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### Superhero Olympics

The Superhero Training Academy invites people to the second annual Superhero Olympics at the Walled Lake Outdoor Education Center, 3577 Sleeth Court, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 23.

Join in for a fun and challenging day of creative events to test the strength of children ages 8-12.

There is a \$20 suggested donation; register at [www.superherotraining.org](http://www.superherotraining.org)

There will be 12 different outdoor events stationed throughout the field and forest. Events will be run by a staff of superheroes who are educators, circus performers or game aficionados. Dress for the outdoors, bring a lunch and wear clothes that may get wet.

The Superhero Training Academy is a nonprofit organization that works with youth education and leadership in schools, camps and community centers in southeast Michigan. For more information, visit [www.superherotraining.org](http://www.superherotraining.org).

# COUNCIL, MAYOR RAISES PASS



Candidates and campaign supporters gathered outside the Novi Civic Center around 10 a.m. Tuesday, greeting residents heading to cast their primary election votes. Candidates shown include Kathy Crawford (third from the left); David Trott (to the right of Crawford); and Kerry Bentivolio (far right). CAL STONE

## Mackenzie, Reeds advance in 52-1 court race

By Cal Stone  
Staff Writer

Novi's mayor and city council members just got a long-overdue pay raise, courtesy of voters who passed a charter amendment by a 7-percent margin.

Annual compensation for the mayor will now be \$6,500, while council members will receive \$4,500. The current city charter paid the mayor \$20 per council meeting and council members \$15, with an average of two meetings per month. Those numbers were set back in 1969, when the city's charter was originally created.

"As a resident of Novi, I am happy that the residents appreciate the hard work and dedication of our elected officials," said David Landry, former mayor and a member of the Charter Review Committee that came up with the new pay structure. "All we wanted was to give the residents an opportunity to voice their opinion. The residents have spoken."

The committee - which also included Tom Marcus, Fil Superfisky and Doreen Poupard - said even with the recommended increases, in comparison to other cities around Michigan with 40,000 to 80,000 residents, Novi salaries will be lower. Many other cities average \$7,000 annually for the mayor and \$5,000 for council members.

Mayor Bob Gatt said it took much time and great effort to review the entire city charter and then decide what sections should be presented to the voters to determine if they wanted to update the document.

"Remember," Gatt said, "the charter hasn't been reviewed in over 40 years!"

Gatt added that "the process worked." He said the voters of Novi looked at the proposed change in the charter and decided that it needed to be modernized.

"I'm sure that I speak for the entire city council when I say thank you," Gatt said. "No one runs for mayor or city council

because of any remuneration."

### 52-1 District Court

Incumbent Judge Brian MacKenzie (7,727 votes) and his former law clerk, Travis Reeds (8,003), will move on to the November election after topping Scott Powers (5,559), son of MacKenzie's colleague on the 52-1 District Court bench, Dennis Powers.

"I am humbled by the fact that I won the primary and that over 60 percent of the voters know it's time to restore trust and integrity in our court and I look forward to the election in November," Reeds said. "I hope to earn the trust and confidence of all the voters and communities served by the 52-1 District Court."

### State House 38th District

Novi native Kathy Crawford is one step closer to taking over the seat currently held by her husband Hugh after defeating Dan Lauffer in the Republican

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### RESULTS

Unofficial results for how the city of Novi only voted in Tuesday's primary. Bold indicates overall winner.

**U.S. HOUSE  
11TH DISTRICT (R)**  
Kerry Bentivolio.....1,315  
David Trott.....**2,811**

**U.S. HOUSE  
11TH DISTRICT (D)**  
Anil Kumar.....903  
**Bobby McKenzie.....855**  
Bill Roberts.....120  
Nancy Skinner.....517

**STATE SENATE  
15TH DISTRICT (R)**  
Mike Kowall.....**2,241**  
Matt Maddock.....1,228  
Ron Molnar.....311

**STATE SENATE  
15TH DISTRICT (D)**  
Tom Crawford.....851  
**Michael D. Smith.....1,142**

**STATE HOUSE  
38TH DISTRICT (R)**  
Kathy Crawford.....**2,481**  
Dan Lauffer.....1,458

**STATE HOUSE  
38TH DISTRICT (D)**  
Jasper Cantanzaro.....**1,465**  
Jason Dorsch.....497

**52-1 DISTRICT COURT**  
**Brian MacKenzie.....2,190**  
Scott Powers.....1,465  
**Travis Reeds.....2,065**

**CITY PROP 1  
CHARTER AMENDMENT FOR A  
NOVI CITY COUNCILPERSON TO  
BE PAID \$4,500 AND THE MAYOR  
TO BE PAID \$6,500 PER YEAR**  
Yes.....**3,565**  
No.....3,060

Unofficial results for how Novi Township voted in the primary.

**TOWNSHIP PROP 1  
RENEWAL OF 2.5257 MILLS TO  
BE LEVIED FOR 20 YEARS FOR  
GENERAL TOWNSHIP OPER-  
ATING PURPOSES**  
Yes.....**36**  
No.....4

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## Novi dog park scheduled to open soon

By Lonnie Huhman  
Staff Writer



This empty park setting behind the Novi Ice Arena will soon fill with dogs that need a place to run and play. LONNIE HUHMANN

A new dog park behind Novi Ice Arena is on track to open this fall and interested dog owners will be glad to see the amenities that come with it.

According to Jeffrey Muck, Novi's Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services interim director, the site has been graded and seeded, fences and utilities installed and the parking lot and sidewalks constructed. Novi has looked to Northville, which has two dog parks, for ideas and organization.

"We now need to make sure the grass is firmly established before we can open," Muck said.

A grand opening ceremony is set for 9-11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 4, at the park

Muck said once it's open, users will need a key fob for entry. These will be available to Novi and Northville citizens once they complete a short online course and provide proof of required vaccinations and current Oakland County dog license.

Officials anticipate annual memberships will be available

for purchase beginning in September, with a fee of \$30 for residents and \$60 for non-residents. A one-time \$20 key fob deposit will also be required.

This project has been a long time in coming and city officials are looking forward to its opening. Muck said it provides a range of benefits for dogs and their owners.

"The dog park is a very positive addition to the community," he said. "It provides space for dogs to exercise and socialize safely, promotes responsible dog ownership, provides an outlet for dog owners to socialize and ultimately makes for a better community by promoting public health and safety."

The city will continue to post updates on its web page [www.cityofnovi.org](http://www.cityofnovi.org).

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## NOVI'S TOWN CENTER TO ADD NEW BUILDING

By Lonnie Huhman  
Staff Writer

The continuing effort to improve Novi's Town Center area will get another boost through a plan to add a new retail building.

"This is caused by the reinvigoration of Town Center," said Matt Quinn, who spoke July 23 at the Novi Planning Commission meeting about the Novi Town Center Investors group's proposal to build a retail building at the intersection of Ingersol Drive and Crescent Boulevard.

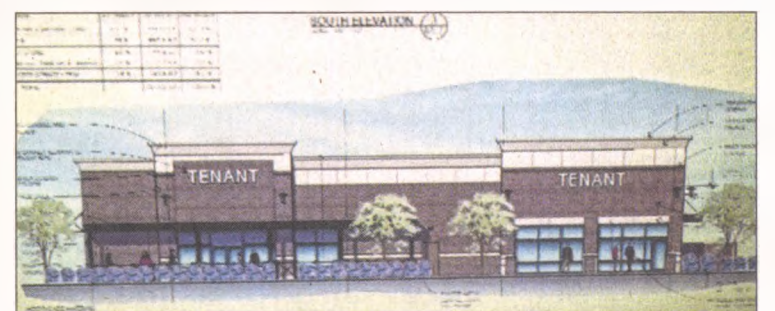
In the last year, the Town Center's future has seen a renewed focus from both pub-

lic and private planners.


According to the Town Center plan, the project aims to remove an existing pedestrian plaza and 20 parking spaces to construct an approximately 7,108-square-foot building consisting of two tenant spaces, a new pedestrian plaza with fountain and 13 new parking spaces, including four barrier-free spaces.

The proposed tenant spaces are 4,550 square feet and 2,450 square feet. Two outside patio areas are proposed, consisting of 447 square feet and 1,218 square feet. Associated parking and other site amenities

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This is a rendering of the proposed 7,108-square-foot building.



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The planned retail building would be at a prominent location in the Town Center area.

## BUILDING

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will also be constructed.

Quinn said the existing plaza would be replaced with a new waterfall and plaza. He also said officials are working with the Novi Art Council on the placement of an art element that would be displayed year round.

The planning commission by a 4-0 vote approved the preliminary site and storm water management

plans with some conditions, which will now be reviewed by the city council. These include a building setback reduction from 50 feet to 20 feet along Crescent Boulevard.

Quinn said developers are confident they have the city's support. Overall, the planning commission thinks this is a good project.

"It's a nice improvement," said Commissioner Tony Anthony, who added he is in full support of the plan.

City staff estimates

this development will create 50 permanent jobs in a combination of full- and part-time positions. It will also create around 80 construction jobs for the duration of roughly nine months. The total cost of building and site improvement will total approximately \$2 million, staff said.

City council is expected to review the project in the next month.

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## ELECTION

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primary. With 4,180 votes to Lauffer's 2,946, Crawford will take on Jasper Catanzaro, who trounced Jason Dorsch for the win on the Democrats' side. Located in Oakland County, the district includes the townships of Lyon and Novi and the cities of Novi, South Lyon, Walled Lake and (a portion of) Northville.

Republican Hugh Crawford and Democrat Colleen Crossey both ran unopposed in the primary for the Oakland County Board of Commissioners 9th District seat, which is currently held by Kathy Crawford.

### State Senate 15th District

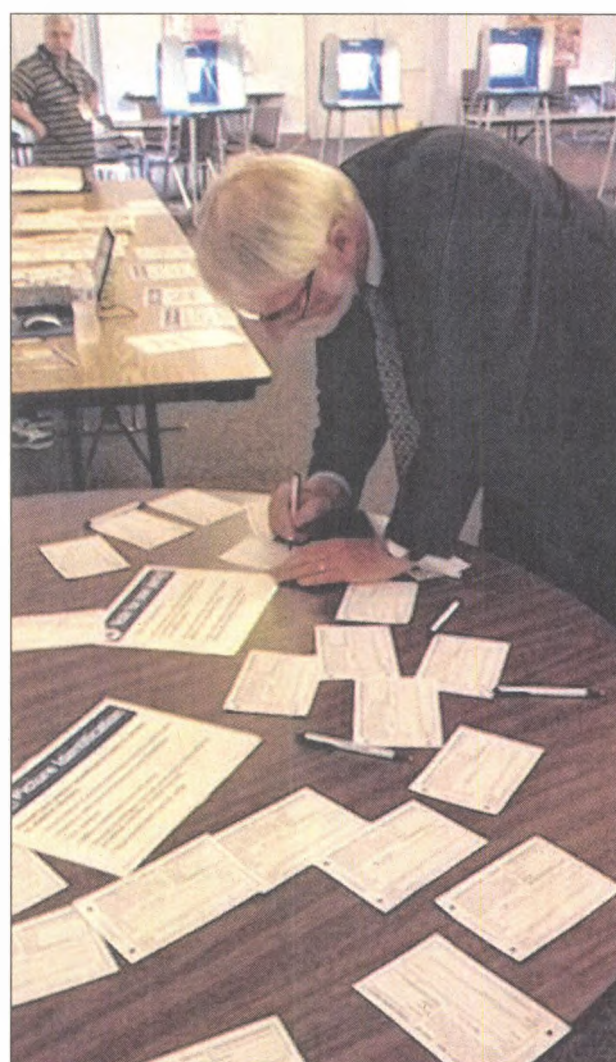
In the race for the Republican nomination, incumbent Mike Kowall grabbed the victory with 11,345 votes (49.83 percent) of 22,768 cast. Milford resident Matt Madock pocketed 9,715 votes, (42.67 percent), while Ron Molnar earned 1,708 votes (7.5 percent).

Kowall will face Democrat Michael D. Smith in the November general election. In Tuesday's primary, Smith took 6,864, or 61.32 percent, of 11,194 votes cast for Democrats in the race. Challenger Tom Crawford took 4,330 votes, or 38.68 percent.

### U.S. House 11th District

Birmingham businessman and lawyer Dave Trott, with widespread backing from establishment Republicans and an aggressive, well-financed campaign, sent U.S. Rep. Kerry Bentivolio, R-Milford, to defeat Tuesday in the GOP primary for the U.S. House 11th District seat by a 2-1 margin.

"I know that we are all disappointed with the outcome — and I assure you, I am, too," Bentivolio told supporters. "But we must remember that



Judge Brian MacKenzie signs in at the his precinct Tuesday evening. CAL STONE

this is only the beginning battle to take back our country and take back our party from crony capitalists. ... The status quo in the Republican Party is going to have to change, whether they like it or not."

"Kerry was clearly outspent financially. He was an accidental candidate to begin with," former state Republican Party Chairman Saul Anuzis said. "Trott is kind of the quintessential representative for that area. He ran a good campaign from day one."

Bentivolio had gone into the Republican primary with grave doubts hanging over his political future and only one potentially significant advantage: his incumbency. From the beginning, it looked like that might not be enough for

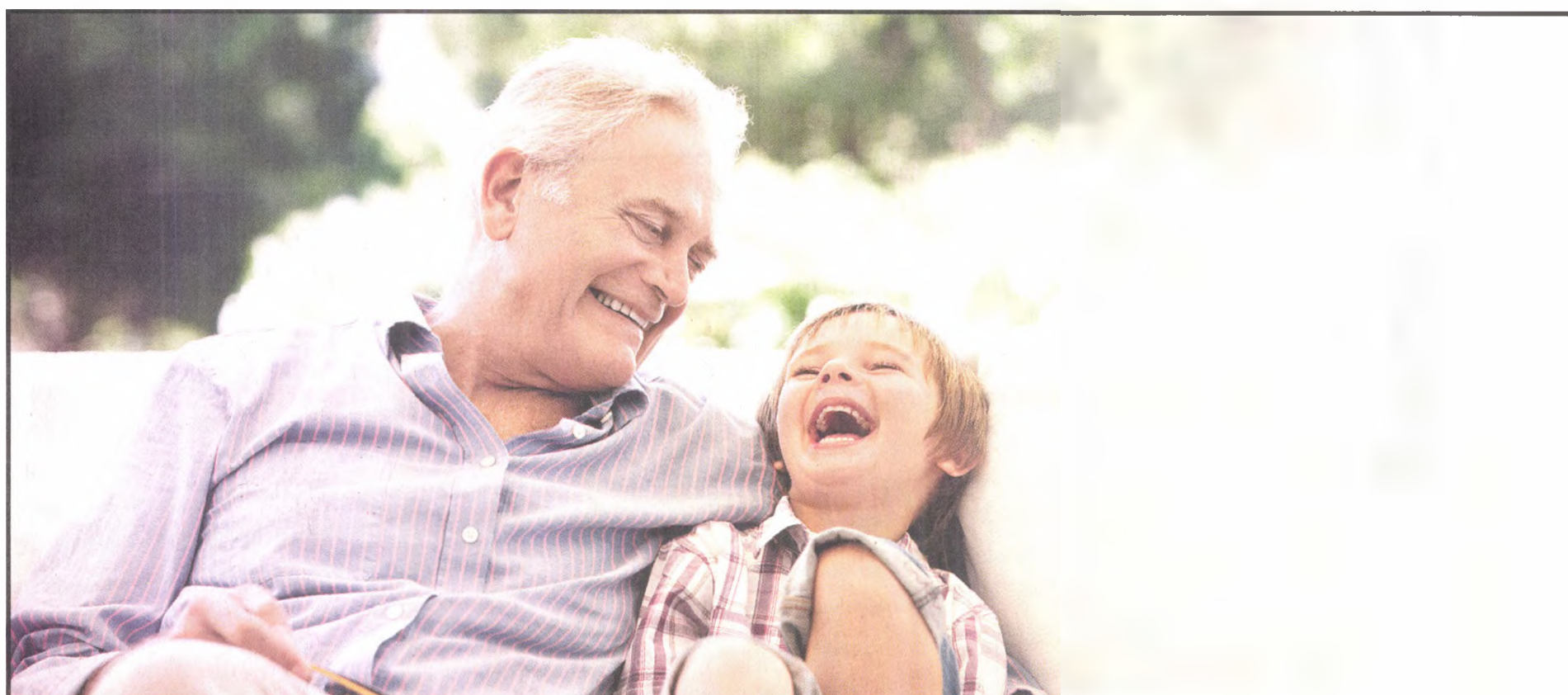
him to beat Trott, however.

Trott, who has been running for the nomination for most of the last year, has a long list of impressive endorsements, a significant financial advantage and a sizable margin in the public polls that were taken in his race against Bentivolio. Meanwhile, the incumbent had run a largely invisible campaign.

Trott will now have a considerable advantage over the Democratic nominee, given how the state Legislature redrew the district before the last election. He will face Bobby MacKenzie, who edged Anil Kumar by less than 1,000 votes Tuesday.

Gannett Michigan reports contributed to this story.

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## Youth Art Award winner



The 12th annual Orchard Lake Fine Art Show was held July 26-27 in the heart of West Bloomfield. As part of the show's commitment to bring art education to the community, a youth art competition for grades K-8 was integrated into the art fair. The competition gives budding young artists a golden opportunity to begin learning the rules of being part of a professional art show and exhibition. This year's youth art contest included 61 entries from 25 area schools; the youth art entries were displayed in the art fair. The young artists and their families attended the event Sunday afternoon, when the winners were announced. There were \$250 in cash awards provided to four winners - including Novi's Andrew Ko, 10, a \$50 winner - along with a beautiful, colorful two-foot-long ribbon. Criteria for judging the youth art were technique/execution and originality, which is similar to the criteria for the judging of the professional artist awards.

## MDEQ impressed with Novi innovation company

By Lonnie Huhman  
Staff Writer

Michigan Department of Environmental Quality Director Dan Wyant sees a lot of positive things that could come out of Somnio Global, an innovation company based in Novi.

"I'm very impressed," Wyant said after his July 25 visit to Somnio. "They are looking to solve a variety of problems in way that emphasizes innovation and stewardship, both of which are important."

Wyant toured the company, which is housed in the former Husky building off of 12 Mile Road, to discuss the company's innovations in energy efficiency and water treatment and purification. The visit was organized by state Sen. Mike Kowall, who has been a proponent of Somnio since it came to Novi.

Somnio was established by Dr. Pravansu Mohanty, who also teaches at the University of Michigan-Dearborn, two years ago and it has grown each year. The company specializes in business development and mentoring services in the nature of providing assistance and advice on innovation, product development, management, commercialization and protection of technical advances in fields of energy, environment and education.

Somnio has four core areas: energy, environment, education and empathy.

It's partnering with start-ups and other companies to solve challenges while being a successful for-profit company. One such partner is Sustainable Water Works, which is working with Somnio on developing a low-energy desalination system



State Sen. Mike Kowall (from left) and DEQ director Dan Wyant discussed some energy innovations with Dr. Pravansu Mohanty while touring his company Somnio, which is based in Novi and specializes in things like energy efficiency, and water treatment and purification.

for medium and small cities in Africa, the Middle East and Asia.

Somnio is working on a number of innovations in Novi, from recycling Styrofoam to preserving vaccines for a longer period of time. It's not just creating the technology, but it's fostering it through the complete process from development to use in the real

world.

The cutting-edge innovation and development is what caught Kowall's eye.

"It's amazing to see this world-shattering research and development that's being created right here in Novi. There's a lot of positive potential here," Kowall said.

Wyant likes the ideas of promoting environmental stewardship in conjunction with more business and jobs in Michigan. He said the best way to do these things is through better partnerships between different organizations and groups. It's his hope that the MDEQ and Michigan Economic Development Corp. can help promote companies like Somnio.

"We need to leverage the innovations they have going on here in a way that can help solve some major problems," he said.

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# Steinway Under the Stars to celebrate the Great American Songbook

Unique live performances at state fair Aug. 30

The Fifth Third Bank Michigan State Fair will present Steinway Under the Stars, a celebration of the Great American Songbook, on Saturday, Aug. 30, at the Suburban Collection Showplace, 46100 Grand River Avenue in Novi.

The Great American Songbook spans many decades and includes some of the nation's most beloved songs and arrangements. This special Steinway Under the Stars features accomplished local musicians and vocalists, including:

**Cliff Monear:** A product of the Berklee College of Music, Cliff's jazz group, The Cliff Monear Trio, is one of the busiest performing rhythm sections in the Midwest. In addition to a very full private and public performance schedule as well as teaching commitments at Wayne State University, Monear is the exclusive Steinway & Sons representative for the Michigan jazz community.

**Mark Randisi:** When Andrea Bocelli first heard Mark Randisi sing, he believed he was listening to a Frank Sinatra recording. That's a common response, but Mark is modest: "I'm flattered when people say I sound like Sinatra. I developed a love for the music and



Cliff Monear is just one of the featured performers at the new Steinway Under the Stars event at the Fifth Third Bank Michigan State Fair this year. DAN SIEBOLD

I respect those who created it. However, I am being myself." Raised in an Italian family in Detroit, Randisi was surrounded by a passion for music. His father was a trumpet player and his grandfather an opera singer. After working in a family-owned painting business, Randisi (as Casey Kasem would say)

"put down his paint brush and picked up a microphone."

**Nicole New:** The 28-year-old Detroit native is a passionate and provocative singer, alluring crowds with her sensitivity and soulfulness as one of Detroit's premier bandleaders. Her eclectic style of singing, drawing from her early

influences of performing jazz, pop, opera and musical theatre has transformed into a sound all her own. The Nicole New Group is making a lasting impression at performance venues all over Michigan and beyond. Wowing fans with her rich tone and rhythmic phrasing, venues such as The Jazz Cafe at Music

Hall, Cliff Bell's, London Chop House and Steinway Jazz Cafe have become a regular stop for this energetic performer.

The signature Michigan State Fair Choir will open the show, with an energetic tribute to the grand state of Michigan and a lively introduction to Steinway Under the Stars at 8 p.m. Aug. 30.

Tickets, which include fair admission, are \$15; tables of eight may be purchased for \$100. Tickets are available online at [www.MichiganStateFairLLC.com](http://www.MichiganStateFairLLC.com) or at the Steinway Piano Gallery, 2700 E Maple Road, in Commerce (<http://www.steinwaydetroit.com>).

## NoviParksRX program designed to promote healthy, active lifestyles

The city of Novi Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department has partnered with St. John Providence Health System to promote healthy, active lifestyles for community members and visitors with the new NoviParksRX program. The program, which continues through Sept. 30, allows health care and recreation professionals to write a "prescription" for activities in Novi's parks and on the Providence Park Hospital Campus.

Prescriptions include swimming or biking at Lakeshore Park; climbing on the playground at Rotary Park; fishing at Pavilion Shore Park; biking, running or walking on the Providence Park Hospital Campus; and many more. Prescriptions are provided at Novi Parks programs, in the Novi Parks office in the Novi Civic Center and at the Providence Park Hospital main lobby information desk. Additionally, a select number of Providence Park Hospital physicians are issuing the exercise

prescriptions.

Once a "patient" receives a NoviParksRX prescription, they are encouraged to share their experience. "Signage has been placed at each activity site and people are asked to take a "selfie" and share it on social media," said Jeff Muck, interim director, Parks Recreation and Cultural Services Department. "For each photo shared via Facebook, Twitter or Instagram, Providence Park Hospital will make a

contribution to Novi Parks for future recreation programs."

"Providence Park Hospital is really committed to encouraging families to get up and move. Walking, biking or swimming is a great way to stay fit and a wonderful way to spend quality time with your family," said Peter Karadjoff, president, Providence Park Hospital.

There are hundreds of studies proving physical activity leads to a higher quality of life. The Cen-

ters for Disease Control and Prevention suggests children and adolescents participate in one hour or more of physical exercise daily. Adults should strive for 150 minutes of moderate intensity activity or 75 minutes of vigorous activity weekly.

To view the NoviParksRX prescription pad and learn of activities and sites, visit [www.cityofnovi.org](http://www.cityofnovi.org). To view photos via social media, use hashtags #NoviParks and #IamNOVI.

### HEALTHY 'SELFIE'

The city of Novi Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department and St. John Providence Health System have partnered to ensure Novi community members are leading healthy, active lifestyles. This is your prescription to bike, swim, run, play or walk to better health.

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## COMMUNITY BRIEFS

### Wildcats fundraiser

The Novi High School girls swim and dive team will be holding a car wash fundraiser from noon to 3 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 16, in the parking lot of Spillane & Reynolds, on the northwest corner of 10 Mile and Taft.

### A.A. Symphony at farmers market

The Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra will bring its Taste of Music program to the Northville Farmers Market from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 7. Beginning at 11 a.m., the A2SO String Quartet will perform. Members of the symphony will also bring an Instrument Petting Zoo, which allows kids of all ages to touch and play a variety of instruments.

In addition, members will be giving away free concert tickets to those who participate in the local food assistance program.

For more information, visit [www.a2so.com/family/taste-of-music](http://www.a2so.com/family/taste-of-music).

### 'Rumpelstiltskin' live on stage

The Marquis Theatre in downtown Northville will present the classic tale *Rumpelstiltskin* live on stage during the months of August and September.

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Tickets for all performances are \$9 each. No children under the age of 3. There are group rates and reserved seating for groups of 20 or more.

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For more information, call the Marquis Theatre at 248-349-8110 or visit [www.northvillemarquistheatre.com](http://www.northvillemarquistheatre.com).

### Novi Police Department to begin CALEA accreditation process

The Novi Police Department is seeking accreditation through the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies Inc. Once accredited, the city of Novi will join eight other law enforcement agencies in Michigan to earn law enforcement accreditation. Accreditation is a voluntary, internal process by which organizations seek to achieve, objectively verify, and maintain high quality in their operations.

The entire accreditation process will require a comprehensive peer-review of all written directives to ensure they meet the nearly 500 best-practices identified by a panel of CALEA commissioners as the benchmark for professional agencies.

## POLICE BRIEFS

### Novi

#### Petty cash stolen

An unknown person stole \$150 in cash and a \$30 personal check from an office located at 26750 Providence Parkway.

The theft happened the weekend of July 18-21, according to a Novi Police report. The money was inside an office drawer that was locked, but reportedly the thief found the key in the office, used it and then put it back. There are no suspects at this time.

#### Patio furniture stolen

Three patio chairs were stolen from a Novi home overnight July 21-22.

The home is at Edgewood Court and Cider Mill. No other evidence was found, according to Novi Police. It was thought that maybe the chairs had been moved as a joke, but police could not locate them.

#### Larceny from auto

A car was broken into while parked at Twelve Oaks mall and cash and some personal items were stolen.

The theft occurred July 22-23 while the owner was on a shift at the Cheesecake Factory. The rear driver's side window of the car was smashed in and \$20 in cash was taken, as well as a debit card, license and Social Security card, according to the Novi Police report. The debit card was later used at a gas station in Wixom.

There are no suspects.

#### Open house theft

A house for sale in the 25000 block of Island Lake Drive was robbed of men's watches, a cellphone and an iPad.

The theft reportedly happened June 21 during the open house. The homeowner returned later in the afternoon to find the items missing. Police were unable to find any usable evidence to identify a suspect.

Follow-up is being conducted with the Realtor. It was reported that at least eight couples had looked at the home that day.

#### Minor in possession

An underage driver was stopped for an expired license plate and then was cited for having bottles of liquor in the back seat.

Novi Police stopped the driver at Grand River Avenue and Novi Road just after midnight June 22. After the driver said it was his mother's car, he asked the police if it was illegal to have unopened liquor bottles in the car and said his mom had left them there.

He later told the police he had gotten them by asking an unknown person to buy them for him at a store in Howell. He also told police he was headed to the Twelve Oaks mall parking lot to meet some friends and go to a party.

### Northville

#### Underage drinking

A 20-year-old Northville woman was arrested for being intoxicated after Northville Police came upon her and a 22-year-old Northville man sitting on a bench after midnight.

The police report stated it was just after midnight Aug. 4 when a patrol came across the two sitting at Elm and High streets. They told police they were just talking and, when asked to present some identification, the police observed the man's hand was bloody. He said he tripped over a curb.

During the encounter the police reported smelling intoxicants on the girl and that her speech was slurred. She said she had "two shots" and would take a preliminary Breathalyzer test, which reportedly registered a 0.184 percent blood-alcohol content. This is two times above the legal limit, though the woman wasn't old enough to drink.

#### Drunken driving

Making an illegal left turn led to a 36-year-old Northville man being arrested for drunken driving.

The Northville City Police stopped the driver Aug. 2 at Eight Mile and Novi roads after spotting the man almost hitting another car while making a left-hand turn on a red light. The police reported smelling intoxicants on the man, who said he had two beers earlier.

After having some trouble with the field sobriety tests, the man registered a 0.09 percent blood-alcohol content on the Breathalyzer test, which is just above the 0.08 limit.

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# Volunteers needed for fourth annual Cruisin' Hines

**By Sue Mason**  
Staff Writer

In 2011, Don Nicholson was blown away by the response to his inaugural Hines Drive cruise. Cruisin' Hines attracted more than 24,000 classic car owners and hot rodders who spent the day driving from Ann Arbor Trail in Westland to Outer Drive in Dearborn.

That number more than doubled by year three and Nicholson is expecting an even bigger crowd for this year's Cruisin' Hines, set to start at 9 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 24.

"We had over 50,000 cars last year; the response was phenomenal," the Westland resident said. "The car count has continued to grow by huge numbers every year. This year we have

been hearing from car clubs and individuals coming from far away."

But the problem Nicholson has faced since the first year is how to get the cars onto the parkway efficiently. Making cruisers register slowed the process the first year, so he dumped that for the second year and it still remained a slow process. Last year, he moved the cruise entrance to Merriman, thinking access from a four-lane road would help. It was "a hindrance," he said.

### New entrance

So for the fourth installment, he's moved the entrance to Ford Road in Dearborn to use the long approach to Hines Drive as the staging area. Spectators will still be able to access the park at Ann Arbor Trail, Merriman



Now in its fourth year, the annual Cruisin' Hines event is attracting a record number of classic cars and hot rods, as well as fans who line the route to watch. FILE PHOTO

and the Warrendale entrance near Telegraph.

"It'll give us a more efficient entrance and we knew that even opening one entrance at each end, the majority would still enter near Nankin Mills," Nicholson said. "So we would not have fixed anything, just spread out our manpower."

"Hopefully that will end that problem. It's a good problem to have

when you have so many people come to an event," he added.

The popularity of the cruise is due in part to its inclusion in the Autopaloosa lineup, which promotes car cruises, races and car shows in southeast Michigan that is promoted not only throughout the state, but around the U.S. and the world. Last year, the event had people come from seven states and

two provinces and even had a couple from Germany plan their vacation around the cruise, Nicholson said.

### Volunteers needed

And with the cruises popularity growing – it's Nicholson's goal to make it the biggest such event in Wayne County – he's in need of volunteers to help. Last year, he had 20 volunteers, but this year, knowing how participation has doubled each year the past three years, he's looking for 50 volunteers.

Volunteers will help put up banners and mark areas for car clubs and vendors and work at the spectator entrances and main gate. Shifts will start as early as 1 a.m. "In addition to being part of a great event," volunteers will receive a free

T-shirt and will be provided with food and water throughout the day, Nicholson said.

Nicholson will hold a volunteer meeting before the cruise. People interested in being involved can contact him at Don@DonNicholson.net or by calling 734-658-5296.

The cruise also has added new sponsors, Rory Gamble and UAW Region 1A.

"They are a big part of all of our events," Nicholson said. "With our commitment to the history of the automobile and the local car people, the UAW was the perfect partnership to work with. The UAW members are our customer base. We look forward to adding the UAW 1A logo to our growing list of great organizations."

## Cruisin' for charity



With the Woodward Dream Cruise less than a month away, car enthusiasts got a head start at the sixth annual Garden Party. Held at Meadow Brook Hall in Rochester Hills, the Garden Party is a Sunday afternoon of fine food and wine, classic cars and charity. Novi residents Fran and Pat Parsons cruised to this year's Garden Party in their Shelby Cobra. The annual Garden Party event was founded and is run by the J. Lewis Cooper family and Elizabeth and Sydney L. Ross Foundation in its effort to support local Michigan charities which, this year, included the Children's Leukemia Foundation, Oakland Community College Culinary Institute and the Children's Tumor Foundation. Bloomfield Hills resident and event founder Syd Ross did his magic by holding off the rain and bringing in 600 guests who helped raise more than \$200,000. JULIE YOLLES



## Rooftop Party

Nine-year-old Novi resident Reagan Lentz had a colorful evening at the Parade Company's annual Rooftop Party at the Detroit Ford Fireworks. The Parade Company's second biggest fundraiser — next to the Hob Nobble Gobble in November — brought out kids for face painting, hair streaking, karaoke, games, dancing on the rooftop, food galore by Andiamo's on the Riverfront and adults and children drawing pictures to make a mural for troops on behalf of Project S.N.A.P. (Share, Nurture, Act, Preserve). JULIE YOLLES

## Downtown Northville Sidewalk Sales

Friday Aug. 8th and Saturday Aug. 9th

Downtown Northville's Sidewalk Sale is a showcase of the businesses, restaurants, shops and everything else that makes life along Main and Center streets such an attraction.

Organized by the Northville Central Business Association this event has over 20 businesses participating and brings a food truck rally to Main Street. The retailers are offering their best deals of the year during the Sidewalk Sale and merchants will be open additional hours.

Loyal customers and business owners look forward to this.

"I love a good sidewalk sale!" said Goody Two Shoes owner Dan Argonis. "This will be our biggest in eight years of business in Northville. We'll have shoes, sandals and boots at more than 75 percent off plus our back to school shoes are in stock already."

Great sales will be found everywhere this weekend.

The businesses participating are: Loria's, The Northville Gallery, Healthy Jones, Goody Two Shoes, The Moon & Me Baby and Toddler Boutique, Bailey and Shamoun Interiors, Van Dam's, Rock On Main Clothing Company, Salvaged, Gardenviews, Pear-aphernalia, Orin Jewelers, Stefana Boutique, Utopia Salon, Edward's Cafe and Caterer, Baby Baby plus More, Pendleton, Celebrity Pets Co., Lulu By Design, Starring the Gallery, Your Michigan Connection, Stampeddler and D&D Bike Shop.

The Food Trucks scheduled to be on E. Main Street between 5pm and 9pm on Friday are: Rollin' Stone Wood Fired Pizza, Jacques' Tacos, Concrete Cuisine, The Pita Post, The Mac Shack, Smoken Rhodes BBQ, The Chicken Coupe, and The Mean Weenie.

The Friday Night Concert in town square will be Steve King and The Dittlies (Classic Rock).

Sale Hours are:

10am-9pm on Friday

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10am-7pm on Saturday and 11am-5pm on Sunday

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Goody Two Shoes owner Dan Argonis (left), Northville Gallery's Dan Ferrara (middle) and Toni Talan of Van Dam's are among the 20 plus businesses participating in the Sidewalk Sale on Aug. 8-10.

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- b - Tunes on Tuesdays (10:30 a.m.): Tuesdays, August 12, 19 & 26
- c - Northville Farmers' Market (8 a.m.): Thursdays, August 7, 14, 21 & 28
- d - Northville Sidewalk Sale (various times): August 8-10
- e - Northville Food Truck Festival (11 a.m.): August 23

While in town for the events, stop in one of your favorite local restaurants or shops. For more information on Downtown Northville events, shopping and dining, visit [www.downtownnorthville.com](http://www.downtownnorthville.com)



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# Great deals to be had at Northville Sidewalk Sale

By **Lonnie Huhman**  
Staff Writer

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The food trucks scheduled to be on East Main Street 5-9 p.m. Friday are Rollin' Stone Wood Fired Pizza, Jacques' Tacos, Concrete Cuisine, The Pita Post, The Mac Shack, Smoken Rhodes BBQ, The Chicken Coupe and The Mean Weenie.

The Friday Night Concert in Town Square will be Steve King and The Dittilies (classic rock).

Sale hours are 10 a.m.



Jacques' Tacos will be just one of several food trucks Friday night along Main Street to coincide with the annual Northville Sidewalk Sale this weekend. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

to 9 p.m. Friday (food trucks 5-9 p.m., plus the concert in Town Square);

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Olivia Wofford writes a message on the door of an abandoned house where Ringo Starr once lived.



Christine Wofford, flanked by daughter Olivia and brother Bruce Jonasz, tours Liverpool after seeing the Beatles as a child. In the background is the Rubber Soul oyster bar.

## LONG AND WINDING ROAD

Woman and her Novi brother tour Liverpool 50 years after attending Beatles concert

By **Darrell Clem**  
Staff Writer

Fifty years after Christine Jonasz Wofford and a screaming mob welcomed the Beatles to Olympia Stadium in Detroit, she has finally traveled to the seaside town of Liverpool, England, where the Fab Four began.

She loves them yeah, yeah, yeah.

Wofford, a Canton resident, was a 12-year-old student at St. Damian School in Westland when she and a friend witnessed the Beatles' invasion in 1964. She still has her ticket stub.

Wofford recalls riding her bike to the corner store to buy teen magazines sporting pictures of John, Paul, George and Ringo. She listened to their music on a transistor radio and bought their albums.

"I have always wanted to go see Liverpool," she said.

Wofford, her brother Bruce Jonasz of Novi and her 26-year-old daughter Olivia spent a week there

this month, touring places where the Beatles grew up and performed.

Liverpool was nothing like Wofford imagined.

"I expected dilapidated buildings, smokestacks and (long and) winding roads," she said. "It was fabulous."

Unlike her mother, Olivia didn't know much about the Beatles.

"It was really exciting for me," she said. "I now have a greater appreciation for the Beatles. I didn't really know much about their history, but they were a really talented group of people. I like the metaphors in their lyrics. I'm going to listen to more of their music now."

Wofford and her companions toured The Beatles Story, which is a museum at Albert Dock, and they took a Magical Mystery Tour named after the landmark album. The outing included a trip to Penny Lane, where they saw the barber shop mentioned in the hit song by the same name. And they saw the gatepost to Strawberry Field, once a Salvation Army children's home near when John Lennon lived as a child.

Much has changed since Wofford, as a 12-year-old girl, saw the Beatles in Detroit. Wofford saw all four individually in concert after

they split up, most recently Starr and his All-Starr Band at DTE Energy Music Theatre.

Yet some things haven't changed. The Beatles' music remains popular and the passing of time hasn't swayed Wofford's opinion on which Beatle she liked best. She summed it up in a sign she made and took to Liverpool. It read: "I Love Paul."

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FRI/SAT LS 11:20

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FRI/SAT LS 11:55

## Novi man's photographs featured at HVCA gallery

Novi photographer Maurice Sanders decided to focus on people in the upcoming Huron Valley Council for the Arts' August gallery exhibit.

"While traveling to different countries, I have taken many images of local people. I had an idea of putting together a photography exhibit called Global Faces," he stated in a release.

The exhibit takes place in the HVCA art center, 205 W. Livingston Road, in Highland.

Sanders, a freelance photographer, has studied both film and digital photography. Several photographs have been published in local magazines.

He also has received numerous awards from camera clubs and area galleries.

Sanders' love for photography has taken him to all seven continents. He firmly believes that "a great photograph tells a story and creates a feeling within the viewer."

When asked what his favorite photograph of all his work is, he replied, "The one I'm going to take tomorrow." His philosophy is to "make the invisible visible."

Gallery hours are from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday through Friday and from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday through Monday, Aug. 25.



"Global Faces" is the theme of the August exhibit at the Huron Valley Council for the Arts gallery this month. Novi photographer Maurice Sanders highlights the faces of people from throughout the world.

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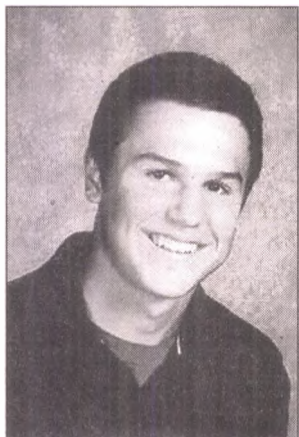
# Golf outing to honor life of fallen CC student, athlete

By **Lonnie Huhman**  
Staff Writer

"On the morning of December 3, 2012, David Widzinski's life on earth came to a sudden end, but this tragic day spawned a profoundly beautiful aftermath. In years to come 12/3/12 will not only be remembered as the day that David passed away, it will also be marked as a moment in time that united a community and inspired countless individuals to embody David's boundless love."

This is how the organizers of the upcoming second annual David Widzinski Community Golf Classic recall that tragic day on the website <http://davidliveson.com>.

Widzinski was a 16-year-old star athlete and student at Detroit Catholic Central High School who was found dead by his mother from what turned out to be natural causes. Coroners cited a heart arrhythmia of un-



Widzinski

known etiology. His death, while certainly tragic for all those who knew him, has brought many people together from different communities, including Detroit Catholic Central, Northville, Novi, St. Kenneth and St. Edith.

Now they are coming together again to remember him. The event will be held Sunday, Aug. 31, at Tanglewood Golf Club. Participants are invited

to join his family and friends for golf and dinner or dinner only. This is a multi-community event celebrating Widzinski's life and all are welcome.

"It's been just amazing to feel the support," Barbara Widzinski, David's mother, said of the community gathering to remember and celebrate her son's life, faith and spirit, while supporting charitable causes.

"We have felt the love," she said.

Widzinski is survived by his parents Paul and Barbara, his sister Emily and his brother Stephen.

The tragedy for his family has been turned into a positive. Widzinski's friend Eddie Szczyпка initiated the idea of doing something to remember him and they have.

Widzinski would have been a senior this upcoming school year. To honor him, the CC football team has made him honorary captain. And last year, the golf classic raised \$16,000 for local charities like the Cipriano Children's Trust.

Last year's event was sold out weeks in advance for both golf and dinner. Those interested in registering early to reserve a spot for this fun, memorable, spiritual and celebratory event can go to <http://davidliveson.com/>.

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Jill Jones holds Mallory Bengry, both 15 and from Farmington, as they do some creative swing dance moves.

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# Thursday night dances in Farmington's Sundquist Pavilion continue to draw crowds

By **Aileen Wingblad**  
Staff Writer

It's a weekly dose of high-energy, lively tunes, rollicking moves and — by the looks of the crowd gathered at Sundquist Pavilion most Thursday nights in the summer — a blast.

In its fourth consecutive year at the downtown Farmington spot, Swing Farmington's "swing dance" continues to pack the pavilion with a range of talent, plenty of onlookers and guys like Farmington resident Ryan Shore, 20, who's there mostly for the socializing.

"After working 40 hours a week (in the summer), there aren't many places I can go to see my friends — unless I come here," said Shore, a Western Michigan University student back in town between semesters. "I encourage everyone to come — bring your friends and tell your friends to bring friends. Everyone is here to have a good time."

Farmington Hills resident Nick Mancos, 19, said he's usually there "half to dance, half to hang out."

"And some of the dancing is pretty impressive, with the flips and stuff," he said.

While it's no doubt a great place for teens and 20-somethings to check out each other and possibly score a cellphone number for a future meet-up, the big draw, of course, is the dance floor — to show off practiced moves, try out new ones and always find someone eager to give a lesson or two, said Jamie Smet, 18, of South Lyon.

Like Shore and Mancos and plenty of others, she's a regular at the pavilion Thursday nights. "I started coming last summer and now I come all the time to practice. I've been dancing my entire life," Smet said.

She said she's since gotten lots of her South



Halen Ladar from Rockford and Taylor Bush from Ann Arbor dip at the Thursday swing dance event.

Lyon-area friends to attend and has made a bunch of new ones, too. "I dance with Joe a lot," she said, grinning and shooting a glance toward Joe Robinson, 18, of Farmington. Robinson is another who can usually be spotted at the swing dance each week.

### 'Good, clean fun'

While swing dancing originated with the 1920s jazz era and saw great gains in the years immediately following World War II, don't think the music played at the pavilion each week is strictly from those bygone years, Swing Farmington's Alexander Steward explained.

Steward, 24, acts as DJ and has been organizing the pavilion's weekly dances for the past four years. He said a variety of genres work quite well for the swing dance moves, from jazz and oldies rock and roll to today's pop and rap and lots in between.

"As long as it has that swing beat, that's what matters ... there's even this cool line dancing thing people are doing now," he said.

Of the 100-250 dancers who attend each

week, most are in their late teens or are 20-somethings, but all are welcome to join in the fun, Steward added.

Casual "lessons" are typically held at 8 p.m., before the dance starts about a half hour later. It wraps up by 11 p.m.

Steward asks for \$1 donation from anyone attending, to help cover insurance and other costs.

"And it's good clean fun," he added. "It's not the 'bump and grind' kind of thing ... it's social, laid back and a way to enjoy lots of different types of music."

Steward said he now has a passion for swing dancing, but admits he wanted nothing to do with it at first. Friends used to encourage him to attend the weekly swing dances held at St. John Lutheran Church in Farmington Hills during the cold weather months, but quit asking after he refused so many times.

Then one Thursday, he decided to show up.

"And I fell in love with swing dancing, right then and there," he said. "It's a good workout and good physical activity — and a great way to interact with others. And as (its popularity) has grown here. I'm enjoying it more and more."



Paul Pittman, 29, and Kayla Williams, 19, both from Livonia, step out at the weekly swing dances in Farmington.

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State Rep. Hugh Crawford (left) and his wife Kathy (second from left), Oakland County commissioner, and state Sen. Mike Kowall (right) presented a tribute plaque on behalf of Gov. Rick Snyder for all Mike Stanford's (middle) dealership has accomplished over its 20 years.

## Varsity celebrates launch of new Lincoln MKC crossover during anniversary event

Varsity Lincoln, part of Varsity Automotive Group, celebrated the dealership's 20th anniversary in July by premiering the first-ever 2015 Lincoln MKC during the dealership's celebration.

Varsity is the only Lincoln dealership to be the No. 1 volume Lincoln dealer in the nation for 17 consecutive years.

"In honor of the 20th anniversary of the business, thank you," owner Michael Stanford said. "I am one of the recipients of this recognition, but we have 125 wonderful team members in every department and vendors who work with us on a daily basis - those are the people who make us successful." Stanford also thanked the

city of Novi for the support the dealership has received from its community.

The glamorous evening at Varsity Lincoln introduced the 2015 Lincoln MKC, now available for sale.

The Lincoln MKC is a compact premium crossover that gives drivers something completely new and unique from

Lincoln. This vehicle's quality-control process is so extensive that prior to leaving the Louisville plant, each Lincoln MKC receives a 45-minute inspection.

Attendees enjoyed test driving the Lincoln MKC, hors d'oeuvres, cappuccino bar, valet parking and live music from Kimmie Horne, international performer and recording artist.

### NEWSMAKERS

#### Morris named VP of medical organization

Pierre A. Morris, MD, a family physician from Novi, was recently elected vice president of the Michigan Academy of Family Physicians (MAFP), the largest medical specialty organization in the state. At the annual meeting, held July 18 in Lansing, Morris was voted by the membership to serve a one-year term.



Dr. Morris

Morris came to family medicine after 13 years as a high school biology teacher. He completed his residency at Wayne State University after graduating from Ross University School of Medicine in the Commonwealth of Dominica. Morris currently works as the Wayne State University Family Medicine Residency Program Director (Rochester).

Morris will work with the president and board leadership to ensure that the minutes of all board meetings and official proceedings of the organization are documented. In addition, he will represent the Board at functions and events as designated by the president, and be one of the leading voices representing Family Physicians in local, state, and national issues coverage.

#### Wardle named VP at Maxion

Novi-based Maxion Wheels, a worldwide producer of aluminum and steel wheels, announced that Bill Wardle has joined its team as vice president of global sales and marketing. Wardle will lead Maxion's global sales and marketing team, responsible for expanding the company's business throughout Europe, South America, North America, Asia and Africa and building key relationships with customers in the marketplace. Wardle reports to Fred Bentley, Maxion Wheels CEO.

"As Maxion continues to grow globally, identifying and attracting the right leaders becomes even more important," Bentley said. "Bill is an 'A' player. We were impressed by his demonstrated sales and marketing leadership and results in the automotive manufacturing industry, enriched by a global mindset. Bill has a track record of winning and building teams and I know he will do that for us."

Wardle has more than 15 years of experience representing companies in the automotive industry within a variety of commercial roles, including R&D and program management. Most recently, he was the global vice president of sales and marketing at Magna Exteriors, Interiors and Seating. Prior to Magna, he served as global director of program management with Oxford Automotive, vice president of sales and project management for ISI Automotive and several engineering and leadership positions for Vauxhall Motors (General Motors Europe).

Wardle earned a bachelor's degree in electrical and electric engineering from Liverpool Polytechnic, as well as a certificate in business administration and diploma in business administration from Liverpool University.

#### Premier's Miller honored

Mayflower recently announced that Gary Miller, of Premier Relocations LLC in Novi, was selected as Sales Representative of the Month for June 2014. The monthly recognition program honors sales representatives of Mayflower's 300 affiliated agencies for their sales excellence.

### BUSINESS BRIEFS

#### Amistee buys rival duct company

Novi-based Amistee Air Duct Cleaning & Insulation recently purchased rival company Ducts R Us of Clinton Township for \$125,000. Amistee acquired the company and client base,

as well as all the equipment, and hired people to handle the increased client load.

"This was a good move for us as we are growing by leaps and bounds," said Mike McCowan, who with Steve Dickenson founded Amistee. "We're always looking to buy up

smaller companies that can add to our growing fleet of trucks and list of services. We plan on continued growth in the southeast Michigan market and are seriously considering satellite offices throughout other parts of Michigan and upper Ohio."

Growth at Amistee has been up 25 percent over last year as of July 1 and it is looking at year-end growth of 30 percent. The company had revenues of \$2.8 million in 2013 and the acquisition of Ducts R Us will most likely add another 5 percent to sales in 2014 and 10-12 percent in 2015.

As a result of this rapid, strong growth, Amistee Air Duct Cleaning & Insulation was recently named to the *Inc.* magazine's list of the 5,000 fastest-growing private companies in America - quite an honor given that the company is only 10 years old and started with little or no funding or equipment.

#### Fox Run's job fair

Certified nurse assistants, nurses (RN, LPN) and private duty aide applicants can get on-the-spot job interviews Saturday, Sept. 20, when Fox Run retirement community hosts its fall Health Services Job Fair. Fox Run is located at 41000 13 Mile Road in Novi.

The job fair will be held from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Call 248-668-8600 for more information.

Fox Run, which has more than 1,000 residents, offers independent living and continuing care on 108 acres managed by Erickson Living.

#### Cooper Standard reports 2Q results

Novi-based Cooper Standard Holdings Inc. (NYSE: CPS) announced financial results for the second quarter ended June 30.

"We continue to successfully execute on our profitable growth strategy, as evidenced by delivering normalized financial performance and achieving double digit adjusted EBITDA margin," said Jeffrey Edwards, chairman and CEO.

The company reported revenue of \$857.6 million for the second quarter of 2014, up 9.3 percent from \$784.7 million for the second quarter of 2013. The increase in sales was favorably impacted by increased volumes in North America, Europe and Asia Pacific, incremental sales related to the Jyco Sealing Technologies acquisition and favorable for-

eign exchange of \$7.9 million. These items were partially offset by lower production volumes in South America and customer price concessions.

Gross profit for the quarter was \$146.1 million, or 17.0 percent of sales, compared to \$132.3 million, or 16.9 percent of sales, for the same period last year.

#### Michigan retail sales climb in June

Michigan's retail industry rang up its best sales performance in more than three years during June, according to the Michigan Retail Index, a joint project of Michigan Retailers Association and the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago.

The June index showed retailers' year-over-year sales jumped 19 points to 66.7 on the 100-point scale, the highest since 68.1 in November 2010 as Michigan was rebounding from the Great Recession.

Retailers' sales forecasts for the third quarter slipped nearly 10 points on the index, indicating possible concerns about the back-to-school and early fall periods.

The June survey of MRA members showed 53 percent of retailers increased sales over the same month last year, while 23 percent recorded declines and 24 percent reported no change. The results create a seasonally adjusted performance index of 66.7, up from 47.7 in May. A year ago June the Index stood at 47.7.

The 100-point Index gauges the performance of the state's overall retail industry, based on monthly surveys conducted by MRA and the Federal Reserve. Index values above 50 generally indicate positive activity; the higher the number, the stronger the activity.

Looking forward, 58 percent of retailers expect sales during July through September to increase over the same period last year, while 18 percent project a decrease and 24 percent no change. That puts the seasonally adjusted outlook index at 69.5, down from 79.3 in May. A year ago June the Index stood at 79.3.

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# BRICK'S HOSTING CHARITY TO HELP CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARY

Popular downtown Northville pub also adding new menu items

By **Lonnie Huhman**  
Staff Writer

It's been two years since Northville resident Mike Subu took over management at Brick's. To mark the anniversary, the popular restaurant is introducing a new menu and continuing to help local charities with some great causes and big events.

"This is what we are all about - trying to get better as a business while also helping to give back," said Subu, a Northville High School and Central Michigan University graduate.

Subu has a lifetime of experience in the restaurant business. He and his father also own G. Subu's Leather Bottle. Now Subu wants to keep Brick's moving forward as a community mainstay. Known for its craft beer, food and entertainment, there's a good chance it will be a hot spot in Northville for years to come.

## New menu

Subu said the menu can always get better and more diverse.

"We like to change and have things that can't be found in other places around town," he said. "We don't want to be like everyone else."

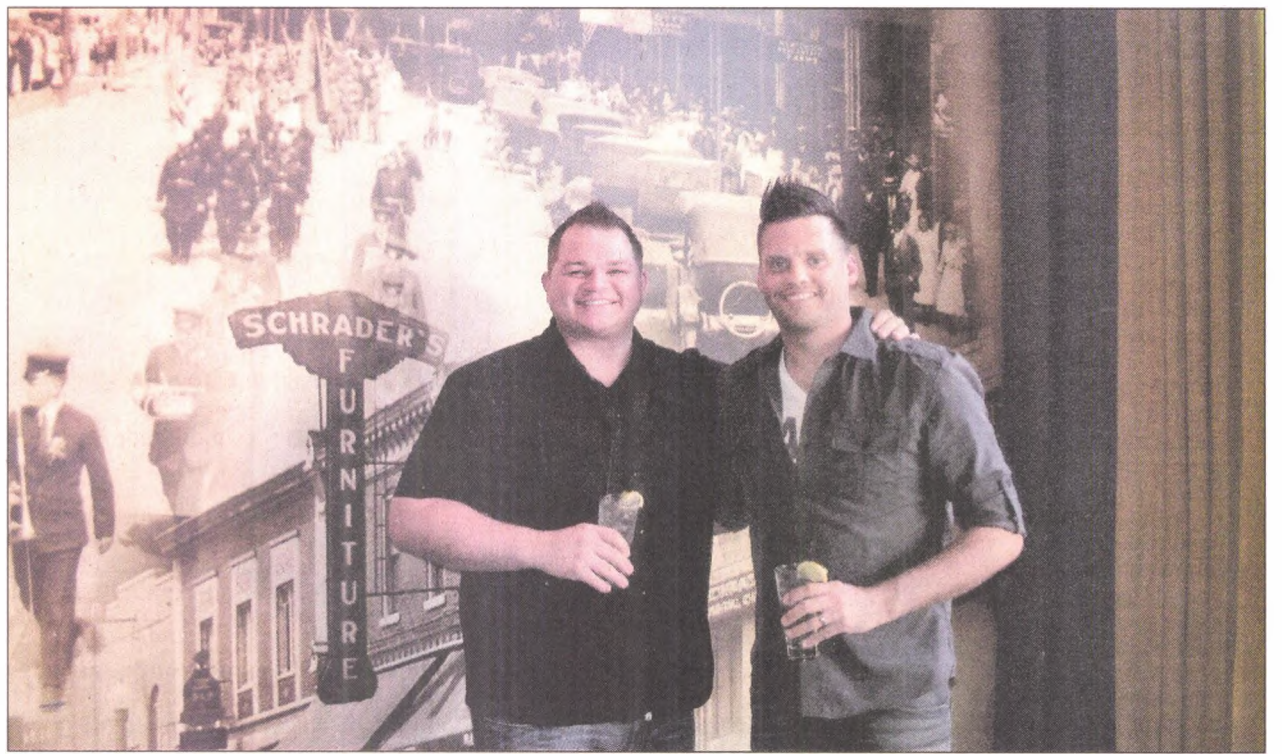
A new list of burgers highlights the changes. There will now be a seasoned turkey burger with onion, provolone, sweet pepper relish, lettuce and tomato and a market fresh veggie burger with roasted vegetables and black beans with corn, smoked Gouda and guacamole. There's also the classic Brick's burger, which is a burger blend with lettuce, tomato and sliced pickle.

Specialty thin-crust pizza options will also be expanded. The house special with ham, pepperoni, mushrooms, onions, green peppers and red sauce is a good one.

A surprise dish will be the lobster with Mac and cheese.

## Giving back

This weekend, Brick's is hosting "Giving Songs presents Sounds of Summer." Giving Songs is an all-volunteer charity with the mission of improving



Brick's owner Mike Subu (left) is hosting a charity event the evening of Aug. 9 called Sounds of Summer, which will benefit the organization Giving Songs. Northville grad and musician/singer Robin Horlock (right) is part of the event.

the lives of families with legally blind, multiply-disabled children. Brick's will be giving a percentage of its sales during the event to help the charity.

This is the first such event like at Brick's, so it should be memorable. Live music will feature local Michigan musicians, including Northville High grad Robin

Horlock, The Lyin' Dogs Band, Lee Hyland and Carly Bins. There will also be a silent auction and raffle.

There is no cover charge.

The next big charity event will have Brick's working with Detroit Lions player Stephen Tulloch's Foundation. Tulloch's foundation has

made a big impact on many families in the Detroit area.

This year, it wants to kick off the NFL season in September by selling Operation 55 cutout footballs in a few select area restaurants, including Brick's. This is part of the foundation's goal to adopt 55 schools in the city of Detroit and help

them with different needs.

Brick's is located at 133 W. Main Street in downtown Northville. For more information, call 248-924-2135 or visit <http://bricksofnorthville.com>.

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## Elder law series to take place throughout September

The Plymouth Community United Way, in partnership with the Plymouth Community Council on Aging, will present a free Elder Law Series with Northville attorney Gary S. Allen, 10-11:30 a.m. and 6:30-8 p.m. each Monday in September at Plymouth Township Hall,

9955 N. Haggerty.

Allen is an estate planning and elder law attorney. Advance registration is required. To reserve a space, call Plymouth Community United Way at 734-453-6879, ext. 7.

Topics of the series include:

» Sept. 8: Estate Plan-

ning - Avoiding probate, discussion of wills and power of attorney for financial and health care purposes, Lady Bird deeds, changes to 2013 Federal Estate Tax.

Learn why you do not want to hold a deed for recording after death.

» Sept. 15: Outliving Your Assets - Seventy

percent of retirees need long-term care. Learn about long-term care insurance and combining it with life insurance, how to qualify for Medicaid, convert financial assets into guaranteed income. Create a guaranteed lifetime pension for you and your spouse.

» Sept. 22: Retirement

Accounts - Discussion will revolve around IRAs, 401(k), 403(b), etc. Avoid up to 40-percent taxation on accounts at death, 10-percent and 50-percent tax penalties for improper withdrawals from retirement accounts. Convert taxable IRA to tax-free inheritance.

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# Shuman dealership donates \$50,000 for Walled Lake Schools foundation

On behalf of Shuman Chrysler Dodge Jeep RAM in Walled Lake, Bob Shuman, dealer, past president of the Detroit Auto Dealers Association and past chair of the 2014 North American Auto Show, donated \$50,000 to the Walled Lake Schools' Foundation for Excellence on July 22. The foundation will fulfill Shuman's goal of reaching out to students who want to be involved in Walled Lake Schools' performing arts programs, but need assistance.

"Students learn leadership, team work, collaboration, responsibility and many other essential skills by participating in performing arts programs. My children and thousands of students and families have benefited greatly over the years from their participation in marching band and various other performing arts opportunities. I am very pleased to be able to offer these opportunities to students



Shown (from left) are Chuck Phillipson, FFE chairman; Bob Shuman; Michelle Bianco, FFE executive director; Michael Bernhardt, FFE vice chairman; Kevin Terry, FFE trustee; and Cynthia Campion, FFE treasurer.

who may not have considered them as a result of the financial commitment," Shuman said.

"Establishment of the Shuman Chrysler Dodge Jeep RAM Performing Arts Student Grant exemplifies our local business community's commitment to our Walled Lake Schools and further demonstrates an understanding of the in-

tegral role our district's performing arts has in the success and educational achievement of our students," said Michelle Bianco, executive director for the foundation.

Initial student grant awards will be issued for the 2015-16 school year and will continue thereafter on an annual basis. Student application will be rolled out by January

2015 and awards will be announced May 2015.

Shuman is the newest member among the foundation's 14 volunteer trustees, who share a dedication and passion for increasing and enhancing innovative, educational opportunities within the areas of technology, literacy, leadership and community for the Walled Lake Consolidated School District.

"Bob's support and insight will enable the foundation to gain a greater understanding of the business needs within our community and how to best aid our school district in furthering our students' ability to meet those challenges and be equipped to succeed within our dynamic environment," said Chuck Phillipson, foundation chairman.

The work and mission of the foundation is carried out year round in order to preserve its 23-year history of engaging support and resources for the class-

rooms of the Walled Lake School District, raising more than \$850,000 during its tenure.

Mini-grant disbursements in the 2013-14 school year resulted in providing funds to support the district's K-12 Art Exhibit, an elementary school family literacy night and disability awareness day, a middle school anti-bullying program, procurement of iPad minis and graphing calculators for the classroom and much more.

Disbursements this year by the foundation also included \$10,560 being received by Cheryl Lambdin, West Bloomfield resident and Walled Lake district employee, as she held the winning 2014 Tuition Expedition Scholarship Raffle ticket drawn in March at the Walled Lake District Reflections Celebration.

The foundation hosted this raffle for its ninth consecutive year and will launch Tuition Expedition 2015 this winter.

## ABOUT THE FOUNDATION

The Walled Lake Schools' Foundation for Excellence is dedicated to advancing ways for children to learn. The foundation is a 501(c)3 nonprofit corporation. All gifts are tax-deductible as charitable contributions to the full extent of the law. The foundation subsidizes a variety of programs in W.L. schools which are not funded by tax dollars and the district budget.

Visit the Foundation for Excellence website [www.wlcsd.org/foundation.cfm](http://www.wlcsd.org/foundation.cfm) to learn more about its effort to "build a strong foundation ... one child at a time" or contact the office directly at 248-956-2116 to inquire about supporting foundation programs, activities and making tax-deductible contributions.

## State warns businesses about phone scam

Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs Director Steve Arwood is warning Michigan corporations not to give out their business information to callers identifying themselves as representatives from the state of Michigan Corporations Division. They are not.

Michigan business owners are receiving telephone calls from an individual who indicates that they are a representative from the state of Michigan Corporations Division. The caller is requesting the business address and indicating that the information is required by the division in order to complete an annual update. These calls are not legitimate; do not respond, Arwood said.

The number — 882-014-0325 — has been linked to similar scams in

several states.

Legitimate notices and mailings to Michigan businesses from LARA's Corporations Division are mailed to the resident agent at the registered office address on record. Businesses not sure about an inquiry they received can contact the LARA Corporations, Securities and Commercial Licensing Bureau at 517-241-6470.

Businesses with questions about their corporation, limited liability company or limited partnership are encouraged to use the Business Entity Search at [www.michigan.gov/entitysearch](http://www.michigan.gov/entitysearch) to check their status. If an annual report or statement needs to be filed, businesses can file online at [www.michigan.gov/fileonline](http://www.michigan.gov/fileonline).

For more information about LARA, visit [www.michigan.gov/lara](http://www.michigan.gov/lara).

## Cooper Standard forming joint Asia-Pacific venture with Japanese firm

Novi-based Cooper Standard Holdings Inc., parent company of Cooper Standard Automotive Inc., is forming a joint venture with INOAC Corp. of Japan to expand the reach of its fluid transfer systems products in the Asia-Pacific automotive market.

Cooper Standard will own 51 percent of Cooper Standard INOAC Pte. Ltd., and INOAC will own 49 percent of the JV, Cooper Standard said. The deal is expected to close in third quarter of 2014, with staffing and asset acquisition scheduled to begin in September.

Cooper Standard said it has completed the sale of its emissions product line to Halla Visteon Climate Control Corp., which was divested so the firm could focus on its four core rubber product lines — sealing and trim; fluid transfer systems; fuel and brake

delivery; and anti-vibration systems.

The joint venture with INOAC is intended to accelerate the firm's fluid transfer systems product introduction into Asia and further strengthen its presence in the Asia-Pacific automotive market, which Cooper Standard said it has identified as a key market.

The first phase of the joint venture will be based in China, Cooper Standard said, and production is expected to begin in third quarter of 2015. Expansion into additional countries is expected to follow.

"After a careful evaluation, our leadership team has determined that forming a majority-owned joint venture with an established Asian auto parts supplier represents the best opportunity to successfully enter the market," Jeffrey Edwards, chairman and CEO of Cooper

Standard, said in a statement.

Edwards praised INOAC for its extensive footprint throughout Asia, decades of experience with rubber and plastics products, and close relationships with the Japanese original equipment manufacturers.

Cooper Standard has been active in the Asia-Pacific region. It just celebrated the grand opening of its new Asia-Pacific Technical Center in Shanghai.

"Combining INOAC's experience with Japanese customers and their Asia manufacturing footprint with Cooper Standard's global expertise in the fluid transfer systems business as well as our broad customer base really creates an unmatched potential to gain share of the \$2.5 billion fluid transfer automotive market," Edwards said. INOAC and Cooper

Standard combine to operate more than 50 plants throughout the Asia-Pacific region. Key products for the new joint venture are expected to include low pressure, premium hose and transmission oil cooler lines for radiator, emissions, vacuum brakes, turbo chargers, heater, air conditioning and power steering applications.

INOAC Chairman Soichi Inoue said the joint venture provides INOAC the firm an opportunity to expand its product offering further into the Asian market.

INOAC manufactures polyurethane, rubber, plastic and synthetic materials products for product applications in automotive, two-wheeled vehicles, information technology and other industries. It is based in Japan and employs more than 23,000, with operations in 16 countries.

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Contact: 248-349-2652 or visit umcnovi.com.

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## OUR VIEWS

# Farmers market more than just tasty

## Weekly gatherings provide nutrition and entertainment to community

On any given day of the week, somewhere, someplace in the Detroit area, a farmers market is taking place. The markets are a way of bringing roadside farm stands to suburban communities. The stalls are filled with farmers' fresh produce, baked goods, honey, home canned foods, flowers and crafts.

This week has been declared National Farmers Market Week, a time to celebrate all the good things that happen at those weekly gatherings. U.S. Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack calls farmers markets "an important public face for agriculture and a critical part of our nation's food system. They provide benefits not only to the farmers looking for important income opportunities, but also help fill a growing consumer demand for fresh, healthy foods."

"Farmers markets play a key role in developing local and regional food systems that support family farms and help grow rural economies," he added. "They bring communities together, connecting cities with the farms that support them and provide Americans across the country with fresh, healthy food."

The number of farmers markets in Michigan has grown from around 90 in 2001 to more than 300 today. In fact, Michigan ranks fourth in the country for having the most farmers markets. California tops the list with 759 markets, followed by New York with 637, Illinois with 336 and Michigan with 331.

Farmers markets offer con-



For additional information about Novi's farmers market, contact Wendy DuVall at 248-347-0400.

sumers fresh, affordable, convenient and healthful products sold directly from the farm. They also offer additional market opportunities for local producers, especially smaller or newer operations. Communities like Novi, Northville, Westland, Wayne, Livonia, Canton and Plymouth have markets happening every week - some have been around for years, while others are building in popularity after starting a few years ago.

The beauty of farmers markets is that they bring communities together and often act as

a centerpiece of community vitality. They have become popular social events for families. Kids Days, concerts and activities are now as much a part of area markets as the fresh fruits, vegetables and food being sold. Dollars spent locally also circulate locally, supporting your community's economy and local businesses.

The Novi Farmers Market is open from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. each Saturday through Sept. 13 on the Civic Center Campus, 45175 10 Mile, in the Novi High School parking lot. The Detroit Eastern Market Farm Stand

will bring fresh items each week. Additionally, vendor applications are accepted for fresh, local items such as organically and naturally grown seasonal fruits and vegetables; herbs; plants, flowers and trees; candles; soaps; oils; vegan and gluten-free baked goods; dairy products; tea, coffee and cider; condiments; spices; meats; granola and grains; locally grown international produce; and more. Other goods that may be added to the market include original art work items such as jewelry, recycled items, ceramics, oil

and water color paintings, photography, mixed media, metal and wood working.

U.S.D.A. Agricultural Marketing Service Administrator Anne Alonzo is correct in her observation that farmers markets "continue to be popular social events for families and communities."

The growing season is in full swing and it's not too late to check out a farmers market this week. A full list of markets can be found on the Michigan Farmers Market Association website at [www.mifma.org](http://www.mifma.org).

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Support Erica's Outreach

We are members of Erica's Global Outreach, Inc., an official 501(c)3 nonprofit organization started in honor of Erica Teevens. Erica was working toward a dream to go abroad to Africa and volunteer at an orphanage. Her plans, unfortunately, were cut short by her fatal car accident in February 2011. Her untimely passing was a shock to all of us, but this experience has inspired us to continue pursuing her dream.

Erica was planning on volunteering at FL Faith Child's orphanage a couple of months before her accident. Consequently, we accomplished our first project through a partnership with the FL Faith Child Foundation, a nonprofit organization with the goal of helping needy and neglected orphans in Ghana. Through this collaboration, we were able to install a water pump through a borehole in the village. This water could then be stored in a poly-tank with three different taps attached, which allowed for easy and consistent access to water for the community. We also helped the same community start a primary school for grades K-2. Currently the school has approximately 130 students. For more information about this collaboration and Erica's Global Outreach, please visit our website. ([www.ericasglobaloutreach.org](http://www.ericasglobaloutreach.org)).

Following this success, our next goal is to help the school move to a location where we can better serve other com-

munities. In order to raise money for the school, we are throwing a fundraiser event 1-6 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 10, at the Bonaventure Skate Rink in Farmington Hills.

If you could help us out with raffle prizes or any other type of donation, we would love to offer free advertising for your business at our event. We appreciate your time and hope to work with you in the future!

Erica's Global Outreach, Inc.  
[www.ericasglobaloutreach.org](http://www.ericasglobaloutreach.org)

### Focus on renewables

The Sierra Club was founded in 1892 by John Muir to "explore, enjoy and protect the planet." He took Teddy Roosevelt camping in Yosemite to convince him to set aside wilderness areas in a national park system. We celebrated the Earth long before Earth Day. Since then the Sierra Club has advocated for wilderness, biodiversity, clean air and clean water for all Americans.

Much has changed since 1892, but we still believe in exploring, enjoying and protecting the planet. We do not think we should go backwards and not have electricity, but we do know that we could generate electricity in clean and affordable ways.

Nuclear energy, for example, is dirty and expensive. From uranium mining which devastates communities and leaves behind contaminated soil and water, to hugely expensive (and often unneeded) reactors that create tons of highly-toxic radioactive waste

which lasts or hundreds of thousands of year; waste which is now stored on site because no one can figure out what to do with it. Not to mention Chernobyl, Fukushima and Three Mile Island, and that Fermi I in Monroe almost had a meltdown, which would have destroyed Detroit.

Coal plants spew mercury and particulate matter into the air as well as CO2 and other greenhouse gasses. Why do we have advisories not to eat Great Lakes fish? Because of mercury in their bodies generated by coal power plants.

What is the answer? Clean, renewable energy. Both DTE and Consumers Energy have complied with the law requiring that they generate 10 percent of their energy from renewable resources by 2015. The Michigan Public Service Commission has said they can easily do much more. The cost of new coal and nuclear energy is \$108-133 per Mwh, and the cost of wind power is \$43-59 per Mwh. Once

the initial infrastructure is in place, electricity from solar and wind sources is extremely cheap, requiring minimal maintenance and no dirty fuels.

Michigan sends \$1.2 billion to other states to buy coal; meanwhile, we are behind many other states in the production of renewable energy. Wind and sunlight cost nothing. Our state has a rich manufacturing history and the infrastructure in place to be a leader in renewable energy generation, which will create 44,000 jobs in our state, stabilize long-term energy prices, decrease our dependence on fossil fuels and mitigate our impact on the climate for this and future generations.

Jean Gramlich  
chair, Southeast Michigan Group Sierra Club

### Water outage

I don't understand the outrage over the Detroit water shut-offs. Since the Great Recession of 2008, we have experienced an extremely large number

- of:
1. Foreclosures, families being evicted from their homes, possibly becoming homeless.
  2. Electric service being shut off; no lights, heat, refrigeration, etc.
  3. Gas service being shut off; no heat or hot water.

Where was the outrage then? There wasn't any. You can go to the Detroit River, dip a bucket and get water. You can't do that for electricity, gas or a mortgage.

I don't understand the difference between not paying your gas bill, your electric bill, your mortgage or your water bill.

Tom Kelly  
Plymouth

### Overturn Citizens United

The U.S. Senate Judiciary has recommended overturning the disastrous Citizens United decision that gave rule of our country to big-money interests. We need to ask our representatives in the U.S. House to immediately pass a similar act that would restore gov-

ernment of the people, by the people and for the people.

Sally Peck  
Livonia

### Coffee shop talk

The coffee shop discussions got loud - again. "Charter schools perform better and let parents choose what they think is important for their kids." No: "Charter schools skim off the cream of the students, leaving the public schools to deal with the rest." There are few facts presented in the debate; the opinions seem endless.

Until our public school systems offer what are the best values of the charter schools (or even better), many caring parents will choose charters if they are available - until the public schools go out of business or they change for the better. And at that point, all children, with caring parents or not, will be better off, as will our society.

Tom Salapatek  
Canton

## COMMUNITY VOICE

# "Do you think the Detroit Tigers' trade for David Price was a smart move?"

This question was asked at the Library Sports Pub and Grill and Tilted Kilt.



"Yes, starting pitching matters most in the playoffs."

Adam Murphy  
Library Sports Pub and Grill patron



"Yes, they might not be the overall favorite still, but adding a great starter is big."

Donnie Beeney  
Library Sports Pub and Grill patron



"Of course. This gives us more options for the playoffs. We could move a starter to work as relief, which would be helpful."

Kyle Puska  
Tilted Kilt patron



"Yes, absolutely. Another great starter is always good."

Makenzie Howell  
Tilted Kilt bartender

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Dance performances, such as this one from 2013, are a major attraction of the India Day event. CAL STONE

## Catch a glimpse of India's culture, traditions and people Saturday

By Cal Stone  
Staff Writer

Saturday will bring Michigan's largest Asian-Indian event to The Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi. India Day will celebrate that country's independence, history and culture with sights, sounds and tasty samples of India.

Presented by the India League of America-Michigan in collaboration with all Michigan's Asian-Indian organizations, the family-friendly event is for all ages and is expected to draw around 25,000.

More than 400 adults and children will perform in some 50 programs and there will be a freedom parade, as well as more than 100 exhibits of dresses, crafts, jewelry and food for sale.

This year, India Day has expanded to more than 150,000 square feet – nearly double previous years' size. Organizers are intent on providing more shopping and fun and a better experience

for all visitors.

India is the world's seventh largest country by area, second largest by population at 1.2 billion and most populous democracy. India gained its independence from the British on Aug. 15, 1947.

After last year's highly-successful India Day, chairman Ramesh Gudapuri told Gannett Michigan that the independence is a "golden moment" in history because of its unique non-violent approach.

"It is also a salute to our great leaders for

their many sacrifices in the freedom struggle," he said in 2013. "Today, while we have integrated ourselves into the American mainstream quite efficiently, we cannot afford to forget our roots and heritage. India's rich culture and noble traditions have been our trademark and we are still a large, compassionate family."

India Day will be from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. The Showplace is located at 46100 Grand River Avenue (between Beck and Taft roads).

### ABOUT ILA

India League of America is a nonprofit, secular organization formed in 1978. ILA was formed with a mission to champion the interests of the Indian-American community in Michigan and to celebrate and expose the Indian traditions and culture to foster a better understanding of US and India and to integrate the Indian-American

community with the general community. India is a very diverse country with many languages and cultures. ILA has been instrumental in bringing local Indian-American community organizations together by

organizing various cultural and social events. ILA is thankful and appreciates the support of the people and government of the state of Michigan and United States.



## Annual India Day event a special celebration of culture

On Saturday, Aug. 9, Novi will again host the largest Asian Indian event in Michigan, the annual India Day celebration at the Suburban Collection Showplace.

If you've never had the pleasure of attending, I highly recommend it. It's a festival of color, dancing, food and goods that is simply a treat to experience.

The event, organized and presented by the India League of America-Michigan, will feature music and dance – Bhangra, classical, film and popular dances. There will be delicious authentic Indian food, as well as art, clothing, jewelry and cultural exhibits. And, of course, there will be a spectacular parade, showcasing ethnic dress and music.

Event Chairman Ramesh Gudapuri, a Novi resident since 1997, reports that he's expecting more than 120 exhibitors and 25,000 visitors at this year's India Day, a celebration of India's independence from Great Britain that is celebrated each Aug. 15.

And the event is certainly popular with the Indian community living in southeast Michigan, the largest immigrant group in metro Detroit.

Gudapuri says that Indian people who are new to Michigan will not only appreciate being able to participate in a celebration of one of India's popular national holidays, but they also have the opportunity to gather with the Indian community and get to know Indian business owners and organizations.

Because it attracts vendors from near and far, Michigan's India Day event is also an opportunity to shop for clothing, jewelry and artifacts that may not be readily avail-



Neal Searle  
GUEST COLUMNIST

able in Michigan.

But it's more than all of that. Since it debuted in 2002 at the Novi Expo Center, event organizers have wanted not only to showcase Indian culture, food, music and dance for the young people in the Indian community, they've also wanted to share it with all of their neighbors in southeast Michigan.

The best description of the organizers' mission is perhaps Gudapuri's: "We say it spreads 'Indianness.'"

For us, it's personal. Lotus Bank was established in 2007 by Indian-American business leaders in the region. They started the bank as a minority-owned business serving residents and small businesses, with a special focus on the Indian community.

So for me and the

team at Lotus Bank, the India Day event is more than just a festival at the Showplace. It's a special celebration of Indian culture that is not only part of our community, but is at the very core of our business. It's a beautiful and joyous festival of all that is unique and wonderful about India and how "Indianness" enhances the entire southeast Michigan region.

If you would like to attend, the event will be from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday at Suburban Collection Showplace, 46100 Grand River, in Novi. Admission is free, though there is a cost for parking.

For more information about India Day event, visit: <http://ilamichigan.org/indiaday/index.html>. For more information about Lotus Bank, visit: <http://www.lotusbank.com/>.

Neal Searle is the president and CEO of Lotus Bank, established in 2007 and headquartered in Novi.

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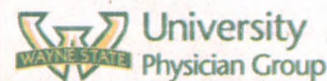
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# Monarchs missing: Michigan's extreme winter takes toll on butterflies

By Keith Matheny  
Gannett Michigan

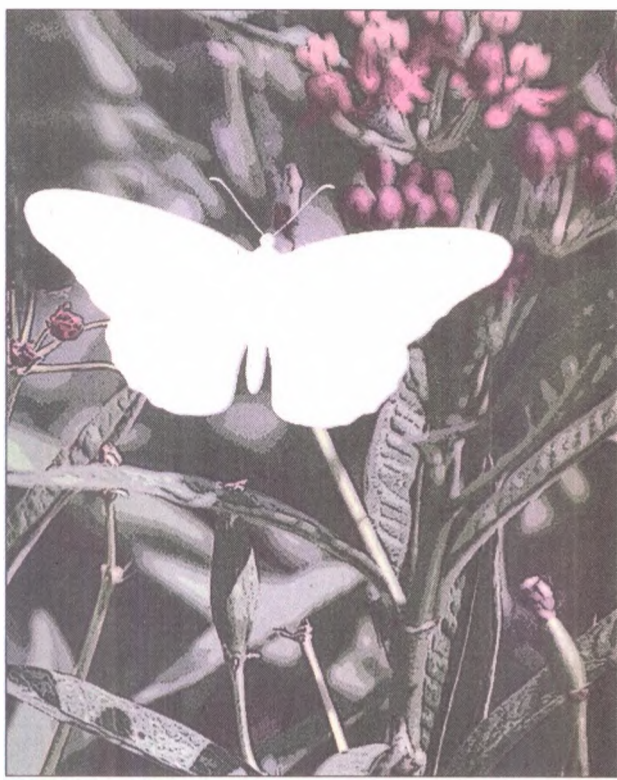
Look closely outside. Something's missing. Something orange, black, white and fluttery.

Monarch butterflies, once a ubiquitous spring and summer presence throughout Michigan, are yet again a rare sighting this year.

It's the result of two factors: An ongoing crash in the migratory monarch's populations due to the loss of habitat — particularly milkweed — and Michigan's long, cold winter causing many returning butterflies to hang farther south or to arrive much later than usual.

"It's really a big difference. It's a tragedy," said Diane Pruden, a Milford Township resident who serves as a citizen researcher for Monarch Watch, a nonprofit education, conservation and research program based at the University of Kansas.

Monarch eggs can normally be spotted in late May and through June on Michigan's



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milkweed — a wild plant named for the thick, milky liquid that flows within its broad, green leaves and upon which the monarch is uniquely

reliant. Pruden saw her first eggs two weeks ago, she said.

"The fact it's so late, I think, is a big problem," she said.

So are the monarch's numbers. One of few migratory butterflies, the monarch travels up to 4,000 miles every fall to a concentrated overwinter location in Mexico, where hundreds of millions hang in clumps in high-elevation, oyamel fir forests.

Monarchs covered nearly 21 hectares of the Mexican overwinter grounds in the winter of 1996-97 and have averaged 6.4 hectares of coverage annually — a hectare equals about 2.5 acres. This winter, their numbers covered only 0.67 hectare, said Orley (Chip) Taylor, the founder and director of Monarch Watch and a professor in the University of Kansas' Department of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology.

"The monarch pop-



## MICHIGAN'S MISSING MONARCHS

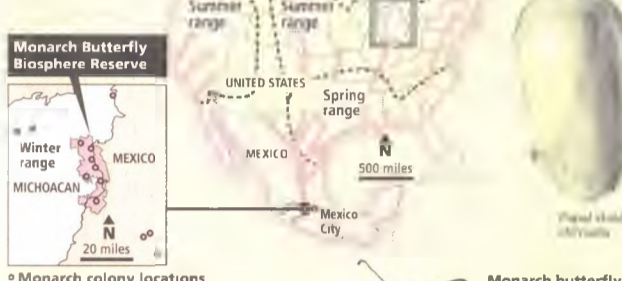
An ongoing population decline in the number of monarch butterflies at their overwinter site in Mexico, and Michigan's unusually long, cold winter, have combined to make it another down year for the once-prevalent butterfly. The migratory end point for the migrating butterflies in Mexico covered as much as 21 hectares in the winter of 1996-97. But this past winter, the wintering butterflies were found only on 0.67 hectare.

### MONARCH WAYSTATIONS

Waystations are butterfly habitats that are registered by Monarch Watch to help maintain feeding and breeding areas for monarchs. There are more than 8,000 waystations across the country, including Michigan. Information on waystations may be found at [www.monarchwatch.org](http://www.monarchwatch.org)

### SPRING MIGRATION ROUTES

After hibernating in Mexico at the 124,000-acre Monarch Butterfly Biosphere Reserve, monarchs migrate north. They start their flight in late April and reach the northern limits of milkweeds by mid-June.



Monarch colony locations

### MONARCHS AND MILKWEED

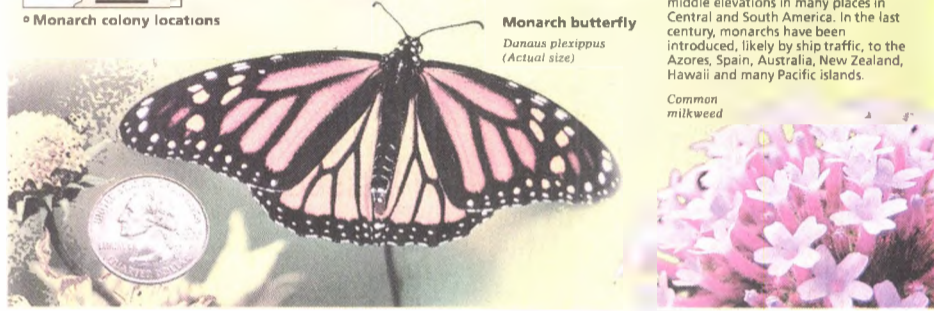
The monarch butterfly depends on the milkweed plant. It lays its eggs on the leaves, consumes the leaves as a caterpillar, rests under them in the larval stage and eats the flower's nectar as an adult butterfly.

**Life span:** Adults that emerge in early summer have the shortest life spans and live for about two to five weeks. Those that emerge in late summer survive over the winter. The migratory monarchs, which emerge from the pupa in late summer and then migrate south, live a much longer life, about eight to nine months.

**Weight:** 0.088 to 0.263 ounces (Four large ones weigh slightly more than a dime).

**Location:** Monarchs are found throughout the U.S., parts of Canada and at middle elevations in many places in Central and South America. In the last century, monarchs have been introduced, likely by ship traffic, to the Azores, Spain, Australia, New Zealand, Hawaii and many Pacific islands.

Common milkweed



SOURCES: Monarch Watch, Journey North, Stock.xchng photos

ulation has been going down for the better part of 10 years," he said. "It reached an all-time low this past winter."

The butterflies that return to Michigan every year aren't those fall vacationers — they lay eggs in Texas and Oklahoma and die off, and it's their offspring that make the return voyage. The butterflies may then go through up to three hatching cycles in Michigan before the fall butterflies again make the southern migration.

The monarch has a worldwide range including Europe, Australia and Hawaii, so its overall population isn't at risk yet of becoming threatened or endangered. But "there's a great deal of concern that the monarch migration is on the verge of collapse," Taylor said.

The northward migration, and the reproduction that occurs along it, is reliant on what Taylor calls "the milkweed corridor," an area through the central plains states featuring the plant.

But it's this same area where agriculture has exploded, particularly expanded growth of corn coinciding with a push for ethanol fuel, and has reduced milkweed growth, he said. Nearly 23.7 million acres of grassland, wetlands and shrub lands were converted to agriculture within this cor-

### HOW TO HELP THE MONARCH RECOVERY

The best way to help, according to butterfly experts, is to create monarch-friendly habitats in home gardens, landscaping and open spaces to help replace that being lost in the wild. Plant nectar-producing flowers now: Flowers such as zinnias provide the fuel monarch butterflies use at the end of the summer for their southern migration. Consult your local nursery for other nectaring flower suggestions.

Next spring, plant milkweed plants: Milkweed is essential to monarch butterflies for egg-laying and as food for its caterpillars. The nonprofit Monarch Watch offers milkweed plants for planting in the spring at low cost for individuals and free for schools and nonprofit groups who apply. Visit [www.monarchwatch.org](http://www.monarchwatch.org).

ridor between 2008 and 2011, according to U.S. Department of Agriculture statistics.

"They're taking milkweeds out of the system, and monarchs are totally dependent on milkweeds; they can't raise their caterpillars on anything else," he said.

It should matter to more than butterfly enthusiasts, Taylor said. The lost habitat also effects ground-nesting birds and small mammals vital to the natural food chain, and pollinating insects such as bees, which provide an essential benefit to agriculture.

"Ranger" Steve Mueller, a resident of Cedar Springs in Kent County, nature columnist and president of the West Michigan Butterfly Association, said those who want to help should try to compensate for the milkweed plants lost to agriculture and development. Groups like Monarch Watch in the spring offer milkweed plants

for home gardens.

"Our yards are going to become increasingly more important as our population continues to grow and we monopolize more of the natural area," Mueller said. "If we do the landscaping around our homes more intelligently, there's a much better chance for the monarchs."

Because the butterfly lays so many eggs, and has a number of reproductive cycles within a year, conditions that change for the better can provide a real boost to their numbers, Midland-based monarch researcher and enthusiast Denny Brooks said.

Bad winter storms dropped the Mexican overwinter population of monarchs to 2.83 hectares in 2000-01, down from 9 hectares the previous winter. But the next winter, the population was back up to covering 9.35 hectares, Brooks noted.

"We're looking for that rebound generation," he said.

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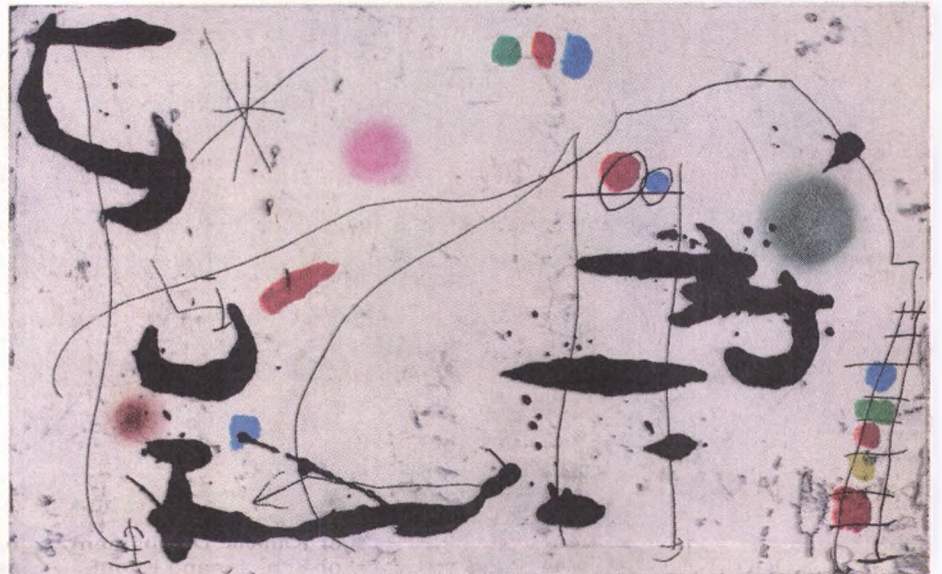
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Syed Jamal Badshah (left) has struck up a unique golf friendship with Tanglewood range pro Jerry Seal, a retired Detroit Police officer from Livonia.

## Local duo earn their stripes in Kalamazoo

Johnston stays alive in doubles; Wang ousted

By Brad Emons  
Staff Writer

Northville High's Connor Johnston and Novi High's Timothy Wang spent the week testing their talents against the country's best in the U.S. Tennis Association Boys 16 and 18 National Championships, which continue through Sunday in Kalamazoo.

The long-standing junior tournament, which started Saturday, is held at Kalamazoo College's Stowe Stadium and at Western Michigan University.

Johnston, a Novi resident who will be a junior for the Mustangs this fall, stayed alive in the Boys 16 singles consolation draw and had reached the fourth round in doubles play.

Johnston and teammate Daniel Boussom (Goshen, Ind.) were scheduled to play seventh-seeded Jordan Benjamin (Fairport, N.Y.) and Sebastian Mermesky (Washington, D.C.).

Wang, the MHSAA Division 1 singles champion in 2013 who will be a senior this fall for the Wildcats, suffered an early exit in both singles and doubles.

Drawing ninth seed Deiton Baughman (Carson, Calif.) in the opening round of the Boys 18 singles, Wang fell in straight sets, 7-5, 6-1. He also lost his feed-in match to Everett Maltby (Sunnyvale, Calif.) in a third-set super-breaker, 6-4, 4-6 (10-4).

Wang, a Midwest Closed quarter-finalist committed to Columbia University, earned a first-round bye in doubles along with partner Asher Hirsch (Cincinnati, Ohio) before falling to brothers Terrell and Terrance Whitehurst (Tallahassee, Fla.), 6-2, 6-2.

Johnston, the USTA Midwest Closed runner-up in singles, captured his first-round singles match against Davey Roberts (Palm Coast, Fla.), 6-2, 7-5, before falling in three sets to Brian Cernoch (North Bethesda, Md.) in three sets, 3-6, 6-1, 6-3.

Cernoch, a qualifier, had earlier pulled a first-round 7-5, 6-4 upset over second-seeded Jacob Brumm (Rancho Santa Fe, Calif.).

Johnston, the 2013 MHSAA No. 1 singles runner-up to Wang, was scheduled to face Joshua Marchalik (East Brunswick, N.J.) in a feed-in singles match Tuesday morning.

Johnston and Boussom, who teamed last month to win the Midwest Closed doubles titles in Indianapolis, survived their first-round match in Kalamazoo with a 6-7 (0-7), 6-2, 10-8



Johnston



Wang

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## Bridging the world through golf's eye

Teaching pro from Pakistan lands at Tanglewood

By Brad Emons  
Staff Writer

Syed Jamal Badshah can certainly claim he is one of the world's true golf ambassadors.

In his second year as a seasonal teaching pro at South Lyon's Tanglewood Golf Course, the former Asian and Nike tour pro once played a practice round in 2007 in Dubai with Tiger Woods and provided TV color commentary for the Royal Trophy (the Ryder Cup version between the Asian and European tours).

He also started the Olympic golf team in Turkey, has written newspaper articles and published a golf magazine,

besides teaching at the exclusive Karachi Golf Club in his native Pakistan. He also wrote a book, *Play Better Golf*, which sold more than 1 million copies worldwide with proceeds going toward educational opportunities at a local orphanage.

"Poverty taught me golf and life, not richness," said the 47-year-old Badshah, who was born in the northwest frontier of Pakistan (Peshawar), next to the border of Afghanistan. "Golf is life and has taught me everything about it."

His father was a prisoner of war for five years during the 1971 India-Pakistan War and at age 3 Badshah moved to Karachi, the country's largest metropolitan area with

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## N'ville's Roberts committed to creating own legacy

Bloodlines run deep for Northern Illinois recruit

By Brad Emons  
Staff Writer

The mail still comes in from schools like Minnesota despite the fact that Northville High football player Ryan Roberts has committed to Northern Illinois University.

Roberts says he's a man of his word. He made his decision in May and plans to stick with it.

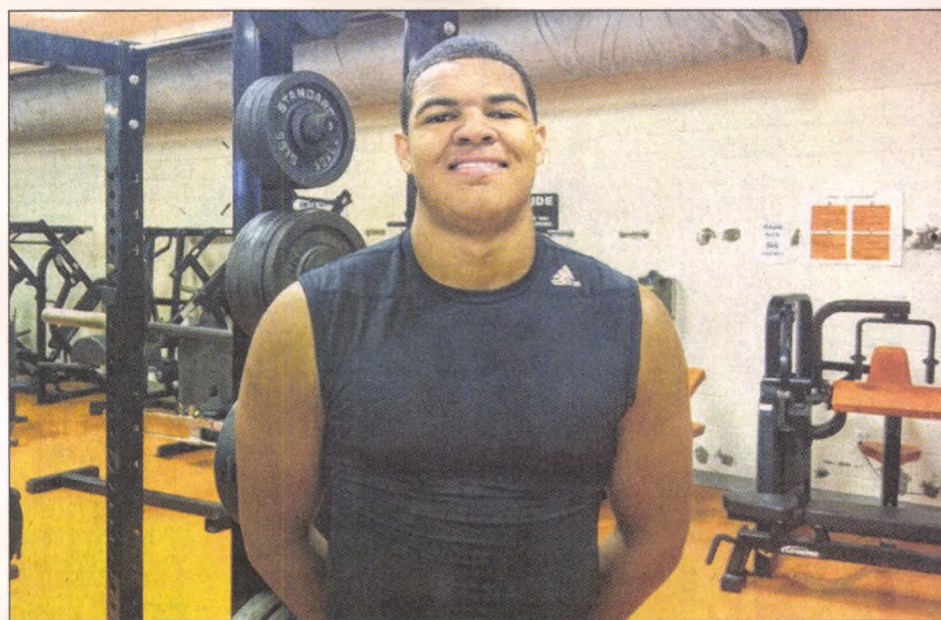
"I'm a Husky," said the 6-foot-7, 240-pound senior adamantly.

Roberts would probably have a lot of explaining to do if he decided to renege on his verbal commitment, which happens more frequently these days in the landscape of college recruiting.

That's because his father Raymond was a captain and tight end who played for the Huskies from 1990-93 while earning All-America recognition.

But Roberts said he never felt any family pressure to play at Northern Illinois.

"My dad wants me to make my own legacy," said Roberts, who helped the Mustangs to an 8-2 record last year



Northville's Ryan Roberts is headed to play football at Northern Illinois, where his father played tight end and was a captain. BRAD EMONS

along with KLAA Central Division and Kensington Conference titles. "He didn't want to say anything. I think he truly wanted me to make this decision. And when it came down to it, he was fine with it. He was going to support me whatever I decided.

"I just kind of prayed on it a lot and I decided Northern was the best place for me."

### Family matter

Ray Roberts, who had training camp stints with both the Detroit Lions — when Barry Sanders was there — and Chicago Bears, got somewhat blindsided when his son decided upon his alma mater.

"I was shocked, because I didn't know that was an option for him in

terms of where he was thinking and I was concerned about why he chose NIU before he told me why he chose it," Ray said. "When he said, 'I'm going to commit to NIU,' I think I wanted to make sure that he knew it was his decision.

"He was excited about their excitement about him and then he just felt like the school fit him. And I agreed with him because I felt it fit him as well. Always there is that concern, I think, in a kid's mind that they're going where their father went and had success."

Ray Roberts can't say if a seed was ever planted in Ryan's mind to be a Husky at an early age.

"When he was like a baby, like 4 or 5 years old, we went to a game at the campus, but we did go to several games since we lived here in the Detroit area — MAC championship game, University of Toledo versus Northern games, Western ... so he's kind of gotten to see them in action quite a bit," Ray said. "I also went to Notre Dame for grad school, so I took him to Notre Dame games more than Northern Illinois games and I took him Michigan State games.

"Actually, throughout the process I think he never thought about playing at NIU because I think he's always been an independent kid that wants to make his own way, his own name. Throughout

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**SPORTS ROUNDUP**

**Northville swim alums stage meet**

Northville High will stage an alumni swim meet beginning at noon Saturday, Aug. 23, at the school's pool.

Warm-up begins at 11 a.m., with all swim events included (with adjustments if needed). All alumni are encouraged to attend even if they do not want to participate in the meet.

For more information, email Brian McNeff at mcneff00@yahoo.com.

**Novi youth soccer**

The city of Novi Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department is offering travel and house soccer programs for players in preschool through high school.

House league and travel home games will be held at ITC Community Sports Park, 51000 Eight Mile, Novi. Practices start Aug. 25 with house teams going once per week, while travel teams practice twice per week. Days and times vary by team.

Volunteer coaches are also needed and will be provided with tips, example drills and practice equipment. All coaches receive a \$25 program registration credit for a future program.

To register or for more information, visit cityofnovi.org or stop by the Novi Parks Office, 45175 10 Mile.

You can also email Chase Root at croot@cityofnovi.org or call 248-347-0400.

**Travel baseball**

Tryouts for the 2015 Novi Heat travel baseball program will be at 8:30 a.m. (check-in) Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 9-10, at ITC Community Park, 51000 Eight Mile, Novi.

The tryout schedule and coach email contact information includes:

9-and-under (ITC field No. 1) - Matt Walker@noviheat.com; 10-and-under (ITC field No. 7) - Ken.Perpich@noviheat.com; 11-and-under (ITC field No. 2) - Brandon.Los@noviheat.com; 12-and-under (ITC field No. 4) - Mike.Lubin@noviheat.com; 13-and-under (ITC field No. 5) - joe.dulzo@noviheat.com; and 14-and-under (ITC field No. 8) - Joe.Tesorero@noviheat.com.

Recommended ages by birthday (all May 1 to April 30) for specific teams include: 9-and-under (2006); 10-and-under (2005); 11-and-under (2004); 12-and-under (2003); 13-and-under (2002); 14-and-under (2001).

To pre-register for tryouts, click on the "contact us" button on the website at www.noviheat.com.

**Novi dedication**

The Novi Athletic Boosters will hold their annual Tastefest & Silent Auction on Thursday, Aug. 28, at the Wildcats' football stadium with food and fun for the entire family.

The gates open at 5 p.m., with the new field dedication scheduled for 6:30 p.m. The season varsity football opener features host Novi against Brighton at 7

p.m. For more information, visit www.noviathleticboosters.com.

**Widzinski outing**

The Society of Notre Dame de Bon Secours will stage its second annual David Widzinski Community Golf Classic on Sunday, Aug. 31, at Tanglewood Golf Course, 53503 W. 10 Mile, South Lyon.

Registration starts at noon, followed by a shotgun start at 1 p.m. The cost is \$100 (includes golf, dinner and dancing until midnight) or \$33 (dinner and dancing only). Also included will be golf contests, raffles, auctions, cash bar and live band.

A community gathering that day to remember and celebrate Widzinski's life, faith and spirit also includes a Mass at 10 a.m. at Detroit Catholic Central High School, 27225 Wixom Road, Novi.

For more information, visit www.davidliveson.com.

**Legacy soccer**

The Legacy Center of is offering Legends Rec (ages 4-5 through second grade) Travel Rec (ages under-9 through under-19) soccer programs for \$160 and \$220, respectively.

The Legends Rec season runs from Aug. 18 through Oct. 25 with one 60-minute practice per week and eight-game schedule. The Travel Rec program will be from Aug. 11 through Oct. 29 and features two 90-minute practices per week and eight games.

For more information, visit www.Legacy-CenterMichigan.com.

**NETTERS**

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(super-breaker) victory over Adam Ambrozy (South Pasadena, Fla.)

and Kaden Funk (Windermere, Fla.).

The unseeded duo followed by posting a pair of consecutive straight-set victories, defeating Jackson Cobb (Austin, Tex.) and Wil-

son Hamilton (Dallas, Tex.), 6-2, 6-1, and Aleks Huryn and Hambim Sharma (both of Alpharetta, Ga.), 6-1, 6-3.

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**National judo champ**



Nicholas Joseph of Livonia (center) captured a USA Judo junior national championship June 29 in Irving, Tex. Joseph competed in the Juvenile B 66-kilogram weight class of the 15-17 age group. He won all four of his matches to capture the gold medal. Joseph is a Shodan (first-degree black belt) and trains year round at the Birmingham YMCA under Olympic referee Noboru Saito. Joseph will be a junior at Novi Detroit Catholic Central High School, where he is a varsity wrestler.

**ROBERTS**

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our conversations about where would you like to go, Northern Illinois never came up. I think it was Northern Illinois reaching out to him that even sparked his interest in terms of, 'I never thought about that.' Because I never asked him about playing there."

**Well-traveled**

Ray Roberts graduated from Morgan Park High School in Chicago. He is now a division president of U.S. Foods-Detroit. He holds a master's degree in business administration from Notre Dame's Mendoza College of Business and a bachelor's degree in manufacturing engineering technology from NIU.

Prior to joining U.S. Foods, Roberts was a business manager for the Exterior System Business Roofing Division of Owens Corning. He also held leadership positions with Generals Mills and S.C. Johnson.

Needless to say, the family moved around before settling in Northville when Ryan was a seventh-grader.

"Let's see, I was born in Toledo," Ryan said. "I also lived in Kansas City, then Racine, Wis., Sylva, Ohio and Fishers, Ind."

Ray Roberts jokes that Ryan was an "army brat without me being in the army."

But when he got to Northville, Mustangs varsity football coach Matt Ladach took immediate notice and knew he had something on his hands.

"Ryan came up as a sophomore and shared some time at tight end and was a starter for us last year, too," Ladach said. "He's a very good kid, very respectful, a professional young man. On the field, he's just nasty. He's good people. Comes from a good family, great football player. I'm pretty fortunate."

During the off-season, Roberts worked on a variety of things to make him a better player to catch the attention of NCAA Division I college coaches.

**Room to grow**

"Everything," Roberts said, "between blocking, between footwork, speed, catching the ball, route running, being a better leader, being a stronger player mentally and physically."

Roberts, who also plays basketball for the Mustangs, has the frame to fill out and could become even more of a presences on the football field.

"They (Northern Illinois) were recruiting him as a tight end, but they realize with his size it's going to be pretty easy to put on some weight," Ladach said. "He's 240 right now. He's going to grow a little bit. It's his senior year, so it's very possible they could move him to tackle."

And although the Mustangs lost a slew of skill-type players to graduation, their offensive and defensive lines remain virtually intact entering the 2014 season.

"I think it's time for guys to step up," Roberts said. "I think there's a lot of opportunities and a lot of vacancies open, which makes for competition, which makes for a tougher team to play."

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Further ahead

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# Bucks hoist second PDL Cup in franchise's history

## U-M keeper Grinwis stellar in 1-0 win vs. Kitsap Pumas

By Brad Emons  
Staff Writer

A day after a U.S. record soccer crowd of 109,000 showed up to see two of Europe's premier club teams square off in Ann Arbor, University of Michigan goalkeeper Adam Grinwis made Sunday's Premier Development League championship match his own personal "Big House."

The fifth-year senior made four critical saves to post a shutout and lead the Michigan Bucks to their second PDL title in franchise history with a hard-fought 1-0 victory over the Kitsap (Wash.) Pumas at Pontiac's Ultimate Soccer Arenas.

It may have not been quite as big as Real Madrid and Manchester United, but the Grand Rapids Forest Hills High product from Ada got plenty of satisfaction afterward. The tournament MVP helped the Bucks become the third club in PDL history to register its second title since the United Soccer Leagues launched the top 64-team developmental league in North America.

"Yesterday was a fantastic experience, those 100,000 fans with those two amazing clubs to support that," Grinwis said. "But it's always



The Michigan Bucks celebrate Sunday at Pontiac's Ultimate Soccer Arenas after winning the Premier Development League Cup. DAVE MCCAULEY

good to be on the pitch for a win."

Tom Owens, who played at Notre Dame (Ohio) College, did not tally a goal during the Bucks' regular season, but became the unlikely hero offensively. The England native deposited the game-winner past Pumas goalkeeper Matthew Grossey (Nebraska) in the 58th minute after a slight touch from Drexel (Pa.) University's Ken Tribbett.

"I'm not one to be scoring many goals and, when it went in, emotions took over," Owens said. "Very, very happy in the moment. I can't remember what I did, to be honest, so I'll have to watch on the tape ... just a very, very good day and very grateful to be a part of such a great group."

On two different occasions, Grinwis showed off his acrobatic skills in denying Kitsap's top goal scorer Miguel Gonzalez, the first on a sprawling save during the 39th minute, followed by a one-handed stab against Gonzalez again in the 75th minute.

Bucks defender Mo Kaba (University of South Carolina) also came up with a timely clear-out against Gonzalez in the 86th minute as the Pumas desperately tried to push up and score the equalizer.

"I think the defense did a really good job, the back line helped me out a lot," said the 6-foot-2, 195-pound Grinwis, who was a second team all-Big Ten selection in 2012. "They didn't have a lot of opportunities. And they

(the defense) have done that this whole season. They've made my job very easy and I give a lot of credit ... to them."

The Pumas, who captured the PDL title in 2011 and made it to the semifinals this season as the Western Conference champs, featured two Michigan players: three-year Bucks player Tommy Catalano and lead defender Cory Kreitz.

"It was a well-played match, worthy of two champions," Pumas coach Andrew Chapman said. "When you have a 1-0 game, that means it's close and you have the right two people here. We were just making some foolish mistakes that would have been nice to not have made."

Nobody was more pleased with the outcome

than second-year Bucks coach Demir Muftari.

"This is a big as it gets," he said. "The whole reason we started putting this team together last fall and getting all the guys together. We got a great selection process from the top down, with Dan Duggan (the owner) and Gary Parsons (the general manager), trying to identify players that we think are quality players with this goal in mind. The Bucks are a fantastic organization - 20 years, we've never had a losing season. And this is what it's about for us."

"What a goal Tom Owens comes up with. It's a special group of guys. We talk about this every day. There's been lots of really good Bucks teams, but there's only been a couple of special ones and that's what we wanted to be. And the guys bought in. They set their goals and they wanted to separate themselves from other Bucks teams."

Several substitutions were made on both sides during the final 25 minutes. The Bucks were looking for fresh legs and the Pumas were looking for a goal.

Kitsap directed even more pressure at Grinwis during the waning moments, which included four minutes of stoppage time.

"It was intense; you live for those moments," the U-M keeper said. "It was very exciting. They were just trying to throw

everything they had toward the goal. And credit to the back line and credit to our team for standing strong."

Meanwhile, longtime Bucks owner Dan Duggan, a Livonia native, was pleased to win the championship in front of the home fans.

"We had a long road trip to Des Moines (Iowa) last weekend," Duggan said. "We were with the boys 13 hours on the bus and they said, 'Is there any chance we can host?' Just the look on their faces when I came to practice Tuesday when I said, 'Guys, we're hosting.' These guys jumped through the gym. They literally were so excited that a fire was lit under them. Sometimes you don't know if it's that much of an advantage, but in here, it really was."

And despite taking a financial hit to host the PDL's final four, Duggan said it was worth the cost.

"We got to the spot where we deserved to be," he said. "Nineteen years we've been doing this. We've gotten to the final four six times. We won it only once, so this makes two. You play a team like Kitsap - which is one of the better teams we've ever seen in the PDL; it's a quality team - you got to get a little lucky, but you've got to work hard. These guys deserve it."

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## BADSHAH

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more than 9 million people.

It was then that Badshah became what he calls "a ball picker" at the local course, working after school to help support his family. And through his golf connections, Badshah learned a new language at the St. Mary English School, which served him well later in life as a golf envoy.

### Professional tour

After stints on the Asian (1990-95) and the Nike (1998-2000) tours, Badshah scaled back his tournament golf to concentrate on teaching. He's made stops in England, Dubai, Thailand, the United Arab Emirates, Pakistan and the U.S.

In 2007, Badshah played in the U.S. Golf Teachers Federation World Cup in Las Vegas and struck up a friendship with Livonia teaching pro Jerry Seal, a retired 66-year-old Detroit Police officer who has leased the driving range for the past five years at Tanglewood from owners Bob and Ken Freund.

The two continued to exchange emails and phone calls and, in 2013, Seal invited Badshah to spend the summer months teaching at Tanglewood.

"When we first met, he didn't have a rental car at the time," Seal said. "We invited him to dinner, then we hit it off right from the start. I couldn't handle all the work myself with lessons. He expressed about teaching golf here because he teaches golf there. And he likes to play golf and tournaments so I said, 'Why don't you come over here and help me out? I need help and we can play golf together. We can go tournaments together' and we did for the second year."

### New tenant

Badshah lives in the spare bedroom and he's become like family, according to Seal.

"We do everything together," the range pro said. "My grandkids like Jamal. He plays soccer with them. To them, he's like uncle Jamal."

And Badshah has developed a loyal clientele at Tanglewood.



Tanglewood Golf Course seasonal teaching pro Syed Jamal Badshah (left) played a practice round in 2007 in Dubai with Tiger Woods.

According to Seal, his methods are a lot like the late Harvey Penick, a world renowned instructor who coached the likes of well-known PGA pros Davis Love Jr., Tom Kite and Ben Crenshaw.

"He uses simple methods," Seal said. "He doesn't use a lot of teaching aids or teaching devices. He sticks with the basics, very much like like Harvey Penick did. He makes it simple, if you keep it simple. I think Jamal makes it simple and keeps a lot of people happy. I've never seen anybody not improve in the hundreds of lessons I've seen him do. And he keeps your whole life simple."

One Badshah convert is 60-year-old Mike Calacino of Novi.

"I had back surgery about four years ago and it was a triple-spinal (fusion). I was really struggling to learn how to play golf again and, literally, had to learn it all over," said Calacino, a national account manager for SAF in Holland. "Two years ago, I met Jamal and since (then) it's been quite an improvement, not only from a physical play standpoint, but from the mental side also, because he did a lot to boost my confidence. He told me I could do this again. And then we would figure out a way on how to hit a golf ball pain-free. And he has done that."

### Making strides

Calacino has watched his handicap take a dramatic turn for the better this summer.

"Probably now it's around a 16-17," Calacino said. "My problem was I've been as low as a two or three in my life. I'm trying to get back to (shooting) something that's in the low 80s, which I should feel I should be able to do. It was just a goal of mine once I got out of surgery to try to get back and

playing some reasonable golf. I'm getting really close now ... 15 to 16 has come down from a 25 or a 26. I think by the end of the summer, I've got an attainable goal. The last four or five rounds, I've shot in the mid-80s. I keep saying to myself 'I don't want to shoot 90 again.'"

Right now it's the hot season in Pakistan, where temperatures average 92°F and can go as high as 110°F.

Badshah, who produces a website called JBswings.com, will return Karachi in September and work there until February during the peak season. Badshah and his wife have a son, 22, who now plays golf, along with a daughter, 21.

"I would like to see him come over here permanently and have his own teaching academy," Seal said. "I think he'd do very, very well. Everybody that meets him likes him. He's very easy to get along with. I'd like to see his family come over here. I think he'd be a good citizen and do well."

The Karachi Golf Club, rated No. 1 in Pakistan, has 20 pros and more than 3,000 members.

### Different cultures

"In America it's very popular, it's very achievable," Badshah said. "It's cheap, people can play golf. In our part of the world, middle-class or poor people cannot play. It's expensive. You have to buy membership of the club."

"What I see here is a guy pull out of his car, he's a plumber, he changes clothes, comes to course and plays golf. In this society, it's more pleasurable and equal. It makes the atmosphere much better for the nation. No differences."

One of Badshah's students back home is 101 years old.

"He takes lessons and wants to get better," Badshah said. "Golf is an amazing sport. It's a lifetime sport. You can play until the end of the

line."

Badshah appreciates the opportunity given to him by teaching at Tanglewood.

"Their management of the golf club is really good and the people who play golf at Tanglewood are very, very amazing people," he said. "They're very helpful. They are very friendly. And the golf atmosphere at this club is excellent. I've taught in many other countries, but this is something that is an amazing experience. And Michigan people are very nice. I really get along good with them."

"I'm not scared to say I'm from Pakistan, because normally if you say you're from Pakistan, they get scared of you. They say, 'Aw, you're a terrorist (laughing).' Everybody likes me here. It's an amazing atmos-

phere, plus Jerry is a great guy. We do a lot of lessons and people are very happy with our work that we do. They improve their golf, win some tournaments and we get a lot of compliments. And the club is doing well on the name of the golf academy here."

Whether its beginners, juniors, novices or adults, has a wealth of golf knowledge to offer.

"Some people say I'm the grand ambassador for my country, but it's just the game of golf," said Badshah, who once finished seventh in the Carolina Classic on the Nike Tour. "If I wasn't a golfer, I wouldn't be here talking to you today or teaching all these golfers. It's just the game of golf and I say, 'Golf can put the world together.'"

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### City of Novi Public Hearing Notice

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Construction Board of Appeals for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, August 21, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. in the Mayors Conference Room Novi Civic Center 45175 Ten Mile Road to consider:

**PCB14-0003 24144 Wintergreen Cir.**

The applicant is requesting variances from the CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES, Section 11-216 (e) (8), to allow construction of an existing driveway slope of approximately 13.3 %.

CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES, Design and Construction Standards, Chapter 11, Section 11-216 (e) (8) requires the grade of residential and utility structure driveway approaches and driveways shall not exceed ten (10) percent.

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### 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, August 13, 2014 at 7:00 P.M. in the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider **HARMAN BECKER, SITE PLAN NUMBER 14-37, FOR PRELIMINARY SITE PLAN, WOODLANDS PERMIT, WETLANDS PERMIT, AND STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN APPROVAL. THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IS LOCATED IN SECTION 1, ON THE NORTH SIDE OF THIRTEENMILE ROAD, EAST OF M-5** The applicant is proposing to construct a 188,042 square foot office building on the 16.5 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, 8 A.M. to 5 P.M. Written comments must be received by 4:00 P.M., Wednesday August 13, 2014.

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## GIRLS SOFTBALL

## Lakeland's Burgess headlines softball squad

By Jeff Theisen  
Staff Writer

Lakeland senior softball player Madison Burgess was a joy for head coach Joe Alsup, but a major pain for the opposition.

The senior lead-off batter hit a blistering .546 with mostly infield hits thanks to great hand-eye coordination and stellar speed. She also played a sparkling outfield for the Eagles.

Burgess led the team with 49 runs and 53 stolen bases. She had 57 hits (seven doubles and a triple) and 21 RBIs.

Burgess is the 2014 All-Area Player of the Year.

"She led our team in just about everything," Alsup said. "She has the school record for the most stolen bases. She was the prototypical lead-off hitter. She is really someone we are going to miss next year."

"As a freshman, she was on varsity, but seldom played. She kept working hard and every year got progressively better."

### First team

#### Sydney Jones South Lyon East

The senior pitcher was huge in helping the Cougars to the KLA Association title along with the Central Division title. She finished 14-8-1 with a 1.71 ERA, collecting 222 strikeouts in 151 2/3 innings. At the plate, Jones hit .347 with 15 RBIs and 10 runs.

"Sydney had the best year of her career," coach Paul Nieto said. "She holds every pitching record at S.L. East. She is a remarkable athlete. She never takes a pitch off. She throws with everything she has on every pitch; that is not something that can be taught. Only a special few athletes play with that much heart."

#### Makenzie Nieto South Lyon East

As daughter of the head coach, pressure can be a problem, but Nieto excelled with a .395 average, including seven

### ALL-AREA GIRLS SOFTBALL

#### PLAYER OF THE YEAR Madison Burgess, Lakeland

#### FIRST TEAM

Sydney Jones, South Lyon East  
Makenzie Nieto, South Lyon East  
Sarah Coutts, South Lyon East  
Alexa Flores, Lakeland  
Karissa Gawronski, Lakeland  
Chase Schultz, Lakeland  
Allie Cummings, Novi  
Allie Chapekis, Northville  
Lindsay Brandon, South Lyon  
Morgan Hatton, South Lyon

doubles and a triple. She scored 30 runs with 16 RBIs, was 5 for 5 in stolen bases and struck out just four times. She was also a captain.

"Makenzie had a terrific season," assistant coach Steve Richvalsky said. "She is an elite softball player who is a very dangerous hitter and plays a flawless infield."

"Makenzie had an excellent season despite playing most of the year while recovering from an off-season injury. If you watched how hard she played, whether it be making a diving stop of a ground ball or Makenzie hitting a line shot double to the gap, off the outfield fence, there is no way most people would have guessed she wasn't 100 percent physically. You have to really admire Makenzie's grit and mental toughness to play through the pain and deliver a high-quality performance each and every game."

#### Sarah Coutts South Lyon East

The senior catcher did not commit an error behind the plate while getting on base at a .379 clip. Coutts knocked in 18 runs and produced six doubles. She earned the team's Defensive Player of the Year award.

"Sarah was outstanding this season. She provided leadership that only a senior can provide," Nieto said. "She made numerous game-saving tags and plays behind the plate. In addition to her defense, her bat was one of the strongest on the teams. Just as with her defense, her bat provided many game-

### SECOND TEAM

Amy Petrillo, Milford  
Aubrey Long, Milford  
Bailee Taylor, South Lyon East  
Jamie Conrad, South Lyon  
Jessie Brandon, South Lyon  
Casey Lawler, Novi  
Nicole Ireland, Novi  
Mallory Daschke, Novi  
Laura Oakley, Novi  
Rianna Koteles, Lakeland

### HONORABLE MENTION

**South Lyon East:** Jessica LaVoie (jr.), Carly Petri (so.), Kailey Doty (jr.); **Milford:** Julia Stevenson (so.), Amelia Hayes (sr.); **Lakeland:** Brooke Beale; **South Lyon:** McKenzie Weyh

winning hits. Sarah's understanding and knowledge of the game was a key reason why South Lyon East had its most successful year in history."

#### Alexa Flores Lakeland

The sophomore moved from behind the plate as a freshman to in the circle this season. Flores pitched 170 of the Eagles' 252 innings, finishing 29-4 with a 1.97 ERA and 167 strikeouts. At the plate, Flores pounded the ball at a .517 clip with 21 doubles, eight triples, four home runs and 55 RBIs.

"Alexa was really our most improved kid, considering she moved from catcher to pitcher," Alsup said. "When you are talking 29 wins in a year ... most teams would like to have 29 wins. She did a remarkable job. I think in the next couple years, she is going to be an elite player, probably one of the top pitchers in Michigan."

#### Karissa Gawronski Lakeland

The senior outfielder batted .505 with 49 hits, 34 runs and 12 RBIs, as well as 20 stolen bases.

"She is the kind of kid you call a difference-maker," Alsup said. "They would know she was going to bunt and they still couldn't throw her out. She was really a great outfielder for us."

#### Chase Schultz Lakeland

Schultz batted .427 with 47 hits (16 doubles, two home runs), 35 RBIs and 26 runs.

"She made the all-region team, which is pretty impres-

sive for a freshman," Alsup said. "She's a tough kid."

#### Allie Cummings Novi

The freshman put up monster numbers with a .465 average and 21 RBIs. She also posted a 5-4 record with a 3.88 ERA and 41 strikeouts in 81 innings. She earned all-district as designated hitter.

#### Allie Chapekis Northville

The senior catcher was the ultimate ironman with 129 consecutive starts. Chapekis batted .360 while committing just one error. She also earned a 3.8 GPA and will attend MSU.

"To never miss a start as a catcher for 129 consecutive games is extraordinary," coach Jim Ritz said. "She has been prepared both mentally and physically every day she walks on the field. Allie has been the cornerstone of this team and was a member of the 2012 team that played in the quarterfinals. She will be missed."

#### Lindsay Brandon South Lyon

Brandon hit an even .500 with three doubles, a triple and a homer. She scored 18 runs while knocking in 14. In the circle, Brandon went 3-4-1 while allowing just 12 earned runs in 51 2/3 innings with 42 strikeouts.

"Lindsay is very talented in every aspect of the game," assistant coach Gerald Coggins said. "She can play any position on the field. She is a pleasure to coach."

#### Morgan Hatton South Lyon

Hatton was a rock at the plate, hitting at a .395 clip with a .439 on-base percentage. She knocked in 24 runs and scored 24 while striking out just seven times in 123 at-bats with nine walks.

"Morgan has played varsity for the past three years," Coggins said. "She started every game this year. Morgan was our offensive MVP."

### Second team

#### Amy Petrillo Milford

The senior pitcher/infielder finished 9-6 with a 2.6 ERA and 68 strikeouts with just 17 walks

in 110 innings. At the plate, she batted .284 with an on-base percentage of .400 and 17 runs scored.

#### Aubrey Long Milford

The junior middle infielder hit .315 with six double and five home runs. She tallied 23 RBIs and 24 runs. She also led the team with 14 walks.

#### Bailee Taylor South Lyon East

The sophomore batted .309 with eight doubles and two home runs. She knocked in 17 runs and scored 21.

#### Jamie Conrad South Lyon

She hit .377 while playing both third and first base. She provided six doubles, a triple and a homer with 22 RBIs and 21 runs while earning team MVP honors.

#### Jessie Brandon South Lyon

The senior catcher hit .376 with five doubles and 17 RBIs. She struck out just two times with three walks.

#### Casey Lawler Novi

The junior third baseman hit a team-high five homers while batting .370. She batted in 35 runs while scoring 37.

#### Nicole Ireland Novi

The sophomore was team MVP while hitting .373 with 13 doubles, three triples and four homers. She scored 40 runs while knocking in 35.

#### Mallory Daschke Novi

The senior outfielder hit .377 with eight doubles and two triples. She scored 35 runs while knocking in 18 and earned the team's Best Outfielder Award.

#### Laura Oakley Novi

The senior first baseman earned the team's Best Infielder Award while hitting .370 with eight doubles, two triples, 25 runs and 23 RBIs.

#### Rianna Koteles Lakeland

She batted .352 with five doubles, four home runs and 24 RBIs.

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## Club, high school sports offer different benefits for soccer

By Chris Jackett  
Correspondent

There are several pieces that go into the development of youth athletes.

From the parks and recreation and nonprofit house leagues to the traveling club teams and school sports, every piece leads up to dreams of collegiate and professional careers, or at least a healthy lifestyle moving into and continuing through adulthood.

In recent years, the drive to compete has blurred the traditional jump from club sports into school sports, especially with premier soccer players at the high school level. While most high school student-athletes will spend less than three months with their high school team and the rest of the year with their club team, a growing number are opting to spend the entire year with their club team. A choice formerly made by the occasional

freshman is now made regularly by juniors and seniors.

Novi High School alum Matt Wilson, a 2013 graduate, skipped his senior season in fall 2012 to play with a Michigan Wolves Academy club team en route to a spot on Oakland University's squad.

"It's different playing club all year and then having to go and play high school for a couple months," Wilson said. "The level of play is very different. Club play, where I play, is the best soccer in the country and then going to play high school is a big drop, in my opinion. As a club, we play all this time together and build a connection between us and then when we head off to high school soccer, we lose that, learn the high school way, come back to club and have to reconnect with each other, which can take time."

"Choosing to play academy my senior year was decided between me

and my current college coach. He is a Vardar Academy coach, so he knew how good the competition was and he wanted me to become involved in that instead of high school soccer. It was very competitive and the soccer was 10 times better. It helped me get ready for college and become used to faster, physical and intense play."

"However, if I would've played all four years at Novi, I think my results would still be the same. I missed not playing high school and being with my friends because every day was fun. However, academy soccer was more serious and took more dedication, which always made it fun to play and compete at the highest level."

### OU teammates

Wilson was the only player who made the decision to play club soccer who responded to questions from the Novi News about his decision.

Although he missed out on Novi's 2012 run to the Division 1 state semifinals, he felt the decision helped prepare him for his current role on the Golden Grizzlies alongside other former Novi stars such as John DeLeon (2010 graduate) and Chase Jabbori (2011 graduate).

"Some benefits from being coached by two coaches throughout the year can bring both benefits and shortcomings," Wilson said. "Some benefits include being introduced to different ways of playing soccer, learning new tactics that you can bring to both club and high school soccer and creating good relationships between player and coach."

"Some shortcomings that tend to happen often is that club coaches are normally more experienced in knowing soccer, so you learn one thing in club and then you come to high school soccer and it can pretty much be any coach who could

possibly not know what he's doing. It all depends on who you end up with. My experience with (Novi High) coach (Brian) O'Leary turned out well because he had been coaching for such a long time and knew the game, which is the reason why we were so successful."

Both high school programs in Novi and Northville have seen regular success among both the boys and girls teams during the past decade because of the depth of experience O'Leary brings to both Novi squads and coaches Eric Brucker and Henry Klimes bring to the Northville programs. That experience has also been helped by a strong mix of players from various local premier clubs, such as Vardar, Michigan Jaguars, Michigan Rush, Hawks, Wolves, Waza and more.

### Other benefits

Although Wilson pointed out that the high school atmosphere is

more fun with the fans and friends, while the club atmosphere is more competitive with mainly parents and scouts watching, O'Leary added that club and high school philosophies can trend in different directions.

Although the vast majority of his student-athletes also compete with premier clubs during the off season, O'Leary has raved about his Novi girls teams' chemistry being a strong point during several recent seasons, which helped lead to five Division 1 state titles in 2005-07 and 2010-11.

Although each realm has its benefits and high school results are in the news more often, most agree the club focus helps more to get the young athletes to the next level.

"I think recruiters look more at club data," Brucker said. "High school cannot compete with the exposure that a player can get from high level clubs."

## 'Cats come back



The Novi Alumni Soccer Game, held July 12, raised more than \$600 for the Michigan Institute of Urology in memory of coach Larry Christoff. There were two teams: Team Green was composed mostly of players from the 2000s. Team White had players from 1982 to 1998. "Coach O'Leary thought Team White was at a disadvantage, so we they did take two younger players (Joe Meyer, 1995, and John McShane, 1997)," said Nickie Stocks (1995). "However, we all agreed the older players did give the youths a run for the money that day. Quint Marini (1982) was actually on the first high school soccer team that Novi High School ever had, so it was awesome to see him on the field with players who graduated in 2014. Both coach O'Leary and coach Valenti were able to attend the game as well." After two 45-minute halves, Team White came out on top, 5-3. "Many thanks to AD Brian Gordon and coach O'Leary for helping put this together," Stocks said. Any players interested in playing in future alumni soccer games should contact her at nborashko@hotmail.com.

## Paws visits Novi



Detroit Tigers mascot Paws, appearing with the Mustang Rockies, recently threw out the first pitch in the Novi Youth Baseball League's closing ceremonies and annual picnic July 19 at ITC Community Sports Park, which drew close to 1,000 spectators and featured the Pinto (ages 7-8) and Mustang (9-10) all-star games. Picnic sponsors included Preston White, Zack Kuzma and Ryan Swarthout.



## Include fire safety planning in off-to-college schedule

By Julie Brown  
Staff Writer

Keith Bo, fire inspector with the Livonia Fire Department, is dad to two young adult children commuting to the University of Michigan-Dearborn. They live at home, so he hasn't had to discuss college fire safety with them much.

"They get to hear it enough," said Bo, a 25-year fire service veteran with 20 years in Livonia.

College fire safety is a serious subject worthy of attention of students off to school this fall and their parents, however. "A lot of them are cooking," Bo said of fires following use of hot plates or toaster ovens. "You have to check the regulations on the college dorms."

Some cooking equipment is banned. You should check right away your escape plans from the dorm room, with fire drills usually held by college/university officials to remind students. "Make sure you know the fire escape route," Bo said.

"Most colleges, the dorms are smoke-free," he said. For those in off-campus housing who smoke, it's important never to smoke in bed and to use a deep ashtray, making sure cigarettes and cigars are

fully extinguished.

Fire extinguishers are usually mounted on dorm walls, Bo said, and that's the route he recommends, as those extinguishers are inspected. For off-campus housing, a fire extinguisher is a good idea – and students need to know how to use it.

You should watch open flames like candles and space heater use, even the deeper-bottom Yankee brand candles, he said. "It's still an open flame. Something could fall on them. Any open flame you want to be careful."

Curtains can fall on open flames, causing a fire that can spread quickly.

Bo recommends families contact the college or university on fire safety concerns and regulations, which can also be done if you have a deaf student or other disabled student in the family. Off-campus housing isn't as well

inspected in many cases, but parents can look it over, Bo said. A barbecue on a balcony is a bad idea, he said, as it can cause a fire.

As with any home, working smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors are vital. "A fire extinguisher in there wouldn't hurt either," Bo said of off-campus dwellers.

Again, those in off-campus housing should know their escape routes.

Bo agreed use of alarms, detectors and early notification have made college students safer. "There's quite a few more safety regulations for the schools now," he said.

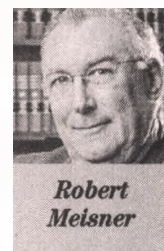
Retrofitting of dorms with sprinkler systems and fire alarms has improved campus fire safety.

As with any fire, once you're out you should stay out. The door may lock you out when you're safely out, but should never lock you indoors.

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## Ladder fall liability has its limits legally

**Q: Our homeowner association board is being threatened to be sued by a person who was contracted by our contractor who fell off a ladder in one of our buildings. He is claiming that the association was negligent in failing to provide him with a safe means to access the areas that he was painting, and in refusing to allow him to tie his ladder to the building. Do you think we have any responsibility?**



Robert Meisner

**A:** There are two possible theories under which the association could be liable to your contractor. The first is under a premises liability theory that a property owner may be liable for physical harm caused to his guests by the condition on the land. The second possible approach is based on employer liability. As a general rule, one who employs an independent contractor is not liable for the contractor's acts or omissions. A recognized exception to this rule is the retained control exception which provides that one who hires an independent contractor, but retains control of the work is liable for injuries to others. However, the employer must retain some degree of control over how the work is done for the retained control exception to apply. If your association had no control over this gentleman's work, you may not have any liability.

**Q: We live in a community that is restricted to single family residential use and prohibits industrial or commercial use. Certain residents have rented their homes on a short-term basis for decades without controversy, however, a number of homes have become available for short term rental and the association is concerned about members doing vacation rentals. The association voted to amend the documents to stop rentals for less than one month or 30 consecutive days. Do you think that is enforceable?**

**A:** It is, obviously, fact-intensive; however, that well may be enforceable and it may be that you are not able to rent those units on a short term basis. Again, it depends upon the overall review of the documents. You are best to consult with a community association attorney who can talk to you about the various cases involving these issues in various states, and the difficulty of defining "transient" tenants or enforcing 30-day limitations.

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3315 Tiquewood \$185,000

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7615 Kingsbridge Rd \$195,000  
6028 Meadowview Dr \$355,000  
600 Merrimac Rd \$160,000  
44040 N Umberland Cir \$194,000  
3708 Shepherd Ct # 74 \$216,000

#### GARDEN CITY

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31782 Fonville St \$105,000  
17181 Golfview St \$175,000  
15850 Harrison St \$163,000  
14230 Ingram St \$187,000  
35458 Leon St \$170,000  
11222 Middlebelt Rd \$53,000  
35486 Orangelawn St \$125,000  
20121 Saint Francis St \$23,000  
28285 W Chicago St \$136,000

32045 Wyoming St \$169,000

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350 N Rogers St \$695,000  
48835 Rainbow Ln S \$403,000  
18549 Steep Hollow Ct \$615,000  
46301 W Main St \$433,000  
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11511 Brownell Ave \$170,000  
12721 Essex Ct \$453,000  
14460 Robinwood Dr \$185,000

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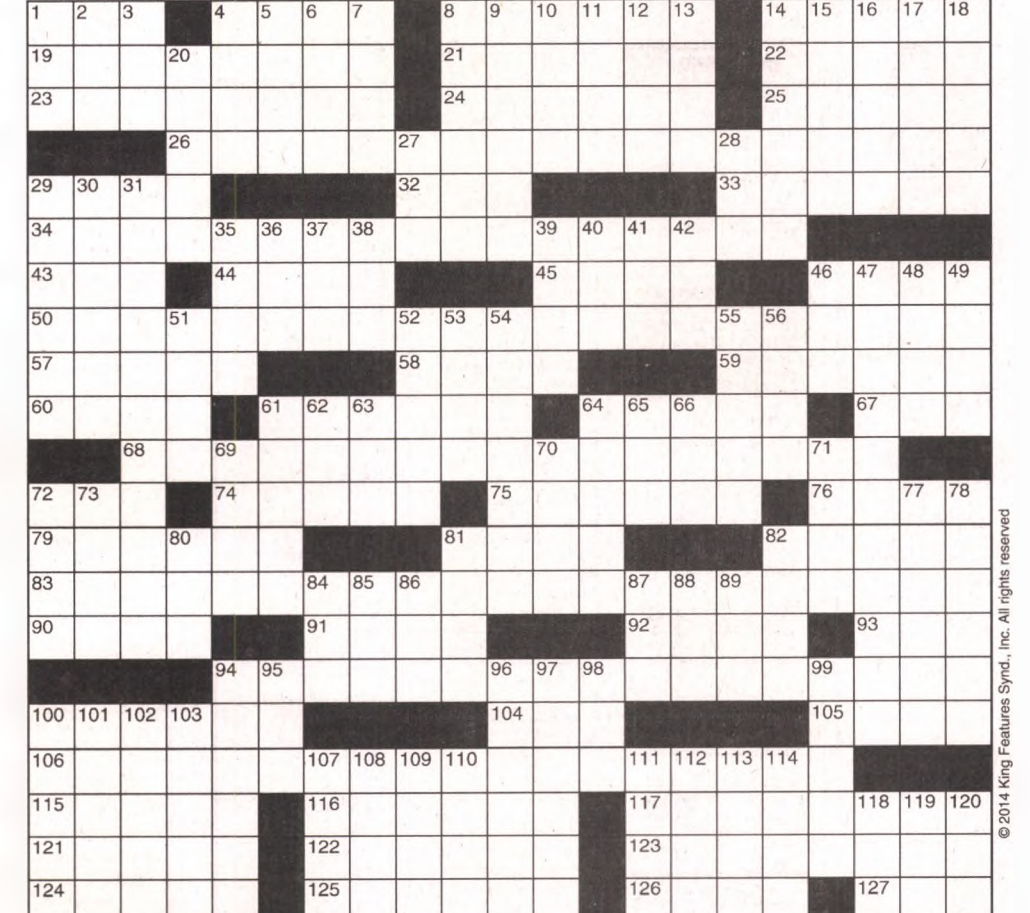
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By Robert Half

Launching your first job search is both exciting and bewildering. You're eager to impress potential employers with your newly gotten experience and degree, but you're afraid that you might botch it. Here are some common job-search mistakes that trip up many new grads and tips for avoiding them.

## 6 job-search mistakes to *avoid* when finding your first job



### ✓ Mistake No. 1: Neglecting your network

Although online searches, campus career centers and career fairs all have their place, harness the power of professional networking when searching for your first job. Consider joining your school's alumni network or a relevant professional association in your industry. Talk to as many people as you can neighbors, parents' friends, members of your house of worship about your career goals, especially if they're in the same or similar industries.

### ✓ Mistake No. 2: Being sloppy or too clever

If you're serious about the job search, you will not only carefully edit your resume and cover letter, but you'll ask someone else to take a look, too. Read your documents out loud to make sure they sound professional; this is also an excellent way to catch mistakes. Often, one typo can get your application tossed off the short list.

It also doesn't pay to be cute or clever. Yes, your application materials might stand out that way, but not always in a good way. See Robert Half's "Resumania" column for other good advice and best practices.

### ✓ Mistake No. 3: Sending out generic documents

When you come across that cool job post, don't make the rookie mistake of sending out a one-size-fits-all application. If

you want to land your first job, you have to do your homework.

Start by clicking through the company's website. Search for recent news articles. You may also want to like their Facebook page and follow their Twitter feed. Then, tailor your resume and cover letter to show how your skills and experience mesh with the job description, as well as the firm's corporate goals and culture.

### ✓ Mistake No. 4: Being careless about your online persona

Just as you conduct a Web search on the people that you're interested in dating, potential employers will do a search on you. If you haven't already, sign up with LinkedIn, upload a professional-looking profile photo and write a polished summary.

You also need to comb through all your other online

profiles and social media posts, and scrub what you don't want hiring managers to see. Even though you may have set all the right privacy settings in the beginning, we all know how frequently they can change. It wouldn't hurt to give everything a thorough once-over as you start searching for your first job.

### ✓ Mistake No. 5: Showing immaturity

After sending out personalized application materials, you'll start hearing back from a few companies. Don't give them reasons to doubt their judgment with unprofessional phone or email manners. That could cost you your first job opportunity.

Start by getting rid of the quirky or brusque voicemail message. Instead, record a pleasant and neutral one that's appropriate for a job search.

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having an address that is a variation of your full name -- not a nickname, your hobby, an alternate persona or something worse. And if you have a quote or cute graphic automatically appended to the end of each email you send, you'll want to delete that or change it to just your contact information.

### ✓ Mistake No. 6: Being unprepared for interviews

You got a call for an interview, but you can't just show up and expect to ace it. Now is the time to study. Anticipate the possible questions and rehearse the answers. Practice with someone to make sure your delivery is smooth, confident and on point. Realize that the interviewer may throw you oddball questions like, "If you could be any animal, which one would you be?"

Also keep in mind that

many preliminary interviews are now done by phone -- and that not all hiring managers will set up appointments before calling. Be prepared for job-related calls out of the blue. And when they do call, try to find a quiet location where you won't be interrupted.

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