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The Novi High School Band and Band Boosters will be collecting empties throughout the community for their bottle drive from 9 a.m. to noon Sat-

urday. If you wish to contribute but are unavailable Saturday, just bag your empties and place them on your front porch or curbside.

Coffee with the super

Dr. Steve Matthews, Novi Schools superintendent, will be hosting coffee meetings again this year at the Novi Public Library.

The first meetings will be held at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 15, and 10:15 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 17.

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City manager search down to four

Council scheduled to hold interviews

> **By Lonnie Huhman** Staff Writer

The final four candidates for the Novi city manager position have been announced and each one was to get an opportunity Tuesday to explain why they are the best for this important local role.

Peter Auger, Paul Brake, Peter Dame and





Vincent Pastue were to

Novi City Council mem-

rently city managers in

Although he recently

be interviewed before

bers. All four are cur-

Michigan.

Auger





stepped down, Auger was city manager of

Auburn Hills since 2008. He wrote in his cover letter and resume under experience that he has, "Exercised leadership while responsible for day-to-day operations of this dynamic international hub for businesses

with property values in the billions of dollars and a \$60 million annual budget." Named as manager in

2007, Auger went on to say that although selected to manage during the worst economic decade for not only the city but for the region and state of Michigan, he helped lead a change in culture and leadership in this organization that led to many awards and recog-

nition.
"I believe one of my greatest achievements is putting people in a place where they can succeed, giving the tools/training that they need and allowing them exercise leadership to carry out the mission," Auger said.

Brake

Brake has been manager of Grand Blanc for the last three years and said he is a results-ori-

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LONNIE HUHMAN

Kathy Crawford (from left), a longtime Novi resident, Novi Historical commissioner and Oakland County commissioner; Roy Prentice, MSU Tollgate Farm manager and local historian; and Mayor Bob Gatt unveiled the Novi Special marker Sunday at the Novi Public Library.



The marker at the library is one of eight in Novi that is part of the project with the Motorcities National Heritage Area. It aims to preserve the cultural and historic landscapes associated with the automobile in southeast and central Michigan.

By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer

Novi has a lot of history that might not be known to all residents, but that may change through the help of a variety of historical markers around the community that tell a story of Novi as part of the Motorcities Markers pro-

There are eight markers around Novi and one of them was unveiled in a ceremony Sunday afternoon at the Novi Public Library. The maker unveiled celebrates and tells the story of the Novi Special, the legendary Indy 500 race car that was created by local businessman Lewis Welch.

'The Motorocities Markers project is a visible and permanent way to verify Novi's historic significance," Novi Historical Commission chair and Oakland County Commissioner Kathy Crawford

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Eight Mile finally reopens to traffic

By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer

After three long months of detours and orange cones, Eight Mile Road between Beck and Taft roads is finally back open to motor and pedestrian traffic. "It turned out good. We were

happy to get it before the start of school," said Jim Persinger, the project inspector for Oakland County, who oversaw the

The improvements include a continuous left-turn lane on

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JOHN HEIDER I STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

The construction barriers were finally moved aside on Eight Mile Road between Taft and Beck. The summer-long effort renovated the pavement and gutters along that stretch.





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Muck appointed director of Parks, Rec & Cultural Services

The city of Novi has appointed Jeffrey A. Muck, CPRP, as the Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services director. Muck has served as the interim director since the departure of former director Jason Mangum in June.

Muck will oversee the operations of citywide recreation programs; cultural services; activities, including youth and adult sports, events and a theater program; as well as the overall aesthetics, development and coordination of the



program for Novi's more than 1,000 acres of parkland.

"It is an honor and privilege to be offered this opportunity. Novi is highly regarded as one of the premier parks and recreation departments in the state of Michigan. I look forward to working with Mayor Gatt and the city council, the Parks, Recreation & Cultural

Services Commission, the city's administrative team and our devoted parks staff to provide the highest quality parks, programs and services to our citizens," Muck said. "The city of Novi truly values parks and recreation and I look forward to working with the community to enhance our programs and facilities.

As the interim director, Muck has led plan-ning of the Novi dog park opening, developed a Strategic Community Recreation and Master

Park Plan and formed a partnership with Providence Park hospital on the ParksRx initiative.

Prior to his tenure with the Novi, Muck served seven years as the director of Recreation and Community **Education for Huron** Valley Schools in Highland. He directed the full operations of the department, including two pools and fitness centers, an early childhood center, sponsorship/fundraising efforts, adult and youth sports programs, special

events, child care, facility reservations and community enrichment programs.

Muck is a graduate of Western Michigan University, with a bachelor of science in parks and recreation management. He has been a certified parks and recreation professional from the National Recreation and Parks Association since 2001. Muck has also served in several leadership roles with the Michigan Recreation and Park Association.

"I am pleased to ap-

point Jeff Muck to the position of director of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services," Novi Interim City Manager Victor Cardenas said. "We were very fortunate to have someone with his experience join the Novi team and now lead our highly regarded parks initiatives and programs. Novi is a very dynamic community and Mr. Muck's knowledge and experience will be of great benefit, not only to our organization, but the community as a whole."

Door to Freedom: The Anne Frank Project comes to Novi

The Holocaust Memorial Center Zekelman Family Campus is teaming up with four Oakland County libraries, including Novi's, to present an educational, interactive program.

Families and people of all ages are invited to attend the events taking place 6:30-8:30 p.m. Sept. 18 at the Novi Public Library (as well as Sept. 15 at the Farmington Community Library and Sept. 16 at the Pontiac Public Library).

A local Holocaust survivor will be among the speakers for this age-appropriate introduction to the Holocaust that will emphasize important concepts such

MARKERS

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Crawford said the

markers just begin to tell

Novi's story and, like the

Novi Cemetery, the com-

munity has a lot of in-

tions that tell a tale.

project was planned,

teresting, historic loca-

Novi's part of this

designed and organized

by the historic commis-

sioners, with help from

city officials and the

public library.

said.



as the inherent value of each individual, the need to stand up for the rights of others and the imperative of helping those in need.

The program also will include a discussion on Anne Frank's diary and exploration into the issues Anne faced at that time and how they

This project is part of

the Motorcities National

Heritage Area and aims

to preserve the cultural

and historic landscapes

associated with the auto-

mobile in southeast and

cording to MSU Tollgate

historical commissioner

and longtime local histo-

tice, who was part of the

Novi team to help make it

"All the markers real-

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pects of our community

farm manager, former

central Michigan, ac-

compare in today's world.

Children ages 11-15 can take part in a handson project whereby they decorate a door that opens up to a photo of themselves and their handwritten answers to the questions: If you could walk through a door without fear, where would you go? Where would it lead you? What obstacles are in the way of getting there?

The goal of the exercise is to help confront some of the same issues Anne Frank faced, such as identity, being a teen, dealing with parents, hope versus despair, bravery, responsibility

and help our citizens

understand a little bit

history," Prentice said during the unveiling

more of our heritage and

to stand up for what's right and to fight discrimination and bullying. Children participating in this art project will receive a copy of Anne Frank's The Diary of A Young Girl and a special gift from the Holocaust Memorial Center.

The Phillip and Elizabeth Filmer Memorial Charitable Trust is the generous supporter of the Anne Frank Educational Program and Art

Project. Registration is requested for each library. To register for the Novi Public Library Anne Frank program, call 248-349-0720 or visit novilibrary.org.

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ceremony.

For the past eight years, Dame has worked for the city of Grosse Pointe as its city manager. Prior to that, he wrote in his cover letter that he worked in progressively responsible positions for the

He said his career suburban communities public services. While in Grosse Pointe, he said he led the city through difficult program oversight and budgetary decisions service levels and its rating despite having lost half of its resi-

"This background

ager of Novi," he said.

Pastue

After spending the last 11 years in neighboring Farmington, Pastue believes his professional experience, temperament and understanding of regional issues would allow him to serve effectively as the Novi

Pastue has more sional management experience, with 22 as either a city manager in Michigan. In his experience managing an organization with more than 200 employees while also having that provided hands-on experience with all aspects of municipal he helped guide Farcult period and positioned the city for the current economic rejuvenation it is experi-

"My strong understanding of municipal developing and implementing Novi's vision for the future," he said.

gram.

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DETAILS

Novi's eight Motorcities Markers are: » Novi Corners – The hub of the Novi community; at Grand River Avenue and Novi Road intersection » Novi Special - The race car at the Indianapolis 500; at the Novi Library

» Novi's corridor of history; on Grand River Avenue » Rail transportation and how it aided the growth of Novi; at the train station and Grand River bridge » Representing Novi's agricultural history; Michigan State

University Tollgate Education Center » Three separate markers commemorating Walled Lake's recreational history, which includes being the site of the Walled Lake Casino, Walled Amusement Park and Lake

Attractions; at Pavilion Shores Park There will be bus tours of the eight markers starting at 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 13, and Saturday, Oct. 11. Transportation will be provided by the city of Novi Older Adult

Those interested can register for one of the dates and city's website http://www.cityofnovi.org/Home.aspx or by calling 248-347-0460.

SEARCH

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ented manager with 20 years of leadership experience in city, county and township governments.

In his current role, he said he has helped advance municipal government and economic development services through innovative programs and grassroots collaborations in the community

and surrounding areas. "I possess a demonstrated record of managing within a growth environment, completing desirable downtown redevelopment projects and pursuing excellence in the financial and budget management realm," he said.

Dame

village of Oak Park, Ill.

has focused on serving that value high quality, professionally provided needed to maintain high excellent AA-plus bond dential SEV.

has prepared me well to serve as the city man-

city manager.

than 30 years of profesor county administrator cover letter, he cites his benefited from working in smaller communities operations. He also said mington through a diffiencing.

operations and finance, along with the ability to work with people, I feel would be an asset in

Possible decision

At 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 11, the city council will meet again for a special meeting. At that time, there will be discussion and/or a vote in the city manager search.

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Eight Mile from Beck to Taft. And as part of the overall project, the traffic signals at the Eight Mile and Beck Road and Eight Mile and Taft Road intersections will be updated, as will the flasher at the Eight Mile and Napier intersection. The pedestrian crosswalks along this section of Eight Mile have also been upgraded to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

The total cost of the project is about \$4.7

million, with \$2.8 million coming from federal funds and the remainder (\$1.9 million) shared by the Road Commission for Oakland County, Northville Township, the city of Northville, Novi and Oakland County general government through the Tri-Party Program.

The cities of Northville and Novi, along with Northville Township, are happy to see

the project done.
"The city of Northville loves the project," Public Works Director Jim Gallogly said. "The road is much wider and it has center turn lanes

and nice wide approaches to each of the neighborhood streets.

Gallogly said the bike lanes were funded by Novi, Northville covered the cost of the extended sidewalk and Northville Township paid for an extended bike path.

"We also like the fact that we now have sidewalk all the way out to Beck Road, which is our city limits," Gallogly said. "Last year, when Oakland County reconstructed Eight Mile Road west of Beck Road, they placed bike lanes on both sides of the road. That project, plus this project with the extended side-

walk, will now allow pedestrians to get to the main entrance of Maybury State Park.'

He added this is good news for Northville, Novi and Northville Township, as residents now "will be able to bike or walk to the park. This was nearly impossible before."

The contractor still has to do some pavement marking and minor cleanup work, but should be done in the next three weeks, according to Persinger.

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Novi teaching citizens to become city ambassadors

By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer

The city of Novi's Ambassador Academy is taking citizen outreach to another level by giving community members a chance to examine the inner workings of city government.

Novi city staff has already seen many of the spots for the new program filled; there are only three open spots remaining out of 20.

"We're really excited about this. It takes learning about the government a step further," Novi Community Relations Director Sheryl Walsh said.

Walsh said the idea came to city officials after a mayor's visit to another city, which has its own version of the academy.

She said organizers hope participants be-



come ambassadors for Novi and can help to better inform their neighbors on how things really work.

The Ambassador Academy will be an eight-week course that allows residents to become "students" of city government.

Tracie Ringle, Novi's communication specialist, said the students will hear from staff, take tours of facilities and engage in the collaborative city governing process.

"At the end of the



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Interim Novi City Manager Victor Cardenas (right) talks to soon-to-be Novi resident Dave Childs about some of the upcoming road work that commuters will have to keep in mind during a Sept. 9 meeting at the Novi Civic Center. Novi is offering an Ambassador Academy for Novi residents so that they can accurately learn what services are available to them by various city

course, students will have a greater under-

standing of how the city of Novi works for its

citizens," Ringle said. One visit will have

participants going to the Department of Public Services' Field Services Complex, while another will have them visiting Public Safety Administration at the Police Training Center. It will be a behind-the-scenes look at things like how police respond to calls or city staff get the roads plowed.

Classes are presented weekly at various locations. The sessions are led by city department representatives and often include a hands-on approach to learning

about specific services. Walsh said the academy will engage students and be interactive.

"It's a great opportunity for those who want to be more involved," she

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Summer of Sharing helps Novi youth baseball players have fun all year-round

By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer

The Novi Youth Baseball League works hard to give the area's youth a fun and safe environment. Now it's getting some help from Community Financial Credit Union and its Summer of Sharing campaign in making it an organization that can do this during all

"The NYBL is continuously looking for business partners in the community who can help the NYBL in its mission to provide a safe, family oriented and supportive environment for the youth in our community," NYBL fundraising chair Andrew Giddings said.

The NYBL, under the direction of Giddings, submitted a successful written request (or story) to Community Financial

explaining how the youth of NYBL could benefit from a donation of \$1,000 from Community Financial as part of its Summer of Sharing pro-

This year marked the fourth annual Summer of Sharing campaign by Community Financial.

Giddings said each summer, Community Financial invites 501(c) (3) organizations serving the communities within Community Financial's field of membership to submit nominations to receive \$1,000. The program lasts 60 days and a winner is announced

The NYBL was named the winner July 29, according to Giddings.

The fourth annual Summer of Sharing campaign received 508 stories about great work done by charities, community and education groups in cities around Novi.

The gift will go toward helping the NYBL in its goal to become a yearround organization. Giddings said he was aware of Community Financial' s Summer of Sharing program and submitted an entry on NYBL's behalf to be considered as a recipient of the program. He submitted an article to Community Financial explaining NYBL's mission and goal to serve the youth of Novi.

"The NYBL supports close to 500 players each year," Giddings said.

He said the organization serves one of the largest groups of families in Novi and includes House League, Inferno (tournament) and Heat (travel) teams. The play-

ers are ages 7-18. "Further, to help the



The Novi Youth Baseball League was awarded \$1,000 by the Summer of Sharing campaign put on by Community Financial Credit Union. This award will help NYBL become a year-round organization. In the center are the league's Andrew Giddings, fundraising chair, and Carol Aurilia, secretary/website director, joined by members of the Community Financial team.

NYBL in its goal of becoming a year-round organization, in August the board of NYBL approved moving forward with an indoor baseball and softball facility,"

Giddings said. "The facility will be in Novi and it will be utilized by NYBL, Novi Heat and Madness softball. The plan is to use the training facility for Novi Heat, Madness

softball, NYBL clinics/ training, Novi Inferno and more."

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O'Connor seeking trustee seat on OCC board

By Cal Stone Staff Writer

Dennis O'Connor has served on the Novi Board of Education for four years. Now he'd also like a seat on the Oakland Community College Board of Trustees.

"OCC must focus on further developing industry-specific technical and vocational training and education programs so our young adults will learn skills to meet the demands of Michigan employers," O'Connor said. "This must be achieved to further our state's potential for dynamic economic growth, especially in the advanced manufacturing and medical industries."

He said OCC also must deliver on the challenge from the 2009 Oakland County Workplace Development "Skills Needs Assessment Project," which stressed that local companies with emerging industries desperately need experienced workers who have good



O'Connor

sonal skills. The dramatic influences of globalization and technology on today's

society demand a more prepared, skilled and sophisticated work force, O'Connor noted.

The current president of Novi's board, O'Connor says there is no conflict between the two positions. OCC's board meets monthly Wednesday night and Novi's board meets two or three times per month Thursday

Neither board position pays and both are a sixyear term. Eleven candidates (including one incumbent) are vying for two seats on the OCC board. O'Connor, 57, said he

was surprised when he was asked by numerous constituents - from both parties - to consider serving on OCC's board.
"Many supporters

MORE INFORMATION

Full name: Dennis Paul O'Connor Jr. Age: 57

Family: Married to Gail for 32 years; two children (grown daughters), Sara and Lisa

Number of years as a Novi resident: My family and I have lived in Novi for 23 years. We moved to Novi in 1986, but I was transferred out of state in the mid-1990s. We then returned to Novi in 1998 to reconnect with a community where civic pride and educational excellence are top priorities. My two daughters graduated from Novi High School in 2002 and 2004. Education:

MBA: Marketing & Management, Wayne State University,

BA: Journalism & Mathematics, University of Michigan, Ann

Arbor Secondary Teacher Certification: University of Michigan Educa-

tion School Fellow: National Security Forum (NSF), Maxwell Air Force Base,

Montgomery, Alabama, 2011 Fellow: Michigan Political Leadership Program (MPLP) Michi-

gan State University, East Lansing, MI, 2010 Award of Merit-School Board Member: Michigan Association of School Boards (MASB), Lansing, MI, 2009

Certified Focus Group Moderator: Burke Institute, Cincinnati, OH, 2006

Community involvement:

President, Novi Board of Education (2013 to present) Trustee, Oakland County School Boards Association (2013 to

Communications Director, Save Novi Roads Bond Committee (2012)

Vice President, Novi Board of Education (2011 and 2012) Treasurer, Novi Board of Education (2010)

Trustee, Novi Educational Foundation (2011-2012)

Novi Legislative Representative: Oakland County Intermediate School District (2009-2011) Novi Community Education Advisory Council (2005-2010)

Novi Schools Bond Proposal Citizens' Committee (2007) Novi Schools Utilization & Redistricting Committee (2006) Novi Schools Long Range Planning Committee (2004-2005) Novi Athletic Boosters, Vice President and Publicity Director

Novi High School Band Boosters (1998-2004)

Employment: Small business owner in Novi for 13 years. I operate a communications and training consulting agency. Prior to opening my own business, I was a divisional vice president for Maritz Communications Co. in Detroit. I began my career in the newspaper industry as a reporter and editor for the Observer & Eccentric

Newspapers.

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said never say never. tion is the best way to

multiple government entities," O'Connor said. "This spirit of cooperafor that position again, the 23-year Novi resident cstone@gannett.com

"I'm always looking

for opportunities to serve

Novi residents in collab-

orative roles between

All parts working together for district success

ne day while I was driving to work, the battery light flashed on my dashboard. As I kept driving, I asked myself, how bad could it

Shortly after the battery light appeared, the tachometer and the speedometer stopped working. Then the radio quit. I began to sense that my ride to work was not going to end well. It didn't.

A short time later, I was coasting to a stop on the side of the road because the car had completely lost power.



Steve Matthews SUPER TALK

As I sat by the side of the road waiting for the tow truck to arrive, I had time to think. I thought about my car and the time we had spent making sure that it was in good shape.

It turns out that the alternator - the what? had broken. Should I have checked that more often? Maybe I could have prepared for this.

After it was repaired and I was back on the road, I started thinking about our schools. What are the things which are not easily seen that need to function well in order for our district to run smoothly? There is transportation, food service, maintenance and technology, among others.

respect my experience,

knowledge and dedica-

he said. "They want to

see me expand that ex-

pertise at a county level.

I'm honored by this op-

portunity."

tion to public education,"

These district functions are like the alternator on my car. They need to perform well if the district is going to run. Yet most of us pay little attention to them.

Luckily, in our district we have committed people who spend their days making sure that these areas perform well. One of our district goals is for every employee to work to create and maintain a high-performing organization. Every piece of our organization is important. The parts that function behind the scenes contribute value and stability to the overall

mission of ensuring that

O'Connor ran unsuc-

cessfully for Novi City

seats will be open again

doesn't plan on running

in 15 months. Although he

Council last year and

students learn. Sometimes there are glitches. Sometimes things don't go as smoothly as we would have liked. Yet every day, the people in our district work hard to get better and to continue to

ning organization. I am proud of our district. Every part of our district – both the

provide a smooth-run-

visible and the hidden parts - contributes to the success of our district. As we work together, we will continue to build a district that will help every student be successful.

focus our community on

educational growth and

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

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Sofy Hoffman, 9, works on personalizing her duct-tape notebook during a Sept. 5 crafts session at the Novi Public Library. Kids were able to create their own work of art for classroom notes as part of the library's welcoming visitors back to school.

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Revived state fair's attendance continues to climb

By Cal Stone Staff Writer

Now that the butter cow has melted, the big top tent is gone and the carnival rides have left town, organizers of the Fifth Third Bank Michigan State Fair say this year's event brought in 92,000 attendees.

"This year's fair exceeded expectations in every category," said Blair Bowman, president of The Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi, where the annual event is now held. "The only exception to this was our goal to reach a total of 100,000 in attendance,

which we would've achieved had we not been cut short due to weather on Monday.

Even with threat of bad weather Saturday and the short day Monday, total attendance was up 12,000 from last year. Some highlights were doubled attendance Friday and a record crowd of more than 30,000 Sunday alone.

The fair area was expanded to the west, including thousands of new parking areas. Bowman said organizers will continue to expand the midway and features of the fair and are looking at long-term potentials.

This could include the addition of new facilities to accommodate both the space needs for the future of the fair, but also handling additional space needs for future growth of The Suburban Collection Showplace.

"With the expansion of the fair, these additional crowds were handled with relative ease," Bowman said. "The overwhelming comment was on how the new expanded layout was better, bigger with more things to do and more fun.'

If the same type of growth patterns continue, Bowman noted, the fair should exceed

100,000 visitors next year.

Fifth Third Bank has been the title sponsor for two years and it is anticipated that it will continue to that commitment for at least the next three years.

Some of the key things added to this year's fair was the Kroger Michigan-made expanded pavilion; the Detroit Free Press cooking stage in the farmers market area; and the state fair superstar contest, "which was a huge hit and could not have had a better result," Bowman said. The winner of that contest, Alison Albrecht, will be featured in an upcoming Novi News article.

Bowman said one of the best new traditions established is the urban and rural gold ribbon scholarship program, where more than \$30,000 was given to youth applicants this year. He expects that that will continue to grow, thanks to help from Bright House, Guernsey Farms Dairy, C.F. Berger Creamery and the Shriners.

Bowman said there were virtually no comments or concerns from fair-goers regarding the pricing structure.

"With our new menu of approaches to individ-

ual tickets and performances and rides, it gave a very cost-effective opportunity for people to customize their experience at the fair - and it certainly seemed to work," he said.

In Bowman's third year handling the state fair and with considerable growth each year, it is impressive to note that there were no incidents reported by the Novi Police Department at this year's event.

"We will continue to work on this track record as we grow in future years," Bowman said.

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The Burkhardts

Lori and Greg Burkhardt of Novi and Linda and Larry Koch of Shelby Township announce the wedding of Andrew and Christina Burkhardt.

The wedding was performed July 25 at St. John Vianney in Shelby Township. The reception was held at Cherry Creek Golf Course after the ceremony.

The groomsman were Adam Burkhardt, Jeff Bowdell, Ryan Pollard, Nathan Daly and Benjamin Blanchard.

The bridesmaids were Amelia Bowdell, Kannah Salazar, Emily Zumbrunnen, Sandy Ng and Stacey Tyburski.

The groom earned his undergraduate degree from the University of Michigan in astrophysics and physics. He is currently studying for his doctoral degree in astronomy at the University of Virginia.

The bride earned her undergraduate degree in psychology from the University of Michigan. She is currently studying for her graduate degree in counseling education at the University of Virginia.

The couple currently reside in Charlottesville,

Send calendar information to cstone@hometownlife.com by noon Monday to be included in Thursday's publication. The calendar is also available online at

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Contact: 248-668-7014 or CelebrateRecovery@brightmoorcc.org

Web: www.brightmoorchur-

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Church of the Holy **Family**

Location: 24505 Meadowbrook Road.

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Mass Schedule

Passages

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Deadlines: Tuesday, 9:30 a.m. for Thursday papers Holiday deadlines are subject to change.

ANKRAPP, BETTY A. July 23, 1954- August 31, 2014. Care entrusted to L.J. Griffin Home-Northrop-Sassaman Chapel, Northville

Burgess, Lowell W. Age 71, passed away September 1. Services were September 4 at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME.

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CANDLER. **MARGERY FISHER**

Of Novi, Michigan. Born on May 26, 1929. Passed away August 14, 2014. Loving mother of William Wallace (Kathy), New Baltimore, MI; sisters Nancy Fanzini and MaryJo (Ed) Andrews; plus two nieces and three nephews. Preceded in death by her parents Vernon and Grace Fisher. Marge was a U of M graduate and spent her career teaching at Gill Road Elementary School, Farmington. She was a loyal fan of the Red Wings and Nascar Racing. Marge spent time daily doing extremely hard crossword puzzles and reading, including The Wall Street Journal. She belonged to the Waterloo Hunt Club, serving as Secretary of their Annual Horse Show for many years. In lieu of flowers. Memorial contributions are suggested to The Michigan Humane Society, 7401 Chrysler Drive, Detroit, MI 48211-1942. This was her favorite charity because in her words "Animals can't speak for themselves". Family and friends will gather for a "Celebration of Life" Memorial on September 12, 2014 at the Longacre House, 24705 Farmington Road, Farmington Hills, Michigan between 7-9



FRANKLIN, DONALD A resident of Milford, passed

away in the care of his family. He was 78 years old. Preceded in death by his parents William and Mariann Franklin and his aunt Rose Talorowski. In addition to Anna, his beloved wife of 58 years, Don is survived by his daughter Barbara (Joseph) Jaschuk and grandson Scott Jaschuk. Don served our country proudly in the Marine Corps. Prayers service and Marine Honors were rendered at Lynch & Sons Funeral Home. Memorials may be made American Cancer Society. For further information, phone 248-684-6645 or visit www.Lyn chFuneralDirectors.com

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GIRBACH, MARILYN

Age 76, passed away September 1, 2014. She was born on June 13, 1938, daughter of the late James and Nellie Cash. Marilyn was laid to rest on Thursday, September 4 at 10:00 a.m. in South Lyon Cemetery.

www.phillipsfuneral.com

KING, JUNE CAROL June 1, 1937-September 1, 2014 Care entrusted to L.J. Griffin Funeral Home-Northrop-Sassaman Chapel, Northville

LINDBECK, **MORGAN JEAN**

7, died at her home in Milford on August 31, 2014 after being diagnosed with cancer in

She leaves her parents Rick and Kathy Lindbeck; her sister, Cali; grandparents Richard Marilyn Lindbeck and Gerald and Janelle Radtke; uncles and David (Melanie) Lindbeck, Kristen (Josh) Burrell Rebecca (Steve) Johnson, Jill (Jared) Gatt; cousins, Jocelyn and Mari Lindbeck, Kenedi and Lyndi Burrell, Sophia, Elijah and Levi Johnson.

She was preceded in death by her brother, Alan William Lindbeck, and her sister, Reagan Marie Lindbeck

were Cornerstone Evangelical Presbyterian Church, Brighton, on Thursday, September 4, 2014. Memorials may be made in her name to Caring Bridge. For further information please contact Lynch & Sons, Milford, at 248-684-6645 or visit www.LynchFu

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MILLS, GERALDINE

ALICE (TAYLOR) Age 85, of Northville, MI died peacefully with her family present on Saturday, July 26, 2014. Born October 2, 1928 to Theodore R. and Alice M. Taylor, she married Leland H. Mills in 1946 and they celebrated 67 years of marriage just before he died in October, 2013. They moved from Port Huron, MI to Northville in 1958. She taught piano and voice lessons, which she continued until her death, and she was loved by her many students. She sang solo soprano and in the church choir wherever she attended church; she also directed church choirs and sang in the annual local performances of the "Messiah." Geraldine was never one to sit idle. She was a highly skilled seamstress and she loved doing her needlework. She was an avid reader and member of The Friends of Northville Library for many years. A longtime member of The Northville Women's Club (53 yrs), she served as President 1989-1991, on the Archives Committee and on the Board of Directors. She and her husband active members Meadowbrook Congregational Church and she volunteered in many capacities there. She also enjoyed cross country skiing, walking, being near the water and spending time in their summer place on Lake Leelanau with their friends and family. Geraldine is survived by her sister Patricia Witherspoon; her ter Patricia Witherspoon; her children, Shary Kelsey, Theodore, Jeffrey (Deborah) and Gregory (Qi) Mills; her grand-children, David, Steven and Kevin Viery, Alicia Warren, Sara Odum, Lee J., Devoney, Landon, Gregory, Jr., Holly and Susan Mills; and her nine great-grandchildren. She is greatly grandchildren. She is greatly

missed by her family and her many friends. The Memorial

Service will be held Saturday,

September 20, 2014 at Meadowbrook Congregational

Church, 21355 Meadowbrook

Rd., Novi, MI. Visitation with

family at 10:00 a.m.; Service at

11:00 a.m

PICHE, DONALD **ROBERT "BOB"**

Of Northville. Sept. 10, 1932-Sept. 6, 2014. L.J. Griffin Funeral Home, Northrop-Sassaman Chapel, griffinfuneralhome.com.



RAJSIGL, PATRICIA A.

January 4, 1936 -September 1, 2014 In Celebration of Life, We walk though the shadow of death and we know that GOD is GOOD and only GOOD things come from GOD. Sister-in-law O Rajsigl of Detroit; nieces and Deborah, Helen, Maryann K. George, and LOVE and WILL MISS very much. We wish our cousin Karen a wonderful future and GRACE IS ON US ALL as we will meet Aunt Pat and Uncle Joe again in Heaven. Harbor Springs, Michigan was a favorite place of hers.

RUSSELL, ANDREW G. "ANDY"

A longtime resident of Milford and a former resident of Coulterville, California, passed away peacefully in his home on Monday, September 8th, 2014 after a valiant battle with esophageal cancer. He was preceded in death by his parents, George and Olga and is survived by his wife, Teri Gonzales Russell; stepdaughters, Alexandra Warner; brothers, Michael (Margie) and Richard and many extended family and dear friends. He was a proud member of the Sons of the American Legion and was a founding member of the American Legion Riders Post 216, Milford. Memorial serviced details are pending. Memorial Contributions may be made in Andy's name to The Legacy Fund, c/o American Legion Riders, 510 W Commerce Road, Milford, MI 48381 For further information phone 248-684-6645 or visit ww w.LynchFuneralDirectors.com



RELIGION CALENDAR

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

Holy days: 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. **Reconciliation:** beginning 9 a.m. Saturdays or by appointment.

Priests: the Rev. Bob LaCroix, pastor, and the Rev. Beto Espi-

noza, associate pastor. AA: 8 p.m. Wednesdays. Homosexuality presenta-

tion: 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 21; a special parent presentation on homosexuality by Mary Wilkerson and Mike Chamberland. drawing on the Catechism of the Catholic Church to examine what the church teaches about same sex attraction. Explore the Church's unique position and resolve the most popular myths regarding this teaching.

Crosspointe **Meadows Church**

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

Sunday worship: 11 a.m. Bible study classes: 10 a.m. for all ages

Details: Nursery and older children programs available. Worship blends traditional and contemporary elements resulting in a multi-sensory worship

Destiny Worship Center

Location: Ridge Wood Elementary School, 49775 Six Mile,

Contact: DestinyW3C@Gmail.com or visit www.DW3C.org.

Emmanuel Lutheran Church

Location: 34567 Seven Mile, Livonia

Web: www.emmanuel-livonia.org

Contact: 248-442-8822. Sunday worship: 8 a.m., 9:30

a.m. and 11 a.m. Youth group: 7 p.m. Wednes-

days. Women's Coffee Break Bible Study: 10-11:30 a.m. Mondays; Christiainity and World Religions: Wrestling with Questions People Ask by Adam Hamilton

The Andy Griffith Bible Study: 11 a.m. Sundays; adult Bible study

The Underground Railroad and the Christians Role: 9:30 a.m., begins Sunday, Sept. 28; adult Bible study

Special Needs Ministry: Contact Judy Cook, 248-442-8822

Faith Community Presbyterian Church

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

First Baptist Church of Northville

Location: 217 N. Wing. Contact: 248-348-1020. Sunday Worship: 10:45 a.m. and 5:45 p.m.

Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. Ladies Bible Study: 9:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Tuesdays. Men's Bible Study: 9 a.m. first Saturday of every month.

First Church of the Nazarene

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

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

Thursday schedule: 6 a.m. Men of Purpose Prayer Group and Bible Study. Friday: 9:30 a.m.; Sweet Fridays

on the second and fourth Fridays - A Ministry for Moms of All Ages. Wednesday: 6:30 p.m. Bible

Study with pastor Troy Ogle and Surge Youth Group. There is a Family Story Time during the month of June for birth through kindergarten with their family.

First Presbyterian Church of **Northville**

Location: 200 E. Main. Contact: 248-349-0911 or visit www.fpcnorthville.org. Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School: 10:30 a.m. (for all ages)

First Presbyterian Church

Location: 205 E. Lake St. (corner of Wells and 10 Mile).

Contact: 248-437-2875.

Church Location: 26165 Farmington Road, Farmington.

First Presbyterian

First United Methodist Church of Northville

Location: 777 W. Eight Mile, Northville

Contact: 248-349-1144 or www.fumcnorthville.org **Summer Sunday Worship** (Memorial Day-Labor Day):

10 a.m.

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

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

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

Location: 41415 Nine Mile, corner of Meadowbrook Road,

Contact: 248-349-0565. Sundays: 8:45 a.m. Sunday School and Bible study; 10 a.m. worship.

Holy Cross Episcopal Church

Location: 40700 W. 10 Mile. Contact: 248-427-1175 or holycrossnovi@gmail.com; visit holyCROSSnovi.org

Sunday Worship: 7:45 and 10 **Sunday School and Nursery**

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

Hope Lutheran Church

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

Lakes Baptist Church

Location: 309 Decker Road,

Livonia Church of Christ

Location: 15431 Merriman, Livonia. Contact: 734-427-8743 or visit

www.livoniachurch.net. Sunday Worship: 11 a.m. Bible School: Sunday 10 a.m.; Wednesday 7 p.m.

Legacy Church

(formerly First Baptist Church and Orchard Hills Baptist

Location: 23455 Novi Road,

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

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

Meadowbrook Congregational Church

Location: 21355 Meadowbrook Road between Eight Mile and Nine Mile.

Contact: the Rev. Arthur P. Ritter, senior minister, at 248-348-7757; visit mbccc.org; or email to office@mbccc.org. Sunday Worship: 10 a.m. **Church School and Nursery** Care: provided during worship.

11:30 a.m. fourth Thursday of each month. Pilgrim Fellowship: 6 p.m. Sundays.

Fellowship Hour: 11 a.m.

Merry Widows Luncheon:

Orchard Grove Community Church

Location: 850 Ladd Road, Building C, Walled Lake. Web: www.orchardgrove.org. Contact: Amanda Rehm at

248-926-6584 or amanda.rehm@orchardgrove.org.

NorthRidge Church

Location: 49555 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth Phone: 734-233-3621

Email: pheaton@northridge church.com Marriage Conference: Sept. 26-27. For one weekend, be-

stselling author and nationally known speaker Gary Thomas will be holding the dynamic conference, "Sacred Marriage." Here, attendees will learn how to transform a 'tired' marriage into a relationship built on love and respect. To purchase tickets or learn more, visit: North-RidgeChurch.com/Sacred-

Northville Christian Assembly

Marriage

Location: 41355 Six Mile. Contact: 248-348-9030; ncalife.org. Sundays: 9-10 a.m. Sunday School for adults/youth/children; 9 a.m. Contemporary service in sanctuary; 10:15 a.m.: Contemporary service in worship center; children's super

church on the second level

(208/210)

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

Novi-Northville Center for Jewish Life

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

Contact: Rabbi Avrohhom and

Leah Susskind at 248-790-6075

or rabbi@novijewishcenter.com;

www.novijewishcenter.com. **Novi United**

Methodist Church Location: 41671 W. 10 Mile. Contact: 248-349-2652 or visit

umcnovi.com. Facebook: https://www.face-

book.com/pages/Novi-United-Church/59782031433. Sunday Worship: 9:45 a.m.

Healing Service and Holy

Communion: 9:45 a.m. first

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

Oak Pointe Church

Location: 50200 W. 10 Mile,

Contact: 248-912-0043. Web: www.oakpointe.org/

Worship Services: 5:15 p.m. Saturday; 9:15 a.m., 11:15 a.m. Sunday.

ReNew Life Group Ministries: 7-9 p.m. Monday (groups meet weekly). Women's Life Groups Minis-

tries: 7 p.m. Tuesday; 9:30 a.m. Wednesday. Men's Life Groups Ministries: 6 a.m. Friday; at the church and various locations.

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Location: 54899 Eight Mile, Northville.

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Sunday Bible Study: 9:30 a.m.

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Yerkes Pond Dam project gets crucial fix

By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer

It didn't quite blow out, but a quick change in repair plans was needed to make sure the project to fix the dam at Northville's Mill Race Village didn't do just that.

To cover the costs in the change of plan, the Northville City Council. by a 5-0 vote, approved Tuesday a change order for the Yerkes Pond Dam Improvement Project to Birkenstock Construction in the amount of \$8,711.50, increasing the contract amount to \$135,374.

"The project was go-ing well early on as planned, but then a problem was encountered, city of Northville Public Works Director Jim Gal-

logly said. According to Gallogly, the design for the head walls involved chipping off approximately three inches of concrete and pouring a concrete cap over the exposed areas of

the walls. "As work progressed to the head walls of the structure, it became

clear that the existing concrete walls were too soft for the proposed cap to adhere properly," he said. "A design change has been made by the project engineers, Rowe **Professional Services** Co., to address this problem. The change calls for chipping out approximately half of the old walls and connecting new reinforced concrete walls to the existing structure."

This past June, Northville awarded a construction contract for the rehabilitation of the Yerkes Pond Dam to Birkenstock of Southfield. Gallogly said the project is well underway, with most of the work to date being concentrated on the spillway of the dam.

The budget amount provided for the project is \$170,000, according to Gallogly. The bid submitted by Birkenstock Construction was \$126,662.50 and the engineering cost of \$33,104 is within the budget.

"This leaves a small amount (\$10,233.50) which is sufficient to cover the cost of this change to the project," he



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A construction crew continues work Sept. 3 on improving the Yerkes Pond Dam at Northville's Mill Race Village. The crew is focusing not only on the dam itself, but also the retaining walls near its entrance.

told council.

He added, "The current work on the spillway has resulted in savings, as the spillway work involved less effort than expected.'

The overall project is expected to be done within the month.

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Weekly events

Doll house raffle continues with tickets on sale in the office and general store during open hours.

Tuesday: Stone Gang; The Stone Gang is a group of volunteers who handle Village care and maintenance. Meet at 9 a.m. in the Cady Inn.

Thursday: Archives open 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday: Archives open 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Northville Schools touring village noon to 3 p.m.

Saturday: Museum buildings open for Victorian Festival 1-4 p.m.

Sunday: Village buildings open noon to 4 p.m.;

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Volunteers: The Northville Historical Society at Mill Race Village accepts volunteers in many different areas. Contact the office for more details.

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NEWSMAKERS

Lotus Bank names Wasen CLO

Lotus Bank, a statechartered, full-service commercial bank based in Novi, has named Gerald (Jerry) Wasen its



chief lending officer. Neal Searle, president & CEO of Lotus Bank, made the announce-

Wasen

ment.

"We are so fortunate to be able to bring a topnotch professional like Jerry to Lotus Bank," Searle said. "His decades of leadership and banking expertise will enable us to continue providing outstanding service to our customers."

Prior to joining Lotus
Bank, Wasen served as
president and CEO of a
northern Michigan community bank. He also
served as an executive
managing director and as
an executive vice president of two Detroit-area
banks.

Lotus Bank was established in 2007 by Indian-American business and medical industry leaders from southeast Michigan to serve the business and personal finance needs of the region with a special focus within the Indian community. It is one of the most well-capitalized banks in Michigan, with approximately \$102 million in total assets.

Wasen is a longtime Farmington area resident with long history of civic involvement, including membership and leadership roles with the Farmington Downtown Development Authority, the Farmington-Farmington Hills Optimist Club and city of Farmington Employees Retirement Board.

Welcome



A ribbon-cutting ceremony was recently held for Novi's Pinnacle Homes. Pictured (from left) are John DePorre, president of Pinnacle Homes; Tom Oslund, vice president of sales and marketing of Pinnacle Homes; Barb Sawosko, Andelina Ridge sales manager of Pinnacle Homes; Scott Oldfield, vice president/partner of Advisors Capital, Inc.; Gina Leon, sales assistant of Pinnacle Homes; Curtis Shewell, director of business development of First Securities Financial Services, Inc.; and Sandy Raden, senior buyer specialist of Keller Williams Mark Z Team.

MTEC SmartZone, MTU partner to create local businesses

Michigan's EB-5
Regional Center, a tool
Gov. Rick Snyder championed to attract foreign investors and create jobs in the state, was among key initiatives discussed during a recent public forum at
MTEC SmartZone Lakeshore Center.

visa program is designed to provide green cards and a path to citizenship for immigrants who invest in an enterprise that creates at least 10 direct or indirect jobs in Michigan. Investments can range from \$500,000 to \$1 million, depending on whether the enterprise

is located in a rural or high-unemployment target area. Michigan is the second state in the nation to manage its own regional center for an immigrant visa program.

Several local and regional entities expressed interest in collaborating with the state to attract and retain international students and entrepreneurs to create more jobs. They include: MTEC SmartZone, Michigan Technological University, Northern Michigan University and the cities of Houghton, Hancock and warquette.

"When you consider the global reach of this area and put it together with core competencies that exist at Michigan Tech and Northern, and the type of quality of life, spirit and the atti-tude of Houghton, Hancock and Marquette, it really is the type of welcoming environment to continue the tradition of excellence here in our state," Michigan Lt. Gov. Brian Calley said. "The tradition of excellence is really about having an environment for success for people with all different types of backgrounds,

According to Michigan Tech President
Glenn Mroz, the university draws students
from more than 60
countries each year.
"These students call
Houghton home, even
after they leave," he
said. "Having them be
able to stay here and
start a business or work
for somebody else, is a
great opportunity for
them and the state of
Michigan."

The EB-5 Regional
Center serves as an investment partner and assists with identifying qualified visa candidates, underwriting projects, verifying investors and handling the compliance process. Since the center was approved by the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services in late March, there has been a strong demand for visas.

for visas.

"Michigan Tech has international students and MTEC SmartZone has access to funding and training programs to help create companies and jobs," MTEC SmartZone CEO Mari-

lyn Clark said.
For more information about the EB-5
Regional Center and visa program, visit
http://www.michigan

Oakland County launches online business directory

Oakland County businesses can become part of a free online registry to build their business locally while securing opportunities with some of Michigan's largest companies.

Oakland Business Connect is available to any of the county's 42,000 businesses, Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson said.

"We want Oakland
County companies to be
the first choice for other Oakland County companies looking for goods
or services," Patterson
said. "Growing businesses here means a
stronger economy and
more jobs."

By signing up locally, businesses can have access to the full range of services offered through the Oakland County One Stop Shop Business Center, including one-on-one confidential business counseling, access to workshops and seminars, custom mapping and access to financial counseling and capital. Retail, commercial and service industries would all benefit from registering.

registering.

"The whole point is for Oakland County businesses to get access to other Oakland County businesses," said Irene Spanos, the county's director of economic development and community affairs. "With over 42,000 businesses in the county, that's a lot of opportunity."

Businesses can register at OaklandBusinessConnect.com.

Know your fees on retirement accounts

ank fees, credit card fees, resort fees - the list keeps growing and consumers keep paying more in fees

In many cases, the fees are nominal and are

more annoying than anything. However, in certain situations, bank fees and airline fees, to

Rick Bloom

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name a couple, are significant. A fee that could top them all – and one that is hidden – is charged on retirement accounts such as 401(k) and 403(b)

plans.
A new study reports
that over the course of
someone's career, he/she
could pay more than
\$100,000 in excessive
fees.

I believe most people would agree that when it comes time to retire, having that extra \$100,000 in their pocket is a good thing. So why don't more people do something about high fees? My reasoning is that people are unaware of the fees and believe they have no other alternatives.

My philosophy is, you must be proactive. You may be surprised to learn you have other alternatives.

If you are retired or no longer working at the company where you have a 401(k) or 403(b) plan and pay high fees, you need to move your money into an IRA. By directly transferring the money from your old employer-based retirement savings account into an IRA, there is no tax consequences and the money can continue to grow on a tax-deferred basis. In addition, you will have control over your investments, allowing you to invest without having to pay excessive fees.

The problem is knowing what fees you pay.
In salary-deferral programs, it can be difficult to know what you're paying in fees. If fees are coming directly out of your account and are a separate line item, they are easier to understand. Unfortunately, it's not that way with many programs. Some of these fees are hidden.

For those of you who are working and contributing to salary deferral programs, I recognize that it may be tough to have your employer change the plan. However, it's not impossible. When the employer finds out that the plan has excessive fees, many times it also wants to make a change – particularly, in a small business where the owner is contributing along with employees into the program.

Many remember that the government came out with new regulations regarding fees for retirement savings accounts. The government did come out with new regulations; however, the real question is it any easier for consumers to analyze a salary-deferral program? The answer is

The bottom line is the burden is on you. It's not fair, however, that \$100,000 looks better in your pocket and that's what the focus should be. Good luck.

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TALES FROM FORD MOTOR CO.

Hills author provides inside perspective

By Joanne Maliszewski Staff Writer

If you want a peek into the workings of the Ford Motor Co., just ask O.J. Nori of Farmington Hills, who published his first book on the automotive giant in 2007 and has a second book in the works.

"What we have in this book is a true and factual portrayal from personal memory, spanning a period of greater than five decades," the 90-year-old wrote in the preface of the first book, FORD — An Era Remembered

The retired Ford employee takes the reader from his Detroit experiences during the Great Depression through the Lee Iacocca days and the start of mechanized processing. The first chapter, "Brother, Can You Spare a Dime?" documents the desire and demand in Detroit for jobs with the automaker, as well as how Detroiters lived during an economic depression that left families unemployed, without housing and hungry.

"There were a lot of long lines of people looking for employment," Nori said.

Throughout the Great Depression, Nori's dad did odd jobs when he could find them. His grandfather, with whom Nori spent a lot of his time, was an out-of-work carpenter.

He recalls riding a streetcar — a 6-cent fare — with his grandfather, looking for work. But they had plenty of fun, too. "We would go to the moving pictures downtown," Nori said, adding they each had a homemade sandwich wrapped in newspaper for their daily journeys.

When Nori's grandfa-

ther stopped at businesses looking for work or especially when they stopped by Ford, the young boy was told to stand a bit away from the lines. Sometimes there were arguments and fists. Mostly, there was hunger and desperation.

"I remember men asking if they could have a nickel or an apple," Nori said.

Finally, Nori's family moved from Detroit to Dearborn. Bank rules in those days allowed an increase in the family's payments for the house. But as a resident of Dearborn, Nori's dad had a greater chance of being recalled to his Ford job.

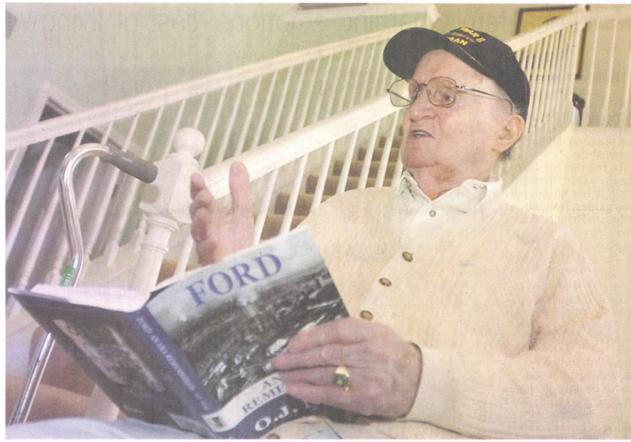
Second book

While still promoting the first book, Nori is compiling his second that does not yet have a title. The efforts are family affairs. His daughter Terri types and edits, while his wife Marge helped get the first one published. That first effort left the family with a \$5,000 loss and no book when the publishing company surprisingly closed its doors. "We kept calling them. Nobody would answer," Marge Nori said.

When Nori finally went to the publishing company, he was shocked by the empty offices. "All of my papers were scattered all over," he said.

The book was finally published, but the new company didn't work in distribution. The family had 200 copies made, which they give away instead of selling.

The first book and the second one in the works is a labor of love for the company that became a significant part of Nori's life. To this day, the Nori immediate and extended family are asked to drive Ford autos. "We can't drive anything else," said his daughter Terri Bres-



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O.J. Nori of Farmington Hills offers readers an insight to the early workings of the Ford Motor Co.

so, also of Farmington HIlls.

In the first few chapters of the first book. Nori sets the stage for his eventual employment at Ford, which was a little iffy at first because he didn't have a birth certificate with an embossed seal of the state of Pennsylvania, where he was born. He traveled back to his birth state, got what he needed and began working for Ford in the employment office, a position that eventually led to labor relations as his career grew.

Nori knew he would enter the armed services and wanted a good job to which he could return. He had taken commercial courses and worked for Detroit Edison. Interestingly, however, Ford was the only company that would hire a 17-

year-old. He started his initial career working in employee insurance.

He then joined the U.S. Army for three years, serving at the 5th Service Command Headquarters in Birmingham, Ala. While there, he worked in processing and, by 1946, typed his own discharge papers.

Inner workings

The book literally throws the reader into the inner workings of Ford. But it also turns a spotlight on conversations and experiences with a host of well-known Ford Motor executives, including Henry Ford himself. Nori giggles a bit remembering that lots of folks thought he looked a bit like Ford.

Eventually, Nori was reassigned from his work in getting foreigners

registered to work to the Ford parts division, where he was called on to interpret and work with labor contracts. "A lot of different things were happening," he said. "I lived through it all."

Nori also takes the time to include some fun moments, including with Jesse Owens, the fourtime Olympic field and track gold medal winner.

While working out at Ford's aircraft plant, Nori and Owens charged employees \$3 to run against the star athlete. Owens got \$2 and Nori \$1. "They (employees) were so proud that they raced with Jesse Owens," Nori

He also met football star Jim Thorpe, professional baseball player and manager Mickey Cochrane and even Elvis Presley. "I didn't know Elvis Presley from a load of hay," Nori said.

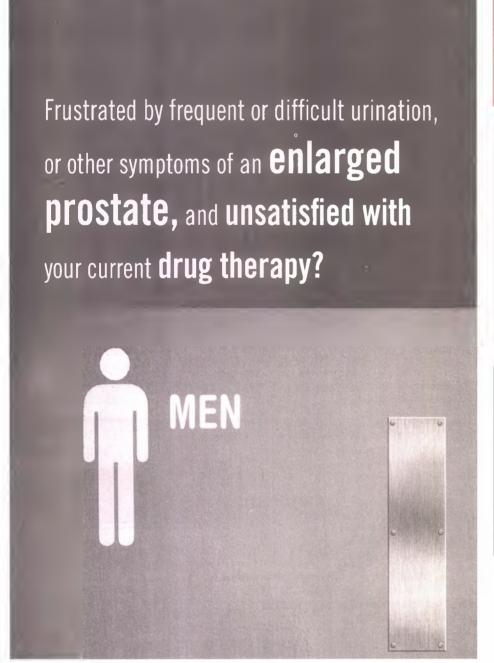
of hay," Nori said.

But while Nori was in Memphis, he saw a man walk into the Ford lobby. No one was waiting on him, so Nori asked him how he could help. "He wanted to buy two white Lincolns," Nori said. No one could, however, miss watching all the young women come out of offices when they heard Elvis was in the building. "He was very nice. He

was a gentleman."
Nori also recalls for readers what happened inside Ford Motor when Henry Ford died.

"There was a lot of concern over who would take over when Ford died. His wife insisted it would be young Henry," Nori said.

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INDOMITABLE SPIRIT

Local family battling emotions, cost of living with muscular disease

By Brad Kadrich Staff Writer

Erinne Williams and Kevin Yopek of Canton have the usual sibling relationship.

She learned her love of hockey from him and he taught her how to play video games. Now, according to Erinne, she "kicks his butt" at them.

There's a sibling rivalry tinged with a touch of competitiveness surrounded by a love of family that's normal in most relationships.

But their relationship is not a normal one, because very little about Erinne Williams is normal. While Kevin can play his hockey on skates in full pads zooming across the ice, Erinne's version of hockey - and she's a huge fan - is on wheels

That's because Erinne, struck young by a strain of muscular dystrophy called spinal muscular atrophy, has been confined to a wheelchair much of her life. The disease, which her family likens to amyotrophic lateral sclerosis but in children, has altered the lives of Erinne and her family in ways no family should bear.

Blending in

"I want to be a regular teenager, but I just can't," Erinne said, her voice hushed and raspy from a tracheostomy tube through which she has to breathe much of the time. "I feel a little like an outsider. I try to blend in as much as pos-

Blending in, particularly at school, is tough enough. It's a little more difficult when you travel with your own nurse and service dog (Latte, provided by Canine Assistants). It's a battle Erinne, now a senior at Plymouth High School, has been fighting most of

When she was born in 1997, Erinne "seemed perfectly healthy," according to her mom Suzanne and that was the expectation. Considered an older mother at 36, Suzanne Williams had genetic testing done and everything came back normal. But when Erinne was about 7 months old, she hadn't yet mastered gross motor milestones, like pulling up to standing and cruising along furniture, and she started losing the ones she had mastered - crawling normally and sitting up.

A worried mother, Suzanne started having her daughter tested, but the tests didn't tell her much. Some doctors told her she was "expecting too much" and measuring her too closely against her siblings, Claire and Kevin, who had both learned to walk at a voung age.

Wrong solution

Three doctors came back with the same diagnosis: A tumor on the spine. But Suzanne wasn't buying it.

"It didn't sit well with me, so we kept pursuing it," Suzanne said of the tumor diagnosis. "There were clues to me that something was wrong. It just didn't feel right.'

She took Erinne to see Dr. Michael Nigro, the doctor who runs the MDA program at Children's Hospital. His diagnosis - spinal muscular atrophy - came almost immediately.

"I was numb," Su-



Suzanne Williams helps daughter Erinne Williams with her morning routine.

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zanne said. "I had no idea what SMA was and what her prognosis was.'

Turns out the prognosis wasn't good. Doctors didn't figure Erinne would make it to her eighth birthday and Suzanne was encouraged to just take her home and 'love her for however long I would have her."

So much for doctors and their predictions. Erinne celebrated her 17th birthday in May, though it certainly hasn't been an easy road. She's had pneumonia 21 times, 14 surgeries and 25 hospitalizations. She spent summer 2001 on life support due to unforeseen post-op complications and was not expected to survive. She was hospitalized for 101 days and spent 85 of those on a ventilator.

"She was just 4 years old. I was told that I needed to accept reality and that my daughter was never going to come back as the child she once was," Suzanne wrote in her blog. "I was told to let her go. But I couldn't - I knew it wasn't her time."

Ozzie fan

And it wasn't. Erinne picked up Kevin's love of hockey and is a huge Detroit Red Wings fan who asks her mother frequently to drive past the Plymouth home of retired goalkeeper Chris Osgood, her "favorite person in the entire world." (According to Suzanne, "Ozzie" was Erinne's first word after "mama" and "da-da.")

She's a defenseman, one of just four girls in her 50-player wheelchair hockey league (she was also the only girl chosen for an elite team). She now beats Kevin in video games to the point where 'he hits the reset button" when he begins to lose, according to Erinne (it's a charge at which Kevin only smiles). She's fully integrated at school, where Plymouth High School staff and students accept her as a friend.

But she'll never drive - "I really want my driver's license, but it's not going to happen," Erinne said - and there are days when she can't breathe on her own or feed herself. There are also days when she can and Suzanne loves those days.

"The days she can feed herself breakfast are good days, because there are days she can't," Suzanne said. "The days she can sit in her chair are a blessing, because there are days she can't even get out of bed.'

Good and bad

Those are the days that are particularly hard on Suzanne, although none is easy anymore. A former director of a child care center for Ford Motor Co. in Dearborn with a degree in elementary education and early childhood development, Suzanne had to give up her job to take on the 24-hour-a-day care of her daughter (though she gets a nurse for 16 hours).

The physical strain of lifting and caring for her daughter has taken a toll on Suzanne's body. She has three bulging discs in her back and suffers from spinal stenosis. While physically she's a candidate for surgery, Suzanne won't have it, because it would force her to change the way she takes care of her

daughter. But it has forced her to stop working and money is becoming a big issue. Erinne and Suzanne both get Social Security disability money and Erinne gets "a little bit of child support," but income is at a premium these days.

"We are bare-bones," Suzanne said. "There's no room for extras."

"Extras" don't even figure into the equation. Taking care of Erinne is not only a physical battle, it's a financial struggle, as well. Insurance doesn't cover much of her care; for instance, the feeding tubes she uses cost about \$200 a month. That's just one example of an out-ofpocket expense.

Most of the machinery that dominates Erinne's existence is powered by electricity, so Suzanne's utility costs are high. The conversion van necessary to accommodate her wheelchair guzzles gas. Her medications are

Helping out

Beverly Wheeler is a friend who's trying to help with all of that. Wheeler, a Canton resident who met Suzanne six months ago through her daughter Sydney



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Once Erinne is secure in her chair, she guides the chair, backward, through the hall to the living room.

(Sydney and Erinne are friends), noticed there was no curtain in the doorway leading to the hallway from the living room to Erinne's bed-

So Wheeler made one. Since then, Wheeler has been a fixture in the Williams home, helping Suzanne help Erinne. She has seen the toll it has taken on Suzanne.

"I kept seeing more and more need and I have the background to help," said Wheeler, a retired paramedic. "I think Suzanne needs my help more than Erinne does. Erinne gets help from elsewhere; Suzanne's help comes from

Wheeler's daughter doesn't have the limitations Erinne faces and can do more things. Wheeler said she sometimes feels a little guilty telling Suzanne about Sydney's exploits, knowing Erinne won't ever do those same things.

"Sometimes I feel I shouldn't tell Suzanne what Sydney is doing, because her child can't," Wheeler said. "It makes me feel bad to share with my closest friend the things I can do, because her kid can't.'

Suzanne, of course, pooh-poohs Wheeler's concerns, because selfpity has never entered into the equation.

'One thing I've never done is ask God, 'Why me?" Suzanne said. "Erinne is a gift. I know she's not going to be here forever, so every day is a gift. She has affected my life more than any other

person in my life."

No pity party

Likewise, though she might be the one person entitled to ask the question, Erinne doesn't spend much time wondering, "Why me?" She wants to be a veterinarian and her dream car would be a Camaro, if she were ever going to drive one. Those things might not happen, so Erinne focuses on the things she can control. Like video

"That's the one thing where I'm on a level playing field," Erinne

HELPING ERINNE

The cost in both human and financial terms of caring for a daughter with spinal muscular atrophy is high for Suzanne Williams, a single mother taking care of her 17-year-old daugh-

Some examples of donations that would help include a full house, self-starting generator to help recharge the battery backup for the host of machines that dominate her daily life; hotel gift cards, because the home frequently loses power and the family is forced to retreat to a hotel; contractor time and home repairs, grass and snow removal and wheelchair ramp maintenance; help with utility costs; gas cards; and gift cards to places such as CVS, Target, Meijer, Costco, Vitamin Shoppe, etc.

Where to help: » http://www.gofundme.com/ErinneRoseWilliams » An account has been set up at Chase Bank; to donate, simply designate funds to account number 2747823769. » Erinne's story can be found at www.our-smaangels.com/ErinneRose/ story.html.

said. "SMA has given me a lot of perspective on the things in life that are taken for granted."
It's the kind of attitude

her brother admires. Kevin, now 23, said he loves how his sister takes every day and makes it the "best it can possibly

Suzanne knows she's going to lose Erinne and faces the fact head-on. She's done the unthinkable things parents with terminally ill children have to do, like planning for the end. But that doesn't mean she's not having trouble facing it.

"In my mind, I've planned her funeral, but I just can't imagine going through that," Suzanne said. "I'm just trying to be there for her every day. I can't imagine what my life is going to be like without her.'





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OUR VIEW

Pro-charter group's tone-deaf tweet offended

What do state Superintendent of Education Mike Flanagan and former Alabama Gov. George Wallace have in common?

Well, they're both white men. That's pretty much the only similarity we can find between Flanagan and the late Wallace, a one-time presidential hopeful best known for his wretched race-baiting. Wallace's rallying cry was "segregation now,

segregation tomorrow, segregation forever." He was a man who exploited racial strife at every turn for political advantage. Flanagan is a relatively mild-mannered career educator who has tried to make sure all children get a good education.

But, apparently, that's not how some of the fine folks at the Great Lakes Education Project see it. Last month, someone over at GLEP headquar-

ters tweeted an image of Flanagan alongside a 1963 picture of Wallace in his most iconic, cringe-worthy moment — standing in the doorway at the University of Alabama in an attempt to stop black students from entering.

It seems GLEP was trying to say that Flanagan was attempting to bar minority students from access to education in the same way Wallace did.

And what, exactly, did Flanagan do to merit that kind of comparison? He and the Michigan Department of Education have threatened to suspend 11 charter school authorizers — the colleges, universities or school districts that oversee charter school operators — because their schools have shown horrible academic results or other trans-

After a woeful attempt to defend the tone-deaf tweet, GLEP deleted it, apologized to "anyone of-fended" and noted that it was inappropriate. Calling the tweet inappropriate was the only thing GLEP got right.

At this point, you might be wondering what, exactly, GLEP is. It's a political action committee founded to support school choice and advocate for charter schools. It's heavily funded by the DeVos family and folks like J.C. Huizenga, founder of Michigan's largest charter school operator. It has raised \$3.5 million since 2002 and has contributed \$1.3 million to state lawmakers or candidates

Aside from GLEP'S incredible tweet — akin to calling someone Hitler, the kind of insult that the weakest thinkers take refuge in — it's GLEP's actions to maintain the status quo and protect charter schools from stronger oversight that should be the real concern here.

The truth about charter schools in Michigan is a mixed bag. Some have produced fabulous results. But 38 percent rank in the bottom quarter of all schools in the state.

By standing in the way of change, GLEP and other charter school advocates are suggesting that this is good enough and government attempts to demand more interfere with "innovation" or "freedom." They're suggesting that the state's poor and black children don't deserve better than what the charter movement has created. That's discrimination — the discrimination of low expectations and the accompanying struggle to maintain the very status quo that has kept those expectations low.

Isn't that the real bigotry? GLEP's position doesn't come without real cost. Start with the \$1 billion diverted annually from public schools to charters, ostensibly to provide better alternatives to kids stuck in failing districts, but arguably making matters worse by channeling funds away from traditional public schools for mediocre "choice." And don't forget the cost to the families whose hopes for something better are being exploited by organizations like GLEP, which is pushing and protecting the unbridled expansion of

So what does Michigan have to show for all of GLEP's lobbying? A system that provides some mildly better alternatives here and there at tremendous fiscal cost. An environment that allows a host of abuses such as excessive rents, wasteful spending, self-enrichment by board members, school founders and employees and schools allowed to operate for years despite poor academic

And anyone who tries to insist on stricter oversight or scrutiny gets labeled an obstructionist or,

in GLEP's recent move, a racist. Flanagan has proposed a crackdown on authorizers who have tolerated charter schools that perform poorly, run budget deficits or fail to meet transparency requirements. The state Board of Education is asking for more: standards that would prevent poor-performing charters from expanding and the creation of conflict-of-interest standards to prevent some glaring examples of selfdealing that have been exposed in some charter operations. Those are all sensible measures.

They're clearly about making sure Michigan children have better choices among charters than they do today. The Legislature could enact them easily in the fall and start a real conversation about how to hold all schools — charter and public more accountable for what they do with our kids. GLEP called that bigotry, in a desperate attempt to shield a billion-dollar industry, funded by taxpayers, from reasonable oversight.

If it weren't so outrageous and offensive, it would be funny.

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The Ethnic Taste Fest was held last weekend in Novi. What's your favorite ethnic food?

This question was asked at the Novi Civic Center.



"Middle Eastern food, because it has such great flavors and I love the way the meats are cooked. I love it."

Jen Yost Novi



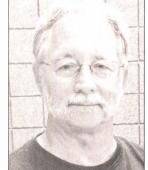
"Mexican, because it's just yummy."

Peggy Stephens



"Indian food, because I love that it's spicy."

Barbara O'Neill



"Probably Chinese because, for me, I think it's healthier and just tastes really good, especially at China Cafe."

(Edmund Szelap)

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Vote for Dems in November

What are Republicans thinking in supporting Dave Trott, the foreclosure and eviction king, to represent Michigan citizens in the U.S. Congress? They made a mistake when they endorsed Kerry Bentivolio. They want to replace him with wealthy Trott, who also wants to impeach President Obama. Another of Trott's goals is to dismantle the Affordable Care Act. He has caused grief and hardship to our citizens and will continue to favor the

Persuade people to support Democrat Bobby MacKenzie to represent Michiganders' values, honesty and hard work. He is a former CIA analyst and counter intelligence expert who worked for the State Department. He will be a fine congressional representative for the middle class.

For a true Pure Michigan, choose Democrat Mark Schauer for governor. Empower Mark Schauer to shower all Michigan citizens, especially the middle class, with fully-supported public schools, effective unions and choice in family planning.

Schauer is not an unrecognizable name in Michigan politics as was Rick Synder, the businessman who came from nowhere (big money) to become governor of Michigan. Schauer has worked to improve schools in the state Legislature and has stood up to

special interests in Washington. He helped rescue Michigan's auto industry, worked to invest in public education, has fought to protect Social Security and

As governor, he and lieutenant governor nominee Lisa Brown will continue to fight for Michigan workers, families and businesses. They will reverse the devastating cuts to our schools and colleges. They will repeal the Synder pension tax and defend hard-earned pensions. Be sure to register and per-

suade others to do the same by Oct. 6. Vote Nov. 4 to protect the middle class and build an economy that works for everyone, not just the special interests.

Hannah Provence Donigan Commerce

Garden walk support appreciated

The Country Garden Club of Northville sends a huge thank you to everyone who had a part in making our 21st Northville Garden Walk, the Original Garden Walk, a blooming success. Our event provides funds for many state and local organizations, including Friends of Maybury, Mill Race Village, Michigan 4-H Foundation, Detroit Zoo, Library Gardens, Southeast Michigan Land Conservancy and others. We also grant an annual scholarship to a Northville High School student.

A heartfelt thank you goes out

to our six garden owners and the secret garden caretakers. We appreciate the love and effort tilled into your gardens and for so graciously sharing them with our guests. We are fortunate and honored that you were part of our Garden Walk. Thanks to Jim Murtfeldt, our photographer. He took beautiful photos of the gar-dens and creatively maintains

our website cgcnv.org.
A bouquet of thanks to Lou Mascolo and his staff at Gardenviews for handling ticket sales. They do a fabulous job and have been our exclusive ticket vendor for many years. We couldn't ask for a more perfect place or group of people to handle our tickets. Thanks to Mill Race Village, the Chamber of Commerce, city hall, the DDA and the downtown merchants for their support and for displaying our promotional materials.

Thanks as well to Mother Nature, who teased us with rain but blessed the day with picture perfect weather.

Last but certainly not least, a sincere thank you to Kurt Kuban and the Northville Record. They are the most accommodating and pleasant people to work with. Kurt goes "above and beyond" to give us the best possible photos and coverage in the paper. We really enjoy dealing with him and all of his staff.

Kathryn Novak Garden Walk chair Country Garden Club of Northville

STAFF COLUMN

Finding local news easier than ever at new Hometownlife.com

adical change is not easily embraced, so there was a bit of trepidation when the switch was flipped to launch our new website, Hometownlife.com last week. Would readers love it, despise it or even worse, be ambivalent.

The good news is that the launch definitely evoked a response. "The website and app look great ... Congratulations!,"

said one reader. I'm grateful to say that reaction has been overwhelmingly positive thus far. Readers have discovered our apps for iPad, iPhone and Android and already 25 percent of our online traffic is from mobile users - a sure sign

that the apps have hit the mark. Our new homepage is bold, there is no doubt. Photos are vivid, headlines snappy and content is displayed in a fashion that is entirely new. For every 100 people who like it, there are a few who prefer the way it was.

"The new website is horrible," said another reader, while offering up her nephew to build us a new site.

I suppose you can't make everyone happy, but I'm going to try anyway.

Readers who have complained have said finding the local news that matters to them isn't so easy these days. That sentiment is understandable given the overhaul of Hometownlife.com. But our readers should know this - there is still a dedicated home on our website for local news pertinent to every community O&E Media serves. That hasn't changed at all. In fact, for the first time there is a Community News module right on the homepage to make finding local content even easier. All



Larry Ruehlen

you have to do is click on the name of the city that corresponds to the publication you want to read and it will take you to news from only that town.

If you want to the read the Novi News, there is a page for that at http://www.hometown life.com/news/hometown-novi/. Links for all of our other publications are listed at the end of this column.

Bookmark the link that is important to you and all the local news you expect to find at Hometownlife.com will only be a click away with no need to navigate further. And that local front now includes everything in one place. News from city hall, local schools, sports, features and yes, police briefs about your hometown are right there and easy to

One fact is clear from the launch of our new website - our readers value local news and want to read about the people, places and businesses that make their hometowns unique. If you have an idea for a story, photo gallery or simply want help finding what you are looking for online, feel free to give me a call. My number is 313-595-1007 and I actually pick it up and enjoy talking to readers.

A local homepage for all of our editions can be found at the

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Grace Perry,

Northville grad makes it in Hollywood

Area native stars in new Nickelodeon television series

By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer

Northville native Cooper Barnes has made it in Hollywood. The 1997 Northville High School graduate will star in the new Nickelodeon series Henry Danger, which premieres on television this Saturday.

Barnes now goes by his middle name Cooper, so many will remember him as Nick from his younger years. This new opportunity is a culmination of a lot of hard work that started in Northville many years ago, he says.

It was a small role in a play at Mill Race Village that inspired Barnes to pursue acting. He was 8 at the time, but getting a positive reaction from the crowd stuck with him, he recalled.

"Afterward I said to myself, 'I want to do that more," he said.

And he did, both in school and on his own



KAMES DIMMOCK | NICKELODEON Jace Norman (left), who plays Henry, and Northville native Cooper Barnes, who plays Captain Man, in the new Nickelodeon series "Henry Danger."

with friends doing their public access television show. After college, he moved to Los Angeles to pursue acting as a career. For 11 years now, he has worked in small parts and partnered up with friends to form a comedy sketch group. Eventually, he got a role in a show produced by Nickelodeon executive producer Dan Schneider.

That helped lead to his current starring opportu-

Henry Danger is described as a multi-camera, scripted half-hour series created and executive produced by celebrated hit maker Schneider (iCarly, Drake & Josh) and Dana Olsen (George of the Jungle, Inspector Gadget). The half-hour sitcom follows the adventure of Henry Hart, who gets selected by the legendary superhero Captain Man (Barnes) to be his new sidekick, Kid Danger.

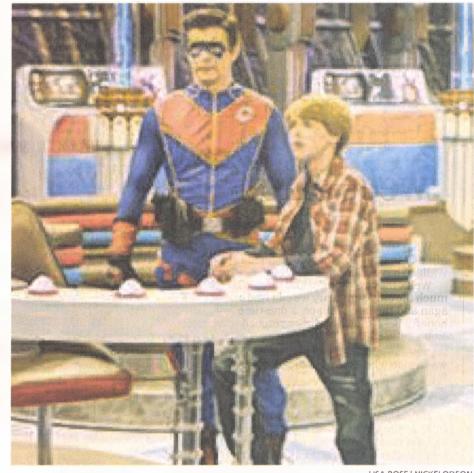
While keeping his new identity a secret from his friends and family, Henry must navigate a double life balancing the chal-lenges of eighth grade with the crazy adventures of a crime fighter.

"This is really a new look at the superhero story from the sidekick's perspective," Barnes said. "There has been nothing like it, I think, and it should be a great show.'

Viewers can expect some creative special effects.

The series will air on Nickelodeon at 8 p.m. each Saturday beginning Sept. 13.

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Cooper Barnes (left) and co-star Jace Norman on the set of Nickelodeon's series "Henry Danger," which debuts Saturday.

Belle Isle belles



Patricia Thull O'Brien (left) of Northville and **Shelley Murphy of Grosse Pointe Park browse** the creative collection of Wyandotte milliner Gena Conti at the 2014 Polish the Jewel Benefactor Party, held recently at the Rattlesnake Club in Detroit. The reception served as a prelude to the 10th anniversary Polish the Jewel Belle Isle Legacy Luncheon. Slated for 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 17, at the Belle Isle Casino, this milestone fundraising event, benefiting the Belle Isle Conservancy, will feature vendors from across metro Detroit as part of a silent auction. Each year, Polish the Jewel brings together Belle Isle's most prominent supporters, dressed in their finest shoes and chapeaus for an afternoon of networking in support of Belle Isle Park. Michigan's First Lady, Sue Snyder, will serve as this year's honorary chair. Tickets for the luncheon are available online at www.belleisleconservancy.com.

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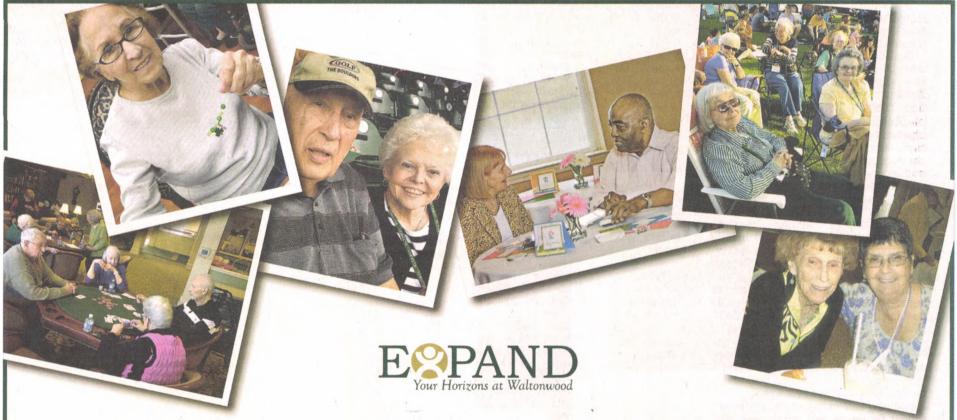
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Free Fall Fair

MSU Tollgate Educational Center Farm will host a Free Fall Fair from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, at 28115 Meadowbrook Road in Novi. Enjoy children's crafts and interactive events; bees, bugs, birds, bats and butterflies; catch a fish; climb onto a fire truck; go for a hayride; decorate a pumpkin; and enjoy live entertainment and free refreshments.

For more information, visit www.tollgate. msu.edu or call 248-347-

Fall for Novi

Learn all that Novi has to offer in one convenient location at Fall for Novi, as city departments, Novi Public Library, local schools, health care providers and civic groups will be at the Civic Center (45175 10 Mile, between Novi and Taft roads) sharing valuable information, eco-friendly tips, health screenings and more from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20.

A few vendor booth spaces remain available for local health care providers. If you are interested in participating in this large community event, contact Sandy Fisher at 248-347-0421 or sfisher@cityofnovi.org.

For more information, visit www.cityofnovi.org or contact Stephanie Schuetzler at 248-347-0416 or sschuetzler@cityofnovi.org.

Novi Travel Fair

City of Novi Older Adult Services invites community members to discover travel opportunities near and far at the Novi Travel Fair at 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 18 at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 10 Mile.

Attendees will engage with local travel agencies as they showcase their sensational trips and answer questions about the many group travel

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Group travel is a great way to get out and see the sights without the challenges of going alone. The fair will highlight trips in a variety of price ranges. The Travel Fair is free to attend and door prizes and refreshments will be provided.

The Novi Older Adult Services hosts three travel fairs annually, including Jan. 29 and April 16, 2015. New trips are added year-round and information is available at the Novi Civic Center. Trip announcements are also made on the city of Novi Boomers & Beyond Facebook page.

To learn more, visit www.cityofnovi.org or call 248-347-0414.

Pistol safety class

The Novi Police Department will be offering a civilian pistol safety class from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 13, at the Novi Police Department Training Center (45125 10 Mile Road). The course fulfills both the classroom and shooting requirements to obtain a Michigan Concealed Pistol License.

Registration forms are available online at cityofnovi.org and at the Novi Police Department. Completed registration forms and the \$150 course fee (cash or money order) may be returned to the Novi Police Department. Class size is limited, and all participants are subject to a criminal background check. Participants must be 21 years old, but do not have to be a Novi resident to attend.

For more information, visit www.cityofnovi.org or contact Sgt. Michael Warren at mwarren@cityofnovi.org or 248-921-9843.

Northville Art House fundraiser

"The Painted Chair" fundraising auction supporting the Northville

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'Rumpelstiltskin' live on stage



The Marquis Theatre, located in downtown Northville, is presenting "Rumpelstiltskin" live on stage through Sept. 21. The classic tale of a wily gnome who magically turns straw into gold for a very high price will be performed at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 13 and 20, and Sunday, Sept. 14 and 21. Tickets for all performances are \$9 each. Management requests no children under the age of 3. Group rates and reserved seating for groups of 20 or more are available. Birthday parties and Scout days are available. For more information, call the Marquis Theatre at 248-349-8110 or visit www.northvillemarquistheatre.com or facebook.com/MarquisTheatreNorthvilleMi.

Art House is planned for 7-10 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 18, at the Northville Winery & Brewing Co. Tickets are \$35 each and include wine and cider tastings, hors d'oeuvres and the chance to bid on artist "altered" chairs.

For more information or to purchase tickets, visit www.northvillearthouse.org/events.

Oh, My Aching Back

Saint Joseph Mercy Health System, IHA and Anesthesia Associates of Ann Arbor have partnered to hold a pain symposium - Oh, My Aching Back - from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28 at Novi's Suburban Collection Showplace to address how to manage

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chronic back pain.

Former Red Wings player Chris Chelios will talk about the challenges he faces as an athlete both on and off the ice. Health reporter Lila Lazarus will emcee the event, which will feature presentations by a panel of expert physicians on how to work with your healthcare provider, rehabilitation methods, anesthesiology pain management and integrative medicine options such as acupuncture. Vendor and "Ask the Experts" tables will be available after the presentations and Chelios will be on hand for a limited time for auto-

Cost is \$15 per person and includes a boxed lunch. Pre-registration is required. Call 800-231-2211 or register online at www.stioeshealth.org/ pain.

Veterans Appreciation Night

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4012 of North ville would like to invite all current active duty service members and former service members to join it for two free drinks and appetizers 7-9 p.m. Sept. 19. All veterans are welcome; no membership is required. If you served in the U.S. Armed Forces, you are welcome to come celebrate freedom. VFW Post 4012 is located at 430 S. Main Street.

On the Road

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Mark your calendars for Tuesday, Oct. 14, and join tour guides Kathy Crawford and Margi Karp-Opperer for a trip to The Player's Club of Detroit (Michigan historic site) and Cliff Bell's (historic supper club). The day will begin at 8:45 a.m. from the Novi Civic Center and continues until approximately 5

'Painted Chair' auction to benefit Art House



Artist Paul Rochon of Northville and his chair titled "Walking Chair."

The Northville Art House is hosting a silent auction fundraiser Sept. 18 called The Painted Chair at the Northville Winery & Brewing Co. The event, which begins at 7 p.m., will include wine and cider tastings, live music and food, as well as a silent auction of chairs donated by local artists.

Attendees will have the opportunity to bid on the unique chairs that have been creatively altered by the artists.

Tickets for the event can be purchased for \$35 in advance and \$40 at the door. Proceeds will support programs and exhibits at the Northville Art House. The Northville Winery & Brewing Co. is located at 630 Old Baseline Road in Northville.

For more information and tickets, visit www.northvillearthouse.org/events.

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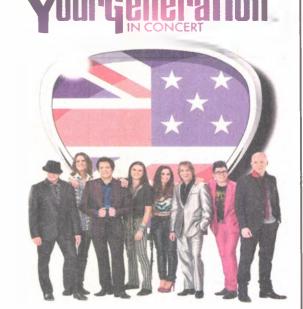






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Photos will be used in an upcoming Scoop Hound Dog Highlights. Send picture to cbjordan@hometownlife.com



Last Month's SUMMER FUN W



Went to Six Flags with his Dad in Texas. "I'm taking a picture in front of the sign



Marlies Budesky, Novi - Attending a day for special needs people. She went fishing, boating, played games and hiked.



Joshua Eaton, Farmington Hills, Went camping with family at Higgins Lake. "I had a blast!"



Alyssa Martin - Southfield - "Went bike riding walked her dog. Loves to go bike riding"



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Jonah Koilpillai - Northville -Went camping at Wilderness State Park as and went to Mackinac Island and in the U.P. for the first time. "They let me drive the ferry!"



Brandon Lewandowski, Garden City -Played Batman & Robin with his little brother Adam. "We love superheroes and playing them".

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Northville right tackle Justin Moorman (61) blocks a Walled Lake Central player during Friday's first six minutes before the game was

MUSTANGS END ON A HIGH NOTE

Zimbo, Cunningham make clutch plays to burn Vikings

By Brad Emons

Northville wide receiver Terrell Cunningham admitted he didn't get enough sleep Friday night after the Mustangs' football game at Walled Lake Central was suspended because of thunderstorms and lightning.

Despite a 9 a.m. start Saturday, Cunningham appeared wide awake when he made the pivotal play of the game late in the third quarter in Northville's 43-28 victory over the Vikings.

With the score tied 22-22 and the Mustangs faced with a third-and-eight situation on their own 27-yard line, quarterback Justin Zimbo stepped up in the pocket and fired a pass over the middle and into a crowd of Central defend-

Northville's 6-foot-7 senior tight end Ryan Roberts, the intended receiver, was unable to haul it in, but the ball grazed off his finger tips and into the awaiting hands of Cunningham, who got behind the Central secondary. The sophomore caught it in stride around the Vikings' 45 and wound up racing 63 yards for what proved to be the go-

ahead touchdown.

The 5-8, 155-pound Cunningham had seen a similar play develop.

"I saw it earlier, it happened earlier on the 'will' (line-backer)," he said of Central's defensive coverage scheme. "I just saw it again and I took the shot ... and I got it. I was pretty surprised."

The state-ranked Mustangs (2-0) got a heroic effort from Zimbo. The 6-foot, 180-pound junior signal caller rushed for 208 yards on 22 carries, while hitting 10-of-13 passes for another 155 yards.

And it was his 44-yard TD run with 4:33 left in the game that sealed the victory.

"As the game went on, he got better and better," Northville coach Matt Ladach said of his quarterback. "We were real pleased with his play. We run a lot of counter-gap plays and we did that today. That was the play we had the most success on with Zimbo. Guys did a real good job."

With temperatures reaching 95 degrees just prior Friday's 7 p.m. game time, skies began to turn ominous. But

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Novi girls set 9-hole team mark with a 149

Henry shoots record 32 in dual win over S.L. East

By Brad Emons Staff Writer

Katelyn Henry turned in a special round of golf Sept. 4 at The Links of

And it proved to be sweeter than the famous Oh, Henry candy bar as the Novi senior fired a 2-under par 32 to lead the Wildcats to a school-record 149-195 KLAA Central Division girls dual match win over host South Lyon East.

Henry's nine-hole round featured three birdies and only one bogey.

Meanwhile, Katelyn's younger sister Lauren, along with sophomore Alexa Hatz and junior Maya Grandstaff, each added 39 to eclipse the school record of 159 set in 2010.

The last time Katelyn Henry had played The Links of Novi was during her sophomore year.

"It was funny because that morning, my dad (Bob) was like joking around and he said, 'I think you're going to shoot 32 today, you're going to do great,'" Katelyn said. "And in the end, I ended up shooting that and that was funny. But, honestly, it was like any other day. I knew scores were going to be lower because the course is shorter."

Henry's short game was nothing short of magnificent.

"I had 12 putts, so I think that ended up helping me," she said. "I was hitting it pretty well, keep hitting it straight, not in any trouble, so that's always good."

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Novi's Katelyn Henry fired a school-record
32 to lead the Wildcats to a dual match

victory over South Lyon East at The Links of Novi.

Novi can't overcome early hole against Kettering, 42-29

By Brad Emons

It was an all-too-familiar script for the second consecutive week for the Novi football team.

The Wildcats, who fell behind 14-0 in the first quarter in a 42-29 season-opening loss to Brighton at home, fell victim to a two-touchdown hole once again en route to a 21-18 loss Saturday afternoon at Waterford Kettering. The game was postponed from Friday due to lightning and heavy rain.

Novi (0-2) pulled to within three points, 21-18, with only 4:32 remaining when quarterback Rohit Mogalayapalli threw a 21-yard TD pass to Jack Pinkerton to cap a 10-play 83-yard drive

ton to cap a 10-play, 83-yard drive.

After missing their second straight extra point, the Wildcats were unable to

regain possession of the ball as Kettering (2-0) ran out the clock, marching 76 yards on 11 plays to end the game.

The Captains amassed 364 yards in total offense, with Austin Wood leading the way rushing for a game-best 189 yards on 21 carries to go along with one catch for 42 yards.

Wood, a 5-foot-9, 185-pound senior, was also the Captains' top tackler with eight solo and three assists as he helped limit Novi to 243 total yards.

After the Wildcats lost 33 yards following a bad punt snap over the head of Pinkerton that put the ball on the Novi 26, Kettering scored two plays later when quarterback Henry Mistrzak hit Danotiss Smith on a 18-yard TD pass with 7:25 left in the first quarter for a 6-0 lead. (The point-after kick failed).

The Captains then scored again with 15 seconds left in the same quarter on Smith's 11-yard TD run, capping a fourplay, 60-yard drive that took just 1:41. Keiron Payne's two-point run made it

Novi got on the board with 6:41 left in the second quarter on Emanuel Jackson's 41-yard TD run, but the two-point conversion play failed, leaving the score 14-6.

Kettering responded with another second-quarter TD, going 64 yards in seven plays, culminating in Payne's 1-yard TD run. Chandler Johnston's PAT with 3:03 to go in the half put the Captains ahead 21-6.

With 1:03 left in the third, Matt Sabo scored on an 18-yard run to cap a 10-play, 66-yard drive, but Mogalayapalli's two-point pass fell incomplete as the

Wildcats trailed 21-12.

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The Wildcats then forced Kettering to punt and got the ball back and scored to pull within three, but never got any closer.

Sabo was Novi's leading rusher with 99 yards on 20 carries, while Jackson added 59 on four attempts. Mogalayapalli was 14-of-19 passing for 144 yards, with Pinkerton and Devontez Jones his primary receivers with six catches apiece for 74 and 67 yards, respective-

Defensively for Novi, Caleb Wright was the top tackler with seven solo and three assists, while Patrick Wojtylo added six solo and two assists.

Christian Durham was also in on six tackles.

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SPORTS ROUNDUP

Buckley saluted

Loyola (Ill.) University freshman Garret Buckley (Novi) was recently named Missouri Valley Conference Men's Golfer of the Week after firing a



Buckley

course recordtying 5-underpar 67 during the final round of the inau-

gural Whistling Straits Intercollegiate in She-

boygan, Wis. Buckley's final round propelled the freshman to claim medalist honors at the event with a threeround score of 216 (72-77-67).

Buckley, who qualified this summer for the Junior PGA Championship in Bryan, Texas, now shares the Irish Course record at Whistling Straits with Mike Frechette, who posted an identical round of 67 back in 2007. His mark is also the lowest for a Ramblers player since teammate Nick Dennis carded a 66 last season at Cleveland State Invitational.

"I'm absolutely

thrilled for Garret," Loyola director of golf Kyle Stefan said. "To tie a course record speaks for itself and to get a win in his first start is a great accomplishment. Garret faced some adversity throughout the day and I think (assistant coach) Eric Ilic deserves credit for helping him progress through the round."

Try Tam's Tri

The third annual Try Tam's Tri, a 5K walkrun, 20K bike and nine holes of golf, will be Sunday, Sept. 28, at Hickory Creek Golf Course, 3625 Napier Road, Superior Town-

Check-in starts at 8 a.m., followed by the 5K run-walk at 9 a.m. You can participate all three, two or one event. The cost is \$65 before Sunday, Sept. 21 or \$75 through the day of the event.

Participation includes a free golf clinic at at 6 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, along with a gift pack and lunch the day of the event.

To register, visit www.TrainwithTami.com; or call 734-927**PREP FIELD HOCKEY**

Novi squad is a contender again

By Brad Emons Staff Writer

If the early season returns are any indication, it should be another successful season for the Novi field hockey team.

The Wildcats posted an 8-3 record last year in Division 1 of the Michigan High School Field Hockey Association while outscoring their opponents 31-10. Novi, seeded fourth, reached the semifinals of the Division 1 tournament before losing 1-0 to eventual state champion Ann Arbor Huron.

As of Monday, Novi stands 2-0-2 in the division following a 2-2 draw against visiting Ann Arbor Skyline. Senior forwards Amanda Minnasale and Morgan Statetzny each scored a goal, while assists went to junior midfielder Willow Guenther and senior defender Natalie Trainor.

On Aug. 21, the Wildcats opened their season with a 5-0 win at division foe East Grand Rapids as Minnasale collected two goals and one assist. while Statetzny added a pair. Junior returnee Gina Salemi also notched a goal in the win, while junior goalie Katrina Kooman posted the shut-

On Aug. 25, Novi earned a 1-1 tie on the road against Division 1 runner-up Ann Arbor Pioneer as Salemi scored the Wildcats' lone goal



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Novi's field hockey captains this season are Keri Masserant (left) and Alanna Clark (right).

from Minnasale.

The Wildcats then posted a 2-1 victory Aug. 28 at home against Bloomfield Hills Sacred Heart as Salemi and Statetzny each scored a tallied goal with Minnasale picking up an assist.

So far, so good," Novi third-year coach Kevin Kilgore said. "Last two years we've been final four in the state and I don't see this year being anything really different. The girls coming back have been really committed to improving their skills individually and as a team. And once we kind of get going on all cylinders and trust each other

on the field and really play our game, I think we'll right there at the end.'

Novi lost 11 players to graduation and will certainly miss first team all-state players Megan Paul (Miami of Ohio) and Haley Notarantonio (UMass), along with second team choice Megan Murphy.

Also gone was honorable mention all-state selection Lizzy Malear, along with Kayla Burkhardt (Wittenberg University).

In addition to the return of Kooman, the Wildcats will be anchored on defense by seniors Alanna Clark (co-capatain), Keri Masserant (co-cap-

tain) and Trainor. Guenther returns in the midfield, with help provided by sophomore newcomers Shannon

Murphy and Katie Fisher. Minnasale, Statetzny and Salemi, along with sophomore Annie Fisher (Katie's twin sister), will provide the scoring punch up front.

"When we were looking at our roster for the year and the girls coming back, we really felt strong about our de-fense," said Kilgore, who is assisted on the bench by his wife Amy, who started the Novi program seven years ago. "Our goalie, Katrina Kooman, was a freshman on varsity and we have all seniors on the defensive line and we feel really good about that. And so we're just looking for kind of some stability or strength, somebody to really step up, through the midfield. We're constantly working together as a unit, game in and game out, to put a ton of pressure offensively on opposing teams.

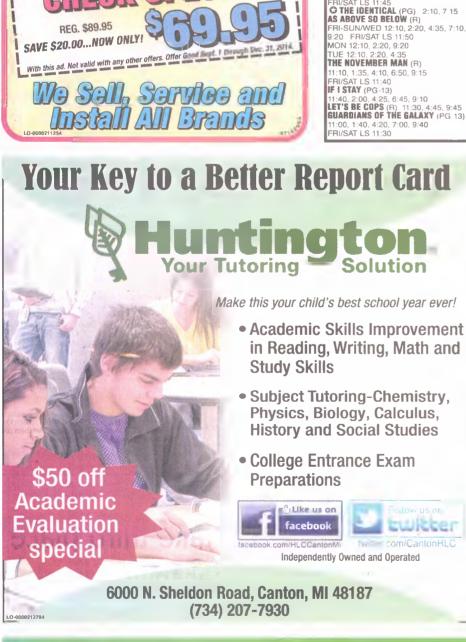
"I'd say defensively we're pretty strong, but as a whole unit we're really strong and just offensively minded."

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PREP FOOTBALL

Whitmer's ground attack chews up CC defense

Shamrocks give up 470 yards in 44-27 loss

By Brad Emons

Unable to stop the run for the second straight week, the Novi Detroit Catholic Central football team finds itself in a 0-2 hole to start the 2014 sea-

The Shamrocks gave up 381 yards on the ground in a 44-27 setback at Toledo Whitmer in a game that was suspended near the end of the first half Friday night and completed Saturday

It is Catholic Central's worst start since 1975, when it started the season 0-6 (the year before Tom Mach took over as CC's head coach).

CC's defense, which gave up 265 yards rushing in a seasonopening 21-14 loss at Muskegon, had no answers for Whitmer's backfield combination of Malik Moore and Jamal Bell.

Moore rushed for 129 yards on 13 carries and three touchdowns, while Bell contributed 119 yards on 11 attempts and one TD.

Bell opened the scoring in the first quarter on a 47-yard TD run, but CC answered to make it 7-7 early in the second quarter on Alexander Bock's

5-yard scoring run (set up by Matthew Foreman's 26-yard kickoff return).

With 6:53 left in the second, Moore scored on a 12-yard TD run, but the two-point attempt failed. The Panthers scored again to make it 19-7 on Keenan Baker's 11-yard scoring run, but the extra point sailed

Joe Fanning's 26-yard scoring toss to Cameron Hendershot with 2:11 remaining in the first half cut the deficit to 19-14 for CC (following Cole Gingell's second straight PAT).

The game was then halted by thunderstorms that ripped through the Toledo area.

The Shamrocks came back 18 hours later to take a 20-19 advantage when Blake Living-

ston, on his only carry of the game, scored on an 80-yard TD run with 3:58 to go in the third. (The point-after, however, missed.)

Whitmer (1-1) then took the lead for keeps, 25-20, with 1:09 left in the third when Zachary Smith hauled in a 36-yard TD pass from backup quarterback Shue Sanders. (The two-pointer failed.)

The Panthers tacked on two more TDs during the final quarter to put the game away as Moore scored on runs of 15 and 14 yards, respectively, with 8:38 and 4:08 remaining for a 37-20 advantage.

CC tallied its final TD with less than a minute left as Fanning connected with William Frush on a 47-yard pass. (Gingell converted the PAT.)

Whitmer outgained the Shamrocks in total offense, 470-389, and won the battle of first downs, 30-19.

Fanning was 14-of-26 for 202 yards and two interceptions. Bock, who sat out the opener with a hamstring injury, returned to the lineup to rush for 74 yards on 13 carries to go along with two interceptions

Defensively for CC, Hendershot led the way with 16 tackles, including five solo and 11 assists. Tyler Laurentius added three solo tackles and seven assists, while Michael Harriington recovered a firstquarter Whitmer fumble.

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BOYS SOCCER

Novi tames Lions on late goal, 2-1

By Brad Emons

Novi found out Thursday night that nothing will come easy in the KLAA Central Divi-

sion boys soccer race. The Wildcats ran into a stubborn and determined South Lyon team at Meadows Stadium and couldn't obtain the game-winning goal until 12:34 was left, when senior forward Amissi Kajinake finally connected the dots after being set up by junior forward Eduardo DeOliveira.

With the 2-1 win, Novi improved to 2-0-1 overall and 2-0 in the KLAA Central, while South Lyon slipped to 2-2-3 and

"I thought, first of all, South Lyon played very spirited," Novi coach Brian O'Leary said. "I scouted them and they looked way better tonight than when I scouted them. They actually played with a lot of energy. We knew what they were made of. We knew who their three best players were and they still hurt us.

'That number 10 (Gabriel Martinez), 12 (Michael Martinez) and 11 (Georgievski Hristijan) are all very good players. We knew that and we couldn't stop them. They gave

us a hand full. They gave us a game tonight. Credit goes to them."

Novi wasted little time in getting on the board, scoring just 29 seconds into the match on Ryan Kobakof's goal from

Tony Asimadu. The Lions, however, answered quickly. With 32:37 left in the half, Michael Martinez found the back of the net off an assist from Erik Habkirk.

The score remained 1-1 through the rest of the half and O'Leary's talk at intermission struck a familiar chord.

"I thought very much like we panicked a little bit," he said. "We're tied and instead of trying to win in the framework of the teamwork, I'm going to try and win it by myself. It blew up in our face and we played worse. So the theme was, 'Don't panic, play as a team,' kind of stay together."

The Wildcats ramped up the pressure in the second half and finally broke the deadlock in the 77th minute.

"I was glad to see we scored that goal the way we did," O'Leary said. "I was fearing that one kid would be dribbling by four people and score and then reiterate that it was a good thing, but we did a real good job of stringing passes

together from different locations on the field. And that was kind of what we talked about at halftime. You got to move the ball around and get it away from those real talented players they have. So I was glad to see we scored that way, but I don't think we played consistent enough that way, though."

South Lyon sophomore goalkeeper Jack Dalzochio found himself under siege from a wave of attacking Novi play-

"(Novi) came out ready to play that second half and it showed," South Lyon coach Brian Elliott said. "They're a solid team, well-coached, wellorganized. I think we came out and pressure them as equally as they pressured us, but they had a couple of players, (Amissi Kajinake) and (Alan Rajkovic), that were real quick up

Novi outshot the Lions 16-6, including a 6-2 margin with shots on goal. The Wildcats also had nine corner kicks to South Lyon's two.

Meanwhile, the Wildcats used two goalkeepers, with Joey Carn going the first half followed by Tommy McMaster in the second half.

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BOYS SOCCER ROUNDUP

Stevenson pulls off 2-0 win against Northville

Shamrocks get past non-league foe, 1-0

> **By Brad Emons** Staff Writer

Livonia Stevenson made a pair of first-half goals stand up as the Spartans pulled off a 2-0 KLAA Central Division boys soccer victory Sept. 4 at Northville.

Stevenson, which improved to 4-1 overall and 1-1 in the division, got an own goal at the 35-minute mark of the first half when Brandon Eklund's free kick was headed in by a Northville defender.

Austin Rynicki then volleyed home a restart from Dominic Rea to make it a two-goal cushion just a minute before halftime.

Stevenson goalkeeper Turner Miller, making his first career starter, made five saves to earn his first shutout.

Alec Melucci had five saves for Northville (1-2-2,

"It was a quality bounce back win for us on the road," Stevenson coach Ken Shingledecker said. "Our back line and midfield really played well tonight. Turner stepped in and did a nice job in goal."

NORTHVILLE 0, PLYMOUTH 0: Manuel Kansey got his first start in goal Friday as the Mustangs (1-2-3) and host Wildcats (4-1-2) battled to a scoreless draw in a Kensington Conference crossover match that was called with 16 minutes

remaining in the second half due to lightning "Manuel was a little nervous at the start, but he made a couple of nice saves and played well," lorthville coach Henry Klimes said.

DETROIT CC 1, CLARKSTON 0: Junior Justin

Murray's goal from senior Paul Wiedmaier with only 20 minutes left proved to be the difference Sept. 4 as Novi Detroit Catholic Central (4-1-1) turned back the host Wolves in a non-conference

Senior goalkeeper Peter Kirouac made three saves to post the shutout.

"I thought Clarkston defended very well. At the

beginning, they controlled the midfield a little bit, so we got things under control and then we started to dominate, "CC coach Gene Pulice said." We possessed the ball, I would say, 85 percent of the second half and then finally we were able to cash in. We had four or five off the post or the crossbar, but we couldn't put the lime in the coconut. We finally capitalized on an error from them

"Overall it was a well-played game by both squads. It was a well-fought battle." Junior Matt Turton stood out defensively for

Catholic Central. "It was his first start. He played every minute of the game and did a fantastic job," Pulice said. "He came up big and won a lot of balls in the air with his head. And with the leadership of Champ Kozlowski and Chad Quick, with their communica-tion, had a stellar game. Our goalkeeper Peter Kirouac had another stellar performance. He played an excellent game. He played the ball well in the air. It was World Cup."

LUTHERAN SOUTH 5, FRANKLIN ROAD

4: Sam Anderson scored a pair of goals, including the game-winner with only seven minutes remain ing Sept. 4 as host Newport Franklin Road Christian ralled from second-half deficits of 3-1 and 4-2 to beat Novi Franklin Road Christian (1-2, 1-1) in a Michigan Independent Athletic Conference Red Division match.

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GENE PULICE Catholic Central soccer coach

Christian Lucas also added two goals, while Luke Konkel had the other for the Saints, who trailed 2-1 at halftime.

Micah Charlick scored twice, while Tanner Spires and Gavis Harris each tallied a goal for the

"We had opportunities, but we got tired," Franklin Road coach Paul Coombs said. "It was very

NOVI 5, STEVENSON 2: Novi demonstrated quick-strike capabilities Sept. 2 as the host Wildcats (1-0-1, 1-0) struck for four second-half goals en route to a KLAA Central Division victory over

Livonia Stevenson (3-1, 0-1).

The Wildcats broke a 1-1 halftime deadlock as
Kent Maidens scored twice, including the go-ahead goal on a one-timer at the 44-minute mark. The play was started on Connor O'Leary's long thrown-in that was flicked onto the foot of Matt

Just three minutes later, Netter headed home free kick from Jake Geary for a 3-1 Novi advantage, followed by Maidens' second of the night on a diving header off a Tony Asimadu cross in the 52nd

Stevenson's Brandon Navarro scored on a penalty kick to cut the deficit to 4-2 in the 65th minute, but Novi's Ryan Kobakof put it away on a direct free kick from the top of the 18-yard box with only 15

minutes remaining.
Stevenson jumped out to a 1-0 lead at the four-minute mark of the first half on Dominic Rea's goal off a corner kick from Sam Landefeld.

Novi scored in the 22nd minute after Asimadu beat a Spartans defender to the end line and made a pass to a charging Eduardo DeOliviera, who drew the keeper out and slotted the ball into the open net on a one-timer. "I thought our three forwards – Asimadu, Amissi

Kajinake and Alan Rajkovic – did a great job all line." Novi coach Brian O'Leary said.

Novi had the edges in total shots (10-7), shots on goal (7-6) and corner kicks (3-2). Tommy McMasters and Joey Carn combined for six saves for Novi, while Stevenson used three keepers, starting with Austin Kaczmarek followed by Turner Miller and Adam Bixby.

NORTHVILLE 7, S.L. EAST 0: Senior Kyle Johnson notched a goal and two assists Sept. 2 as the Mustangs (1-1-2, 1-0) opened KLAA Central Division play with a victory at South Lyon East (0-3,

Senior Dan Baldwin also scored twice for the Mustangs, who led 4-0 at halftime. Junior Troy Borawski and senior Manuel Kansy also added a

Senior goalkeeper Alec Melucci had to make just one save to notch his first victor

FRANKLIN ROAD 5, LUTHERAN WEST-LAND 2: Gavin Harris had a goal and two assists Sept. 2 as Novi Franklin Road Christian (1-1, 1-0) opened Michigan Independent Athletic Conference Red Division play with a win at Lutheran High Westland (0-1-1, 0-1-1) Micah Charlick also collected a goal and assist,

while Katie Larabell and Tanner Spires rounded out the goal scorers for the Warriors, who led 3-0 at halftime. "We controlled the game the first 30 minutes,

we controlled the game the first 30 minutes, then hit and wall and ran out of gas," Franklin Road coach Paul Coombs said. "We only have 14 players. But I'm very excited about today. If we had more depth, we could have had the shutout. But we gutted it out and were determined to win."

Goalkeeper Daniel Weaver made seven saves for

"Paul Alex, our sweeper, was all over the place today," Coombs said. "He and Micah (Charlick) were the workhorses. They wouldn't let them come down the middle of the field easily."

BOYS SOCCER

Wildcats take third place at Fraser Invitational

By Brad Emons Staff Writer

The Novi boys soccer team was unable to hit the trifecta Saturday, going 2-1 in the Fraser Invitational. The Wildcats (4-1-1) lost

1-0 to Utica Eisenhower in the tourney opener despite outshooting the Eagles, 9-4. In the second 60-minute

match, Novi overcame a 1-0 halftime deficit to beat Dearborn Heights Crestwood, 2-1.

Novi's Tony Asimadu took a Ryan Kobakof pass, beat a Chargers defender and fired a shot into the side netting on the far post to tie the game at 1-1 eight minutes into the second half.

With only 10 minutes remaining, Connor O'Leary

took a corner kick that actually bounced inside of the box, but the clear by the Crestwood defender was kept in by Roy Spencer, who fired the ball through the crowd and into the net for the game-winner.

In the third match of the day, Novi downed Troy Athens, 1-0, as Kobakof was taken down in the box and awarded a penalty kick which he converted halfway through the first half.

"In the second half, our defense stayed very organized as Athens threw a lot of players forward, but could not get the equalizer," Novi coach Brian O'Leary said.

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Northville junior quarterback Justin Zimbo (2) accounted for 363 yards in total offense.

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MUSTANGS

not before Central quarterback Nick Krumm, who finished the game with a team-best 160 yards on 20 carries, scored on

a 45-yard TD run with 8:06 left

in the first quarter for a 7-0

advantage (following Ben Prestel's PAT). Northville ran just five plays on its first possession before officials sent both

teams inside the school. They waited it out until 8:30 p.m. before sending the teams and fans home for the night. "It's tough," Cunningham said. "We're in the locker

room. We sitting in there and

it's hot. Everyone is sweaty.' Things, however, cooled off considerably when the game resumed Saturday morning as Northville took the ball at the Central 48 on a second-andeight with 6:00 left in the first

The Mustangs, however, got stuffed on fourth-and-one, but evened the score at 7-7 thanks to Zimbo's 45-yard keeper that resulted in a TD with 1:53 left

With 4:00 left the second quarter, Zimbo hit Kevin Bak on a 9-yard TD and Nathan Lane converted the PAT to make it 14-6 in favor of the Mustangs

Northville's Jack Ernst then recovered a fumble at the Vikings' 42. Five plays later, Zimbo connected on two straight passes, of 14 and 23 yards, both to Cunningham, which resulted in a 20-7 advantage with only 8.5 seconds remaining in the half.

After Central jumped offside on the extra-point attempt, Northville elected to go for the two-point conversion and P.J. Schnepp's run made it 22-7 at

The Vikings regrouped at halftime and put two thirdquarter scores on the board as Éthan Rodriguez scored on a 12-yard TD run, as well as the two-point conversion, followed by Parker Krupic's 81-yard TD

Then came the fateful tipped TD pass to Cunning-

"I told coach (Joe) Rohrhoff that was a great play call," Ladach said, joking, referring

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to his offensive coordinator. "Sometimes in games you got to have luck on your side. In that case, the good Lord was looking down on us and we were the benefactors of that play."

Despite the sudden turn of events, Central refused to fold, getting a 3-vard TD run from Krumm, the 5-11, 190-pound senior. And after the Mustangs jumped offside, Central coach Bob Meyer elected to go for the two-pointer to take the

lead. But the Mustangs' interior defensive line held as Krumm was stopped just short of the goal line.

Clinging to a one-point lead, 29-28, Northville put together a 13-play, 84-yard drive, capped by junior fullback Alec Coppock's 2-yard TD run with only 7:10 left for a 38-26 advantage.

The Mustangs' defense then held and Zimbo put the game out of reach with a 44-yard touchdown run with only 4:33 remaining.

In the final quarter, Zimbo was at his best with 10 carries for 114 yards while hitting both passes for 12 more.

"That's probably the best team in the KLAA," Central coach Bob Meyer said of the Mustangs. "And we can't make the mental mistakes that we made and hope to stay in the game. The tipped pass ... it's going to happen. That's something we should still be able to overcome. But the turnovers, the penalties, the mental breakdowns ... we just can't have that and we had way too much. We probably had a quarter lost to it."

For the game, Northville had 411 total yards to Central's

Michael Minick led the Mustangs' defense with four solo tackles and four assists. while Chris Patsalis added two solo (including a sack) and four assists. Lee Moore also had one

solo and five assists. But tackling throughout the game was an issue for the Mustangs, who gave up 346 yards

on the ground. "We talk all the time on how little things make the big differences," Ladach said. "In a lot of cases, we were in position and we'd reach instead of running our feet. So we got to

do a better job with that. Meanwhile, Cunningham will certainly get a better night's sleep after catching seven passes for 139 yards. The 9 a.m. start didn't seem to affect his play.

"It was definitely different," the wide receiver said of the 12-hour delay. "Most of the time, we're not even practicing. It's mostly after school, around 2:45 p.m., so it's differ-

Meyer, whose team slipped to 1-1 overall, thought the play picked up as the game wore on.

"It's the first time we've had something like that," he said. "I thought both teams handled it really well. I don't think that was a factor in the game. Again, we shot ourselves in the foot against very good football team. You just can't do it and hope to compete."

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Plaetinck's first place sets tone for Novi harriers

By Brad Emons Staff Writer

Junior Joost Plaetinck led the way Saturday as Novi emerged the team champion of the inaugural Ramblin' Rock Invitational boys cross country meet held at Willow Metropark in New Boston.

Novi paced the 10-team field with 33 points. Hartland (58), Livonia Franklin (97), Livonia Churchill (117) and Saline (128) rounded out the top five.

Plaetinck covered the 5,000meter course in 16 minutes, 8 seconds to match his personal best set last year in the Division 1 regional.

"Joost ran a smart race, pushing the pace from the start," Novi coach Robert Smith. "By the end of two miles, he established a significant lead that proved to be too much for the rest of the field of 90 competitors.

Senior Nathan Hall was fifth in 16:47.

"Nate ran another great race," Smith said.

Meanwhile, sophomore Scott MacPherson (16:51) and senior Cameron Misko (16:57) took sixth and eighth, respectively.

"These guys both had breakout races today," Smith said. "It's awesome that they broke 17 minutes so early in the season. Having four guys running in the 16s in early September is really exciting.

Novi's fifth scorer was junior Adam Ditri, who wound up 13th in 17:10.

"Adam chopped off 39 seconds from his previous race," Smith said. "I'm hoping he joins his teammates in the 16s next week.'

In an unusual format, the

Ramblin' Rock allowed 10 varsity runners from each team with a chance to score.

Other Novi finishers included John Landy (17th, 17:18); Scott Beaton (19th, 17:33); Casey Croad (20th, 17:43); Sahisnu Malapati (21st, 17:45); and Collin Thomas (24th, 17:49).

The intent is to help teams establish who their top seven runners are," Smith said.

Mustangs runner-up

Rockford edged Northville, 61-64, to earn the team title at Saturday's Bath Invitational, while Saline (73), Holly (86) and Livonia Stevenson (156) rounded out the top five in the 12school field.

Saline's Logan Wetzel was the individual winners in

Junior Conor Naughton paced Northville with a fourthplace finish (16:11.0), followed by senior Jason Ferrante, eighth (16:23.3); senior Nick Noles, 10th (16:29.9); sophomore Ben Cracraft, 16th (career-best 16:41.1); and senior Sam Kremke, 26th (17:15.6).

'Ben had a fantastic race," Northville coach Chris Cronin said. "He has been sharp in practice, so this result should not be a huge surprise. That being said, a 24-second career P.R. is impressive."

Senior Sean Flanagan (30th, 17:25.4); and junior Peter Martin (46th, 17:51.6) rounded out the Northville varsity contingent.

Shamrocks third

Junior Scott Smith led the way Saturday as Novi Detroit Catholic Central took third in the 15-team West Bloomfield Averill Invitational at Kensing-



ROBERT SMITH

The Novi boys cross country team captured first place in Saturday's Ramblin' Rock Invitational at Willow

ton Metropark.

Lake Orion took the team title with 77 points, while Rochester Adams edged CC for third by two points, 85-87.

Smith, a junior, took sixth overall in 16:57, followed by junior Bailey Hopson, 11th (17:17); sophomore Mark Borek, 15th (17:31); junior Avery Felty, 26th (17:54); junior Alex McLaren, 29th (17:58); sophomore Brendon Canavan, 30th (18:02); and junior Matthew Fosdick, 49th (18:31).

"We ran well," CC coach Tony Magni said. "Of the seven guys we had there, only three had ever run varsity before.

Smith, Feltz and Hopson have been varsity the last couple of years, but Borek, Canavan, McClaren and Fosdick had never run varsity before, plus two of them are sophomores. We don't have a senior in our 20. They're all sophomores and juniors.

On Monday, CC defeated University of Detroit-Jesuit in a Catholic League Central Division dual meet at Kensington, 15-40, as Smith and Felty both ran 17:28, followed by Hopson (17:29), Canavan (17:29) and Borek (17:44).

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Northville runners Nick Noles (left) and Conor Naugton charge through the Bath Invitational course.

PREP CROSS COUNTRY

Northville girls claim first at Bath Invitational

By Brad Emons Staff Writer

Northville placed three in the top 10 to capture the Division 1 title at Saturday's Brett Clement Bath Invitational girls cross country meet.

The Mustangs, defending MHSAA Division 1 state champions, finished first in the 11team field with 55 points. Saline (78), Traverse City Central (82), Rockford (104) and Hudsonville (154) rounded out the top five.

Sophomore Cayla Eckenroth and junior Lexa Barrott took second and third, respectively to lead Northville, posting 5,000-meter times of 18:32.3 and 18:32.9, respectively.

Junior Emma Hermann also earned a top 10 finish in eighth (19:18.3), while sophomore Emma Smith, 18th (20:02.5); sophomore Taylor Gattoni, 24th (20:14.4); and junior Hailey Harris, 27th (20:28) also earned a medal by placing in the top 30. Sophomore Helena Bryans added a 39th (21:20).

"It was a great overall meet for us for our first big competition of the year, with the Michigan State Invitational this Friday," Northville coach Nancy



The Northville varsity girls cross country team picked up another team title Saturday at the Bath Invitational

Smith said. "The girls ran great for early in the season against some of the best in the

Hudsonville's Kelli Jackson was the individual winner in 18:18.9, followed by Eckenroth and Barrott.

'Cayla and Lexa ran together and pushed each other the entire race," Smith said. "This is a huge confidence builder for the team and showed them that we are a talented and strong team again this year. Gattoni ran a career P.R. by 50 seconds from last year."

Novi airls fourth

Senior Hannah Lonergan earned a top 10 finish Saturday as the Novi girls placed fourth in the team standings at the Ramblin' Rock Invitational held at Willow Metropark in New Boston.

Brighton edged host Salem for the team title, 40-45. Livonia Churchill (84), Novi (118) and Livonia Franklin (142) rounded out the top five in the 12-team field.

Salem's Lauren Arquette was the individual winner in 19:07, while Lonergan finished eighth for the Wildcats in 20:13.

Other Novi finishers included sophomore Hadley Peterson, 12th (20:29); sophomore Jacalyn Schubring, 20th (20:52); sophomore Jessica Lypka, 35th (21:43); and freshman Kacy Shaheen, 48th (22:17).

Sophomore Heather Blair and freshman Addison Lentz finished 58th and 59th, respectively, both in 22:50.

JUNIOR FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Northville Colts sweep three from Walled Lake Braves

Paced by the varsity's 27-0 victory, the host Northville Colts swept all three of their Western Lakes Junior Football League games Saturday at Tom Holzer Field.

Robert Johnson scored on touchdown runs of 20 and 50 yards, while Ryan Silberg caught another first-quarer TD pass as the Colts varsity jumped out to an 18-0 advantage.

The Colts, now 2-0 in the WLJFL's North Division, added two more scores in the final quarter as Josh Porter booted a field goal, while Mick Farrell hauled in a TD pass from Jake

Defensively, Khoury and Brian Tijan each recorded two sacks, while Jeffrey Varner

Alex VanNocker recovered a fumble in the second quarter,

while Ben Shuart added another fumble recovery in the third.

The loss dropped the Braves to 0-2 in the North Division. COLTS 36, BRAVES 18 (IV): Nick Lauderback rushed for 150 yards and two TDs, while Jake Willerer added 85 with a score as Northville (2-0) downed Walled Lake (0-2)

The Colts led 16-0 after one quarter on Willerer's 58-yard TD run, followed by Lauderback's 81-yard jaunt. Willerer also converted both two-point kicks. Lauderback also added a 1-yard TD run in the second quarter, while Brett Rankin scored on a 38-yard TD run in the third. Brett Rudolph completed the scoring with a 10-yard TD run in the final quarter. Kellen Gonda, Jordan Morgan and Ladach each

recorded four tackles apiece to lead the Colts' defense Jaelin Burge had 140 yards rushing and two TDs for the Braves. Carson Barringer also added a 31-yard TD run, while Robert Bethel paced the defense with five

COLTS 20, BRAVES 7 (FRESHMAN): Santino Petrola tallied a pair of fourth-quarter TDs on Sa as Northville (1-1) defeated Walled Lake (0-2). Cole McGowan and Jack Davis each added a

one-point conversion run in the final quarter. The Colts trailed 7-0 at halftime before getting within one, 7-6, on Massimo Porco's TD run. Also rushing for first downs were Dominic Bernadelli, Jack Davis and Hunter Ladach.

Dominic Polifrone and Matthew McLaughlin each ecovered fumbles, while Jake Matigan, Jackson Pierson and Mason Stewart also stood out with their tackling on defense.

JUNIOR FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Novi Bobcats get best of Northville Stallions in sweep

The Novi Bobcats varsity won the turnover battle Sunday in a 14-12 Western Lakes Junior Football League victory over the host Northville Stallions in a North Division game at Tom Holzer Field.

The Bobcats are now 2-0 in the division, while the Stallions fall to 1-1.

Bobcats safety Troy Aikins recovered a pair of fumbles in the first quarter, including a return for a touchdown for a 6-0 lead.

In the second quarter, the Stallions' Blake Nowicki intercepted a Bobcats pass and

Enzo Rodriguez scored on a 55-yard TD run to even the count at 6-6. Xavier Felton then intercepted a pass and returned it 25 yards for a score to make it 14-6 at halftime (following the two-point kick).

Aikins returned the secondhalf kickoff all the way down to the Stallions' 3, but was denied a scored after being stripped by Rodriguez, resulting in a touchback.

In the final quarter, the Stallions pulled off a 27-yard double pass when Michael Williams pitched the ball to Rodriguez, who passed it to

Nowicki. And with 1:30 left, the Stallions' Matthew Esqueda scored on a 1-yard run, but the Bobcats held on and the Stallions were unable to convert

the two-pointer.

BOBCATS 8, STALLIONS 6 (JV): Ethan Cooper,
who rushed for 75 yards on eight carries, raced 45
yards for the go-ahead TD in the final quarter to give
the Bobcats (1-1) a win over the Stallions (1-1).
Key blocks by Evan Oegema, Jake Giddings and
Gavin Parenti halped spin Cooper for the score but Gavin Parenti helped spring Cooper for the score, but the Stallions' Jayson Saad blocked the two-point kick er a scoreless first half, the Stallions took a 6-0

lead when Kristopher Stojanovski returned the second-half kickoff 75 yards for a TD, but the Bobcats' defensive front, led by David Barry, Jacob Brown and Malik McGhee, stopped the conversion attempt. The Bobcats then got a two-point safety with only three minutes left as Aiden Shires and Jack Beno combined on the tackle in the end zone. Trailing 8-6, the Stallions fumbled on their final

possession, which was caused by Terry Newsome and recovered by Ben Dobos.

Defensive leaders for the Bobcats included Jacob Randall (seven tackles and a blocked punt) and Newsome (six tackles). The Stallions' Johnny Metrusias also recovered a

second-quarter fumble BOBCATS 26, STALLIONS 13 (FRESHMAN): In a rematch of last year's WLIFL Super Bowl, the Bobcats (2-0) got four touchdowns from four different

players in a victory over the Stallions (1-1). Scoring TD runs for the Bobcats included Bacari Scott, 18 yards (first quarter); Calvin Taulbee, 32 yards (second quarter); Cole Shires, 27 yards (third quarter);

and Niko Krall, 10 yards (fourth quarter).
The Stallions scored all 13 of their points in the final quarter as quarterback Luca Prior, who passed for 96 yards on the day, hit Max Anderson on a 55-yard TD pass, followed by a 12-yard TD toss to Caden Besco. (Owen Ross also added a one-point conversion.) Tackle leaders for the Bobcats included Niko Hertrich, Krall, Taulbee and Scott, who also had an

interception.

Defensively, Grady Zoroya paced the Stallions with four tackles. He also had a 62-vard run

THE WEEK **AHEAD**

PREP FOOTBALL Friday, Sept. 12 Novi at Stevenson, 7 p.m. Northville at S. Lyon East, 7 p.m. St. Michael's (Ont.) at Detroit CC, 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 19 Novi at Salem (CEP), 7 p.m. South Lyon at Northville, 7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20

Saturday, Sept. 20
Detroit CC at Traverse City Cent., 4 p.m. BOYS SOCCER
Thursday, Sept. 11
Novi at Northville, 7 p.m. Detroit CC at U-D Jesuit, 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 12
Franklin Road at Taylor Bapt., 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 13
Novi at W.L. Westen, 1 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 16
Parkway at Franklin Road, 4:30 p.m. Novi at Salem (CEP), 7 p.m. Northville at South Lyon, 7 p.m. Northville at South Lyon, 7 p.m. Brother Rice at Detroit CC, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 18 Novi at Stevenson, 7 p.m. S.L. East at Northville, 7 p.m. Parkway at Clarenceville, 7 p.m. Roch Adams at CC 7:30 n m

Saturday, Sept. 20 Saline at Northville, noon. W.L. Western at Novi (Meadows), 1 p.m. Det. Chavez at Detroit CC, 2 p.m Det. Chavez at Detroit CC, 2 p.m.

VOLLEYBALL

Thursday, Sept. 11

Novi at Salem (CEP), 6:30 p.m.

South Lyon at Northville, 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 16

Novi at S. Lyon East, 6:30 p.m.

Salem at Northville, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, Salem 18

Thursday, Sept. 18
Stevenson at Novi, 6:30 p.m.
Northville at S. Lyon East, 6:30 p.m.
Baptist Pk. at Franklin Road, 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20 Novi at Portage Central Inv., TBA. Northville at Bedford Inv., TBA. **CROSS COUNTRY** Friday, Sept. 12

MSU Inv. at Forest Akers, 3:20 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 13

Detroit CC, Franklin Road at

Holly Inv. (Springfield Oaks), 8:20 a.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 16

Novi vs Stevenson

Novi vs. Stever at Cass Benton Park, 4:25 p.m. Parkway at Oak. Christian, 4:30 p.m Parkway at Uak. Christian, 4:34 p.m Northville vs. S. Lyon East at Island Lake State Park, 5:10 p.m. Friday, Sept. 19 Novi at Anchor Bay Inv., 4:15 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20 Clinv. at Cass Benton, 11 a.m. N'ville (Boys) at Jackson Inv., TBA. GIRLS SWIMMING

Thursday, Sept. 11 Birm. Marian at Novi, 6 p.m. Churchill at Northville, 6:30 p.m Saturday, Sept. 13 N'ville at W.L. Northern Inv., TBA. Thursday, Sept. 18
Novi at Waterford Mott, 6 p.m.
Brighton at Northville, 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, Sept. 20
N'ville at Lakeland Inv., noon.

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BOYS TENNIS

Thursday, Sept. 11

Novi at S. Lyon East, 4 p.m.
Salem at Northville, 4 p.m.
Detroit CC at Divine Child, 4 p.m.
Saturday, Sept. 13

Novi at E. Grand Rapids, 9 a.m.

Monday, Sept. 13 Novi at E. Grand Rapids, 9 a.m.

Monday, Sept. 15

Northville at Groves, 4 p.m.

St. Mary's at Detroit CC, 4:15 p.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 16

Salem at Novi (M.S.), 4 p.m.

South Lyon at Northville, 4 p.m.

Wednesday, Sept. 17

Novi at Okemos, 4 p.m.

Thursday, Sept. 18

Novi at Saline, 4 p.m. Novi at Saline, 4 p.m. DeLaSalle at Detroit CC, 4 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 20 Novi Invitational, 8 a.m. CC at A.A. Pioneer Quad, 8 a.m. GIRLS GOLF GIRLS GOLF
Thursday, Sept. 11
Stevenson vs. Novi
at Wainut Creek C.C., 3 p.m.
Northville vs. S. Lyon East
at Links of Novi, 3 p.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 16
Novi vs. Salem
at Wainut Creek C.C., 3 p.m.
Northville vs. Suth I han

Northville vs. South Lyon at Northville Hills G.C., 3 p.m Wednesday, Sept. 17 Oakland Co. Invitational at Pontiac C.C., 3 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 18

Novi vs. S. Lyon (Cattails), 3 p.m.
Northville vs. Stevenson
at Fox Creek G.C., 3 p.m.
Saturday, Sept. 20
N'ville M&M Inv. at Hudson Mills, 8 a.m.
FIELD HOCKEY

Thursday, Sept. 11 Forest Hills Cent. at Novi, 4:30 p.m. TBA - time to be announced.

GIRLS SWIMMING

Novi swimmers best in all classes

By Brad Emons Staff Writer

It was a total team effort Saturday as the host Novi girls swim team captured the second annual Best in Class Invitational in a tri-meet against Canton and Oke-

The meet featured team scoring for each grade as coach Annette VanderMey's squad took all four divisions.

In the senior division, the Wildcats scored 95 points, followed by Canton and Okemos with 75 and 66, respectively.

Individual senior winners for Novi included Lindsey Vaughan in the 200-yard freestyle (2:14.54) and 100 backstroke (1:12.69) and Alyssa Stark in the 1-meter diving (150.05 points).

The Wildcats' junior class scored 95 to take first, followed by Okemos and Canton with 79 and 73, respectively.



MARK BIANCHI

Novi's Dana Kilponen, Reanna Lotrey, Ava Bianchi, Maria Elkin and Alexandra Cortez hold their junior team championship trophy.

Among Novi's firstplace juniors were Alexandra Cortez, 200 freestyle (2:02.8) and 100 butterfly (1:03.7); Ava Bianchi, 50 freestyle (25.85) and 100 freestyle (58.7); and Dana Kilponen, 100 backstroke (1:09.26).

Novi's sophomores scored a meet-high 108, followed by Okemos (95) and Canton (61), led by Mallory Mortlock, who captured the 200 and 500 freestyles in 2:09.68 and 5:41.12, respectively. Emily Mayoras also added a first in the 100 backstroke (1:04.41). The Novi freshmen scored 98, with Canton and Okemos scoring 66

and 57, respectively. Freshman first-place finishers for the Wildcats included Hanna Dong in the 100 freestyle (1:01.74) and 100 backstroke (1:09.82); Linda Wei, 50 freestyle (29.09); Samantha Kasanic, 100 butterfly (1:10.21); and Linda Ying, 100 breaststroke (1:16.46)

Novi also captured all three relays events. which required a swimmer from each class.

Mayoras, Ying, Cortez and Vaughan combined for a first in the 200 medley (2:00.92), while sophomore Idalia Moore, Ying, senior Zoe Psiakis and Bianchi took the 200 freestyle (1:52.78). Cortez, Dong, Mayors and senior Alexa Mussio added another first in the 400 freestyle relay (4:00.66).

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PREP VOLLEYBALL

Seaholm spikers capture Novi Invitational title

Birmingham Seaholm came away the victor. beating New Boston Huron in Saturday's championship final of 12-team Novi Invitational volleyball tournament.

The host Wildcats (11-3-1) reached the semifinals before being ousted by the eventual champion Maples in three sets, 18-25, 25-19, 15-9

After defeating Rochester Adams, Ida and Livonia Churchill in pool play, Novi downed White Lake Lakeland in the quarterfinals of the elimination bracket, 25-12,

Junior Paulina Iacobelli was the Wildcats' offensive leader with 42 total kills on the day. She also added 41 digs.

Setter Christina Hudgens finished with 72 assist-to-kills, while Jordan Massab paced the defense with 48 total

Mustangs go 2-2-1

On Saturday, Farmington Hills Mercy ousted Northville in the semifinals of the Saline Invitational, 25-13, 25-23, after the Mustangs downed Blissfield in the quarterfinals, 25-12, 25-

In pool play, the Mustangs split with Blissfield (18-25, 25-13), defeated Ann Arbor Pioneer (25-13, 25-15) and fell to Mercy (25-20, 25-17)

Emily Martin led Northville's hitting attack with 42 total kills on the day, while also adding 16 digs.

Other leaders for the Mustangs included Makenna Strunk (19 digs, 15 kills, seven aces); Kiera Borthwick (27 digs, 43 good passes); Rachel Holmes (43 assists, 11 digs); Emily Hogan (35 assists); and Katie O'Malley (15 kills).

"Our young team gained priceless experi-ence this weekend," said Northville coach Amanda Yaklin, whose team stands 6-4-1 overall. "Each set, from beginning to end, improved along the way. I was proud of their attitude and effort. We will go back to work in practice.'



ELAINE MAYLEN Novi freshman setter Erin O'Leary (12) makes the pass to sophomore middle blocker Emmy Robinson (4) during a pool play match against Ida.

BOYS TENNIS

Novi nets another quad meet crown

Wildcats sweep all 12 singles matches

> **Bv Brad Emons** Staff Writer

The Novi boys tennis team, led by a clean sweep of all 12 singles matches, earned a quad meet title at home Saturday.

The Wildcats, last year's MHSAA Division 1 state runner-up, scored 21 points, fol-lowed by Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook, which finished fourth in last year's Division 3 finals, with 17.

Grosse Pointe South placed third with nine, while West Bloomfield scored one point to finish fourth.

Novi's singles contingent of senior Tim Wang (No. 1), last year's Division 1 singles champion; junior Koushik Kondapi (No. 2); freshman Alex Wen (No. 3) and senior Andre Liu (No. 4) each won in straight sets.

Wang allowed just eight games in three matches, while Kondapi yielded just one. Wen

and Liu were equally impressive, giving up just seven and three games, respectively.

In doubles, Novi captured two titles as senior Ryan Fernandes and sophomore Aaskash Ray combined to win at No. 3, while juniors Sai Gotur and Abhishek Subash teamed up for a win at No. 4.

Fernandes and Ray needed three sets to subdue the duo from Cranbrook, 6-4, 5-7 (5-7), 11-9 (super-breaker), as did Gotur and Subash against the Cranes tandem, 6-4, 3-6 (10-6 super-breaker).

Novi's No. 1 doubles team of junior Maxx Anderson and sophomore Daniel Yu went 2-1, with their only setback coming in three sets against Cranbrook, 1-6, 7-6 (8-6), 10-3 (super-breaker).

The Wildcats' freshman duo of Robert Chen and Aditya Chitta posted a victory against West Bloomfield, 6-2, 6-2, before falling in straight sets against Grosse Pointe South and Cranbrook.

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DUAL MATCH RESULTS

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NORTHVILLE 9
SOUTH LYON EAST 0
Sept. 4 at Northville
No. 1 singles: Umais Rao (N) defeated John Kochanek, 6-1, 6-1; No. 2: Nick
Chatas (N) def. Matt Meyerink, 6-1, 6-4; No. 3: Charles Gao (N) def. Nick Appicelli,
6-1, 6-0; No. 4: Jimmy Dales (N) won by default over Nick Appicelli,
No. 1 doubles: Michael Pui-Alex Childs (N) def. Jon McCarthy-Nick Reed, 6-0,
6-1; No. 2: Andrew Quinn-Trevor Kelterborn (N) def. Jake Hentgen-A.J. Clark, 6-1,
6-0; No. 3: Guiliano Daniel-Michael Yang (N) def. Robert Reid-Noland Radloff, 6-2,
6-1; No. 4: Prakash Kumar-Nishant Chava (N) def. Matt Rochon-Nathan Anton,
6-1, 6-3; No. 5: Richard Chen-Alex Chen (N) def. Ryan Hayden-Tanner Ostraff, 6-0,
6-1. Dual match records: Northville, 9-2 overall, 2-0 KLAA Central Division; S.L.

NORTHVILLE 9
LIVONIA STEVENSON 0
Sept. 3 at Northville

No. 1 singles: Connor Johnston (N) defeated Cade Bunton, 6-0, 6-0; No. 2:
Oliver Daniel (N) def. Brendan Parker, 6-1, 6-2; No. 3: Andrew Schafer (N) def. Neal
Adams, 6-0, 6-0; No. 4: Stephen Freeman (N) def. Andrew Dziobak, 6-0, 6-1.
No. 1 doubles: Jason Wang-Janak Mukherji (N) def. Brad Weiand-Jack Dunne, 6-2,
6-0; No. 2: Nick Chatas-Umais Rao (N) def. Alex Westphall-Mike Licata, 6-1, 6-1;
No. 3: Evan Simoff-Jonathan Bi (N) def. Petra Kel-Jeff Della Mora, 6-1, 6-0; No.
4: Yannis Bi-Victor Lee (N) def. Scott Findlay-Alex Walkuski, 6-1, 6-0; No. 5: Hoon
Oh-Robert Hong (N) def. Dhaiton Rhodes-Alex Said, 6-0, 6-0.
Dual match records: Northville 8-2 overall, 1-0 KLAA Central Division;
Stevenson, 0-1 KLAA Central.

GOLF

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Henry said she averages a modest 200 yards off the tee.

"The course sets up good for me because of my length. I'm not very long," the senior added.

Katelyn also eclipsed her older sister Megan Henry's individual ninehole school record of 35, which was set in 2010. Megan is currently a senior on the Lake Superior State women's golf

"I called her after I got off the course," Katelyn said. "I think she was happy for me, but I think she was a little upset. I don't think she thought I could do it (laughing). It's all good and fun.'

Henry, who was playing with the first group, posted her round of 32 just before a rain delay.

"I saw her play a couple of holes, but I didn't know she was shooting that low," Novi coach Deb Harris said. "I saw her play her second hole, which she bogeyed. And then I saw her play the seventh hole, which she parred. That was about it. I only saw her play two holes, a shot here and there, and that was it."

Meanwhile, the second group had nearly completed the last hole, while the third group had just teed off on the last hole

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Novi's Alexa Hatz chips her approach shot in Thursday's school record 149-195 win over South Lyon East.

before the storm rolled through.

"So, of course, they were all adding up their scores, figuring out what they needed to shoot with those last two groups in order to break the record," Harris said. "It was kind of exciting for them to put some pressure on them. They were excit-

Freshman Abby Livingston and senior Claire Kalina contributed scores 41 and 44, respectively, for the Wildcats.

Katelyn Henry, who belongs to Walnut Creek, played this summer in the club championship. She also stayed sharp playing Livingston County junior tour events.

She is undecided on where she'd like to go to college or how golf fits

into the equation.

"I'm up in the air," Katelyn said. "I don't know where. If it's the right school ... I'm thinking about it (golf) more and more."

NORTHVILLE 173 SOUTH LYON EAST 198 Sept. 8 at Links of Novi (South) Northville scorers: Katie Childers and Allison Zwarka, 41 each (co-medalists); Alyse Clevenger, 45; Nicole Saez, 46; Elizabeth McGowan, 47; Victoria Zaremba, 48. S.L. East scorers: Kiersten VanNorden 43; Zoe Brown and Natlaie Ancicino, 49 each; Emily O'Brien, 57; Olivia Chivas, 59. Dual match records: Northville, 2-0

DUAL MATCH RESULTS

overall, 2-0 KLAA Central Division; South Lyone East, 0-2 overall, 0-2 KLAA Central. NORTHVILLE 175 **SALEM 204** Sept. 9 at Northville Hills G.C. Northville scorers: Katie Childers, 4 (medalist); Alyse Clevenger, 42; Elizabeth McGowan, 45; Allison Zwarka, 47; Maddy

Berman, 50; Jen Kowalczyk, 57.

Salem scorers: Hope Warkoczeski, 44; Kiley Flynn, 46; Keista Elder, 50; Amy Lawler, 56; Darby Scott, 59; Kahrlee Kozan, 62.

Dual match records: Northville, 1-0 overall, 1-0 KLAA Central Division; Salem, 0-1 overall, 1-1 KLAA Central Division; Salem, 0-1 overall, 0-1 KLAA Central

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The amendment is to Part 1 of Chapter 1 - Administrative Legislation, §1-10. The addition is item C.

§1-10, C: If any misdemeanor under this Code, or adopted by this Code from state law, the Court may assess any penalty provided by this Code or under adopted state law. In addition to those penalties the Court may sanction the defendant upon a finding of guilt, no contest plea or guilty plea for court costs.

A full description of the amendment and addition to the Code is available during regular business hours of the township, Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the township Clerk's

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Realtors Patterson, Spiro garner GMAR kudos

The Realtor of the Year award honors a Realtor for civic and association activity, business and educational experience and "Realtor Spirit' (professional competence and faithfulness to the principles of real estate, as well as to the laws and regulations of the State and National Code of Ethics). Members of the Greater Metropolitan Association of Realtors elected Bart Patterson to receive the honor of 2014 GMAR Realtor of the

Also honored as the GMAR Realtor Active in Politics is Teri Spiro.

Patterson has been in the real estate business since 1996 and obtained his associate broker license in 1999. He is the immediate past president of GMAR and has been a GMAR director for the past six years. In that time, Patterson has served on numerous committees and councils and has been instrumental in developing association policy and advocating for education.

He has earned 11 designations that he considers vital to providing outstanding client satisfaction. He has been vice president and general manager of RE/MAX Classic for eight years, where he has

Patterson



developed and implemented a new agent training program. Patterson's knowledge and abilities have a wide-reaching effect as he is involved with the operation of four different offices in the Detroit area that encompass 140 agents.

Patterson had this to say about winning, "It was a shock. It is truly a great thing to have been nominated and then to have won along with all the people who have been before me and all the people who will be after me. It's a great honor, really."

He has been involved with the Canton Chamber of Commerce for his entire 18 years as a Realtor and served on the Board of Directors from 2003 to 2010 and as chair in 2005 and 2006. When asked about his commitment to his community, he explained, "I live in the community, I want to be a part of the community, and I did have something that was

of use to them. So, I became

very active, very quickly."
Patterson is also a member of the Canton Downtown Development Authority and a board member of the Partnership for the Arts and Humanities where his real estate expertise proved helpful in the securing of a historic 14acre parcel that was formerly a Ford plant.

The Realtor Active in Politics award is presented to a Realtor who has encouraged, educated, identified and recruited individuals by contribution, investment and efforts in all levels of the governmental and political are-

Teri Spiro served on the former Western Wayne Oakland County Association of Realtors from 1998 to 2002 and as president in 2001. She has made contributions to the Realtor Political Action Committee. She is with Coldwell

Banker Weir Manuel. RPAC aids in advocacy for the real estate profession by supporting legislators on real estate related issues. Spiro is ranked within the President's Circle of Golden R major investors and is in the RPAC Hall of Fame, meaning she has invested more than \$25,000 to

RPAC in her lifetime. She has served 20 years on the local RPAC committee, 10 years on the State RPAC Committee, chair for 2008, and 10 years on the State Public Policy Committee, chair for 2006.

She was a Michigan Realtors director in 2005 and 2006. For four years, Spiro has been a federal political coordinator to Congressman Sander Levin.

After being asked how she felt about receiving this award, Spiro stated, "I am happy and honored; there are several politically active Realtors in our association!

For over 25 years, Spiro has been actively working on po-litical campaigns. "As long as I can remember, I've been fascinated by the political arena. Supporting candidates and policies that are good for home ownership and mortgage polices is crucial to our industry, and the economy.

She has organized fundraisers, coordinated door-to-door visits and hosted numerous meet and greets. Spiro has co-hosted events with national figures such as Elaine Chao, John McCain and Rudy Guilia-

\$76,000

\$25,000

Caution called for on reverse mortgages

Q: I am advised by my banker that the Federal **Housing Administration** has imposed more stringent requirements on reverse mortgages, making them more difficult. Do you have any comments?

A: As the name suggests, a reverse mortgage is the opposite of a traditional home loan. With the reverse mortgage, you get cash instead of making payments to



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the lender. You can get a lump sum, a line of credit, or regular monthly income. The amount you borrow will be secured by your home so reverse mortgages are for homeowners with little or no debt on their home. Most reverse mortgages are Home Equity Conversion Mortgages which are offered by private lenders and insured by FHA, but borrowers must be least 62 years of age. However, a reverse mortgage borrower still owns the home, which means they continue to have ownership responsibility. Reverse mortgages can be complicated and they require various fees and are only good for those who want to stay in their home as opposed to the flexibility of moving someplace else and are, of course, seniors.

Q: An attorney friend told me that some of these developers who sell new condos have entered into confidentiality agreements. Can you elaborate on what he meant by that?

A: I presume what he meant by that is that developers have been sued by condo associations for construction defects and deficiencies and financial irregularities. When a settlement is reached, the parent developer as well as the single entity LLC that probably developed the condominium project want a release from the association of any and all claims and want the terms of the settlement kept confidential even from the coowners. I think that is improper, because purchasers of condos from these developers working through single entity LLCs will never know about the quality of construction that has occurred, particularly, when the same units are constructed in a new project. You are best advised to consult with an attorney who has knowledge of the litigation history of most developers in the metropolitan

Robert M. Meisner is a lawyer and the author of "Condo Living 2: An Authoritative Guide to Buying, Selling and Operating a Condominium." It is available for \$24.95, plus \$5.55 for tax, shipping and handling. "Condo Living 2" is available in both print and e-book editions. The e-book is available for download through iTunes, Amazon.com and barnesandnoble.com. He is also the author of "Condominium Operation: Getting Started & Staying on the Right Track," second edition. It is available for \$9.95, plus \$2.20 for tax, shipping and handling. Call 248-644-4433 or visit bmeisner@meisner-law.com. This column shouldn't be construed as legal advice.

Detroit area.

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\$60,000

41303 Lagoon Ct

50574 Laurel Ridge Ct

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48530 Greenwich Ln
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4676 Hunters Cir W
6641 Kings Mill Dr
4165 Kristine Ct
4119 Lonebridge Cir
891 Meadowlake Rd
47519 Pembroke Dr
1942 Preserve Cir W
48580 Rockefeller Dr
3610 Shepherd Ct
1301 W Crystal Cir
42565 White Hart Blvd
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42158 Baintree Cir

18776 Bayberry Way

44843 Broadmoor Cir S

NORTHVILLE

984 Cardwell St

\$60,000	50574 Laurei Kluge Ct
	50872 Northstar Way
\$152,000	18184 Parkshore Dr
\$300,000	39877 Pinewood Ct
\$134,000	39757 Rockcrest Cir
\$162,000	42713 Steepleview Ct
\$90,000	42617 Steepleview St
\$135,000	19113 Surrey Ln
\$131,000	PLYMOUTH
\$250,000	1313 Carol Ave
\$223,000	13684 Eaton Dr
\$35,000	50555 Elmwood Ct
\$135,000	13150 Glenview Dr
\$158,000	40936 Greenbriar Ln
\$58,000	44857 Lynn Dr
\$145,000	581 Maple St
\$153,000	9061 N Canton Center
\$274,000	REDFORD
\$33,000	14062 Brook Dr
\$147,000	15573 Chelsea
\$95,000	25020 Doris Ct
\$195,000	17669 Five Points St
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9176 Sarasota	\$73,000
26731 W 7 Mile Rd	\$25,000
17376 Wakenden	\$46,000
15992 Winston	\$21,000
WAYNE	
4389 3rd St	\$55,000
3032 Flora Ln	\$88,000
34434 Phyllis St	\$63,000
34434 Phyllis St	\$54,000
4309 Randolph St	\$10,000
4163 Winifred St	\$83,000
WESTLAND	
1631 Ackley Ave	\$81,000
7950 August Ave	\$100,000
32638 Bertram Dr	\$125,000
427 Brookfield Dr	\$195,000
6359 Canterbury Ct	\$90,000
32468 Cowan Rd	\$163,000
801 Forest St	\$92,000
8130 Huntington St	\$23,000
39102 Huron Pkwy	\$200,000
30515 Ledgecliff Ave	\$120,000
33004 Lynx St	\$125,000
2256 N Hix Rd	\$47,000
6006 N Walton St	\$60,000
35493 Pheasant Ln	\$105,000
38648 Scott Dr	\$119,000

HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-OAKLAND COUNTY

31518 Orchard Crk

29601 Pine Ridge Cir

30940 Runnymede St

These are the Observer & Eccentric-area residential real-estate closings recorded the week of April 28 - May 2, 2014, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

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BEVERLY HILLS	
16206 Beechwood Ave	\$295,000
17880 Buckingham Ave	\$260,000
31135 W Rutland St	\$179,000
20226 Wellesley St	\$445,000
BINGHAM FARMS	
30985 Timberbrook Ln	\$335,000
BIRMINGHAM	
1378 Fairfax St	\$1,599,000
973 N Old Woodward Ave	\$269,000
220 Northlawn Blvd	\$292,000
1355 Pierce St	\$645,000
1754 S Bates St	\$250,000
800 Wallace St	\$650,000
1659 Washington Blvd	\$420,000
35300 Woodward Ave #	\$153,000
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BLOOMFIELD HILLS	
1735 Saint Johns Ct	\$345,000
3756 Lincoln Rd	\$1,430,000

1928 Heron Ridge Dr
1195 Hillpointe Cir
6463 Maple Hills Dr
COMMERCE TOWNSHIP
8628 Buckskin Dr
8733 Buffalo Dr
3866 Ellisia Rd
4888 Greenview Ct
9682 Nestoria St
3570 Raftwood Dr
720 W Commerce Rd
320 W Grand Traverse St
FARMINGTON
33435 Adams St
23055 Farmington Rd
23815 Farmington Rd
22520 Hawthorne St
31959 Leelane
32029 Valley View St
FARMINGTON HILLS
28501 Balmoral Way
34133 Banbury St
32115 Bonnet Hill Rd
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\$160,000	29699 Vista Ct	\$175,000
\$160,000	32401 W 9 Mile Rd	\$95,000
\$139,000	21586 Woodcrest Ct	\$265,000
\$270,000	29284 Wyndham Ct	\$189,000
\$119,000	HIGHLAND	
\$449,000	315 Clark Rd	\$103,000
\$129,000	615 Dunleavy Dr	\$59,000
\$108,000	MILFORD	
	530 Heritage Dr	\$300,000
\$120,000	1714 S Hickory Ridge Rd	\$140,000
\$239,000	314 S Main St	\$220,000
\$140,000	627 Woodside Dr	\$162,000
\$128,000	NORTHVILLE	
\$168,000	42162 Roscommon St	\$85,000
\$105,000	38616 Silken Glen Dr	\$260,000
	NOVI	
\$278,000	44800 Bayview Dr # 30	\$71,000
\$203,000	22658 Bertram Dr	\$397,000
\$185,000	41915 Cantebury Dr	\$170,000
\$198,000	28349 Carlton Way Dr	\$192,000
\$355,000	20902 Chase Dr	\$515,000
\$165,000	31144 Columbia Dr	\$148,000
\$140,000	30895 Copper Ln	\$211,000
\$239,000	27458 Cromwell Rd	\$311,000
\$132,000	2310 Crown Dr	\$270,000
\$220,000	1292 E Lake Dr	\$300,000
\$95,000	28099 Hewes Ln	\$223,000
\$180,000	24826 Joseph	\$174,000

\$93,000	41695 Juniper Cir	\$167,000
\$135,000	27065 Ladbroke St	\$273,000
\$195,000	28027 Middleton Dr	\$230,000
\$80,000	24652 Naples Dr	\$346,000
\$175,000	24487 Perceval Ln	\$529,000
\$95,000	44819 Stockton Dr	\$82,000
\$265,000	49698 Timber Trl	\$423,000
\$189,000	29268 Weston Dr	\$224,000
	SOUTH LYON	
\$103,000	54741 Brentwood Dr	\$330,000
\$59,000	24240 Douglas Dr	\$327,000
	1035 Oxford Ave	\$155,000
\$300,000	24357 Padstone Dr	\$84,000
\$140,000	24499 Padstone Dr	\$91,000
\$220,000	24714 Padstone Dr	\$79,000
\$162,000	24582 Rosemont Dr	\$25,000
	24590 Rosemont Dr	\$25,000
\$85,000	22726 Spy Glass Hill Dr	\$380,000
\$260,000	56350 Ten Mile Rd	\$210,000
	832 Timber Trail Ct	\$325,000
\$71,000	52689 Trailwood Dr	\$500,000
\$397,000	60725 Trebor Dr	\$311,000
\$170,000	SOUTHFIELD	
\$192,000	18131 Melrose Ave	\$95,000
\$515,000	23844 Merrill Ave	\$132,000
\$148,000	20712 Midway Ave	\$39,000
\$211,000	30268 Southfield Rd #	\$30,000
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\$270,000	WHITE LAKE	
\$300,000	9748 Elizabeth Lake Rd	\$85,000

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REAL ESTATE BRIEFS

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

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

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

819-0919. Condo operation

The Meisner Law Group, P.C., has announced that attorney Robert M. Meisner will be conducting a four-week course Tuesdays from Oct. 7-28, from 7-9 p.m. covering Introduction to Successful Condominium Operation.

This seminar is designed for board members and officers, managers, developers, and association members living in or working with a condominium, subdivision, cooperative, or community association.

Explore the many legal issues involved in the successful operation of an association. Cost is \$95 (\$85 per person when two or more enroll from the same organization). For registration information contact The Meisner Law Group, at 248-644-4433 or 800-470-4433, via email at: bmeisner@ meisner-law.com, or visit the seminar page on the website: Meisner-law.com.

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Car Report

10 Reasons the Buick-GMC Juggernaut Will Keep On Cruising





By Dale Buss

The feel-good automotive story of the year is emerging from the unlikeliest of brands at the unlikeliest of companies. Buick and GMC are keeping head above water and providing the only solid performances as the company endures an annus horribilis

over the recall fiasco.

Buick and GMC continued to lead the company's sales charts through August, each posting increases of about 8 percent for the year to date while Chevrolet sales rose by just 2 percent and Cadillac sales eased by 5 percent.

"We've got a wonderful convergence of elements right now, all working together - and hence, our sales gains," Tony DiSalle, marketing vice president for Buick and GMC, told me.

Here are 10 reasons Buick and GMC continue A new version of the GMC Sierra

The 2015 GMC Yukon is bringing back the mammoth SUV.

to accelerate:

Great and timely products: While Cadillac has gotten attention for the 2013 North American Car of the Year, the ATS sedan, Buick arguably has more effectively overhauled its entire product line over the last few years, beginning with the Enclave SUV that was launched for the 2008 model year. Most recently, Buick has scored a direct hit with its new Encore compact SUV, a very timely entry in one of the industry's hottest segments. Encore sales through August were up 65 percent over its launch year.

Meanwhile, GMC has been playing a role in this regard as well, most notably with the new 2015 version of its Yukon large SUV, whose sales were up by 59 percent over 2013 sales of the old version.

pickup truck has raised sales by 7 percent over those of the earlier version a year ago.

Bulls-eye advertising: The Buick ad campaign that launched earlier this year and expanded this month — in which consumers can't believe the slick vehicles in front of them were actually Buicks — has scored heavily for the brand. "It leverages consumers' misperceptions and reels them in," DiSalle said.

Working backward from the test: Major boosts for the brands have come from a recent spate of significant third-party evaluations of perceived quality levels in which Buick and GMC brands and products have outshone all or nearly all other domestic brands, including annual surveys by J.D. Power & Associates and the American Customer Satisfaction Index. Turns out brand managers have looked intently at how such things are graded and have made great efforts to satisfy those specific measurements.

Savvy dealers: Every automaker now is focusing on customer satisfaction at the dealership as one of the last frontiers for boosting sales and market share. But Buick/ GMC dealers have found ways to excel - even faced with the challenge unique within GM of having to "dual" the brands in the same facility. "We have a huge focus on the customer at the dealer level," said Duncan Aldred, GM vice president for Buick and



The 2014 Buick Encore hit a segment sweet spot.

GMC. "The way we're treating our customers is top-drawer."

Passing under the recall radar: Buick and GMC have escaped nearly as much notice as Chevrolet has received in GM's radar mess. Comfort in their own

skin: There was confusion for decades about exactly how GM positioned the Buick brand, first vis-a-vis Oldsmobile and more recently compared with Cadillac. Sometimes GM executives would even insist that Buick was a second true luxury brand like Cadillac. But now brand stewards seem comfortable in Buick's true skin: as a "near-luxury" brand that holds down a vast swath of market real estate for GM and serves as the company's most important portal for moving consumers upscale, especially "conquest" customers.

Very little string-pushing: Buick and GMC are the GM brands that don't have to try to arm-twist consumers to buy electrified

vehicles that they don't want. Connectivity strategy: Buick

has a strategy for breaking out of the pack: Soon it will offer highspeed 4G LTE connectivity across its model range, as GM makes this capability available across more of its product line than any other automaker by the end of this year. And Buick will be offering it as a standard feature.

The China factor: GM's design staff in China is increasingly designing Buick vehicles or features that end up in the U.S. market, beginning with the 2010 LaCrosse. The latest: a midsize crossover called Buick Envision that the brand is showing in China.

A promising pipeline: Beyond whether Envision shows up on American shores, Buick's U.S. lineup will add seven new or redesigned models over the next three years. And a beefier Buick lineup will mean only better things for the Buick-GMC juggernaut.



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When your job search drags on for weeks and you feel no closer to landing a job than when you first started, it's easy to get discouraged. But even if you aren't getting the callbacks you were hoping for, now is not the time to call it quits. To stay motivated and focused during this frustrating time, use these six job-search strategies to regain and maintain your momentum.

1. Treat the search like a job

Unemployment often leads to an aimless feeling. The lack of a routine is a major reason your motivation may be waning, as it's a constant reminder of your situation. The key is to treat your search like a real job. Wake up at a reasonable hour and get dressed. Create a schedule with set times for phone calls, emails, social networking and job board searches. Make to-do lists and check off each item as you complete it. After you've completed your to-do list for the day, "clock out" and take part in any leisure activities you enjoy.

In other words, conduct yourself as if a boss were looking over your shoulder. Stay focused on your daily tasks and avoid playing a quick game of Solitaire or Candy Crush when you're supposed to be working. Little indulgences may seem like some of the few perks of unemployment, but they can lead to listlessness and a dip in job-search momentum.

2. Put yourself out there

As important as it is for you to be connected online, you also need to make sure you're occasionally leaving the house. Not only will this help you get out of a rut, but it can also help make you more marketable. Sign up for a class or go to job fairs, workshops, conferences and seminars, where you can meet people and brush up on your skills. Join

professional associations and attend their meetings, where you can learn about trends in your field. Volunteer your time and skills with a worthwhile organization, where you can work on your soft skills like written and verbal communications. All of these things will deepen your network and help you find the right job.

3. Be proactive

Don't wait for opportunity to knock. Instead, take the initiative and knock on opportunity's door. In other words, even if the companies you're interested in don't list any current job openings, contact them anyway and express your desire to work there. This extra effort demonstrates enthusiasm and initiative, and hiring managers may take notice.

4. Track your progress

When you start to feel like you're going nowhere, take some time to create a method to track the efforts you've made. Write up a list of realistic short- and longterm goals with regard to your job search, and work toward them every day. For example, decide how many applications you'd like to send out this week, or this month. Set a goal for the number of networking events you're going to attend, and for the number of new people you're going to talk to about your search. Then keep track as you move toward the goal. That way, you'll have a tangible way to prove to yourself that you've made progress, something that can help keep you motivated as you continue to look



5. Consider other work options

A full-time job with a check direct-deposited to your account is not the only type of work out there. You can also expand your search to include part-time and contract work or set yourself up as a consultant or freelancer. Maybe you can barter your skills in exchange for goods and services.

Signing up with a staffing agency for temporary or projectbased gigs can also be a productive approach. It can bring in extra income while you're looking for full-time work. Even better, some part-time or temporary gigs can turn into full-time jobs or longterm contracts. Even if they don't, though, they'll still allow you to make valuable contacts that will help you in your job search.

6. Relax, recharge, revive

Allowing a job search to take over your life is a sure way to burn out. Give yourself permission to take a break from the

search at night and on weekends. When you make a point to relax and recharge for a few hours at the end of the work day, you'll be able to start fresh the next day. A change of scenery and new experiences may give you a new perspective on your search and even your career.

The key to finding employment is to keep at it. Don't let a lull discourage you to the point of giving up. By following these job-search tips and persevering, you'll greatly increase your chances of finding full-time work that is satisfying and rewarding.

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