adult Life Classes also available.

FX: A Family Experience: An interactive family production where participants ignite conversations in the home on important topics to help kids and their parents follow God together. First Sunday of the month at 9:30 a.m. In Knox Hall, September-May.

Service Broadcasts: Live at http://live.wardchurch.org at 9:30 and 11 a.m. Sundays for live interactive video web-streaming. Also, the Traditional Service is broadcast every week on WRDT-AM 560 at 11 a.m.

GROWING TOGETHER

The Novi Public Library, Friends of the Novi Library and MSU Tollgate Education Center all partnered to bring a family event to the community May 17 at the MSU Tollgate Education Center. Families had the opportunity to participate in a variety of activities, including story times led by Mother Goose, carnival games, visiting with farm animals and much more. The mission of this educational and entertaining day was to enrich all who attended, as every-one had the chance to learn about each other, discover new resources and friends, plus grow together. Visitors also had the chance to stop by the information tables of the Friends of the Novi Library, MSU Tollgate Education Center and the Novi Public Library to learn more about the growing collections, services and resources they offer.



IN THE SERVICE

George R. McClymont

Navy Ensign George R. McClymont, son of David and Gretchen McClymont of Novi, recently graduated with a bachelor of science degree from the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md., and was commissioned to his current rank.

Graduation and commissioning is the culmination of a rigorous four-year

program of intense academic, military and physical training designed to produce combat leaders of character for the Navy and Marine Corps. In the Naval Academy's Class of 2014, 1,068 midshipmen graduated, of which 784 were commissioned as Navy ensigns and 265 Marines were commissioned as Marine Corps 2nd lieutenants.

McClymont is a 2010 graduate of Northville High School.



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LOCAL EVENTS **HELP AVAILABLE FOR** DEMENTIA

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.

DEMOCRATS MEETING Time/Date: 6 p.m. Tuesday,

June 17 Location: United Methodist Church, 41671 W. 10 Mile, Novi Details: David Woodward, county commissioner, will address a meeting of the Democrats of West Oakland. Candidate for U.S. Congress Nancy Skinner will also be on hand to speak and answer questions. Meeting is free and open to the public. Snacks provided, pizza may be purchased

Contact: www.mydems.info

CARELINK LECTURES

Transitions – Life After Treatment group 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 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

Time/Date: 7 p.m. fourth Tuesday of each month (except

Location: Island Lake State **Recreation Area headquarters at** Kensington and Grand River

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

CITY OF NOVI PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, June 11, 2014 at 7:00 P.M. in the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider BALLANTYNE RESIDENTIAL UNIT DEVELOPMENT. SITE PLAN NUMBER 13-43, FOR PRELIMINARY SITE PLAN, SITE CONDOMINIUM. WOODLANDS PERMIT. WETLANDS PERMIT. AND STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN APPROVAL. THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IS LOCATED IN SECTION 31, ON NORTH SIDE OF EIGHT MILD ROAD, WEST OF GARFIELD ROAD. The applicant is proposing to construct a 41 unit site condominium development utilizing the RUD option on the 50.85 acre site. Plans are available for review at the Community Development Department in the Novi Civic Center.



All interested persons are invited to attend. Verbal comments may be heard at the hearing and any written comments must be received by the Community Development Department, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 during the cities regular business hours, Monday through Friday, 8am to 5pm, it must be received by 4:00pm. Wednesday, June 11 2014.

Novi Planning Commission Michael Lynch, Secretary Published June 5,2014



NOVI COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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FRIENDS OF ISLAND LAKE

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and facilitating communication and cooperation between users of the park and its staff, organizing volunteers and stewardship 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 Nov 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

meetings.

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 con-

cerns 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 ROTARY

Date: June 19 Location: Mystic Creek Details: Golfers will play 18 holes with lunch, dinner and prizes - all while supporting student scholarships, at-need families in and around Novi, clean water projects, community military veterans and seniors and childhood health around the world.

Contact: www.novirotary.org

THERE'S

WALLED LAKE **SCHOOLS FIFTH ANNUAL GOLF SCRAMBLE** Date: June 23

Location: Edgewood Country Club, Commerce Township **Details:** The Foundation for Excellence scramble's shotgun start will be at 10 a.m. Outing includes continental breakfast at registration; 18 holes of golf; barbecue lunch at the turn; course contests; reception / gourmet plated dinner; raffle; and a silent auction. The cost is \$125 per golfer to enjoy the full day or only \$50 to attend reception and dinner. Contact: 248-956-2116: www.wlcsd.org/foundation.cfm

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

BUSINESS

NOVI CHAMBER OF COMMERCE Contact: www.novichamber-

.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 speakers on an array of marketrelevant 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. Visit www.abwa-novi.org Contact: Holly Hengstebeck at publicity@abwa-novi.org.

NORTHVILLE-NOVI BUSINESS 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@sunrisefinancialgroupllc.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 juliepaquette67@gmail.com; www.metronovibni.com

HUD COUNSELING

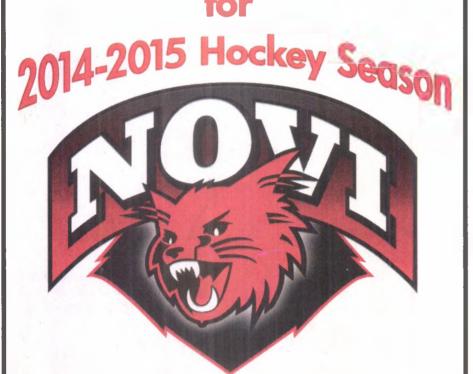
Time/Date: 5-8 p.m. first Monday of each month Details: HUD-certified counselors are available to assist homeowners at risk of foreclosure. There is no charge for this service. Please call if you wish to attend. One-on-one sessions will be scheduled.

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.

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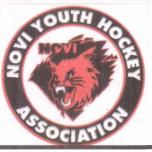
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LOCAL NEWS

Haircuts, laughs for 50 years at Roger and Rod's

When Roger's Barber Shop opened in June 1964, it was part of a new strip center surrounded by only a few structures and two lanes of Five Mile Road that were still occasionally traversed by horses

Roger Hawraney and his son Rod are preparing to celebrate the 50th anniversary of their barber shop that grew with Livonia and built multiple generations of customers who enjoy the company, conversation and coffee while getting their hair

clipped. "It is a nice accom-plishment," Roger said, discussing the shop's half-century in business. "But we were in a can'tmiss location. Livonia was on the brink of a population explosion at that time."

Roger retired in 1995 and turned things over to Rod, when it formally became known as Roger and Rod's Barber Shop. "We never became anything but a corner, neighborhood barber shop and I think we were successful because we never tried to be anything more," Rod said.

The 1,200-square-foot shop on Five Mile just east of Levan is adorned with a unique mix of 1960s fixtures, 99 team and school pennants, a large preserved sail fish Roger caught in the early 1980s and dozens of pictures and other artifacts celebrating sports and personalities that served as subjects for the shop's chats.

"It started with a few pictures and things we had on the walls and people started bringing in pennants because they wanted their school represented in the shop, Rod said. "It just took off from there.'

Roger, a Dearborn Fordson High School graduate and U.S. Coast Guard veteran, tried a couple of jobs before



Jovial talk often fills the room at Roger and Rod's Barber Shop as barbers (from left) Rod Hawraney, Danielle Dow, Kelly Caruana, Adam Naif and Mario D'Herin tend to customers.

going to barber school and landing a job at a Dearborn barber shop. He learned carefully from the shop's owner, who told Rodger that a good barber needs to know the skills, how to talk to people and how to treat people to manage a successful shop.

Seven years later, Roger discussed his desire to open his own shop with his friend, Little Caesars owner Mike Ilitch. Their wives had been friends since grade school. Ilitch found a new strip center in Livonia and marked two spots: one for the 13th Little Caesars shop and one for Roger's Barber Shop.

Roger's shop opened with two barbers that charged \$1.25 for a boy's haircut and \$2.50 for a

man's. Things took off from there as Livonia's neighborhoods swelled with new homes filled by large families. Also, more people grew to appreciate the conversation and atmosphere of the shop, which boosted demand and forced Roger to hire more barbers.

Sports and jokes

"We talked sports all the time and joked around all the time," Roger said. "You built a connection with the customers because the guys had fun.'

The Hawraneys always maintained a strong bond with the Livonia community. In the 1970s, Roger called his shop Roger's Barber Shop -House of Champions. This honored Churchill's

1974 state champion baseball team (which included Rod) and Franklin's 1975 state champion football team.

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Rod went on to play college baseball and football, but left Alma College after one year. He eventually went to barber school in 1976 and joined his dad's staff in January 1977 at age 21.

"I grew up in Livonia, grew up around the shop and knew just about everyone that walked into the shop," Rod said. "It was a good fit for me from the get-go.

Roger admits he was apprehensive at first about his son working for him.

"I wanted him to learn elsewhere, but he wanted to work for me," Roger said. "But he was a natuBarber Shop for 15 years.

'Like you are at home'

"It is the greatest daily social event in Livonia,' DesChenes said. "You feel like you are at home. It helps that Rod can remember the name of just about everyone who walks through the door."

The shop has had some famous visitors. Thanks to one of Roger's Fordson classmates who went on to business prominence in California, Muhammad Ali visited the shop in 1989. The boxing champion spent nearly two hours visiting and taking pictures with shocked barber shop patrons.

Ilitch walked through the shop's doors unannounced with the Stanley Cup in 1997, shortly after the Detroit Red Wings won the hockey championship. Pictures of both visits are on the shop's walls.

Roger and Rod express humble appreciation for the shop's longevity. Roger praises his son. Rod praises his current staff of Danielle Dow, Kelly Caruana, Adam Naif and Mario D'Herin, a long-time friend who has worked at the shop for 25 years.

Both praise their customers and the Livonia community for providing them with a fun way to earn a living.

"We have some very loyal customers, some who moved out of town and we haven't seen them in years, but they find a way to visit when in town," Rod said.

Roger and Rod's Barber Shop will become the latest of some 50 companies to maintain an operation in Livonia for at least 50 years. To express their appreciation to their customers, they will serve lunch to their customers during open house from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day June 17-21. Food will be prepared by George's Senate Restaurant.

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OUR VIEWS

Lawmakers making progress on roads

At last, Michigan lawmakers are deeply engaged in a discussion of how to pay for fixing and maintaining the state's roads.

There's not a clear consensus yet. There's plenty of potential resistance on both sides of the aisle. But lawmakers are, for the moment, fo-cused intently on potential ways to address the state's \$1.5 billion annual need for additional road funds.

It's unconscionable that the problem festered this long. Michigan last raised its per-gallon gas tax — fixed at 19 cents for gasoline and 15 cents for diesel --- in 1997. Of course, in that time, cars and trucks have become more fuel-efficient, more hybrid electric vehicles have taken to the road and drivers have, in many cases, cut back their mileage. The result is that each penny levied in gas tax brought in \$43.8 million in 2013, down from a peak of \$49.4 million in 2002. For diesel, it was \$7.3 million in 2013, down from \$10.4 million in 2003, according to Michigan Department of Transportation calculations.

This is a collision course for disaster. Yet years of lobbying by a coalition that includes business, labor and local government saw little progress. Even when Gov. Rick Snyder took up the gauntlet with his ideas for a wholesale tax (rather than the per-gallon rate currently charged at the pump), lawmakers initially balked.

The harsh winter of 2013-14 — and its impact on roads — seems to have altered attitudes at the capital, though. Not even fear of facing voters in August primaries and the November general

election has stopped this spring's negotiations. It's not clear exactly which ideas will survive, but so far both the House and Senate have consid-ered legislation that would put a new 6-percent wholesale tax on fuel, replacing the current per-galon gas and discal taxes. gallon gas and diesel taxes.

Some have discussed an alternate proposal that would let that tax climb as high as 13.5 percent over five years, but a Senate committee passed the 6-percent version. For gas, the 6-per-cent rate would be revenue-neutral, but bringing diesel up to the tax level of gasoline would gener-ate an extra \$47 million per year.

Opponents worry that the higher increase will punish low- and middle-income drivers and could make Michigan's fuel taxes the nation's highest. Yet polling indicates support for some tax increase to pay for roads — as long as the money is clearly restricted to that.

Michigan has ignored this issue far too long. It's time to bite the bullet and fix the roads.

COMMUNITY VOICE

Do you think you could survive on the new minimum wage?

This question was asked at the Novi Public Library.



"It would be difficult, but I suppose I could if I had to."

> **Debbie Martinez** Novi



"No, but I do think raising it is a step in the right direction."

> **Maxine Main** Novi



it up. But, no, I couldn't live on it."

Novi

"I think it's good we raise

"No way! Prices for things like gas have doubled and even quadrupled in some cases, while minimum wage **Jack Main**

is now just inching up." **Richard Kramer** Novi

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Minimum-wage means poverty

Something is wrong with the way our economy rewards hard work. The average CEO gets paid 340 times the pay of the average employee. To combat this wage disparity, many states have raised their minimum wage. Today, 15 percent of Americans live in poverty and almost half of Americans carry debt that exceeds their assets. Michigan's recovery would be helped by boosting the wages of its lowest paid workers to \$10.10 per hour. This higher minimum wage will stimulate our economy because more people will have enough money to buy goods and services.

Michigan's minimum wage will rise to \$9.25 an hour by 2018 under legislation that Gov. Snyder signed into law. This law passed just one day before the citizen's group, Raise Michigan, turned in petitions on a voter initiative to raise the rate to \$10.10 an hour. This ballot proposal may be in legal limbo since it seeks to amend a law that no longer exists. Our legislators missed the boat when they passed this \$9.25-an-hour legislation. Hard work should be fairly compensated and \$9.25 is inade-

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quate. No American who works full time, year-long, should have to live in poverty. This is not the dignity of work and Michigan deserves better.

Colleen Crossey Novi

Schauer needs a plan for our schools

As one famous Democrat political consultant said, "It's the economy, stupid." It's kind of important, and in Michigan it is especially important. Many people do not consider how education impacts economic growth, but education helps build for the future, so it is really important in terms of having that strong base moving forward.

Mark Schauer has claimed that Rick Snyder's education plan has been hurting the economy. This is a claim that is hard to believe when Snyder has been able to reinvest money into the education system. Snyder even raised the per-pupil funding by 9 percent. These strides show Snyder's desire to help education and the economy moving forward.

Criticize the governor's education plan all you want but at least he has one. Schauer has yet to even come out with a plan. Schauer's lack of commitment to even just come up with a plan should be alarming to voters.

Snyder has really been key for paving the way for future economic growth by reinvesting into education. His plan has really helped set Michigan ahead for the future. An investment in our children is an investment in our future.

Yasser Khan Novi

GUEST COLUMN

Should taxpayer dollars help wind industry break federal wildlife laws?

ince early in our nation's founding, we have placed a high value on conserving native wildlife so that future generations will be able to experience and benefit from wild species as we do today. Yet, even as our federal government has "sequestered" federal funds and been forced to shutter national parks during contentious government shutdowns, we taxpayers have been regularly tapped, year after year, by large corporate wind companies to provide them with tax credits they demand in order to make a profit of their ventures.

Taxpayers may not be aware that they have funded for several years – through the federal government's Production Tax Credit a public subsidy that can create a perverse incentive to put wind turbines in areas that produce little electricity, but would have a devastating impact on migratory birds.

As presently config-



ured, the PTC provides 2.3 cents per kilowatt generated, largely to wind energy companies. Poorly sited wind energy development kills significant numbers of birds and bats and alters sensitive wildlife habitat. At the current estimated mortality rate, the wind industry is killing hundreds of thousands of birds and bats per year and is expected to kill well over one million per year as projects are built to reach the federal goal of 20 percent renewable energy by 2030

While these numbers represent a relatively small percentage of the total number of birds and bats estimated to reside in or breed in North America, many of the species being killed are already declining for other reasons and this mortality can exac-

mortality due to wind turbines is just one more factor contributing to the cumulative impact of humans on wild bird and bat populations. In addition, many species are protected under the Migratory Bird Treaty Act, **Endangered Species Act** and the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act. Killing them is a violation of federal law punishable by significant fines.

Unnecessary killing

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We all want clean, renewable energy, but wind power cannot be considered "green" if it is unnecessarily killing large numbers of birds and bats. However, we truly can have it both ways. Making wind power a win-win proposition for conservationminded taxpayers is not overly complicated. Two key actions need to be taken.

The first is that "nogo" zones need to be established for the industry in the most sensitive locations where the toll on birds simply outweighs the benefits of wind development. American Bird Conservancy has already developed maps showing those areas. What is lacking thus far is the political will to draw a few protective lines in the sand around the most important places.

The second is that the voluntary U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service permitting guidelines, by which the wind industry is currently guided, need to be made mandatory. Since the Energy Policy Act of 1992 established the PTC, the federal government has doled out billions of dollars and hoped that the for-profit wind industry would voluntarily do the right things to minimize impacts to birds and bats. Every law, such as those for stop signs and bank regulation, work because they are mandatory and backed by enforcement.

This has important implications for the PTC. The commercial wind industry should not have a free pass to kill large numbers of our native birds and bats with help from public-assistance dollars.

Without improved regulation, irrespon-sible wind energy developers also have an unfair advantage in the marketplace when compared with those that act responsibly by implementing mitigation measures and avoiding sensitive areas. Better regulation will level the playing field, reduce the

probability of bad publicity and lawsuits, and save money in the long term. It is, in fact, good business.

More than luxury

Protecting birds and bats is much more than a luxury. Birds are a massive economic and job generator for the United States. According to the latest national survey by FWS, 90 million people – 38 percent of all Americans 16 years and older - participated in wildlife-related recreation in 2011 and spent \$145 billion in the process. Almost 47 million of that total were birdwatchers who spent \$55 billion on their activities. This spending supports thousands of jobs in industries and businesses connected to fishing, hunting and the observance of wildlife. However, two areas where the birdwatching market is booming – south Texas and the Great Lakes area - are already the targets of major wind development. In addition to their

inherent beauty and cultural and scientific importance, birds and bats also have an incalculable value by maintaining the ecosystems on which humans depend. Birds and bats eat billions of insects each year that, left unchecked, could decimate our crops, damage our forests, or lead to more use of troubling

pesticides. In one study alone, birds were found to eat up to 98 percent of codling moth larvae, a major pest of apple trees in orchards. In forests, the value of insect control by birds has been estimated to be as much as \$5,000 per year per square mile.

Birds also play an important role as pollinators, providing a fundamental service to agricultural production that cannot be easily replaced. Bats are equally valuable. In one eight-county region of Texas, Brazilian freetailed bats saved local farmers an estimated \$740,000 annually in crop damage and pesticide costs by feeding on corn earworm and cotton bollworm.

Unfortunately, in the case of wind energy, rapid development has gotten way out ahead of the science and regulatory framework.

Setting reasonable regulatory sideboards for the industry and putting key, sensitive areas off limits are two principles that should be non-negotiable as renewal of the PTC is considered. It harkens back to an old standard in business dealings to which most of us have grown accustomed. It is called quid pro quo.

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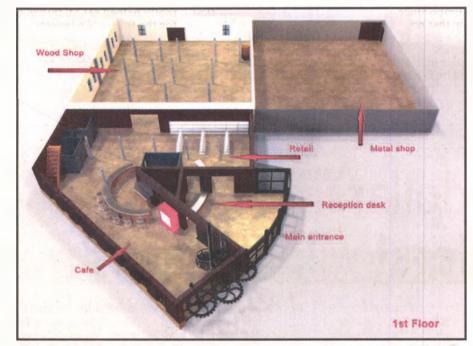
By Dennis Zelazny **Contributing Writer**

Your imagination is your only limitation. Remember how an empty box could become an Indy 500 stock car or a royal gilded throne for a princess? The founders of The Village Workshop are revisiting those thoughts and more. They inspire and encourage everyone - young, old, male, female, tinkerer or skilled professional ----to get in here and build something

The Village Workshop is scheduled to open this September. Here is your chance to get in classes for CAD (computer-aided design), including "how-to's" for specific tools such as the CNC router table, embroidery machines and other state-of-the-art equipment. Various seminars are scheduled, with topics including patent law.

Their goal is for all members to be equipped for success. This community space is dedicated to creativity, learning, entrepreneurship and prototype services. Located in downtown Northville, they have already won over the community's full support.

Village Workshop founders



time professional in the steel and automotive industry.

Engerer told us that the historic 28,000-square-foot space was built in 1875 and is the perfect place for their venture. The facility has plenty of room for 3-D printers, laser engravers and a whole service metal shop. Plans also include a powder-coat booth and auto lift.

The space is designed to attract artists, engineers and entrepreneurs, including families who simply want to build something together. Recent developments include strong interests pertaining to sponsorships from larger corporations.

The renovated building includes a manufacturing area with separate metal and woodworking workshops. Open to the public will be a general store, offering supplies and specialty items, and a cafe, offering various foods so members will not have to leave the facility when they are intensely involved in a project.

The floor plan allows for several

the area and The Village Workshop can help better prepare a person for this resurgence.

The Village Workshop welcomes everyone and is a place where anything is possible. Discover new projects and classes every week. You will find the space inviting and encouraging and you may never want to leave, which explains the 8:30 a.m. to midnight hours.

When you come in to see the facility and sign up for one of the many membership programs, be sure to take a look at their Stratasys Fortus 250MC 3-D Printer, one of the most advanced FDM printers available.

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Dennis Engerer, Brian Donovan and Chris McDonald live by the words, "Get in here and make something!" "The project is has come to life," McDonald said. He has been a Northville residen for eight years and a long-

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Love, McMahan finish runners-up in D-1 events

By Chris Jackett Correspondent

A few seconds and a few inches were all that stood between a few Novi athletes and individual state titles in Saturday's Division 1 track and field finals at Rockford.

Senior Jordan Love was second in the 200 in 21.68 seconds, just 0.32 behind champion Maurice Allen of Oak Park (21.36).

Similarly, senior Kerri McMahan was second in the high jump (5-5) to Sterling Heights Stevenson's Jailah Mason, who set a Division 1 record by one-quarter of an inch with a jump of 5-91/4

"Give all the credit in the world to (the champion) for breaking the state record," McMahan said. "Obviously, I wanted to come out here and repeat my title. But when someone is that good, you've got to give her some ap-plause – getting second, I can't complain.

"It's pretty bittersweet being here for my last year after coming here for



Novi's Kerri McMahan clears the bar in the high jump Saturday at the Division 1 track and field state finals. LYNNE MOSTELLER

four years. It's kind of nice to end it where I started it. It's been a very amazing career, especially when track isn't my year-around sport. I have awe-some coaches, amazing teammates and an awesome school system that just supports me through everything. It's been awesome. I love track so much.

I'm going to miss it a lot in college."

The efforts of Love and McMahan helped the Wildcats move up the chart at the state meet. The girls finished 14th with 13 points, as Oak Park (92 points), Northville (50) and East Kentwood (49) were the top three. The boys finished in a four-way tie for 22nd,

alongside Detroit Southeastern, Grand Rapids Kenowa Hills and Ypsilanti, as East Kentwood (71), Oak Park (50) and Saline (37) made up the top three.

Senior Taylor Pavlika was the only other girl to earn points for the Wild-cats, finishing fourth in discus (125-7) to Macomb L'Anse Cruese's Jaevyn Wortham's (140-5).

On the boys side of the meet, the Wildcats got all-state finishes in two other events.

Senior Brian Barnes finished eighth in the 1,600 (4:15.54), as Grand Blanc's Grant Fisher won in 4:10.82.

Love also teamed with seniors Ali Taha, Parker Sutton and Nicholas Oakley to finish eighth in the 800 relay (1:29.26), as East Kentwood won in 1:27.09

Complete results are online at www.mhsaa.com.

Jeff Theisen contributed to this story.

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

Cipriano Classic 5K returns **Friday**

Third annual run to benefit local family

> **By Aileen Wingblad** Staff Writer

Area runners will strap on their athletic shoes and meet Friday at the Farmington Family YMCA to show support for a family which has en-dured tremendous loss and pain.

The third annual Cipriano Classic 5K is set for 6:30 p.m. June 6. Registration this week until the time of the event is \$35, with proceeds turned over to the Cipriano Children's Trust. The trust supports the continuing medical recovery and daily living needs of the Cipriano children, said Jenny Birmelin, director of the Cipriano Classic.

This year's event is for Salvatore Cipriano, Birmelin said. "I can't wait



Northville players hoist their district trophy after topping the Wildcats. CHRIS JACKETT

THRICE AS NICE Northville wins district soccer title over rival Novi

By Chris Jackett Correspondent

They played three times this season and the result was the same all three occasions.

No. 1 Northville (19-0-0) defeated No. 6 Novi (14-4-2) for the third time Friday. Following 3-0 and 3-1 victories in league play, the Mustangs won 3-1 in the district final at Novi's Meadows Stadium.

"(This one) means more. We're not going home," North-ville coach Eric Brucker said. "Regular season is important; don't get us wrong, it's always a rivalry game as close as these guys are. Everybody knows everything about every player. It's just who's going to go out and perform and it's state playoffs. It's win or go home." Behind the powerful tandem of seniors Jamie Cheslik

and Megan Buckingham, the goalkeeping of junior Emily Maresh and a plethora of talent throughout the rest of the field such as senior midfielder Gabby Mencotti, the Mustangs provided a tall order for Novi to fill.

I think we approached things differently," Novi coach Brian O'Leary said. "For us, it's more a culmination. For them, it's they've got these two players. They're fantastic. If you can stop those two players, you can beat them, but no one can stop them. It's been that way the whole year.

"They just have the two best players in Michigan, if not the country, working together with each other. I'd say we only made four mistakes. If you make four mistakes, I'd say you're probably going to win 95 percent of the time. If you make four mistakes against them, they put three goals on the board."

First half

Northville got on the board early, as Buckingham converted a penalty kick in the first five minutes for a 1-0 lead, but the Wildcats nearly tied it just as quickly with a shot off the post moments later.

Novi almost got it back when sophomore Chloe Allen turned and fired a shot from the penalty spot in the 18th minute, but it was deflected wide right of the net. Just 40 seconds later, a counterattack off a corner kick clear up the left side featured Buckingham connecting with Cheslik for a shot from the right that beat freshman Wildcats goalkeeper Bethany Kopel to put the Mustangs ahead 2-0 on their second shot of the game.

The Wildcats kept the pressure on the Mustangs and outshot them 5-2 in the first half, with a 3-0 advantage of corner kicks.

Following a scary moment for the Northville faithful when Cheslik had to leave the field with an injury, Novi got on the board with 9:37 left before halftime. Senior Taylor Pavlika took a throw-in from 20 yards up the right sideline, which was cleared back to her from the defense for a leftfooted one-timer from outside the goal box that beat Maresh just under the crossbar to narrow the deficit at 2-1 heading into the break.

"They're not No. 1 in the state and No. 2 in the country for no reason," O'Leary said. "Those two forwards make it so they can beat anybody anytime they want because they're just that good of forwards. If they only had one,

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to see Sal cross the finish line. He inspires so many," she said. Salvatore Cipriano and his mother Rose were severely injured in an attack by Tucker Cipriano — Rose's son and Sal's brother — and Tucker's friend, Mitchell Young, at their Farmington Hills home in 2012. Bob Cipriano, Rose's husband and the children's father, was killed. The two assailants are serving life sentences. According to Birmelin, recovery

is ongoing for Rose and Sal. She has returned to work, while her son is beginning to walk easier on his own rather than always rely on wheel-chairs or walkers. He undergoes therapy daily and requires 24-hour nursing. His schoolwork continues through assistance from the Farmington Public School District. Rose Cipriano declined an in-

terview with the Farmington Observer. However, the Cipriano family released the following statement: "Thank you to last year's runners, walkers and sponsors and their generous donations, participation and support. With your ceaseless help, we have made it through another year of great recovery and great progress.'

The statement also expresses "endless gratitude for all donations."

'In addition to funds, our family is also thankful for all further generosities, whether cooking meals, making drives or just availability for help. Because taking care of the entire household, including school, sports and health care, can be overwhelming, Rose appreciates any and all help in the maintenance of our family's daily life."

Isabella Cipriano, the family's youngest child, attends Our Lady of

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The Farmington Family YMCA is home base for the annual Cipriano Classic 5K, which is set for Friday.

LOCAL SPORTS

By Sam Eggleston Correspondent

Only the best golf teams are able to escape from regionals and advance to the Michigan High School Athletics Association state finals.

Fortunately for Detroit Catholic Central, it was one of those teams. The Shamrocks scored 297 to finish second at

the regional, just four strokes behind champion Lakeland, which had 293. University of Detroit-

Jesuit finished third, with a team score of 310.

Catholic Central was led by freshman James Piot, who recovered from a less-than-typical district tournament score to finish as the second-best scoring golfer in the regional with a

73. Right behind him was Glenn Piot, a junior, who carded a 74, along with teammate Domenic Mancinelli, a senior. Senior Dan Ault recorded a 76, while freshman Ben Smith shot an 80 to round out the scoring for the Shamrocks.

Only the top three teams advance from the regional to the state finals and neither Northville nor Novi were able to earn one of those coveted positions.

Northville finished in sixth place, shooting a team total of 323, while Novi finished ninth with 330.

Leading the way for the Mustangs were Andrew Sarokin and Brad Minniear, both seniors, as they shot each a 79, while Andrew Stevens, a

Shamrocks fall to North Farmington in postseason play

senior, shot an 82, followed by junior Jacob Pierce's 83. Matt Robinet, a senior, carded an

Novi was led by senior Garret Buckley, who shot a 79, while junior Bryan Fegert and freshman Rvan Welch each carded an 81. Junior Erik Czekaj shot an 89, while junior Billy Ulle recorded a 91. The top three individ-

uals not on qualifying teams also earned a berth to the state finals. Those players were Birmingham Groves' Jordan Bohannon (73), Hartland's Bryce Messner (73) and Brighton's David DeMarios (74).

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Shamrocks' Campau captures all-state

By Sam Eggleston Correspondent

The Michigan High School Athletics Association Division 1 track and field state championships were held Saturday at Rockford High School, with the best athletes the state has to offer for 2014.

Among them was Detroit Catholic Central's Shane Campau, who had earned the right to compete thanks to an impressive performance the week before at the Milford regional.

Campau not only competed at the finals, but his throw of 53-4½ in the shot put landed him in eighth place, earning him allstate status.

Winning the shot put was Kevin Weiler of Swartz Creek, with a throw of 60-4½, the only thrower to pass the 60foot mark. In second place was Exhildi Prekaj of Walled Lake Central, who threw 56-21/2.

Campau's finish also scored a team point for the Shamrocks, which tied them for 56th place.

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By Sam Eggleston Correspondent

The Detroit Catholic Central baseball team ended its season Saturday with a tough loss to North Farmington.

The squad, coached by Dan Michaels, couldn't find its offense in the first round of the district tournament,

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you saw the one got hurt

and the other was play-

ing by herself, they're a

goal, they never have the ball. But the two of them

completely different

team. We scored our

together is just brutal,

stop. I don't think a team

The match was much

more back-and-forth in

the second half, as both

dered golden opportuni-

ties or allowed the goal-

keepers to put on a clinic for digging yourself out

of crummy situations on

she's had to do," Brucker said of Maresh. "She

even brought it up at

halftime, 'I'm touching the ball too much.' But

"That's the most work

failed defensive clears.

squads either squan-

almost impossible to

in Michigan can stop those two forwards."

Second half

hot, resulting in a 7-3 loss for the Shamrocks. North Farmington

while the North Far-mington bats were red

went on to lose in the district final to Novi, 3-2, in a 10-inning game. But the week wasn't

all bad for the Sham-rocks, who had to win a pre-district contest May 27 in order to advance to

the touches she made were quality. Taylor's a great player and that was a great shot we saw from 30 yards out and we don't need to see her anymore. Emily did her job and we knew she would be the difference maker today and she was. Everything that was in her box, she owned it. It was awe-

some.' With 23:14 left in the game, Northville got the insurance goal it needed on a controversial noncall. The Novi defense attempted to clear the ball out of the left side of the goal box, but it hit Cheslik in the arms as she was attempting to block her face and duck out of the way. However, the deflection put it right into her running path along the side of the goal box that she took to the line before centering to Buckingham just inside the penalty spot for a low one-timer into the far side of the net past a diving Kopel.

the district semifinals. In that game, the Shamrocks used solid pitching from Grant Hartwig to lead them to a 4-2 win over Farmington Hills Harrison.

Hartwig threw six innings, allowing two runs while striking out eight. He was relieved in the final inning by Joe Abeska, who picked up

the last three outs and earned the save.

'We were happy with the way the team battled," Michaels said. "Grant Hartwig gave a great performance on the mound. He battled all day and bore down when he needed to. He really showed what he is made of (and) gave his all."

Mike Scott, Justin Green, Chris Dulzo, Yuki Taketani and Nolan Clenney all picked up hits in the win.

The Shamrocks ended their season with a 12-18 record.

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The Northville girls soccer team clinched the district title Friday with a 3-1 victory against rival Novi. CHRIS JACKETT

Play continued to get physical, as the teams traded hard tackles in the final 12 minutes, but neither would score. Brucker wasn't worried about injuries affecting the Mustangs' tourney

"Physicality comes with rivalries," Brucker said. "Part of the game. Contact sport.

Northville's path to the district final included a 2-0 victory May 28 over Farmington Hills Mercy and 8-0 mercy-rule victory May 29 over North Farmington.

Novi's path included a 6-0 win May 28 over Farmington Hills Ha





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son and 4-1 win May 29 over No. 10 Walled Lake Western (16-3-0).

For the Wildcats, it marked an end to the high school careers of seniors Pavlika, Kendall Kramer, Jacqui Kozlowski, Karíssa Roomen, Gabby DeLeon, Natalie Greenhalgh, Jessie Parvana, Rachel Russ and Meg Bruce.

'I'm very much a system person, I'm very much a core value person. We talk about the things you want to learn playing soccer that you can carry in life," O'Leary said. "A lot of people come from club where, if you win, it's going good.

Novi goalkeeper Bethany Kopel makes a punch save against Walled Lake Western. Novi beat the Warriors, but lost to Northville. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

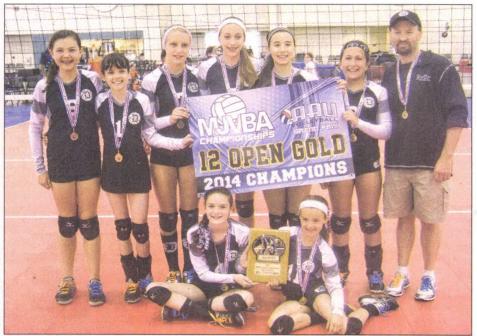
If you lose, it's going badly. For us, it's never been that way. I'll lose a game if it means you'll learn something that will make vou better at life. And the seniors, this group, they've embodied

that. "They're all equals; no other one just because

they're better at soccer. If a kid doesn't believe it, they don't treat people equal. They very much embody everything we stand for as a soccer program."

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STATE CHAMPS



The Team Detroit 12-1 volleyball team shows off the gold medal it won at the MJVBA State Championships last weekend to become the U12 Open division winner. The 12-1 team ripped through pool play without losing a set, winning each by at least nine points. In the semifinals, it continued its domination by winning 25-12 and 25-13. In the first game of the gold medal match, it jumped to a 10-0 lead before cruising to a 25-18 victory. In the second game, facing a 19-16 deficit, 12-1 launched a comeback to capture the gold with a 25-20 victory, ending the tournament without losing a single set. Team D 12-1 is ranked 29th in the country and is the top-ranked team in Michigan and Ohio. In addition to an upcoming national tournament in Chicago, 12-1 will represent the state of Michigan and will compete for a national championship later in June. Team Detroit is based in Novi. The 12-1 team includes girls from Novi, Livonia, Plymouth, Brighton and Sterling Heights.

Novi tennis 14th at states

Wildcats stumble through tough seeding, deep field at Division 1 tournament

By Chris Jackett Correspondent

Novi tennis coach Jim Hanson has been in the game for a long time and has seen a lot, but he said last weekend's Division 1 girls finals was one of the toughest fields from top to bottom that he's seen in a while.

The Wildcats ended in a three-way tie for 14th of the 21 teams. Their five points equaled 10th-ranked Hudsonville and Utica, as Grosse Pointe South and Clarkston led the tournament with 28 and 22 points, respectively. Bloomfield Hills and Northville tied for third with 19 points, meaning the regular season rankings for the top four Division 1 teams held true. Defending champion and seventh-ranked Port Huron Northern finished fifth with 16 points.

"The depth at each flight, this is the toughest it's ever been," Hanson said. "Northville finished tied for third and that shows you how good Northville's team was this year. South and Clarkston were the teams to beat. Bloomfield Hills shows you the fruits of putting two good tennis schools together.

"I'm not disappointed with the kids. They gave it their all. When you play the competition that was the caliber you get at the state tournament, when you get key points whether it's the ad or the 30-30 – too often we didn't do it. That's what separates the winners.'

There wasn't enough winning for Novi, which claimed

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edly staying active and earn-

ing good grades. Tanner, twin

brother to Salvatore, has com-

the University of Notre Dame

The Cipriano Classic 5K

has raised more than \$100,000

Trust over the last two years, Birmelin said. The trust sup-

for the Cipriano Children's

pleted his freshman year at

and is a member of the school's rowing team.

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three victories in 11 matches. One of the grittiest perfor-

mances came from junior Sam Martin and sophomore Carolyn Zhang at No. 4 doubles. Seeded fifth, the Wildcats duo ground out a 6-3, 6-7(10), 6-4 win over Clarkston before losing to fourth-seeded Troy 7-6, 7-6.

"Four doubles played their hearts out," Hanson said.

They had two very, very difficult matches. They had a three-set win over Clarkston. That was a big win for us and an unfortunate loss for Clarkston. The doubles were played inside and you know how warm it was on Friday. They battled and battled and pulled that one off. They lost two consecutive sets in tiebreakers."

Freshman Jessica Lypka continued to show promise at No. 2 singles, beating Troy's Abbey Rice 6-2, 6-2 and then losing to second-seeded Isabella Spindler of Clarkston 6-0, 6-0.

At No. 4 singles, sophomore Allison Lollo beat Utica Eisenhower's Zuzanna Lutrzykowska 6-0, 6-3 and lost to second-seeded Paige Olsen of Clarkston 6-1, 6-0.

That would be the end of the wins for the Wildcats.

Novi's No. 1 singles star, junior Erin Day, had a tough draw early, losing to sixthseeded Christina Jordan of West Bloomfield 6-1, 6-4

"Erin Day probably played her best match of the year," Hanson said. "She lost 6-1, 6-4 to the six seed. Aimee Moccia of (Livonia) Stevenson didn't even get seeded in this thing. It was really deep. Overall, I

thought (Day) did a super job and played her best match of the year."

Similarly, the No. 2 doubles duo of seniors Rachel Bailey and Dina Fawaz lost to sixthseeded Ann Arbor Pioneer 6-0, 6-2

On the flip side, fifth-seeded senior Harika Bollineni and junior Dhivya Sridar lost at No. 3 doubles 6-3, 6-3 to seemingly under-seeded Traverse City Central, which also went on to defeat fourthseeded Ann Arbor Pioneer.

"Three doubles probably had the toughest draw and they didn't even draw a seed because Traverse City Central had a bad loss, so they didn't get seeded in the tournament," Hanson said. "They not only beat us, they also beat the four seed of Pioneer."

At No. 1 doubles, seniors Asawari Kanitkar and Amy Zhou lost to Utica Eisenhower 3-6, 6-1, 6-2.

Sophomore Youna Lee lost to Port Huron Northern's Ilina Krishen 6-2, 6-2 at No. 3 singles.

With five of Novi's top six doubles players graduating, the Wildcats will have to rebuild that half of their lineup, which had proven to be a strength this season.

"That'll be the task, to replace those kids for next year," Hanson said. "It's not like they were just on varsity for one year. Some of those doubles were on varsity for four years.

"We had a good JV team this year and those kids are going to be anxious to make varsity. The (varsity) singles were coming on at the end."

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> **APRIL TINI,** co-director of the event

April Tini, co-director of the event, said it's "a great

and families," she added.

Wildcats battle their way to district crown

Novi wins pair of 3-2 baseball games

By Dan O'Meara Staff Writer

Novi kept battling at the plate and persevered to win a baseball district championship Saturday with a pair of extrainning victories.

The Wildcats won both by 3-2 scores, defeating tournament host Farmington in the opening round and North Far-mington in the final in 11 and 10 innings, respectively.

"In all the years I've coached, these were two of the most incredible games," Novi coach Rick Green said. "These guys are relentless. They're a bunch of hockey players, so they're all mentally tough.

"We weren't really hitting the ball today, but we made some tremendous defensive plays and we had some seniors stepping up on the mound."

After leaving the bases loaded in the seventh and ninth innings in the final, the Wildcats broke through in the bottom of the 10th with three hits.

Novi (24-14) won it with junior outfielder and lead-off batter Michael Mitchell's twoout, walk-off RBI single.

Andrew Turek and Scott Beaton had back-to-back, oneout hits to start the rally and put runners at the corners.

Brendan Wexler hit a hard shot back at pitcher Brett Kramer, but the ball caromed to shortstop David Lett, who threw a strike to catcher Brooks Reno for the putout on Turek.

"I could not believe the ball Wexler hit that went off the pitcher and over to shortstop," Green said. "The game should have been over with that hit."

Beaton moved to second base on the fielder's choice by Wexler and scored the winning run when Mitchell drove the ball into left-center field in the next at-bat.

"I had a bunch of confidence," Mitchell said. "I knew I could get a nice gapper and ended up doing it. It was awesome. Running down to first, I was celebrating and going crazy, watching Scotty sliding into home."

The Wildcats rallied from a 2-0 deficit in the fifth inning with Bryan Klosterman's bases-loaded, two-run double.

To fill the bases, Beaton had a lead-off single and Wexler sacrificed him to second. Mitchell was hit by a pitch and

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RICK GREEN Novi baseball coach

Novi junior Adam Tobias pitched five innings of one-hit, scoreless relief to get the victory

He walked five, however, and worked out of an early jam after he walked the bases loaded with one out in the sixth. A double play ended the threat and Tobias settled down to pitch well.

"Adam Tobias was sensational," Green said. "It looked like he was starting to lose it, walking people.

"I just said: 'You gotta get through the center of the ball more.' He realized that and from there on he was awesome. He struck out some big people, too, some good hitters."

Starting pitcher Mark Czapski allowed seven hits over five innings, but didn't walk anybody. Tobias also had five strikeouts.

The Wildcats had 10 hits, including six off Kramer, who relieved Hanford after he walked Beaton to start the seventh inning. The duo combined for seven walks.

Mitchell, Whitehead, Klosterman and Beaton were 2for-4. Reno was 3-for-4 with two doubles; Lett finished 3-for-5 with a pair of fielder's choices in his last two at-bats.

Novi won its first game when Turek put down a bunt that scored Keaton Figurski on a suicide squeeze play.

"It was the same thing as this game," Green said. "We were struggling at the bottom of the lineup. Andrew Turek is the best squeeze guy we have and he did a sensational job on that."

The Wildcats, who started the season 1-8, extended their string of district titles in evennumbered years to four. They also won in 2008, 2010 and 2012.

"Over the years, the entire Cipriano family YMCA. All of their children were involved our community."

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ports daily needs of the Cipriano children and continuing medical recovery, yet is reportedly being quickly depleted.

The annual run/walk is planned by an all-volunteer committee, Bermelin noted.

"This is such a wonderful community event. The outpouring of support from the Farmington community has exceeded all expectations, she said. "We have some new sponsors on board this year and we welcome returning and first-time participants. This is a family-friendly event for everyone. You can walk, run or jog the 5K or just complete a portion of the beautiful course.'

way to join together and help this wonderful family."

"Over the years, the entire Cipriano family has been actively involved in our Farmington community. Bob served as a coach for many sports through the CYO leagues and Rose was a trainer at the YMCA. All of their children were involved in various school and sporting activities. They were, and continue to be, pillars of our community," she said. "Friends and neighbors were inspired to create an event that would be uplifting and help raise funds for the children's trust.'

The 5K course is appropriate for "serious runners, rec-

As in previous years, the Cipriano Classic will begin with a high-energy warm-up at 6:30 p.m., followed by announcements and a message from the Cipriano family. The race starts at 7 p.m., winding through the surrounding neighborhood. Refreshments will be served after the race.

Register in person at the Farmington Family YMCA until race time. For event parking and street closure information, visit the Cipriano Classic 5K Facebook page.

Those unable to attend the Cipriano Classic 5K can donate to the trust at active.com

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Tyler Whitehead drew a oneout walk from starting pitcher Mike Hanford.

Reno made another putout at the plate when Whitehead also tried to score on the hit by Klosterman.

'He's been swinging the bat the best," Green said of Klos-terman. "He was tattooing the ball today. He's a hell of a player; he came up big today.

For the Raiders, Reno's RBI single in the top of the first inning scored lead-off batter David Lett, who was 3-for-3 in his first three at-bats.

Courtesy runner Ben Wright scored in the fourth on Garrett Center's RBI single after Reno opened the inning with a double.

Novi will be the host school for the Division 1 regional tournament Saturday and will play Brighton in the first game at 10 a.m.

"We're going back home to play at our field," Green said. "I think these guys are believing in themselves now.

'If our pitchers keep it close and we play the defense we can play, we can stay in a ballgame and that's what we did today

"This is an incredible win. We thought we had a chance because our guys battle so much."

North Farmington (25-8) defeated Novi-Detroit Catholic Central in the other semifinal game, 10-3.

Massey named all-state in two D-4 track events

Behind a pair of all-state performances Saturday, Novi Franklin Road Christian tied for 16th at the Division 4 girls track state meet at Hudsonville alongside Athens, Mason **County Eastern and Waterford** Our Lady of the Lakes, as all four teams finished with 11 points.

Kristen Massey was the fuel behind FRC's finish, as she took third in the 200 (26.51) and fourth in the 100 (12.89).

She was 1.36 seconds behind 200 champion Miranda Johnson of Ottawa Lake-Whiteford and 0.34 seconds behind 100 champion Jordan Goodman of Mason County Eastern.

Novi golfers second in **Kensington Conference**

Novi's golf season ended May 27 at Chemung Hills during the KLAA meet, where the Wildcats finished seventh with 331 points.

In the final standings, Novi finished one point behind Plymouth for the Kensington Conference title, while Lakeland won the KLAA meet. Garret Buckley led Novi with a score of 77, followed by Bryan Fegert (80), Erik Czekaj (83) and Ryan Welch (91).

Mustangs knock Wildcats out in lacrosse

Novi's boys lacrosse team (13-7) headed into a regional semifinal May 28 at West Bloomfield with rival Northville (12-6). The Mustangs took a 4-3 halftime lead before jumping ahead 6-3, but the Wildcats cut the deficit to 6-5. Northville led 7-5 after three quarters and held on for an 11-8 victory.

Novi girls lacrosse edged by Canton 13-12

The Novi girls lacrosse team (10-7) had a tough battle May 28 in its regional semifinal at Canton (9-7). It was the Chiefs who came out ahead, ending the Wildcats' season with a 13-12 loss.

FRC sluggers mix district finals results

Novi Franklin Road Christian's baseball and softball teams both competed in Division 4 district finals Saturday.

The baseball team beat West Bloomfield 17-1 in six innings to advance against host Southfield Christian, which FRC beat 2-1 later that day. FRC advances to face Allen Park Inter-City Baptist at 10 a.m. Saturday at Sterling Heights Parkway Christian. The winner plays again at 2

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p.m. against either Lutheran Westland or Sterling Heights Parkway for a regional title.

The FRC softball team lost 8-4 to Wixom's St. Catherine's of Siena in the district final.

Soccer alumni planning game

After a successful event in 2012, Novi High School soccer alumni are planning a 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 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.

Girls basketball camp returning

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The Novi Wildcats girls basketball camp is just around the corner. Winners of the past five KLAA Central Division titles, coach Bill Kelp and his squad will be back on the court to teach girls the finer points behind dribbling, shooting, passing, pivoting, faking,

rebounding, team play, sportsmanship and even 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 gym and field house. 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.

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

Boys basketball camp on tap

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Novi's varsity boys basketball program is hosting a week full of the proper and safe fundamentals of the game for grades 3-9. Coaches and varsity athletes will teach fundamentals, drills and techniques for ball handling, shooting and defense, along with offensive concepts, sportsmanship and team play. The campers will

get a daily opportunity to compete in game action June 23-27 in Novi High's gym and field house. The camps runs from 9 a.m. to noon each day and campers will receive T-shirts, along with contest winners receiving awards.

Summer camp for young cheerleaders

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, with Tshirts available while supplies last for \$15 each.

A 2:30 p.m. showcase July 9 will display what the girls have learned.

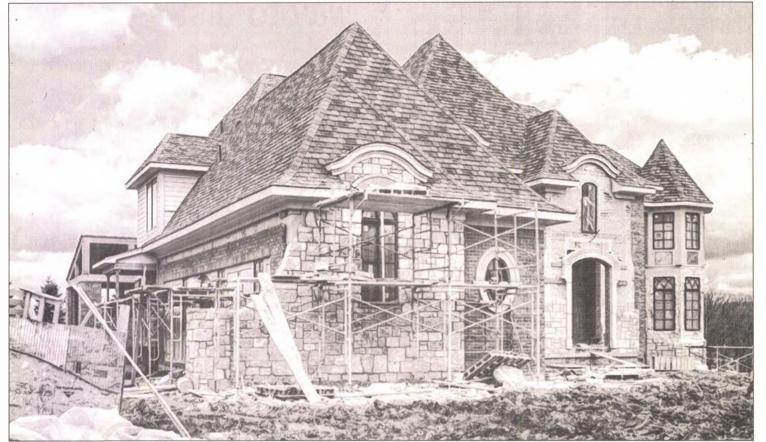
Other items will also be available for \$5 to \$15.

Those attending should wear comfortable clothing, tennis shows and have their hair up and away from their face. They should not be wearing jewelry.

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

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Luxury homes displayed at Homearama offer improvement ideas for homeowners at all levels, organizers say.

Homearama return signals growth in housing market

Dominic J. Moceri, who leads the Moceri Companies Development division, an-nounced recently that "Our dedicated trades worked tirelessly through this win-ter's bitter cold and snow to keep construction of our spectacular Pinnacle community on track for completion this summer. Our custom home building partners also worked side-by-side with their subcontractors through terrible weather conditions to insure that all six multi-million dollar Homearama 2014 'masterpieces' will be finished for the gala preview opening to be held on Aug.27, 2014." Pinnacle is located at Silverbell and Adams Road in Oakland Township.

Moceri reported that the developer and builders were faced with budget overruns of more than \$2.5 million to deal with this winter's weather-related construction issues. "We're all in this together, committed to hosting the first Homearama in over a decade. We only have four months to build and decorate six amazing homes that would normally require up to two years each to finish, so we are very focused. Ultimately, there will be nearly 60,000



Getting Homearama work on track has taken teamwork. Organizers are excited to have Homearama return

square feet of indoor/outdoor living space – as much as you would typically see in 25 new model homes. This unique event will be truly over the top in every detail. The market for luxury homes is very strong and we are sparing no expense to amaze every sin-gle Homearama guest," he said.

Michael Stoskopf, CEO of the Home Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan (HBA) remarked, "Homearama is a public service activity of HBA and is held to offer everyone who owns, or would like to own a home, the opporthe 17-day run of Homearama 2014 will be lookers and dreamers - not necessarily buyers - this event will help them 'Bring the Dream Home' as they see concepts they can later bring into their own homes."

After its Charity Preview on Aug. 27, Homearama will be open to the public from Aug. 29 (Labor Day weekend) through Sept. 14, 2014. Cus-tom home building companies, all professional builder members of HBA, that will feature homes during the event include:

Arteva Homes - Brian

"With the improving economy, the sharp rise in demand for new homes, the many technological advances that make new homes a valuable investment and today's favor-able interest rates," com-mented Stoskopf, "conditions are optimal for the families of our area to experience these magnificent dream homes that will be lavishly decorated and landscaped by some of the nation's best pro-fessionals."

Additional information on the homes and builders, including photos, renderings and floor plans may be

Senior making buy could be in for bad time

Q: My friend is thinking about buying a cooperative in a senior citizen community. The cooperative doesn't own the land on which the cooperative is built. Do you see that as a problem?

A: I see it as a huge problem for those persons that buy into a cooperative not knowing

what the nature and extent of the land lease is. This has been a windfall for certain developers who have used the Florida technique of development by



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requiring a perpetual recreation lease of certain amenities in order to maximize their profit by continuing to receive rent from the association for decades after they have sold all of the units. This typically places a huge burden on the cooperative association to utilize a substantial portion of its maintenance fees collected from its members to pay off a land lease which will never get paid off for decades. Moreover, the land lease typically makes the cooperative totally responsible for maintaining the land, including retention ponds as well as paying the taxes. It is a great deal for the developer and, in our opinion, a lousy deal for anyone buying into it.

Q: I am wondering if it is much cheaper in the summer time in Naples, Fla., in regard to buying property. A: Most everything is

cheaper in Naples, Fla., during the summer, but not necessarily buying property, unless someone has had it on the market for a long period of time and is in a hurry to sell. However, some deals can be had after May 1 through Sept. 30, and you are best advised to contact a Realtor now to see what opportunities are available, particularly those properties that have been listed for two months or more.

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tunity to experience firsthand the one-of-a-kind concepts that are found in the finest \$1.8-\$4 million custom homes. While many who visit during

Szliter & Vito Terracciano, Cranbrook Homes – Sebastian Lombardo, MJC Companies -Michael A. Chirco, Moceri Companies - Frank Moceri.

viewed now at www.HomearamaHBA.com. Advance ticket sales, with online discounts, will begin on the website in June.

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HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-OAKLAND COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Jan. 21-24, 2014, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities. addresses. and sales prices.

BEVERLY HILLS

18915 Bedford St 18231 Beverly Rd 18620 F Chelton Dr 32349 Sheridan Dr BIRMINGHAM 1250 Birmingham Blvd 1971 Bowers St 1383 E 14 Mile Rd 865 Emmons Ave 1490 Emmons Ave 383 Greenwood St 407 Kimberly St 521 Lewis St 452 Park St 1400 Smith Ave 1609 Torry St **BLOOMFIELD HILLS** 325 N Berkshire Rd 4593 Chelsea Ln 718 E Long Lake Rd 430 Fox Hills Dr N # 4 2159 Klingensmith Rd

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23149 Purdue Ave \$425,000 28426 W Eight Mile Rd \$120,000 Unit A3 \$345,000 20912 Waldron St FRANKLIN \$455,000 30175 Oakleaf Ln \$255,000 MILFORD \$190,000 \$302,000 989 Byron Dr 847 Laurel Ln \$157,000 695 Martindale \$379,000 1192 S Hickory Ridge Rd NORTHVILLE \$358,000 47549 Nine Mile Rd \$159.000 \$321,000 45355 Byrne Dr 47153 Dunsany Ct \$241,000 20804 E Glen Haven Cir 21131 E Glen Haven Cir \$116,000 970 New Haven Ct 313 Sherrie Ln \$165,000 \$166,000 465 Welch Rd \$155,000 NOVI 27613 Albert St \$133,000 \$520,000 22668 Beckenham Ct 47302 Bramblewood Ct \$240,000 \$350,000 47302 Bramblewood Ct 28089 Carlton Way Dr \$125,000 41644 Chattman St \$140,000 \$140,000 39964 Crosswinds \$174,000 51173 Hallfield St \$64,000 25804 Lochmoor Ln 27627 Sloan St

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HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-WAYNE COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Feb.10-13, 2014, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities. addresses. and sales prices.

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50380 Amberley Blvd 847 Atherstone Dr 1744 Brookdale Dr 1696 Fern Ct 50326 Hancock St 42254 Hanford Rd 7645 Koppernick Rd 1567 Marlowe St 45667 Morningside Dr 3159 River Meadow Cir 3596 Shepherd Ct 1906 Steeplechase Rd 1023 Torrey Hill Dr **GARDEN CITY** 6458 Helen St 30325 Rush St LIVONIA

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REAL ESTATE BRIEFS

Short sales

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

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

Please call the office at 248-782-7130 or email june.quantum@gmail.com for your reservation or additional information.

Investors

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

Members are free, guests \$20, which will be applied to their membership. The Red Lobster is next to 7-11, near Trenton Road.

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

Seminar each Tuesday, Thursday

A free seminar on government-insured reverse mortgages is offered by Colonial Mortgage Corp. at 6:30 p.m. each Tuesday and at 2 p.m. each Thursday at various locations

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Car Report Mitsubishi Hits Its Target with New Mirage: High-Mileage Commuter Car



Fuel economy has become the most important consideration of the American car buyer in these times when gasoline prices still routinely press the \$4-a-gallon mark and the typical U.S. household remains financially strapped in

By Dale Buss



There's plenty of room inside the Mirage.

an economy that is struggling to grow enough to provide vigorous employment for everyone.

And for that reason alone, the 2014 Mitsubishi Mirage merits consideration for purchase for a huge cohort of American car buyers. With an EPAestimated 40 mpg rating the car has the highest fuel-efficiency rating for any nameplate available in this country that is neither a hybrid nor a plugin. Being king of the hill in such an important criterion for modern automotive purchases is quite an accomplishment.

That's not all Mirage has going for itself. The car's base price of around \$13,000 makes it one of the most attractive offerings around for someone

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who wants to buy a commuter car, yet the 2014 Mirage offers enough quality and creature comforts to make the ride an enjoyable one.

Clearly with this car, the premium is on fuel economy, not speed or power. Mirage comes with just one engine, a 1.2-liter, three-cylinder that puts out 74 horsepower and 74 pound-feet of torque, which makes it among the least robust cars sold in the US market. It offers two transmissions: a five-speed manual gearbox or, for \$1,000 more, a new and very compact continuously variable transmission that delivers the highest gas-mileage ratings.

With the CVT, Mirage delivers an impressive 44 mpg on the highway and 37 mpg in the city, for a 40-mpg combined average. Opting for the five-speed manual actually knocks that down to 37 mpg combined, or 34 mpg in the city and 42 mpg on the highway. Traditionally, manual transmissions often have offered better mileage than automatics, but such is the effectiveness of a good CVT that it can tease optimum fuel economy out of a car – and do it far better than human guessing.

Plus, Mirage is a very light car, logging in at a curb weight of just 1,973 pounds in its base form. Impressively, that compares with 1,808 pounds for the significantly smaller SmartforTwo mini-car and 2,269 pounds for the Chevrolet Spark. That's because Mitsubishi put a lot of effort into "light-weighting" the vehicle in every facet.

Another area where Mitsubishi was able to augment the car's fuel economy is exterior design. The new Mirage doesn't look distinctive – it doesn't have the sassy appearance of, say, the comforts that much more expensive (and worse-mileage) cars offer. These include a rear spoiler, 14-inch alloy wheels, fog lights, variable intermittent wipers, 50/40 rear split-fold seats, cruise control, leather-wrapped steering wheel and shift knob, a startstop button, power door locks and car brings tinny resonances that underscore just how "lightweight" the car really is.

Neither is Mirage fast or powerful. It particularly labors at higher speeds where other small cars can find their range once they've accelerated. That



The 2014 Mitsubishi Mirage is a high-mileage but comfortable commute buster.

new Ford Focus or anything close to the signature look of a Mini – but style was sacrificed in the service of a low coefficient of drag. The company says the 2014 Mirage's drag coefficient is a remarkable 0.28, which compares well with just about anything on the road.

The other most laudable feature of this car is the fact that, even with all of the above, Mirage can still actually seat four people very comfortably, and five in a pinch. In that sense it's an ideal tool for car pooling, if that still occurs.

Also, in the ES version that I drove, Mirage offers every bit of the creature sideview mirrors – and even, for an extra \$900 sticker, a navigation system and rear-view camera system.

True, the car does have some drawbacks, which will be clearly recognized by any potential purchaser.

The wheels look too small for a car that is tall for its length, and are set into the wheel wells deeply, which exaggerates the perception of their small size. Inside, Mirage is plain, and every interior surface is covered in hard plastic, lacking soft-touch materials even on the door arm-rests. Closing doors to enter or leave the means, for example, difficulty in passing other cars – and generation of a lot of engine noise in the effort.

In large part, of course, this is because Mitsubishi obviously has tuned the car for city and suburban use. For example, a complementary effect is that the CVT version I drove surges away from stops in snappy fashion.

And so in aiming for a maxmileage car that provides just enough substance to ensure a smooth commute, Mitsubishi has hit its target with the 2014 Mirage.

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good? What makes it valuable? What are some important points that the original creator might have failed to mention? Think about and explain these things to your audience.

Another important tip to keep in mind: you should be using a tool to schedule your tweets. Buffer and HootSuite are two good ones worth checking out.

3. Build a following

Once you've found great influencers and have started to accrue some great content, the next step is to build your own following. One of the brilliant minds behind Tweet Smarter, Dave Larson, says that the answer to building a following on Twitter is finding a 'Super Advocate.' And you find this, Larson explains, by becoming a 'super advocate' for someone else.

This means that you do everything you can to support that person, from retweeting their tweets to commenting on their tweets and giving shout outs that praise them on your own Twitter. Why is this strategy so effective? It all goes back to the golden rule: do unto others, as you would like them to do unto you. Endorsing someone else on Twitter makes it much more likely that

YOU will be endorsed on Twitter. Remember, what goes around comes around. It pays to be nice. Becoming an industry resource

on Twitter is an essential part of establishing yourself as a leader in your industry. With the right influencers, a selection of great content and a good following, there's no limit to what you can do!

Adrienne Erin is a freelance writer and social media marketer who loves picking apart social campaigns to see how they tick. To see more of her work, follow @adrienneerin on Twitter or visit her blog.

By Adrienne Erin

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If you already have a Twitter account, no doubt you already know the great value of this social media platform. But did you know that you could turn your twitter into a valuable resource for your industry? It's true; you can, and there are plenty of reasons why you should want to do this. Creating an industry resource with your Twitter builds your reputation and helps you gain influence. Here are the steps to follow to make this happen.

1. Make a list of influencers

Carefully construct Twitter lists of the people you'd like to emulate. These can be leaders in your industry or field, people unanimously respected in the industry, or new up-and-comers that are rapidly gaining popularity in your field. Also, you can look at other influencer's lists,

such as Robert Scoble, to find ideas of people who should be on yours. You can even subscribe to public lists of other people on Twitter.

2. Start curating

Great industry leaders such as Maxwell Systems collect or 'curate' resources that will be useful for their followers. Maxwell has become well known in the construction technology sector for being so good at finding great resources to share with their followers. So how do you find this great stuff to share? You can start by sharing the best snippets of content from the blogs that you're already reading. In addition, you can frequently find good material from your Twitter lists.

It's also a good idea to keep a close eye on news headlines. Watch for any breaking stories with relevance to your field or industry, and share them on

Twitter. Subscribe to newsletters that you find informative and like pages on Facebook that postinteresting content. Be a student of your industry or field and make a conscious effort to always be learning.

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Read books and magazine or journal articles written by experts in the field, and listen to podcasts by experts. Attend webinars and conferences, and always have a pen and paper ready to take notes. You never know when you'll come across some inspiration for great content.

While you're curating this content, there are two important things to consider. First, always give credit where credit's due. If

content created by someone else, be sure to acknowledge him or her for it. Also, try not to just pass along this information. If you're really serious about using your Twitter to become a valuable industry resource, you should make your own contributions to the wealth of material that's already out there.

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This means that you should expound upon the material that you're curating. Why is it so



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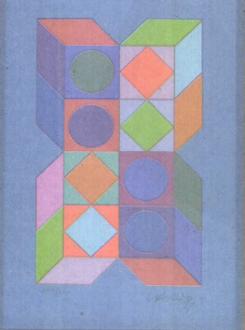
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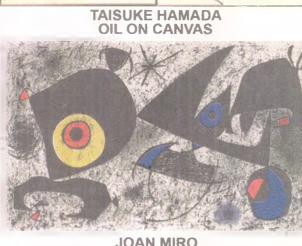


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