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## Hunger-Free Holidays bazaar at Showplace

The Diamond Center at the Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi will usher in the holidays 6-10 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 20, with the inaugural Hunger-Free Holidays Bazaar benefiting Gleaners Community Food Bank of Southeastern Michigan (Gleaners). Patrons will enjoy a strolling dinner while shopping the marketplace of items — abundant hostess and holiday gifts, furniture made from reclaimed materials and unique apparel and accessories, crafted by Michigan artisans. Guests will enjoy Epoch Hospitality's Detroit BBQ and Fajita stations — offering braised brisket with crispy onions, pulled buffalo chicken sliders, fresh tortillas with chicken, sauteed peppers and onions with all the fixins. A cash bar will also be available. Tickets are \$25 in advance and \$30 at the door. To purchase tickets, visit [gcfb.org/holiday](http://gcfb.org/holiday).

## Donation is a breath of life for pets

By Lonnie Huhman  
Staff Writer

Although it's not an official statistic kept by the U.S. Fire Administration, industry websites and sources have cited an estimated 40,000 to 150,000 pets die each year in fires, most succumbing to smoke inhalation. And a first responder at the Novi Fire Department recently got assistance through a donation that helps make the department one of the best-equipped to save a pet's life. Through the generosity of Invisible Fence of Tri-County, Novi FD now has four pet oxygen masks kits to use on emergency calls to give oxygen to pets who are suffering from smoke inhalation when they are

rescued from fires — they often save pets' lives. "These are important and we have used them on previous occasions where we've had animals in a home on fire," NFD Captain Philip Duczynski said. The department has been receiving these donations from Invisible Fence for at least six years. It's just a small part of the company's Project Breathe program, which was established with the goal of equipping every fire station in America and Canada with pet oxygen masks. "These masks truly are blessings for the Novi area," Duczynski said. "We've seen residents run back into burning



Novi firefighters Jammal Faraj and Joe Villeneuve (left) and Cpt. Phil Duczynski (right) were grateful for the donations of pet oxygen masks given to them on Nov. 4 by Suzette Swies (kneeling with her dog, Sammie), who is a marketing representative for Invisible Fence Tri-County and Vet. Tech. Marianne Hay of Vet Select Animal Hospital in Novi.

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## Adopt-a-Family program looking for assistance

By Lonnie Huhman  
Staff Writer

The Adopt-a-Family has become an important part of the holiday season, and once again Novi Youth Assistance (NYA) has partnered with its friends at the Novi Goodfellows to coordinate its efforts in hope to serve as many families as possible. "This effort is working to assist families who need a little help," NYA caseworker Tom Swieboda said. "It's about giving back and helping make the holidays a special one." He said the families in need who receive help have difficulties from a variety of circumstances, including lost jobs, divorce or whatever hard time that's impacting them. Novi Youth Assistance and the families they serve have greatly appreciated the support of the community in adopting families. "Due to these challenging economic times, we expect that this year will be even more difficult for many than in the prior years," said NYA said. So far, 20 families have been adopted and more support is needed. Last year NYA/Goodfellows adopted over 50 low-income families in Novi.

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Parkview Elementary student Yuna Joh works on organizing her thoughts using the Thinking Maps way of graphically organizing the way she communicates. Note the "maps" with details of her ideas drawn in the middle of her paper.

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## THINKING MAPS

Tool helps guide Parkview Elementary's ESL students

By Lonnie Huhman  
Staff Writer

Thinking Maps have given the English as a Second Language students at Parkview Elementary School a visual tool to help enhance learning. This tool is being piloted with the Novi Community School district's ESL students or English Language Learners, but could eventually become used more district wide. According to Sue Vanlinthout, an ESL teacher Parkview Elementary, Thinking Maps is a language of visual patterns that are based on the fundamental thinking processes (cognitive skills). There are eight Thinking Maps in all: Circle Map, Bubble Map, Double Bubble Map, Brace Map, Tree Map, Bridge Map, Flow Map and Multi Flow Map, Vanlinthout said. "By using these eight thinking maps, students become fully engaged in the act of learning," Vanlinthout said. "They become active participants in the process of bringing knowledge to life in very visual,



Susan Vanlinthout, Parkview Elementary School ESL teacher, warms her students up with some exercises Oct. 29 to instill in them the correct way to begin to order their thoughts and essays as they begin using Thinking Maps. Thinking Maps are a more graphical way to help students organize and categorize their thoughts and projects as they begin their school years. Parkview is hoping to receive a grant so that they can implement the program throughout the entire school.

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concrete ways."

She said Thinking Maps allows for a common visual language that is spoken across grade levels and academic disciplines.

"Thinking Maps can be used by all teachers and applied in all content areas — preschool to high school," Vanlinthout said.

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Last year Sony Electronics Inc. adopted a family and made this program part of its holiday festivities. The firm has a pot luck lunch and wraps the gifts. They will do it again this year.

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## MASKS

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homes to save a pet. It's understandable, but extremely dangerous. These masks will give residents comfort in knowing that we can save their pets if they are suffering from smoke inhalation."

With the help from veterinarians and vet technicians from Vet Select Animal Hospital, Great Oaks Veterinary Clinic and Animal Emergency Center, Invisible Fence Tri-County was able to demonstrate to first responders how the masks are used on their canine friends.

In most states, emergency responders are unequipped to deal with the crisis. The donation of these specially designed and potentially lifesaving animal oxygen masks enables rescue squads to effi-

ciently administer oxygen to a stricken animal.

Duczynski said animals are very sensitive to smoke inhalation and will sometimes succumb to it before humans.

"When a family suffers the tragedy of a fire, lives are turned upside down," said Albert Lee, director of Invisible Fence Brand. "Pets are valued family members, so we want families to know that their pet can be cared for if tragedy strikes."

Lee added, "We realize that humans are the first priority, but in many cases, pets can be saved if firefighters have the right equipment. Project Breathe program is simply a way of giving firefighters the tools necessary to save pets' lives."

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This past summer, Vanlinthout attended training at Macomb ISD to become a Trainer of Thinking Maps.

"The goal is for this to become a district-wide initiative. At this point, the plan is for me to train the teachers at Parkview Elementary School this school year," she said.

Since beginning to use Thinking Maps, Vanlinthout has seen students become more actively

engaged in their own learning.

"They are able to plan and organize their thinking and learning in visually concrete ways. Rather than using a variety of graphic organizers, students really organize their thinking around just eight different maps," she said.

Because it is expensive to purchase the individual Thinking Maps training binders, Vanlinthout said Parkview Principal Jenifer Michos has written a couple of grants in hopes of raising additional funds for this

endeavor.

The Novi Community School District does offer a Summer Shoulders Series during the summer months. Interested teachers can participate in district-sponsored instructional learning opportunities. Thinking Maps training will be offered in the summer of 2015 as part of this Shoulder Series.

At this time, there are two Thinking Maps trainers in the district, Vanlinthout and Hannah Mertz.

All the ESL teachers participated in the Thinking Maps training last

year under the leadership of Hannah Mertz. So at this point, the students who are utilizing Thinking Maps in the district are those that participate in the ESL classroom setting — the ELL students.

"Thinking Maps are engaging, fun, and a great way to visually record students' learning," Vanlinthout said of the great potential of this learning tool.

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## Twelve Oaks is "Frozen"



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Twelve Oaks Mall is offering a uniquely "frozen" holiday experience in celebration of Disney's New "Frozen" Sing-Along Edition DVD release. The highest-grossing animated film of all time, "Frozen" will take center stage in the spectacular, interactive Ice Palace, where you can sing "Let It Go" just like Elsa, or one of many other songs from the Nov. 18 DVD release. You'll also see special scenes from the Academy Award-winning movie, create a "Frozen" handprint, take a photo with Olaf on his ice throne, measure up against the "Are You as Tall as Sven and Olaf?" feature, and more. Take home a piece of this special holiday experience at the Ice Palace gift shop, where you can purchase the original "Frozen" DVD, Disney's New "Frozen" Sing-Along Edition DVD and other cool "Frozen" merchandise, including dress-up items and snugly plush toys. Santa Claus will be on site to join in the "Frozen" fun. Visitors to Santa will receive a complimentary Disney "Frozen" Look-and-Find book.

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Novi, have proof of residency and be low income.

The NYA said it would be delighted if community organizations participated in the 2014 Adopt-a-Family program.

For more information,

contact NYA at 248-347-0410. If you or your company would like to adopt a family this holiday season, contact Novi Youth Assistance at

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# Bowman donates to Crawfords' library statue effort

Family, friends and Novi community members gathered at the Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi on Sept. 26 to commemorate Hugh and Kathy Crawford's 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. These longtime Novi residents, who met in a youth fellowship program at Novi Methodist Church and started dating when they were in high school, were surrounded by 200 guests celebrating the life they have built together.

In lieu of gifts, the Crawfords gave their guests the opportunity to make a donation to the Novi Public Library for the upcoming purchase of the "I Love My Country" bronze patriotic statue, which will be displayed on the library's patio.

With a goal of \$12,000, the Crawfords have received numerous contributions, making their current number over \$7,000. This includes a \$3,000 donation from Blair Bowman, owner of Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi and



Shown (left to right) are Hugh Crawford, Blair Bowman, Kathy Crawford, Julie Farkas, library director and David Margolis, library board president.

manager of The Michigan State Fair.

Bowman, a continuous supporter of the library, held a check ceremony at the Oct. 15 library board meeting and presented the check in honor of the Crawford's anniversary. "Novi has always sup-

ported the arts as well as our veterans," Kathy said. "The opportunity to have the beautiful "I Love My Country" bronze statue installed off the patio at the Novi Public Library will be enjoyed by generations for decades. Hugh and I

are so grateful for all of the donations and support for this project. We are still a little shy of our goal, so there is still time to take part in bringing this beautiful statue to Novi."

Donations can still be made to the Novi Public



The "I Love My Country" statue to be placed at Novi Public Library.

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Library. Once the \$12,000 goal is met, the statue is planned to be purchased in early summer 2015 for library patrons to enjoy.

For more information or to make a donation, call 248-869-7204 or visit 45255 W. 10 Mile Road.

## Rachel Zagaroli appointed executive director of Novi Parks Foundation

The Novi Parks Foundation (NPF) appointed Rachel Zagaroli executive director, and she will seek park naming right opportunities, administer the scholarship program and oversee fundraising events.

"We are excited to have Rachel join the NPF and to lead the continued effort to grow and enhance the recreational and cultural opportunities in the city of Novi," said Linda Blair, president of the Novi Parks Foundation.

Prior, Zagaroli served as the Older Adult Services manager for the city of Novi Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department. During her tenure, she led a team of employees that coordinated numerous programs and services for older adults; enhanced the Older Adult Transportation Program; facilitated the relocation of the Older Adult Services office to the Novi Civic Center; authored and obtained grants and implemented the 2013-2015 Older Adult Services Strategic Plan; and led the sponsorship efforts of the department.

"The PRCS staff and I look forward to working with Rachel to enhance parks and programs," said Jeff Muck, director of Novi Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services. "Her knowledge of the community, the relationships she has established and her passion for parks and recreation will be a great asset to the Foundation."

Zagaroli has an associate's degree in geron-

tology and has worked for the American Red Cross and Flint Community Schools.

The Novi Parks Foundation is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization focused on enhancing the recreational and cultural programs and facilities in Novi. The NPF Board

of Directors is comprised of members of the community from the professional arena and from the strong volunteer base within the city. Current members include Linda Blair, David Landry, Randy Balconi, Brian Burke, Kim Capello and Stacey Ferrell.



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Rachel Zagaroli (right) has been appointed executive director of the Novi Parks Foundation. She's shown sharing a peck on the cheek with Linda Colwell at Zagaroli's going-away party at Meadowbrook Commons on March 20 when she retired as the city's Older Adult Services manager.

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## Novi Farmers Market continues through winter

The 2014 Novi Farmers Market was so successful — with hundreds of people enjoying fresh vegetables, flowers and other items throughout the summer and fall — that the market will continue through the winter with gourmet foods and artisan items indoors at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 Ten Mile Road.

The winter market will take place twice monthly from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the following Saturdays: Nov. 22; Dec. 6 and 20; Jan. 10 and 24; Feb. 14 and 21; March 7 and 21; and April 4 and 18.

The market will showcase an expanded selection of Michigan food products as well as selected artisans with items to complement the home. Patrons will find foods, décor and gifts for holiday entertaining.





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Novi High students Joston Rodrigues, Mya Brown, Lauren Henry and Soorya Ramappan with the bounty from their October food drive.

## Novi High School students' drive helps food bank

The Novi High School Student Council for the sophomore class of 2017 partnered with National Honor Society and organized a food drive collection during the month of October. The food was donated to the Novi Community Food Bank, which is housed in Faith Community Presbyterian Church in Novi.

A total of 393 cans/items of food were delivered to the church Oct. 31.

"We have 75 families from Novi, Wixom, and New Hudson who we help with our food bank," said Jim Ernst who helps coordinate

the food bank. "It was first started in 1980 by the Novi Ministerial Association and has met the needs of low-income families in the area ever since then. We are very appreciative of the continued help and support of Novi Schools in this worthy cause."

Ernst went on to say that after the holidays are over, the food on the shelves gets very low. He is looking for groups to sponsor a drive especially in February or March.

Submitted by Barb Clift and Nina VanHooser, sophomore class advisors.

## 50th Day



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Parkview kindergartners Abishti Ram and Claire Sulderman, right, dance together during the school's 50s Day Celebration on Nov. 7. The school had fun with a 50s-themed party to mark the 50th day of kindergarten. The morning's fun included dancing with Elvis, ice cream floats, lots of poodle skirts and leather jackets and visits with parents and friends.

## Father knew — education opens doors

On Nov. 13, 2009, my father died. He was 80 years old. This year marks the fifth anniversary of his death.

My father grew up in a small town in Oklahoma. He had planned to stay there his whole life. After high school he went away to Oklahoma State University. He was drafted and sent overseas during the Korean War. Shortly after his return, he proposed to a woman he had met while at Oklahoma State University.

Upon their marriage



Steve Matthews

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they returned to Fairland, Oklahoma, where the newly married couple tried to buy the local hardware store. That deal fell through.

My father then went to work for the Goodrich Tire Company in Miami, Oklahoma. While working there my father decided that he wanted to do something else with his life.

My father and mother, along with two young children, then moved back to Stillwater, Oklahoma, where my father completed his degree and earned his teaching certificate.

Shortly after graduation the family moved to Albuquerque, New Mexico, where my father taught in an elementary classroom for the next 33 years.

My father understood the power of education. He was the first in his family to graduate from college. He knew that what he had

in life was his because of education. His wife, his job, his perspective were all shaped by the experiences he had in school.

For my dad, school was important. School provided an opportunity. It gave people options. I learned from my father that doing well in school opened doors.

My father often spoke about how his life had been changed because of school. Correspondingly, my father emphasized that doing well in school would

open up doors for me as well.

But my father also understood that education gave people a perspective. While going to school opened doors, going to school also created a healthy curiosity about the world.

Throughout my father's life he was not afraid to ask questions or examine other perspectives. Education was not about finding the one right answer; education was about being confident that you had the ability and skill to search for the

answer. Education was important because it gave you the skills and the confidence to look at multiple perspectives and examine multiple possible answers.

My father taught me that education changed lives because it gave people the ability to control their lives.

It is hard to believe that it has been five years since my father passed away. I think of my father often. He would be proud that I found my place in schools. I am proud that my father gave me a strong foundation and a strong belief in the power of schools to change lives.

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# Sen. Mike Kowall elected Senate Majority Floor Leader

By Laura Colvin  
Staff Writer

Sen. Mike Kowall anticipates his new position as Senate Majority Floor Leader will help bring more state Senate attention to southeast Michigan.

Kowall, R-White Lake, was elected to the position last Thursday when 27 Republicans who two days prior won seats in the Michigan Senate met in Lansing for the coming legislative session, which begins in January.

"This is a good thing for southeast Michigan because, historically, when your leadership is all from the west side of the state, which it has been in the past, a lot of the funding for things like roads and education ends up going to the west side of the state," said Kowall, who will serve under Senate Majority Leader-elect Arlan Meekhof, R-Olive Branch. "If you need to see what happens, just go over to Grand Rapids and see how nice their roads are, and look at what our roads look like."

"That's why I wanted to be in that position," he added. "We need to have southeast Michigan with

a voice at the leadership table. I'll be in on those meetings with the governor every Tuesday afternoon."

As Senate Majority Floor Leader, Kowall will be responsible for representing the Republican majority on the Senate floor - expediting legislative proceedings through parliamentary procedures such as motions, communications and points of order.

## Roads

Long-term work on the road-funding issue is a top priority, Kowall said. Over the summer, he and other state leaders held meetings to discuss the issue and collect feedback and suggestions from residents, business people and others across the state.

"It didn't matter if it was a housewife out of Grand Rapids or an industrialist out of southeast Michigan," he said. "We listened to everybody."

The group also sat down with the Senate Fiscal Agency to look at projections for the coming years, and gathered information about road funding in other states.

One suggestion heard again and again was a



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Mike Kowall chats with Loretta Hall and others Friday at the White Lake Senior Center.

per-axle, per-mile, per-ton charge for the trucks so notoriously hard on roads.

"So you would phase out the diesel tax and phase in the per-axle, per-mile, per-ton charge," Kowall said, noting bills for such a measure are currently in the draft stage. "That's more widespread, and is really a fair and equitable tax; if you don't travel the miles, you don't pay the tax."

"The bonus," he added,

"is that if we do it correctly, diesel will have the appearance of being a whole lot less money at our borders when trucks come across to buy fuel, because they won't be paying that diesel charge on it."

Legislators are also considering asking voters for a one-cent-on-the-dollar increase in sales tax to help fund roads.

## Education

In addition to roads, Kowall also said he intends to continue his push for skilled trades education funding.

"That's one of the reasons I got involved in politics in the first place... getting academia to understand that not every kid is cut out for a four-year degree," said Kowall, who before joining the Legislature was president of Accurate Woodworking, Inc., a family-owned business in White Lake. "There are some young people out there who are very, very mechanical, and there are a lot of really great careers - making up to and over \$100,000 per year in the skilled trades. I'm not just talking about carpenters, plumbers, electricians and pipefitters; I'm talking about robotics and some of the higher-tech machine tool operating, as well."

Currently, some \$50 million is earmarked for skilled trade education in the state's budget, and Kowall said he'd like to see more, especially going to K-12 schools.

"They took all the (shop classes) out of the schools," he said. "We need to educate parents, too - it's OK to get a little bit of grease under your

fingernails as long as your child has a career, not just a job, working in the skilled trades."

## In Lansing

As far as legislative operations in Lansing, Kowall said it's time to scale things back.

"We're going to look at making things simpler in the state government - smaller and more streamlined," he said. "We're looking at programs, things that have been here forever and need to be adjusted - MEDC is one that comes to mind - just to make sure there's no redundancy. Gov. Snyder is focused on that now, too."

Overall, Kowall, concluded, he wants to make sure state legislators are paying more attention to the average working taxpayer.

"Everybody keeps talking about the middle class," he said. "Let's face it, it's the middle class that built southeast Michigan; they built Milford, they built White Lake, they built our district and I include myself as one of them because that's what I did for 38 years; I built things."

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## Lighting tested in dog parks

Oakland County Parks and Recreation will provide temporary lighting for Orion Oaks and Lyon Oaks dog parks, extending the parks' hours to 8 p.m., Thursdays - Saturdays, Nov. 6 - Dec. 27.

The pilot lighting program will help in assessing the need for permanent lighting in the Orion and Lyon dog parks. The temporary lights will remain on until 8 p.m., to be consistent with the OCP's third dog park, Red Oaks in Madison Heights which has permanent lighting.

Lyon Oaks Dog Park is located at 52221 Pontiac Trail in Wixom. It is a 13-acre fenced enclosure with a small dog area, benches, shelter and picnic tables, water fountain and field training area.

Orion Oaks Dog Park is on Joslyn Road between Clarkston and



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The new lights have been installed at Lyon Oaks Dog Park.

Scripps roads in Lake Orion. It is a 24-acre fenced enclosure with a small dog area, including two trails, picnic shelter, drinking water, field area, parking lot and access to Lake Sixteen for swimming.

## Community Reads author Fowler coming to Novi Public Library

The Neighborhood Library Association announced its fifth annual Community Reads book selection, *We Are All Completely Beside Ourselves*.

By Karen Joy Fowler, it is a curious, wonderfully intelligent novel, which brings to life a most unusual American middle-class family, ordinary in every way but one. Fowler is the *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Jane Austen Book Club* and has written six novels and three short story collections. Five neighboring libraries hosted book discussions and programs related to the book, culminating in a visit by the author Nov. 18 at the Novi Public Library.

*We Are All Completely Beside Ourselves* is a tale of loving but fallible people whose well-in-

tioned actions lead to heartbreaking consequences. The madcap plot and fresh diction add humor to a story about experimental psychology, human development and animal rights. It is well worth the trouble to avoid spoilers, including the ones on the back of the book, so the author can introduce the troubled Cooke family before she springs the jaw-dropping surprise at the heart of the story.

"We are very pleased to announce this year's book selection," said

Julie Farkas, Novi Public Library director. "Librarians from five neighboring libraries meet to carefully choose a book that appeals to a broad audience and lends itself to good discussions and programs. We have been very successful with our book selections and author presentations over the past four years and are quite excited to have Karen Joy Fowler here to meet and talk with members of our communities."

The goal of the NLA's Community Reads is to

bring communities together to read and discuss the same book. The NLA is composed of Lyon Township Public Library, Northville District Library, Novi Public Library, Salem-South Lyon District Library and Wixom Public Library. Copies of the book are now available for checkout at each library.

Fowler will be available for a "Meet the Author" event at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 18, at Novi Public Library. Contact the library to register at 248-349-0720 or visit [www.novilibrary.org](http://www.novilibrary.org).

**City of Novi  
Notice of Public Hearing  
Community Development Block Grant Funds**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Novi will hold a Public Hearing on the use of Community Development Block Grant Funds. The Hearing will be held Monday, November 24, 2014 at 7:00 p.m., EST, at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, Michigan 48375, for the purpose of hearing public comments on the Community Development Block Grant Program Year 2015 application in the approximate amount of \$91,505 to fund eligible projects.

**All interest citizens are requested to attend this Hearing.** Comments will also be received in writing or in person at the City Offices, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, Michigan 48375, until 5:00 p.m., November 24, 2014. Arrangements to reasonably accommodate special needs, including handicap accessibility or interpreter will be made upon receiving 72-hour advance notice. Contact the City Clerk's office at 248-347-0456 for special services.

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CITY CLERK

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The City of Northville reserves the right to waive any irregularity or informality in the bids, to reject any and/or all bids, in whole or in part, or to award any contract to other than the low bidder, should it be deemed in its best interest to do so.

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James P. Gallogly  
Public Works Director

Dianne Massa  
City Clerk

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
CITY OF NORTHVILLE**

The Northville Board of Zoning Appeals will hold a public hearing to receive public input on a variance requested by the property owner at 375 Orchard Drive, Northville, Michigan. The applicant is seeking a variance to construct a new house in the front-yard setback along Grandview Avenue on premises zoned R-1B, First Density Residential District, parcel number 48-003-02-0035-001. The City's Building Official has determined that a front-yard variance of 14 feet is needed from Section 15.01 of the Zoning Ordinance to allow construction of the residential building in the front yard.

The public hearing will be held on Wednesday December 3, 2014, at 7:30 p.m. at City of Northville Municipal Building - Council Chambers, 215 West Main Street, Northville, Michigan, 48167, 248-449-9902, as part of the regular City of Northville Board of Zoning Appeals meeting. The purpose of the hearing will be to receive public comment on the variance request. Written comments regarding the variance request should be directed to the City of Northville at the above address.

A copy of the variance application is available for review at the City of Northville Building Department during regular office hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. The City of Northville will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services to individuals with special needs at the meeting upon seven days notice to the City of Northville.

ROLLAND STAPLETON  
BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS CHAIRPERSON

DIANNE MASSA  
CITY CLERK

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

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

- Beautification Commission
- Board of Review
- Election Commission
- Historical Commission
- Housing & Community Development Advisory Committee
- Library Board
- Public Access Promotion Committee
- Zoning Board of Appeals

If you are a registered voter and interested in volunteering to serve on a City Board or Commission, information about the various Boards and Commissions is available at [www.cityofnovi.org](http://www.cityofnovi.org) or at the office of the City Clerk, 45175 Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375, (248) 347-0456.

The deadline for filing an application (available on the website or at the City Clerk's office) is Wednesday, November 26, 2014. Applicants will be contacted by the City Clerk's Office regarding the date and time of interviews.

Maryanne Cornelius, City Clerk

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# Love spans the decades for Lyon couple

Trestlers met while serving during World War II

By Diane Gale Andreassi  
Staff Writer

Veterans Day marks Phyllis and Tom Trestlers' love affair that has spanned seven decades and never would have happened if they hadn't served their country during World War II.

Phyllis was working in a warehouse in a Marine Air Force Base in North Carolina, and Tom was assigned to head up the operation after he returned from serving in the South Pacific Islands.

"I walked in the warehouse and there she was," said Tom, sitting next to his wife of 69 years. They're bright and spry – looking much younger than their 91 years. As they tell the story of their lives together, Tom and Phyllis speak in tandem, elaborating on each others thoughts, filling in details and turning to one another for support and confirmation.

It was December 1944 and they were 21 years old enlistees – she was from Seattle, Wash., and he was from Chicago, Ill. With 2,000 miles separating their hometowns, they agree, they probably wouldn't have closed the divide if the war hadn't brought them together. The union produced a son, four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

"We're certainly grateful," Tom said. "It caused us to meet. That was the whole high point of those years."

## Wedding bells

Tom and Phyllis were married by the following August. After leaving military life, they lived in Chicago until their only son, Thomas Philip – named after his parents – moved to Michigan. So the elder Trestlers followed. The couple lived on their own in Northville until a few months ago when they moved to Abbey Park at Mill River, a senior living facility in New Hudson, after Phyllis had a series of falls.

Framed pictures of their life together dot the apartment – in some they're in military garb and another shows them in Hawaii celebrating their 25th anniversary. A proclamation from the Women in Military Service for America congratulates Phyllis for her work during the war effort. The award gives a brief narrative about why Phyllis enlisted, how her mother resisted the idea and how she persevered.

"At the time I figured I was being patriotic..." Phyllis was quoted in the proclamation.

Tom said he and Phyllis luckily never went through "the anguish of battle." Tom was sent overseas to American Samoa after the islands were captured, "getting there after the fighting was done," he said. After he returned from his military duty Tom landed a job with the Santa Fe Railway starting off in the mail room and "I worked my way up to the main office" landing a job in pricing and as an administrative assistant to the marketing vice president. Phyllis worked



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Phyllis and Tom Trestler met while serving in the military during World War II.

in various office jobs on and off.

They celebrated Veterans Day with their son, a Vietnam War vet. Phyllis draws a stark picture of how Vietnam veterans were treated with disrespect and WWII vets were honored with honor.

"There was a patriotic reason for us to go into the service, and for Vietnam there was reluctance," Tom said. "I can halfheartedly see why and possibly agree with it. But they shouldn't have taken it out on the kids."

"They weren't treated nicely, not like World


War II vets coming home," Phyllis said.

Like so many other parents, Tom and Phyllis worried about their son's safety while he served during that war effort. Tom filled the void by launching a letter-writing campaign to public officials and movie stars

asking them to send their son birthday wishes. The result was an outpouring of mementos and cards.

As for advice on how to stay married for nearly 70 years, Phyllis said, "Don't go to bed mad."

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## Novi honors its military veterans' service

By Lonnie Huhman  
Staff Writer

Local military veterans were honored last Thursday at the Novi Civic Center during the second annual Veterans Day Brunch.

Veterans in Novi were saluted by city staff and guest speaker Lt. Colonel Andrew Rocky Raczkowski (Ret.) for the service as part of a Veterans Day celebration.

"I honor you with a salute," Raczkowski said.

From World War II to the Vietnam War, these men and women stood up to serve during some difficult and challenging times. They have many stories and some of these were detailed.

Brunch attendee Norman Kleiner served in the U.S. Army from 1943-45 and during that time served in France. He said he remembers a lot of close calls, fighting around the Battle of the Bulge and crossing the Rhine into Germany. He was awarded among many medals the Bronze Star.

Another story is Bettie (Archer) Johnson's. She was in the U.S. Navy



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A table of veterans listen to a speaker at the Thursday morning brunch.

WAVES during WWII. She trained other WAVES and helped establish a barracks in New York.

These stories were honored with each veteran's name called out with a salute and handshake given as well as gift.

"This means a lot," said Novi resident and Vietnam vet Mike Gold-

stein of the event. "For the community to step up and honor us this way shows us they respect us and this country."

Goldstein said in the past it was difficult for his generation of veterans to stand proud because in many instances they were shunned when they came home from Vietnam, but now it's

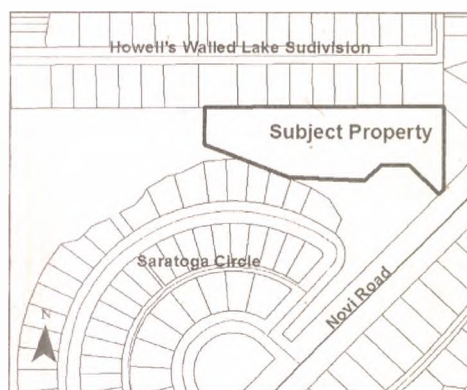
different.

"I stand a little bit taller today," he said of Veterans Day. "I'm proud of our service and to be part of this group of men and women who served this country so well."

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### CITY OF NOVI PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on Monday, December 8, 2014 at 7:00P.M. in the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider **TORTORA LOT SPLIT JR 14-208, FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE SANDSTONE ASSOCIATES LIMITED PARTNERSHIP V. CITY OF NOVI CONSENT JUDGMENT.** The subject property totals 2.82 acres and is located on the northwest side of Novi Road, south of Thirteen Mile Road in Section 11. The applicant is proposing 2 single-family detached homes. Plans are available for review at the Community Development Department in the Novi Civic Center.



All interested persons are invited to attend. Verbal comments may be heard at the hearing and any written comments may be made to the Community Development Department, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 during the City's regular business hours, Monday thru Friday, from 8:00A.M. to 5:00P.M., and must be received by 4:00P.M., Monday, December 8, 2014.

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## \$600 million needed for Oakland County road repairs

Despite a near record construction season, including the reconstruction and resurfacing of many roads, more than 40 percent of the Road Commission for Oakland County (RCOC) road system remains in poor condition, and that percentage is expected to continue to grow for the foreseeable future.

RCOC calculates that \$600 million worth of road projects is needed today just to preserve RCOC's existing roads — and that number is going to continue to grow without an increase in road funding.

Included in those projects are five roadways in Novi:

- » Haggerty Road from Eight Mile to 10 Mile in the cities of Novi and Farmington; \$3.75 million

- » 10 Mile Road from Napier to Grand River Avenue; \$12.562 million

- » Novi Road from Eight Mile to 10 Mile; \$8,125 million

- » Grand River Avenue from Wixom Road to Novi Road; \$4 million

- » 12 Mile Road from Dixon to Farmington Road; \$6.875 million

By the end of the construction season this year (usually around mid-to-late November), RCOC expects to have initiated or completed road projects ultimately worth about \$50 million.

"That's a lot of money," RCOC Managing Director Dennis Kolar said. "However, the real-

ty is this is just the tip of the iceberg."

Kolar pointed out the Road Commission predicts that, at current funding levels (without an increase in state road funding), nearly two-thirds of RCOC roads will be in poor condition by 2018.

"Michigan remains in a road-funding crisis," Kolar said. "According to the most recent U.S. Census Bureau data available, Michigan is dead last compared to all other states in per capita state and local spending on roads, and it shows."

Kolar noted the extent of the needs on RCOC's roads highlight the critical nature of Michigan's road-funding situation.

"It's more critical than ever that the state Legislature address road funding," he said. "The Legislature controls road funding in Michigan, and they must resolve this crisis."

The longer Michigan waits to resolve the road-funding crisis, Kolar said, the more costly it will be. "Each year that we don't repair our roads, they deteriorate further, and the cost to repair them increases."

RCOC Chairman Greg Jamian concurred. "For the sake of Michigan's businesses and residents, the Legislature needs to make roads a priority," he said. "Michigan will never reach its great potential so long as our road infrastructure is sub-par."

## Capt. Theisen graduates from EMU school

The Novi Fire Department's Captain Mark Theisen graduated from the 16th class of the School of Fire Staff and Command (SFSC) at Eastern Michigan University on Oct. 24.



Theisen

Theisen joined 44 fire department professionals representing 32 Michigan communities who participated in the nine-month program.

"The SFSC program has allowed me to improve my leadership skills and my ability to problem solve," Theisen said. "The interaction with other members of the fire service community helped me to better understand issues we face. I look forward to utilizing my skillset to enhance the level of service I provide to the Novi Fire Department and our community."

The School of Fire Staff and Command provides upper-level academic instruction in several core competencies. The 350-hour program covers major topics of study including Leadership, Man-

agement, Labor Law, Fire Administration, Criminal and Civil Law, Budget and Fiscal Theory, Decision-Making, Technology and Homeland Security.

"I am particularly proud of Mark as an outstanding member of the Novi Fire Department and his significant academic accomplishment," Director of Public Safety and Chief of Police David E. Molloy said. "The program provides fire officers with the education and training needed to strengthen their leadership capabilities with the Novi Fire Department and ensures enhanced resources to the citizens of Novi."

Theisen began his career with the Novi Fire Department in 2006 and in 2013 was promoted the rank of captain. He holds an associate's degree from the Specs Howard School of Broadcast Arts and is working toward his bachelor of science degree at Columbia Southern University. Theisen is a State of Michigan Fire Instructor and has served on the Western Wayne County Hazardous material Response Team.

## NOVI POLICE BRIEFS

### Personal items stolen at JCPenney

An employee at JCPenney in Novi had her debit card, expired driver's license, passport and Social Security cards stolen from the store's break room.

On Sept. 19, the victim told Novi Police someone had taken the items from her lunch bag, which was on a table in the break room. A check of the security cameras did not show a suspect because the angle was not on that location.

### Drunken driving

A man was arrested reportedly for drunken driving after another driver called Novi Police to report that his car had almost been hit by a truck.

The call came into police Sept. 27 and the caller said prior to almost being hit by the truck he observed one of the subjects inside the suspect truck urinating near a dumpster. The caller said police could find the truck and driver at Papa's Pizza,

which is located on West Pontiac Trail.

Novi Police caught up with the suspect driver at Papa's and he denied the incident. Police reported smelling intoxicants on the man; he said he did have a few beers, police said. He refused to take a breathalyzer test and was arrested on suspicion of drunken driving, police said. Police reported finding open beer cans in his truck.

### Construction equipment stolen and recovered

Heavy machinery from a site on Paisley Circle was stolen but later recovered in a ravine near Haggerty and Maple roads.

Some time overnight on Sept. 21-22, a Caterpillar skid steer and John Deere broom tractor were taken from a Pavex Construction site. The total value of these combined is \$60,000. They were later found by using the GPS attached to each.

Compiled by staff writer Lonnie Huhman.

## Safer

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A crosswalk has been added at Haggerty and Nine Mile to make pedestrians' travel in the area safer and easier.



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# Certified pre-owned Lincoln MKZs are hot sellers at Varsity Lincoln

By Greg Mullin  
Staff Writer

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Hurry over to Varsity Lincoln these next three days to catch the deals:

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- » Friday, Nov. 14, 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- » Saturday, Nov. 15, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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"I have an MKZ from Varsity Lincoln; I've had it for about a year now. It's a beautiful interior, a beautiful exterior, it handles well on the road and gives me good gas mileage!" Lincoln MKZ owner Gary Trudeau said. "I love this place. I wouldn't even consider buying a car from anybody else!"

"I'm very, very satisfied — very happy with it," said Rich Lewnau, describing his Lincoln MKZ purchase.

Jason Towe told us why he got into a Lincoln MKZ: "I definitely love the comfort and the sportiness of the Lincoln. The cost was a big factor for me; it was actually cheaper than my last car I owned and I feel I'm getting a better quality car for what I'm paying!"

"There are numerous benefits of purchasing a Lincoln MKZ, including the outstanding warranty that comes with the vehicles," said Jere Law,



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This model defines luxury that is incomparable in this price. With Lincoln, most premium luxury features come standard, as opposed to paying additional for similar features on other comparable brands. "The Lincoln MKZ stands alone in its class of vehicles," Law said.

Drivers will also enjoy peace of mind from knowing that the Lincoln MKZ will hold its value.

"This model holds its value more than other models for many reasons," Law said. "Any depreciation has already been taken on by the previous owner. Plus, the advanced styling and dependability are advantageous and add to the Lincoln MKZ's value."

The MKZ-A-Thon event

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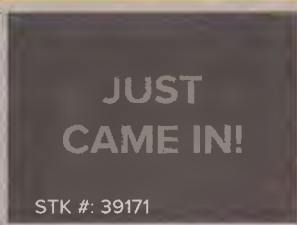
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## Initiative to harness county tech companies

Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson on Nov. 5 launched tech248 – a branding and business development initiative aimed at harnessing the power of tech companies in the county and market the county as a global technology hub.

Patterson launched the initiative before about 140 Oakland County-based tech firms and government officials at Koala CoWork in Southfield.

“Oakland County’s tech industry – with nearly 2,000 tech firms – is a global powerhouse and these Oakland County firms are at the epicenter of the tech world,” Patterson said. “Oakland County wants to harness the energy, the spirit, the technical excitement, innovation and creativity these companies experience on a daily basis. We want to help them collaborate and grow while developing and attracting talent.”

Among the companies represented were Media Genesis, Mobile Comply, Scientifically Proven and Razor Threat. More than a dozen Oakland County communities, the Michigan Economic Development Corp. and the Detroit Regional Chamber also sent representatives.

Patterson and Irene Spanos, the director of the county’s Department of Economic Development & Community Affairs, encouraged those in attendance to join the tech248 network online at MItech248.com to learn about the initiatives and opportunities to connect with other tech companies. Oakland County has nearly 42,000 jobs in the tech field – more than

twice the number of any other county in Michigan.

Patterson likened tech248 to Medical Main Street®, which is branding the region as a global center of excellence in health care and life science. Both initiatives evolved from Emerging Sectors®, which is diversifying the Oakland County economy by replacing lost manufacturing jobs with knowledge-based jobs. Tech and health care/life science are the two fastest growing sectors, responsible for investment of more than \$1.5 billion and 25,000 jobs.

Tech companies are the backbone of a rich and fast-growing sector – one Patterson said he will fight fiercely to keep in Oakland County. He was referring to attempts by Dan Gilbert, chairman and founder of Quicken Loans, to woo companies to buildings he has purchased in downtown Detroit.

“I’ll fight to keep you here in Oakland County,” Patterson said. “Are you listening Dan? I would be more impressed with Mr. Gilbert’s efforts if he were to bring in high tech companies from Ohio, Indiana and Illinois rather than looking through the fertile vineyards of Oakland County.”

About 100 tech companies have located in Oakland County in the past 10 years, investing over \$586 million and creating more than 10,500 jobs. The focus includes software development, network/data, mHealth, game development, connected cars, digital media, mobile technology, cyber security and other evolving technologies.



Pictured (l to r) are Chandra Brown, deputy assistant secretary of the Department of Commerce; Ken Lingenfelter, CEO/owner LPE; Mike Copeland, VP, Operations LPE; and Nate Shelton, president, SEMA.

## Wixom’s Lingenfelter honored for Middle East expansion

The United States Department of Commerce, International Trade Administration, has awarded the Export Achievement Certificate to Wixom-based Lingenfelter Performance Engineering in recognition of the company’s market expansion accomplishments in the Middle East.

The prestigious award, created to acknowledge global marketplace achievements, was presented to CEO/owner Ken Lingenfelter by Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Department of Commerce Chandra Brown during the Specialty Equipment Market Association (SEMA) show in Las Vegas.

“Consumer interest

in Lingenfelter’s high-performance components and vehicles is very strong in the Middle East, and we are very grateful for the excellent support of our UAE distribution partners,” said Lingenfelter.

U.S. exports hit an all-time record of \$2.3 trillion in 2013, and supported more than 11 million American jobs, according to the Department of Commerce. SEMA, the trade organization representing the automotive specialty equipment market, places a high priority on assisting its member companies in taking advantage of export opportunities as the global demand for the automotive industry’s products soars.

“As a global trade association, SEMA seeks to help member companies grow and

expand their businesses,” said Linda Spencer, International and Government Relations Director at SEMA.

“One of the many ways SEMA helps its members grow is through exporting. For many of our members, exporting products to key international markets is integral to their success, and SEMA is available to help identify strategic markets and guide members along the way.”

Lingenfelter Performance Engineering is one of nearly 300 U.S. automotive aftermarket companies that have participated in SEMA’s international initiatives focused on China and the Middle East since 2011, and export sales by participants in SEMA’s one-on-one programs in the Middle East and China have amounted to nearly \$50 million.

## BUSINESS BRIEFS

### Cooper Standard reports third quarter results

Novi-based Cooper Standard Holdings Inc. announced financial results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30.

“While we did experience economic softening in Brazil and unfavorable foreign exchange in the quarter, we made solid progress executing our profitable growth strategy,” said Jeffrey Edwards, chairman and CEO, Cooper Standard. “In Asia, we continued the expansion of our presence with the successful execution of two important agreements that significantly improves our position in the Chinese automotive sealing and fluid transfer system markets.”

The company reported revenue of \$781.0 million for the third quarter of 2014, up 2.2 percent from \$764.1 million for the third quarter of 2013. The increase in sales was favorably impacted by increased volumes in North America and Asia Pacific, share gains in Europe and incremental sales related to the Jyco acquisition, which was completed July 31, 2013. These items were partially offset by lower production volumes in Brazil, customer price concessions, sale of the Company’s thermal and emissions product line and unfavorable foreign exchange of \$3.1 million.

Gross profit for the quarter was \$111.3 million, or 14.2 percent of sales, compared to \$115.0 million, or 15.1 percent of sales, for the same period last year. The decrease in gross profit margin was driven primarily by unfavorable foreign exchange, customer price concessions, higher staffing costs and other operating expenses, partially offset by the favorable impact of continuous improvement savings.

### Wixom recognizes Tec Art Industries

The City of Wixom congratulated Tec Art Industries Inc. on its merger with Estrakon and its joint decision to establish a permanent presence in the City of Wixom by purchasing a building on Center Oaks Court. Tec Art Industries had formerly leased a building in the City of Wixom, while Estrakon was located in Ann Arbor. Both companies produce point-of-purchase and promotional signage and materials.

In 2013, representatives of Tec Art approached the city seeking assistance with a possible building lease/purchase, which would accommodate future growth and expansion. City staff coordinated with Oakland County Equalization to assist in

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## Best of Show



CURTIS DROGMILLER

Haang’s Bistro the only Chinese and Thai restaurant in Walled Lake won the Best of Show award Nov. 1 at the Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce 2014 Expo, Taste and Fun Fest at Walled Lake Western High School. Shown (l to r) are co-owners Chef Her Hang and Ka Yang, Patricia Hang and Michael Hang.

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# BUSINESS

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keeping Tec Art in Wixom.

"Tec Art is an important corporate resident and assisting them with their real estate endeavor is consistent with Wixom's business assistance philosophy" Wixom City Manager Tony Nowicki said. "Key to those efforts is Business Development Liaison Debra Barker. Debra has been instrumental in enhancing our business relationships and advancing our outreach initiative."

The city, in conjunction with its contractual building inspection provider, SAFEbuilt, also facilitated renovations of the new building through an efficient planning and permitting processes which allowed Tec Art to move into their new building less than three (3) months from the acquisition date.



# Buddy's battles cancer

COURTESY

Representatives from the City of Novi joined Buddy's Pizza President Robert Jacobs (center) and team to celebrate a ribbon cutting and private opening celebration at the family-owned restaurant's 11th location in Twelve Mile Crossing at Fountain Walk Oct. 22. Beginning at 3 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 23, the community was welcomed to enjoy Detroit's original square Sicilian-style pizza at the new restaurant. Pictured from left to right are: Matt Heckert, Buddy's Pizza Novi location general manager; Michelle Lawton, Buddy's Pizza marketing director; David Staudt, Novi mayor pro-tem; Justin Fisher, Novi councilman; Wesley Pikula, Buddy's Pizza vice president of operations; Robert Jacobs, Buddy's Pizza president; Pete Auger, City of Novi manager; and Wayne Wrobel, Novi councilman.

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**NEWS BRIEFS**

**NOVI**

**Horse, pet expos at the Showplace**

The 20th annual Novi Equestrian Expo, set for Nov. 14-16, welcomes nationally renowned head clinician Julie Goodnight.

The expo features exciting riding exhibitions and breed demonstrations and an extensive shopping area at the Suburban Collection Showplace, 46100 Grand River Ave. Visit NoviEquestrianExpo.com for a complete schedule.

The Showplace will also host the 11th annual Novi Pet Expo from Nov. 21-23. Event details are available at www.NoviPetExpo.com.

**Stickley historian at Gorman's**

Stickley Corporate Historian Mike Danial

will return to Novi's Gorman's Home Furnishings and Interior Design showroom at 1 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 16, to share his experience and anecdotes, methods of identification, style and construction techniques, helpful tips and insider secrets.

"Stickley has been recognized most often for their return to simple ideas, honest craftsmanship and sturdy wood and leather construction reflective of the Arts and Crafts movement," said Tom Lias, president of Gorman's.

Guests are encouraged to bring photographs of Stickley furniture and small items for casual appraisal by Danial.

Those interested in attending should call the store locations for reservations, as space is limited. Call 248-344-0880.

**Light Up the Night show**

The city of Novi Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department is currently accepting vendor applications for the Light Up the Night craft show set for Friday, Dec. 5. The show has an annual attendance of more than 5,000 people.

The craft show will take place from 6-9 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 10 Mile Road. The vendor cost is \$30 and includes an 8-foot table and two chairs within a 10-foot by 10-foot area of space. Additional tables may be purchased for \$15 each. Electricity is also available for an additional \$5 cost. Vendors will keep all proceeds from the evening.

Interested vendors should complete an appli-

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**Pink Fund**

JULIE YOLLES

With Breast Cancer Awareness month's conclusion, the Pink Fund continues to seek funding for patients in treatment who need financial support. October was a success with the Pink Fund and Bloomfield Hills' Fred Astaire Dance Studio hosting the second annual Dancing with the Survivors event, which they launched this year in October at 16 Fred Astaire venues in 12 states. It all started last year at Art Van Furniture's flagship store in Warren. This year, the gala was held at Art Van Furniture in Novi. Seven breast cancer survivors danced with Fred Astaire instructors in an exhibition that spotlighted their strength and courage. Shown, Pink Fund volunteer and Novi resident Fran Parsons (left) brought her best friend, Gillian Clancy, who was visiting from Cork, Ireland, to the Dancing with Survivors benefit at the Art Van store in Novi.

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**COLASANTI, RONALD ANTHONY "RON"**

79 years of age, passed away peacefully on Thursday, November 6th at Tidewell Hospice in Lakewood, Florida surrounded by his family. His distinctively energetic and giving personality was evident right to the end as his smile lit up the room with his passion for his family and friends. Working alongside his family, Ron helped establish several business ventures in both Ontario and Michigan, most notably, Colasanti's Produce and Plants in Highland, Michigan. As an elected politician, he served his communities with passion in Gosfield South and Kingsville, Ontario, as well as Highland Township and Oakland County, Michigan. Celebration of the Life and Times of Ron Colasanti Thursday, November 20, 2014 4pm - 8pm Colasanti's Tropical Gardens, 1550 Road 3 East Kingsville, Ontario N0P 2G0. The Colasanti family would appreciate all gestures of kindness be made in the form of donations to the Hospice Erie Shores campus.  
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**HEAVNER, STELLA MARIE**

A resident of Milford since 1953 and owner of Heavner Canoe Rental, died at her home in the care of her family early Thursday morning, November 6, 2014 at the age of 98. She was preceded in death by her husband, Chester Heavner in 1998 and is survived by her sons, Alan D. Heavner and The Rev. Herbert B. (Verna) Heavner; grandsons, Bruce (Dana) Heavner and Matthew Heavner; great grandchildren, Keegan, Jacqueline, Maverick, Louisa, Oscar and Nora; brother, Richard (the late Mary) Henning; sister, Leila (the late Harry) Kindall; sister-in-law, Annis Henning; many nieces, nephews, her special friend Nancy Yipe, and many other dear friends. She was preceded in death by siblings, Lois (Willis) Gassman, Clyde (Florence) Henning, Robin Henning and Margaret (William) Mills. Funeral Service were held at Highland Church of the Nazarene, Highland, on Saturday, November 8, 2014, with burial in Oak Grove Cemetery, Milford. Memorials may be made in her name to Heart to Heart Hospice, Heavner Nature Connection-No Child Left Inside, or to Highland Church of the Nazarene. For further information please phone Lynch & Sons Funeral Home, Milford, at 248-684-6645 or visit www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com

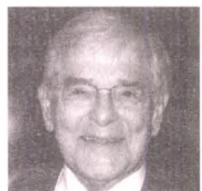
**KONZ, VIRGINIA**

Age 87. October 13, 1927 - November 10, 2014. Please see www.phillipsfuneral.com for service details.



**MELLOTT, JODY H.**

Loving and devoted wife, daughter, sister, aunt and lifelong South Lyon resident, Jody Helene Mellott, passed to eternal life at her home on October 23, 2014, at the age of 57. Jody was born on August 20, 1957 in Ann Arbor, Michigan to James H. Steele and Joan L. Campbell Steele. Jody grew up in South Lyon and attended South Lyon High School where she graduated in 1975. Jody worked in retail for over 35 years, the last 15 years she worked for Jo-Ann Fabric in Brighton Michigan, where she performed a variety of job assignments and titles. She was hard working and dedicated and enjoyed public service. Jody was the most sweet, kind, loving and generous person, who has a gentle soul. She loved the outdoors, her two cats (Buddy and Junior), being with friends and family. Jody married the love of her life Paul Mellott in December of 1975; they were married for 39 years. Her loving husband Paul Mellott wrote: "In Loving memory to my wife Jody Mellott, thanks for 39 great years of Friendship, Love and Companionship. Though we are separated now we will be reunited". Jody is preceded in death by her father, James H. Steele. She is survived by her husband Paul Mellott, her mother Joan L. Campbell Steele, her two sisters and their spouses: Vicky and Pat Carducci and Vivian and Andy Green; seven nieces and nephews: Erica and Adam Miklaszewski, Matthew and Alex Carducci, Victoria Carducci, Cassandra Carducci, Anthony Carducci, Amanda Green and Lindsey Green; two great grand nephews, Aiden and Landen Carducci. Jody's unflinching spirit, passion for her husband and affection for family, love of life, kindness and generosity managed to shine on throughout her life. The "love" of her spirit will remain in the hearts of everyone who was blessed to know her. A memorial service was held on October 26th at 3:00 p.m. at Kensington Metro Park. Donations can be made in Jody's memory to the family in lieu of flowers.



**MOORE DONALD CHARLES**

passed away Saturday, November 8, 2014. Donald is survived by his loving wife of 63 years, Suzanne, his children, Nancy (Steve) Fuller, Karen (Matt) Huff and Chuck (Julie) Moore. Grand Children, Jeff, Emily, Eilyn, Laura and Ian. Great-Grand Children, Molly, Cormac, Eva and Peter. A Memorial Visitation will take place at the Highland Chapel of Elton Black and Son Funeral Home, 3295 E. Highland Road, Highland, Michigan 48356 on Friday, November 14, 2014 from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The Memorial Service will take place on Saturday, November 15, 2014 at the Tyrone Presbyterian Church at 11:00 a.m. 10235 White Lake Road, Fenton, Michigan 48430. In lieu of flowers, the family would greatly appreciate a donation in honor of Donald to be made to the charity of your choice. Please visit: www.eltonblackandsonhighland.com to share a memory.

Elton Black & Son Funeral Home

**MORENO, CONSUELO**

A former resident of Dearborn and Milford, died in the care of her family at Posey Senior Care in Fenton on Sunday morning, November 9, 2014 at the age of 104. She was preceded in death by her husband, Juan Moreno, in 1989 and is survived by daughters, Dolores (the late James) Sackett, Rose (John) Rowland, and Carolyn (Larry) LeClerc; sons, Gilbert (the late Eileen) Moreno and Juan R. (Dorothy) Moreno; 16 grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild. Also survived my many loving extended family members and dear friends. A Funeral Mass was held at St. Mary Our Lady of the Snows Catholic Church, 1955 E. Commerce Rd., Milford, on Wednesday, November 12, at 10 a.m. with The Rev. Fr. Ron Anderson officiating. Burial followed at St. Mary's Cemetery, Milford. Memorials may be made in her name to Posey's Senior Care Home. For further information please phone 248-684-6645 or visit www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com

**NELSON, LOTTIE**

September 4, 1921 - November 4, 2014. L.J. Griffin Funeral Home-Northrop Sassaman Chapel, in Northville.



**PITAK, ELAINE L.**

Age 93, longtime resident of Northville, passed away peacefully November 5, 2014. She was born February 20, 1921 in Gary, Indiana; daughter of Joseph and Lillian (nee Haug) Tanner. Elaine was united in marriage to Mitchell Pitak on October 13, 1945; they spent 47 loving years together until his death in 1992. During WWII, Elaine worked making parts for airplanes; she was as it is commonly referred to a "Rosie the Riveter." Elaine received a Bachelor Degree from Michigan Normal College, which is now Eastern Michigan University. She worked as a teacher for over 10 years at both Lowery School and McDonald Elementary School. She was a member of Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church for 40 years. Elaine was a devoted and loving wife and mother; she took wonderful care of her family. She enjoyed growing beautiful flowers and travelling all over the world. Elaine is survived by her loving children, Dr. Diane (Michael Pahl) Pitak and James (Lily) Pitak; her grandchildren, Megan (Doug) Zorne, Olivia Pahl, Zoey Pitak and Zack Pitak; and her great grandchildren, Noah and Ila Zorne. Elaine was also loved by her dear friend, Mary Ann "Mac" Camillo and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; her son, Jeffrey Pitak; and her brother, Raymond Tanner. A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date. Elaine will be laid to rest at Rural Hill Cemetery in Northville. The family would appreciate memorial contributions to Angela Hospice, 14100 Newburgh Road, Livonia, MI 48154.

**PYLE, THOMAS H.**

August 27, 1948 - November 4, 2014. L.J. Griffin Funeral Home-Northrop Sassaman Chapel, in Northville.



**REIS JOYCE LYNNE**

A long time resident of Milford, and teacher with Huron Valley Schools for over thirty-seven years, died at her home on November 7, 2014 at the age of 69. She leaves her son, Robert Reis; her mother, Evelyn Reis; siblings, Don (Vicki) Reis, Ken Reis, Jerry (Nancy) Reis, Phyllis (Don) Rickard and many nieces, nephews and dear friends. She was preceded in death by her son, Neil, in 2005, her father, Donald Reis, and sister, Carol (Russ) De Rosa. A Memorial Service will be held at Christ Lutheran Church, 620 General Motors Rd., Milford on Friday, November 14th, at 11 a.m., with Pastor Martin Dressler officiating. Friends may gather at the church from 10 a.m. until the time of service. For further information please phone Lynch & Sons Funeral Directors, Milford, at 248-684-6645 or visit www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com



**RICHARDSON, LETTIE SKEFFINGTON**

Born on September 23, 1916 and passed away on November 6, 2014 at the age of 98 and two months. Lettie was born in Detroit, Michigan and for all of her childhood and teenage years was raised in Highland/Milford and graduated from Milford High School. Lettie played basketball on the first girl's team and they won many games for the Milford "Redskins". She married and lived in the Milford area for most of her adult life. Some years later she moved to Mesa, AZ. Lettie moved back to Michigan in 1998 and lived with her daughter and her husband in Commerce Twp. until her passing. Lettie was preceded in death by her parents, Charles and Susan Skeffington of Highland, her husband, George W. Richardson, and her long time and loving companion, Joseph Piper; sisters, Eleanor "Skip" (Lyle) See and Nancy (Robert) Stewart. She also lost some very special friends, Vi Heatly, Emma Besancon and Carolyn Foster. Lettie is survived by her daughter, Judi and husband Ron VanAssche of Commerce Township and Mike and Kathy Richardson of Milford; her grandson, Tim and his wife Vanessa Reeves, and granddaughter, Delisa and her husband John Payne, along with seven great grandchildren, Alexi, Nick, Kendra, Rebecca, Allen "AJ", Katrina and Marissa. Also by her life long friend Helen Clark. Funeral Services were held at St. George Episcopal Church, Milford, on Wednesday, November 12, 2014 with burial in Milford Memorial Cemetery. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to the VanAssche family for future designation. For further information please phone Lynch & Sons, Milford, at 248-684-6645 or visit www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com



**SCHMITT, BARBARA J.**

July 7, 1960-November 9, 2014. Age 54.  
www.phillipsfuneral.com

**RICHCREEK, LOWELL R.**

March 4, 1940 ~ November 4, 2014. Age 74, Bucyrus, Ohio, passed away on Tuesday, November 4, 2014 in Bucyrus. He was born in Marion to the late Bernard A. and Isabel (McGibbon) Richcreek. On September 19, 1964, he married Rosene L. McKillip; she survives. They recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. Lowell graduated from Swayzee High School in 1958, and attended Indiana University and Indiana Northern University earning a degree in Business Administration. He then completed Executive Business School programs at Graduate schools of Northwestern University, University of Michigan and Case Western Reserve University. He worked at General Tire & Rubber Co. as a plant production supervisor, as well as Vice President of Automotive Sales and Marketing and International Director for the Reinforced Plastics Division. He retired from there in 1996 after working there for 34 years. Lowell then joined MFG Company in 1997 as Vice President of Sales and Marketing and International Director, retiring in 2001. Lowell was a member of the United Methodist Church, in Northville, MI, and a 50 plus year member of the Masonic Lodge in Swayzee. He is a past member of The Society of Automotive Engineers, The Society of Plastics Engineers and also of the Meadowbrook Country Club in Northville, MI. He was also a member of Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity, Indiana University. Along with his wife, Lowell is survived by his children, Mary (Michael) McKee, Bucyrus, OH, Kimberly Heydenberk, East Grand Rapids, MI, and Robert (Tracy) Richcreek, Novi, MI and grandchildren, Matthew and Gretchen Bach, Brian and Lauren Heydenberk, Sarah and Megan Richcreek and Jaymi and Kelli McKee, brother in law and special friend, David A. McKillip. He was preceded in death by his parents. Visitation will be from 1-3 p.m. on Friday, November 7, 2014 at Needham-Storey-Wampner Funeral Service, North Chapel, 1341 N. Baldwin Ave. Marion, IN 46952. Services for Lowell will be held on Friday at 3 p.m. at the funeral home, with Pastor Mick Simpkins officiating. Burial will be at Park Cemetery in Fairmount. Online condolences may be made at www.nswcares.com.



**ROGERS, JOSEPH Y.**

Age 81, passed away October 22, 2014. He was deeply loved by his wife, Agnes Rogers. Joe was born in Fort Fairfield, Maine. He spent some time in Pennsylvania then the rest of his years in Michigan. Joe was stepfather to Donna and Larry Heath, Patty and Walt Kuczewski, Kris and Sue Krzyzanski, and all their children. Uncle to Cheryl Steiner, Lore Rogers and Kurt Weiland, Robin and Bill McCarthy and all of their children. Joe was very loved by all of his family and friends. A Memorial Service will take place on Thursday, November 13, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, 122 W. Lake St., South Lyon. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to the charity of your choice. Please visit: www.phillipsfuneral.com

**SCHORNACK, ALICE M.**

Age 82, died Oct. 24. Survived by her loving family. Please visit www.phillipsfuneral.com

**SINGLETON, ROY G.**

Age 89, passed away November 8, 2014. He is survived by his wife Doris of 59 years; his sons, Gary (Nancy) of South Lyon, Carl of Ocala, Florida, Michael (Debbie) of Mt. Pleasant; daughter, Cynthia (Mark) Hosbach of Milford. He is preceded in death by son Dennis. Roy is also survived by sisters, Betty Hees of Plymouth, Sarah Enoch of Dyersburg, Tennessee; 14 grandchildren, 25 great-grandchildren; and one great-granddaughter. Roy served in the U.S. Army and was a proud veteran of WWII and was in the Normandy Invasion. He was an avid golfer and enjoyed tending to his vegetable garden. A visitation will take place on Wednesday, November 12, from 10:00 a.m. until the time of service at 1:00 p.m. at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, 122 W. Lake St.  
www.phillipsfuneral.com



**TALBOT, AMBY GANDARILLAS**

Age 97 of Northville, passed away November 4, 2014.  
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**BRIEFS**

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cation available via [www.cityofnovi.org](http://www.cityofnovi.org) or at the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services office located inside the Novi Civic Center.

The deadline for submitting an application is 5 p.m. Nov. 17. Accepted vendors will be notified by 5 p.m. Nov. 18. Full payment is due by Nov. 24. If payment is not received, the booth space will be immediately released to another vendor.

Light Up the Night is an annual community event hosted by the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department. In addition to the craft show, the event includes entertainment, photo opportunities with Santa, refreshments and much more holiday fun.

For more information about the Light Up the Night event and craft show, visit [www.cityofnovi.org](http://www.cityofnovi.org) or call 248-347-0400.

**Novi Choralaires holiday concerts**

The Novi Choralaires holiday performances include 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 7, at the Novi Senior Center Auditorium (25075 Meadowbrook Road); 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 12, at the Farmington United Methodist Church (33112 Grand River Ave.); and 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 14, at the Church of the Holy Family (24505 Meadowbrook). Tickets are \$12 for adults, \$10 for seniors and children under age 12 and \$10 for groups of 10 or more.

Visit [www.novichoralaires.org](http://www.novichoralaires.org) for more information.

**Plan with Novi Older Adult Services**

City of Novi Older Adult Services is planning a variety of fall events, providing fun opportunities for attendees to stay active and socialize with friends. Each below event in-

cludes a meal and entertainment.

» Thursday, Nov. 13 — “Gab and Gobble Get Together” Thanksgiving luncheon, noon to 2 p.m., Meadowbrook Activity Center

» Thursday, Dec. 11 — “Rockin’ Around the Christmas Tree” Holiday luncheon, noon to 2 p.m., Meadowbrook Activity Center

The events are \$7 for Novi residents and \$8.50 for non-residents. There is no cost for Veterans at the Home of the Free, Because of the Brave Brunch. Pre-registration is required and is available now at the Older Adult Services office (45175 10 Mile Road) and the Meadowbrook Activity Center (25075 Meadowbrook Road).

To learn about the above programs or additional older adult social and educational programs, call 248-347-0414 or visit [www.cityofnovi.org](http://www.cityofnovi.org).

**Coffee with the Superintendent**

Join Novi Schools Superintendent Steve Matthews for Coffee with the Superintendent at the Novi Public Library in the Board Room 202 on: Dec. 15 (6:30 p.m.); Dec. 17 (10:15 a.m.); Jan. 12 (6:30 p.m.); Jan. 14 (10:15 a.m.); Feb. 9 (6:30 p.m.); Feb. 11 (10:15 a.m.); March 9 (6:30 p.m.); March 11 (10:15 a.m.); April 13 (6:30 p.m.); April 15 (10:15 a.m.); May 11 (6:30 p.m.); and May 13 (10:15 a.m.).

**Author to visit library**

*New York Times* bestselling author Karen Joy Fowler will speak at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 18, at the Novi Public Library. There are still openings for this event. Fowler will speak about her book *We Are All Completely Beside Ourselves*, which was a finalist for the 2014 Man Booker Prize for fiction. In this curious, wonderfully intelligent novel, Fowler brings to life a

most unusual American middle-class family, ordinary in every way but one. She is the author of *The Jane Austen Book Club* and has written six novels and three short story collections.

The book is the 2014 Community Reads selection by the Neighborhood Library Association, composed of five libraries: Lyon Township Public Library, Northville District Library, Novi Public Library, Salem-South Lyon District Library and Wixom Public Library. The author visit is presented by all five libraries.

Registration is required for the author visit. Visit the website at [novilibrary.org](http://novilibrary.org) or call 248-349-0720. Visit the NLA website for more information: <http://mynla.info>.

**Art classes for older adults**

City of Novi Older Adult Services invites those ages 50 and above to socialize, relieve stress and lift moods by taking part in the upcoming Color Your World art class series. The classes are led by volunteer Novi High School art students who want to share their love for art. No previous experience is necessary.

Pre-registration is required and can be completed online at [www.cityofnovi.org](http://www.cityofnovi.org), at the Novi Civic Center (45175 10 Mile) or Meadowbrook Activity Center (25075 Meadowbrook Road).

Classes are held from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. each Saturday at the Meadowbrook Activity Center. There is no cost to register, but a \$3 supply fee will be due to the instructors at each class. The schedule includes:

» Saturday, Nov. 15: colored pencils; learn shading techniques and blending techniques;  
» Saturday, Dec. 13: oil pastels; learn color-blending techniques.

For more information, call 248-347-0414.

**Walled Lake Western presenting ‘Ragtime’**



CURTIS DROGMILLER

Walled Lake Western High School Performing Arts Department will present “Ragtime” Nov. 14-15 and Nov. 21-23. For more information, visit [www.wlctickets.com](http://www.wlctickets.com).

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## OUR VIEWS

# Controversial issues shouldn't wait till lame duck session

The midterm election has come and gone. Now what?

Various board and commissions locally will have some new members representing residents at the local, county, state and federal levels. They'll have to get up to speed on the various issues and agendas under consideration.

For the state Legislature, next comes the so-called lame duck session, the time between the election and the end of the legislative session. The session began Wednesday. Based on previous lame duck sessions, it's hard to determine what will come out of Lansing in the next month or so.

Two years ago, there was a flurry of activity — good or bad, depending on your point of view — coming out of the lame duck session.

Most controversial of the actions was passage of right-to-work legislation, which made it illegal to require financial support of a union as a condition of employment for public- and private-sector workers. The bills exempted police and firefighters.

Other actions included creating a regional transit authority to coordinate public transportation in southeast Michigan; increased access for highly trained gun owners to carry their concealed weapons in formerly forbidden places, such as schools, day care centers, stadiums and churches; a new emergency manager law to replace the previous statute that was repealed by voters a month earlier; tougher recall requirements against elected officials; and increased regulations on facilities that offer abortions.

Some may applaud the new measures, and others cry foul. Some issues appeared to make sense. Others, not so much.

What's unfortunate is it appears too often state legislators wait to address anything remotely controversial until after the election. For those seeking re-election or a position in another governing body, waiting until after the general election allows the lawmakers not to worry about any repercussions if the bills passed go against the views of the electorate in the district. Even more so with the new recall requirements.

And that goes against the basic tenets of representative government and elections overall.

Voters select the candidates they believe best represent their views and opinions. If they disagree with how the legislator handles the job, the electorate can select someone else in the next election. That's the whole point of elections in the first place. That's why incumbents sometimes see challenges from within their own party.

The state Legislature is a full-time position. It baffles us that so many issues are crammed into the final days the legislature is in session. Most any state senator or representative will argue that it's a full-time position and a move to a part-time legislator would hurt the state.

But the lame duck session flies in the face of that argument, since the elected officials seem to be able to handle so much of their work in a few weeks.

Among the issues that could be addressed during the current lame duck session include funding for road and infrastructure improvements, term limits, how presidential electoral votes are awarded, civil rights and medical marijuana.

There's some controversy to all of these issues, at least in terms of how they will be addressed.

We urge our local legislators to limit their official decision making in this year's lame duck legislation and leave it to the incoming legislature to address the issues voters elected them to do.



FILE  
Controversial bills are often passed in the state's lame duck session. We hope those still in office till the end of the year don't follow that trend.

## COMMUNITY VOICE

### Do you think it will be another tough winter and are you ready?

This question was asked outside the Novi Public Library.



"I hope not because I'm not ready!"

**Brandon Hana**  
Farmington



"Yep, it will be. I got my gloves, snow tires, so I'm ready."

**Johnny Valdo**  
Novi



"Well, the forecast says it will be a normal winter, so I'm ready. Plus, I'm retired so I don't have to go out unless necessary."

**Ken Whise**  
Northville



"I'm hearing its going to be, so I'm as ready as I can be."

**Blaine Lapp**  
Novi

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Restore education funding

Not many politicians would say aloud that they don't support education, so it's not particularly surprising or brave when one says they "support high-quality education in our community." What matters to me is what they've done while in office and with whom they're keeping company.

Kathy Crawford ran to replace her term-limited husband Hugh Crawford as District 38's (Novi, Walled Lake, S. Lyon) representative in the Michigan House. She had quite a few endorsements, including The Great Lakes Education Project (GLEP). GLEP made the news this summer when they sent out a shameful and offensive tweet on Aug. 14 — which was subsequently deleted. (Google it.)

GLEP was founded and is funded by public schools' long-time nemeses Betsy and Dick DeVos. At its founding, GLEP's primary mission was lifting the cap on the number of charter schools in Michigan. It accomplished that in 2011, with the support of Hugh Crawford in the House. Now Betsy DeVos has stated "GLEP plans to invest up to \$1,000,000 in supporting education reform candidates for the State Senate and House in the 2014 election." GLEP is openly hostile to public schools and those who operate them, and rhetoric like "reform" and "choice" are code words for undermining public schools to replace them with charters and school vouchers.

While Kathy Crawford has seemed focused on resources for senior citizens, she has pledged to "continue Hugh's great record ..." in the House. That's not encouraging for our schools. Mr. Crawford was a co-sponsor in March 2014 of the bill that expanded the Education Achievement Authority statewide. The EAA dismantles local school boards, hires inexperienced teachers and turns over control of schools to Lansing. When he voted to expand it, the EAA had a two-year track record of failure in Detroit. Math and Reading proficiency of the students in

EAA schools declined over the first two years of its existence.

This year, it would be brave for Mrs. Crawford to state she will vote for legislation to restore classroom funding for our K-12 public schools, plus fund the MPSERS retirement system, vote for HB 5852 requiring charter school transparency and publicly reject the positions and tactics of GLEP. We supporters of our great public schools are facing an overwhelmingly well-funded, relentless campaign to eliminate them. Our kids need prominent and powerful voices pushing back.

**Kathleen Hood**  
Novi

### WL schools kudos

On Tuesday, Nov. 4, the Walled Lake Schools community overwhelmingly approved the 10-year renewal for the Non-Homestead and Hold Harmless millages for the Walled Lake Consolidated School District. We are humbled by the support of our community for our students, staff, and schools.

On behalf of the Board of Education, I want to thank each and every resident who participated in the election. I also want to thank the Citizens Committee for Walled Lake Schools who worked tirelessly on this effort.

The millage renewal campaign effort was led by Mrs. Susan Ebeling and a dedicated WLCSD Citizens Committee. Mrs. Ebeling and the Citizens Committee deserve the utmost gratitude and admiration, as they led a campaign that reached out to the whole community.

Thank you to the Walled Lake Schools community for supporting the educational opportunities Walled Lake Schools provides for our 15,000 children and the more than 70,000 residents we serve.

Every child, every day is our philosophy. With this Millage Renewal, our community has supported our children and made a difference for many years to come.

With sincere appreciation,  
**Kenneth Gutman**  
Walled Lake Schools

superintendent

### 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 gardens and creatively maintains our website [cgcnv.org](http://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

## GUEST COLUMN

### Data breach: It's time to protect consumers

These days, hardly a week goes by when we don't hear about a major retailer reporting a data breach. The most recent, Jimmy John's sandwich restaurant, affected 18 Michigan locations between June and September 2014. The restaurant reported that customer credit and debit card information was stolen.

When identity theft occurs, it feels like a terrible and highly personal violation. A nameless, faceless felon starts spending your hard-earned money, accessing your personal and business accounts, and might even assume your identity. Fortunately for consumers, the banks that issue credit and debit have federal safeguards protecting their accounts from loss.

In nearly all cases, banks protect consumers from financial responsibility for fraudulent use of their cards. Regardless of where and how the breach occurred, banks will pay the fraud loss, alert customers, freeze any compromised accounts and re-issue cards.

But banks alone can't protect consumers. Retailers and law-



**Neal Searle**

makers must take a greater part in the solution. We've just been here too many times, and it can't continue.

If consumers are ever to be secure, we all must step up and take responsibility in safeguarding customer identities and accounts. The retail industry that uses and benefits from the payment processing system must also share responsibility for safeguarding their customers and be responsible for their own failures.

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Junior Darby Mroz was instrumental in Northville's KLAA Kensington Conference championship conquest.

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## NORTHVILLE GIRLS SEIZE THE DAY

### Northville shaves South Lyon for title by mere half-point

By Brad Emons  
Staff Writer

Defending champion South Lyon Unified certainly got a lot of mileage out of slew of talented divers.

But it was the Northville girls swim team which took the victory plunge afterward celebrating their first-ever

Kensington Conference championship Saturday afternoon at the South Lyon East.

And the Mustangs had a reason to be giddy, edging the hosts by a mere half-point, 886.5-886, to earn the title among the 11-school field.

And thanks to a conference, pool and school record first-place effort by the all-sophomore quartet of Kelsey Macaddino, Gillian Zayan, Nicki Pumper and Laura Westphal in final race, the 400-yard freestyle relay (3:32.11), Northville was able to earn the title in dramatic fashion.

"We've never won, so obviously this is the tops," said Northville coach Brian McNeff, who jumped into the

pool himself to mark the winning occasion. "I told these girls this was best 40 entries that I've ever seen and they proved it today. A half-point, but they still proved it."

In a conference meet where the first 18 placers all count toward the final team scores, South Lyon was able to rack up over a quarter of its points (230) in the 1-meter diving event as senior Heidi Surdyk led a one-through-six finish with a meet and pool record 468.70 points (for 11 dives).

Northville, meanwhile, did not enter a diver, but was still able to

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## Novi stops Canton in district title conquest

No. 2-ranked Wildcats take crown in four sets

By Brad Emons  
Staff Writer

The Novi girls volleyball team can breathe a sigh of relief.

The No. 2-ranked Wildcats earned their first trip to the Class A regional since 2010 by capturing the district title Thursday night at home against upset-minded Canton in four sets, 25-11, 25-27, 25-16, 25-12.

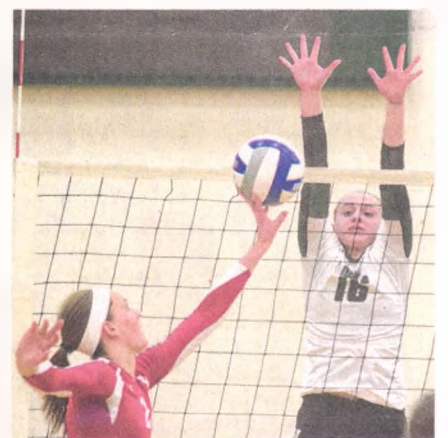
Once again it was a group effort as Novi improved to 49-5-1 overall while giving coach Jen Cottrill her first district crown after being knocked out the previous two district tourneys by two-time state semifinalist Northville.

And things almost came too easy at the outset for the Wildcats as freshman setter Erin O'Leary, who wound up with 45 assist-to-kills, six kills, 11 digs and four aces on the night, served up a 12-point run to propel Novi to a 14-3 advantage and ultimately the easy win in the opening set.

"I think the vibe was just really relaxed," Cottrill said of her team's pre-match mood. "In the past we've been really worried about, 'Oh, my God, this could be our last game, this could be it.' This year, we just focused on what we need to do and just really relaxed. Canton looked really nervous in the first set and made a ton of errors, didn't pass well."

But the Chiefs (27-11-4), which knocked off a another good Novi

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Novi's Ally Cummings (16) leaps up for the block against Canton's Haley Diedrick during Thursday's Class A district final.

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## Franklin Road spikers capture 1st district crown since 2000



The Novi Franklin Road Christian girls volleyball team won their first Class D district title since 2000.

MICHELLE ANGEL

By Brad Emons  
Staff Writer

Novi Franklin Road Christian ended a 14-year drought Friday by earning its first Class D district girls volleyball title since 2000 as the Warriors survived a five-setter to earn a 19-25, 25-21, 25-17, 23-25, 15-13 victory over Southfield Christian in the finals held at Birmingham Roper.

Franklin Road, which improved to 11-15-1 overall, advanced to Tuesday's regional vs. Waterford Our Lady at Plymouth Christian Academy thanks to a strong performance from sophomore Maddy Hensley, who finished with 13 kills and 16 digs.

Sophomore Arianna Ayers also finished with 12 kills and three blocks, while sophomore Reagan Mumford chipped in with 10 kills.

Earlier in the season (Sept. 2), Franklin Road fell to Southfield Christian in four sets, but this time turned the tables.

"We had really great communication, something we struggled with all

year," said Franklin Road first-year coach Michelle Angel, who guided the Warriors to a second-place finish in the MIAC Red Division. "The girls just really wanted to win. They played every point to win it. They usually got down on themselves after a few mistakes, but they didn't on Friday. They just kept on playing hard to win every point and I'm really proud of them."

Setter Carmel Tapawan, one of two seniors on the Franklin Road roster, also sparkled in the victory with 40 assist-to-kills, four aces serves and nine digs.

Other standouts included junior captain Hannah Rayburn (23 digs, five kills, two aces); sophomore Danielle Fusco (17 digs, three aces); senior Laura Warren (five aces, four digs); junior Alex Swaffield (six digs, two aces); and sophomore Alex Grace (one kill).

On Nov. 5, the Warriors advanced to the district final with a 25-6, 25-9, 25-8 triumph over Detroit University Academy.

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# Novi girls wind up 5th in Kensington swim finals

By Brad Emons  
Staff Writer

Stay the course. That's what Novi girls swim coach Annetta VanderMey has preached throughout the 2014 season and following a fifth-place finish in KLAA Kensington Conference meet held Saturday at South Lyon East.

While Northville shaved host and defending champion South Lyon Unified in dramatic fashion by a half-point, 886.5-

886, for the team title, Livonia Stevenson (673), Salem (588.5) and Novi (558) rounded out the top five in the 11-school field.

"We definitely swam to our capabilities, we swam beyond," VanderMey said. "For three years now we've been working about the culture and changing the ideas. We started out a real young team. We're on a plan and we've made just about every step in our plan, so next year hopefully we'll be fight-

ing for a top spot."

Novi's 200-yard medley relay team of sophomore Emily Mayoras, freshman Alice Ying, freshman Hanna Dong and junior Ava Bianchi earned an MHSAA Division 1 state cut with a sixth-place time of 1:54.87.

They'll be joined at the state meet by the Wildcats' 200 and 400 freestyle relay teams, which added fourth- and fifth-place finishes, respectively, at the conference

meet.

Bianchi was the Wildcats' top individual finisher with a third in the 50 freestyle (24.66), while Mayoras also added a fourth in the 100 backstroke (1:01.4) and a seventh in the 50 freestyle (25.45).

Bianchi has qualified in the 50 freestyle, while Mayoras has earned a state cut in the 100 backstroke for the Division 1 finals, which will be held Friday-Saturday, Nov. 21-22, at Eastern Michi-

gan University's Jones Natatorium.

VanderMey bid goodbye to seven seniors including Emily Goetz, Shakila Khan, Sarah Liddicoat, Alexa Nussio, Alyssa Stark and captains Zoe Paiskis and Lindsey Vaughan.

"We had a lot of great swimmers," VanderMey said. "All of our seniors went out with a really good bang, so that always makes me feel good when they have success in their final meet of their

careers."

One swim that brought a smile to VanderMey's face was an 11th place garnered by Vaughan in the 500 freestyle.

"There were so many of them, but the one that knocked our socks off was one of our seniors, Lindsey Vaughan, in 'B' heat," VanderMey said. "She went a lifetime best 5:35.88. She came in as a 5:42.0, and yesterday (in the prelims) entered as a 5:48.0; so it was a great swim."

## SPORTS ROUNDUP

### All-KLAA gridgers

Northville and Novi were well represented on the All-KLAA Kensington Conference football teams.

Earning all-conference spots for Northville (6-4) were: Kevin Bak, 6 feet, 2 inches, 190 pounds, senior, defensive back; Jack Ernst, 5-11, 200, senior, inside linebacker; David Moorman, 6-5, 290, senior, right tackle; P.J. Schnepf, 5-11, 185, senior, running back; and Justin Zimbo, 6-0, 180, junior, quarterback.

Earning all-conference honors for Novi (4-5) were: Emanuel Jackson, 6-0, 175, junior, running back;

Steve Davis, 6-0, 275, senior, offensive lineman; and Joe Haddad, 5-10, 231, offensive lineman.

Honorable mention selections for Northville included: Zach Graham, 6-4, 280, senior, left tackle; Lee Moore, 5-11, 215, inside linebacker; Zach Prystash, 5-6, 145, junior, defensive back; and Ryan Roberts, 6-7, 240, senior, tight end.

Novi honorable mention selections went to Caleb Wright, 5-10, 184, senior, outside linebacker; Matt Sabo, 6-0, 174, senior, running back; Pat Wojtylo, 5-9, 194, senior, linebacker; and Jack Pinkerton, 6-3, 174, senior, tight end.

## SWIM

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overcome the 230-0 deficit.

"These girls have worked so hard since day one and they deserved it," McNeff said. "We told them from the start that this is what it all came down to and this is why we do everything. The joy on their faces, the tears in their eyes shows that it's worth it. I'm so proud of all of them. They all swam great. We were down going into this meet today and I told them beforehand that they'd fight, and that's what they've done all year long. Because if they fought today they would win, and they did."

Northville also set a conference, school and pool record in the 200 freestyle relay as Macaddino, Alissa Moore, Zayan and Westphal were clocked in 1:37.37.

Other individual firsts for the Mustangs came from Moore, 200 freestyle (1:55.49); Westphal, 500 freestyle (5:04.73) and Mroz, 100 backstroke (59.99).

Mroz trailed in the 100 backstroke after the first 50 meters, but overhauled South Lyon's Anna Geyer over the final 50 for a first place time of 59.99, while also earning a



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Northville coach Brian McNeff (with trophy) and his team celebrate their first KLAA Kensington Conference swim championship.

maximum of 32 points.

"I was seeded third," Mroz said. "My mindset was I needed to beat the South Lyon girl, and I did it. I just had to do it, and I did it ... the best feeling in the world."

"The coach (McNeff) said, 'That was awesome.' Honestly I haven't swam that good in my life. I broke a minute, too, for the first time."

Sabrina Lee (third, 1:00.32) and Pumper (sixth, 1:01.2) also accounted for 27 points and 24 points, respectively, by making the 100 backstroke "A" heat finals after qualifying for the top eight following Friday's prelims.

"That (backstroke) was key, something we had pointed to this morning (Saturday)," McNeff said. "I told them to get one person in front of them (South Lyon) and that would be a huge swing. That's an eight-point swing right there. A lot of things did it, but that was a key thing."

"And the relays winning ... that was huge. I told them right from the start that they had to win. And they were fired up, our four best swimmers in both relays, and they did an amazing job."

Livonia Stevenson (673), Salem (588.5) and Novi (558), all members of the KLAA's Central Division, were the next three team finishers, while KLAA South Division champ Canton placed sixth (346).

Salem junior Linda Zhang broke a conference record in winning the 200 IM 2:04.68. She also captured the 100 breaststroke (1:05.66), while Lisa Zhang added a first for the Rocks in the 100 butterfly (56.74).

South Lyon sophomore Carolyn Bischoff swept the 50- and 100 freestyles in 24.25 and 53.19, re-

**KENSINGTON CONFERENCE GIRLS SWIM RESULTS**  
Nov. 7-8 at South Lyon East

**TEAM STANDINGS:** 1. Northville, 886.5 points; 2. South Lyon Unified, 886; 3. Livonia Stevenson, 673; 4. Salem, 588.5; 5. Novi, 558; 6. Canton, 346; 7. Plymouth, 250; 8. Westland John Glenn, 161; 9. Livonia Churchill, 137; 10. Livonia Franklin, 118; 11. Wayne Memorial, 116.

**FINAL 'A' HEAT RESULTS**

**200-yard medley relay:** 1. South Lyon (Anna Geyer, Melanie Dunnuck, Megan Mieske, Carolyn Bischoff), 1:49.13; 2. Salem, 1:49.89; 3. Stevenson, 1:53.22; 4. Northville (Darby Mroz, Jessica Yan, Ana Barrott, Natalie Filipowicz), 1:53.31; 5. Canton, 1:54.41; 6. Novi (Emily Mayoras, Alice Ying, Hanna Dong, Ava Bianchi), 1:54.87; 7. Plymouth, 1:56.33; 8. John Glenn, disqualified.

**200 freestyle:** 1. Alissa Moore (N'ville), 1:55.49; 2. Kelsey Macaddino (N'ville), 1:56.05; 3. Merrill Froney (LS), 1:57.81; 4. Stephanie Solterman (Salem), 1:58.0; 5. Rachel Arceri (LS), 1:58.32; 6. Patricia Freitag (Salem), 1:59.17; 7. Emily Kososki (SLU), 1:59.57; 8. Emily Osika (Canton), 1:59.93.

**200 individual medley:** 1. Linda Zhang (Salem), 2:04.68 (conference record); 2. Rebecca Arakelian (LS), 2:08.12; 3. Laura Westphal (N'ville), 2:08.15; 4. Xu (Salem), 2:11.04; 5. Dunnuck (SLU), 2:12.63; 6. Claire Green (Canton), 2:13.91; 7. Mroz (N'ville), 2:14.65; 8. Kera Sells (WJG), 2:15.3.

**500 freestyle:** 1. Bischoff (SLU), 5:04.73; 2. Lisa Zhang (Salem), 5:24.39; 3. Bianchi (Novi), 5:24.66; 4. Brenna Erickson (SLU), 5:24.86; 5. Gillian Zayan (N'ville), 5:24.99; 6. Geyer (SLU), 5:25.34; 7. Mayoras (Novi), 5:25.45; 8. Mieske (SLU), 5:25.82.

**1-meter diving:** 1. Heidi Surdyk (SLU), 468.70 points (conference, pool record); 2. Madison Canadi (SLU), 415.60; 3. Sarah Plohean (SLU), 381.85; 4. Alyssa Sawyer (SLU), 345.15; 5. Caitlyn Canadi (SLU), 341.00; 6. Starr Bryan (SLU), 332.85; 7. Alyssa Stark (Novi), 321.05; 8. Jessica Weak (LS), 308.70.

**100 butterfly:** 1. Lisa Zhang (Salem), 56.74; 2. Macaddino (N'ville), 57.69; 3. Anna Smith (SLU), 58.45; 4. Sells (WJG), 1:00.26; 5. Kathryn Waters (Ply), 1:00.71; 6. Xu (Salem), 1:00.92; 7. Osika (Canton), 1:01.27; 8. Mieske (SLU), 1:01.30.

**100 freestyle:** 1. Bischoff (SLU), 53.19; 2. Erickson (LS), 53.8; 3. Zayan (N'ville), 53.99; 4. Allison Lennig (Ply), 54.6; 5. Nicki Pumper (N'ville), 54.84; 6. Sara Bowen (LS), 54.89; 7. Stephanie Solterman (Salem), 55.19; 8. Hannah Craig (N'ville), 55.55.

**500 freestyle:** 1. Laura Westphal (N'ville), 5:04.73; 2. Moore (N'ville), 5:09.68; 3. M. Froney (LS), 5:15.38; 4. Kososki (SLU), 5:17.32; 5. Freitag (Salem), 5:18.26; 6. Yan (N'ville), 5:22.01; 7. Neys Gravell (SLU), 5:22.83; 8. Arceri (LS), 5:23.42.

**200 freestyle relay:** 1. Northville (Macaddino, Moore, Zayan, Westphal), 1:37.37 (conference, pool record); 2. Stevenson, 1:37.81; 3. South Lyon, 1:39.72; 4. Novi (Dana Kipponen, Alexandra Cortez, Karen Xu, Ava Bianchi), 1:41.37; 5. Plymouth, 1:42.19; 6. Salem, 1:42.34; 7. Canton, 1:46.67; 8. John Glenn, 1:48.48.

**100 backstroke:** 1. Mroz (N'ville), 59.99; 2. Geyer (SLU), 1:00.21; 3. Sabrina Lee (N'ville), 1:00.32; 4. Mayoras (Novi), 1:01.04; 5. Rowe (Salem), 1:01.18; 6. Pumper (N'ville), 1:01.2; 7. Froney (LS), 1:03.54; 8. Alexa Earls (Ply), did not finish.

**100 breaststroke:** 1. Linda Zhang (Salem), 1:05.66; 2. Arakelian (LS), 1:07.12; 3. Claire Green (Canton), 1:08.66; 4. Emily Hagan (Canton), 1:09.05; 5. Dunnuck (SLU), 1:09.63; 6. Sara Bowen (LS), 1:10.56; 7. Yan (N'ville), 1:11.19; 8. Julia Bryant (WM), 1:13.28.

**400 freestyle relay:** 1. Northville (Macaddino, Zayan, Pumper, Westphal), 3:32.11 (conference, pool record); 2. Salem, 3:34.31; 3. Stevenson, 3:35.25; 4. South Lyon, 3:40.55; 5. Novi (Kipponen, Mayoras, Idalia Moore, Cortez), 3:45.34; 6. Plymouth, 3:45.53; 7. Canton, 3:53.28; 8. Franklin, 4:07.58.

## THE WEEK AHEAD

**PREP HOCKEY**  
Thursday, Nov. 20  
Detroit CC vs. Pt. Huron North  
at McMoran Place, 6 p.m.

**Friday, Nov. 21**  
(Metro Inv. at Novi Ice Arena)  
Novi vs. Farm. Unified, 7:30 p.m.  
Northville vs. Clarkston, 8:15 p.m.

**Saturday, Nov. 22**  
Detroit CC vs. Brighton  
at Kensington Valley Ice, 5 p.m.

(Metro Inv. at Novi Ice Arena)  
Northville vs. Farmington, 5:30 p.m.  
Novi vs. Lake Orion, 7:45 p.m.

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pectively. She also anchored the first-place 200 medley relay (1:49.13).

The day, however, belonged to Northville, which also got seconds from Macaddino in the 200 freestyle (1:56.05) and 100 butterfly (57.69), as well as from Moore in the 500 freestyle (5:09.68).

"Our 400 freestyle relay broke a school record, a record that's been up there over 10 years," McNeff said. "And there's four sophomores on that, so we have a lot of good things to come with that, too."

The Mustangs will now taper for the MHSAA Division 1 finals set for Friday-Saturday, Nov. 21-22, at Eastern Michigan University's Jones Natatorium. They should

improve greatly upon last year's 13th-place team finish.

"The state (qualifying) kids aren't even rested yet," McNeff said. "Obviously there was a lot of adrenaline working today, but it's going to be something special to see what they can do in two weeks. That's what these girls are made for is the state meet. To post those (conference) times without a taper should be really fast in two weeks."

But winning its first conference title will resonate for quite awhile.

"Honestly, we deserved it this year," Mroz said. "We didn't have any divers. It was all swimming, so it was great."

## Makes Team Michigan



LAURA LONERGAN

On the heels of her all-state performance on Nov. 1 in the MHSAA Division 1 girls cross country finals at MIS, Novi High senior Hannah Lonergan (left) earned a spot last Saturday at the Michigan Interscholastic Track Coaches Association Mid-East Qualifier at the Gainey Athletic Complex in Grand Rapids where she placed fourth with a 5,000-meter time 19:04.54. Lonergan will compete with 11 other teammates for Team Michigan in the Mid-East Cross Country Meet of champions on Nov. 15 at Indian Raffle Park in Kettering, Ohio. The race features high school senior men and women from Michigan, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois.



JUNIOR FOOTBALL

# It's back-to-back: Bobcats frosh rule WLJFL Super Bowl

The Novi Bobcats capped an 11-0 freshman season in the Western Lakes Junior Football League with a 27-22 Super Bowl victory Sunday over the Livonia Falcons at Novi High School.

Niko Krall rushed for a game-high 156 yards on 16 carries and scored three touchdowns to pace the Bobcats' offense.

The Bobcats led 13-6 after one quarter as Krall returned a blocked punt for a TD and added a 7-yard TD run. (Robert Lalain also scored on a one-point conversion run.)

In the second quarter, Colin Masterson scored on a 16-yard TD run thanks to a key block and Dominic Senatore added the one-point conversion run as the Bobcats led 20-14.

Krall then tallied his third TD of the game with a 39-yard TD run in the third quarter to put the Bobcats ahead 27-14.

(Lalain added the one-pointer.)

The Falcons (8-3) scored a touchdown and added the two-point kick in the final quarter, but the Bobcats defense held the line as they earned their second straight freshman title.

Masterson added 71 yards on five carries, while Bacari Scott chipped in with 63 yards on 12 carries.

Defensively for the Bobcats, Thad Lawler and Niko Hertich the way with five and three tackles, respectively.

**ORIOLES 32, BOBCATS 14 (JV):** The Livonia Orioles built a 20-0 halftime advantage and went on to capture the WLJFL JV Super Bowl championship over the Bobcats (7-4) Sunday at Novi High.

After trailing 26-0 after three quarters, the Bobcats tried to make a game of it as quarterback Jack Beno threw a pair of touchdown passes of 9 yards and 15 yards to Aiden Shires.

Beno, who also ran for a pair of one-pointers, was 3-of-13 passing. Shires had two catches, while Jacob Randall had another.

The Bobcats had a tough time running the ball as Ethan Cooper was limited to 15 yards on eight carries.

Defensively, Brevin Buchman, Ashton Chapman and Randall each recorded eight tackles. Dave Barry had a fumble recovery, while Terry Newson forced a fumble.



ANDREW GIDDINGS

The Novi Bobcats won the Western Lakes Junior Football League's freshman Super Bowl with a 27-22 win Sunday over the Livonia Falcons.

JUNIOR FOOTBALL

# Colts gallop to WLJFL Super Bowl varsity title

The Northville Colts varsity got a fourth-quarter touchdown from Nick Prystash to capture its first-ever Western Lakes Junior Football League championship with a 14-8 victory over the five-time defending champion Livonia Falcons at Novi High School.

Prystash scored on a 3-yard TD to break an 8-8 deadlock the defense did the rest as the Colts capped a perfect 11-0 season.

The defense held tough in the final quarter as the Colts' Jack Oilar made a game-saving open field tackle on Mike Harding to prevent a Falcons TD bid and Prystash inter-

cepted a Livonia "Hail Mary" pass with only 2.5 seconds remaining to seal the victory.

The Colts fans then stormed the field and the players doused Bobcats head coach Al Khoury with water following the victory.

The Falcons (8-3) jumped out to an 8-0 advantage after one quarter when Harding hauled in a 10-yard TD pass followed by the two-point conversion kick.

The Colts then answered with third-quarter score as Robert Johnson caught TD pass followed by Josh Porter's two-point conversion kick.



STEPHANIE VARNER

The Novi Bobcats varsity captured the Western Lakes Junior Football League title for the first time with a 14-8 win over the Livonia Falcons.

## SPIKERS

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team, 3-2, in the 2011 district tournament, perked up during the second set and pulled even at 1-1 thanks to three kills apiece by Emma Clark (including the set-winner) and Sydney Torres.

"I didn't tell them anything really, I just said I was expecting a little bit of a slow start, the nerves," Canton coach Steve Johnson said referring to the break in between the first and second sets. "It's not uncommon, so I wasn't too concerned about it. I said, 'Let's shake this one off and go to the next game.'"

Canton, however, couldn't keep up with the Wildcats over the final two sets as Novi took command early in both never let off the accelerator.

"At this point you don't really expect that to happen, so that was a nice surprise," Cottrill said of the Wildcats' 12-point run in the first set. "But

it's almost like a mental challenge to get them to remember that they have to play and they have to rally, and we have to fight, and stay disciplined because we were just scoring easy points for a whole set really. But it was awesome to start out the game that way."

And it was another good night for 5-foot-9 junior outside hitter Paulina Iacobelli, who finished with a team-high 18 kills to go along with 18 digs and four blocks.

"The whole season this is what we worked for, so it feels really good to accomplish that goal," Iacobelli said. "I think the first set, Canton just didn't play up to its potential, so when they came back in the second set, we just weren't quite ready for that. But we adapted really well in the third and fourth sets to come back right at them."

Once again it was a group effort for the Wildcats, who also received sterling performances from junior Victoria Iacobelli (16 kills, 10 digs), senior libero Jordan Massab

## CYO champions



JOAN BIBERSTEIN

The Novi St. James Varsity 1 girls volleyball team recently capped a 20-0 season by winning the Catholic Youth Organization championship with a 25-21, 25-20 victory over Bloomfield Hills St. Hugo 25-21, 25-20 in the championship match at Pontiac Notre Dame Prep. St. James advanced to the finals with a 26-25, 25-17 win over Farmington Our Lady of Sorrows. Team members include (front row, from left): Megan Harding, Alivia Hart, Rachel Jennings and Kaylee Peterson and (back row, from left) Kirsten Kroetsch, Mallory Lynch, Shannon Jennings, Emily Susitko, Anna Biberstein, Ally Zayan and coach Julie Kerby.

CLASS A GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

# Seniors bid adieu as Northville spikers fall in district semifinals

Novi advances with 3-0 win over Rocks

By Brad Emons  
Staff Writer

After back-to-back trips to the Final Four, the Northville girls volleyball team had its 2014 season come to close Nov. 4 as Canton earned a 25-20, 25-21, 25-13 Class A district semifinal victory at Novi.

Sophomore Emily Martin finished with 14 kills, six digs and 12 good receptions in a losing cause as the Mustangs ended their season at 32-14-2 overall.

Other leaders for Northville included sophomore Kiera Borthwick (11 digs, 11 good receptions); senior Emi-

ly Hogan (six digs, nine assists, two aces); freshman Rachel Holmes (10 assists, two aces); senior Makenna Strunk (six digs); and junior Emily Bowers (three blocks).

"We will miss our core group of seniors greatly," Yaklin said. "Emily Hogan and Makenna Strunk finished out the year on the court leading the young team. Liz Hansell and Olivia Boisineau could not play from season ending injuries. They were greatly missed."

"I'm excited for our young team develop next season. Sky is the limit on the potential of the young Mustang crew coming up."

**O'Leary spurs Wildcats**

Freshman setter Erin O'Leary racked up 31 assist-to-kills as No. 2-ranked Novi moved

into the Class A district championship final with a 25-13, 25-12, 25-16 win Nov. 4 at home over Salem.

Twins Victoria and Paulina Iacobelli sparked the Wildcats' hitting attack with 15 and 10 kills, respectively, as Novi improved its overall record to 48-5-1.

The two also stood out defensively combining for 19 digs with 12 and seven, respectively.

Salem was paced by Tess Ganich (11 kills), Kelly Lidzbarski (12 digs) and Maddie Fairchild (three blocks).

"Tough night," Salem coach Amanda Nies said. "We could not get going against a good Novi team. Too many unforced errors and couldn't find a rhythm."

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## Subject saluted

CLARION ATHLETICS

For the second straight year, Clarion University (Pa.) senior setter Laura Subject (Novi) is a first-team Capital One/CoSIDA Academic All-Region selection. The Athletics Training major carries a 3.93 grade-point average and is also second in the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference in set assists per set with 11.34, while adding 2.67 digs per set, helping Clarion to a 27-3 overall record and an 18-2 PSAC West mark. She has been even better in conference play, leading the PSAC in set assists per set with 11.96. The 2013 PSAC West Athlete of the Year spurred Clarion to tie the school record for wins with 32 (32-5) and lead the Golden Eagles to their second PSAC West title in school history. Subject ranks third in school history with 3,892 set assists (10.11 per set) despite only being the starting setter for three seasons. Her 1,456 set assists (11.11 per set) in 2013 led the PSAC and were the fourth-most in school history, while her 1,168 set assists this season is already the 12th-best mark at Clarion.



"The whole season this is what we worked for, so it feels really good to accomplish that goal."

PAULINA IACOBELLI, junior outside hitter

(28 digs) and Ally Cummings (nine kills, three blocks).

"She has been playing really well lately, the last couple of weeks," Cottrill said of the 5-foot-10 Cummings, who hit at a .400 clip. "She's young, she's only a sophomore, so we made her move from the middle to the right about halfway through the year, so she started to figure it out. She comes up with some nice plays for us. It takes some pressure off the twins on the outside."

Senior right-side hitters Haley Dietrick and Courtney Kurkie paced Canton with seven kills apiece, while senior Lauren Schornak and junior Emma Clark each added six.

Senior defensive specialist Megan Roy recorded a team-best 17 digs, while Diedrick added 16.

Setters Alyssa Burke and

Carleigh Vela collected 20 and 14 assists, respectively.

"It was attack errors and I think they were trying to place it a little too much rather than relaxing and just playing," Johnson said. "That second set we played pretty darn good. I think we came back and surprised them. We put ourselves in position to do something, but we just couldn't follow up with it."

Ironically, the only time Canton has ever won a district was 2011 (against Novi).

"I'm extremely proud of my team," Johnson said. "This is the second (KLAASouth) division title in a row. This is the farthest any Canton team has gone except for the 2011 team ... so just to go to district finals is a very prideful moment for us."

Meanwhile, the Wildcats

ventured Tuesday to West Bloomfield to face Fenton in the regional semifinals.

And with the district monkey off their backs, the Wildcats have many ingredients to make a long state tournament run.

"I think they really get along," Cottrill said of her squad. "The team chemistry is great. I think they understand the system, but I think that we make people beat us. And in high school volleyball that's hard to do sometimes. Cut down on the errors to have to beat us. They just have fun, they're relaxed and they enjoy each other. And with girls, and young female athletes, that goes a really long way."

And Johnson believes the Wildcats are more than the worthy opponent after losing to them for the second time this season.

"They don't make many errors and they're very efficient," he said. "They're very efficient at what they do."

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## ALL-AREA BOYS CROSS COUNTRY

## Novi's Plaetinck leads loaded field of runners

By Jeff Theisen  
and Brad Emons  
Staff Writers

When Novi junior Joost Plaetinck gets to the starting line, he's all business.

Plaetinck was the area's top finisher with a 13th at the MHSAA Division 1 boys cross country finals at MIS, while posting a career-best time of 15:39.5 for 5,000 meters.

The Novi standout, who earned Area Boys Cross Country Runner of the Year honors, was also second at the regional and third at the KLAA Kensington Conference meet.

He also earned firsts at South Lyon and Ramblin' Rock invitationals, as well as a second at Anchor Bay and a third at the Spartan Invitational.

"Joost is a natural runner and a natural competitor," Novi coach Robert Smith said. "The bigger the meet the better he does. Joost has many tools in his toolbox. He can lead, surge, and he has an extended kick that few other runners can match. He is mentally strong and focused. He's a racer, not a pacer."

**First team****Jackson Grzymkowski****Lakeland**

The junior led the Eagles to a runner-up finish at the Division 1 state finals with an All-State run in 23rd overall with a PR of 15:45. Grzymkowski also earned All-Conference with a sixth-place finish, was third at regionals and earned All-County with a 10th-place finish.

"Jackson had an incredible season," said coach Joe Verellen. "He has matured into one of the best runners in the area. He has moved into Lakeland's history books with some of the best performances we have ever had."

**Nick Noles****Northville**

The senior earned all-state cross country honors for the third straight year after finishing 26th in Division 1 with a career-best 15:46.2. He also took third at the regional and sixth at the regional.

"His ability to come up big on the biggest stages defined his career," Northville coach Chris Cronin said of the two-time academic all-stater. "He is the only freshman in school history to earn all-state honors. He set the tone for our team during his four seasons. His toughness and will to win helps our program achieve new standards of excellence during his tenure."

**Conor Naughton****Northville**

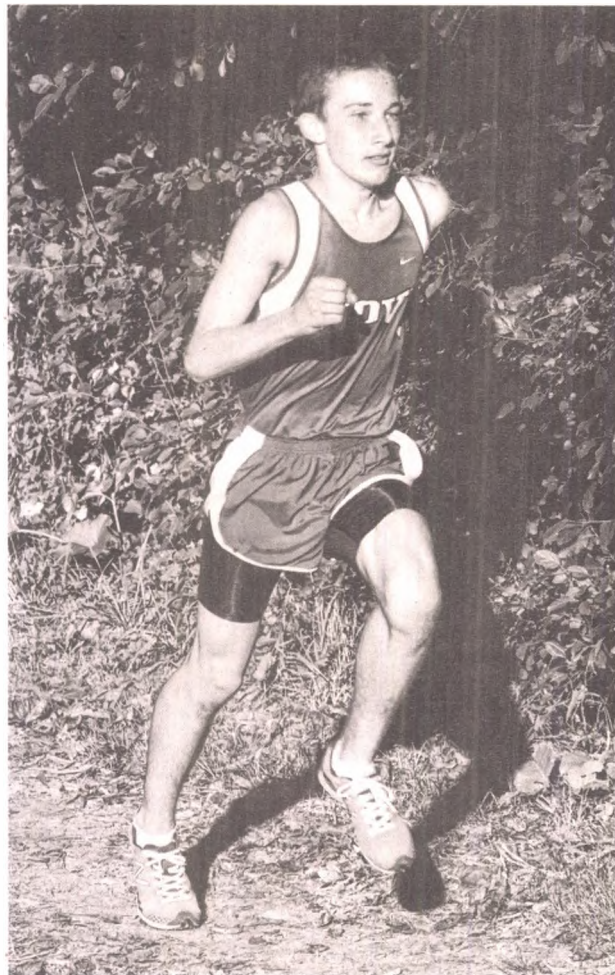
The junior finished 32nd at the state finals (15:51.0) after taking eighth at the regional and runner-up honors at the conference meet (15:50).

"Conor emerged as a consistent sub-16 runner this season," Cronin said. "His work ethic and passion for the sports are evident in everything he does."

**Blake McComas****Lakeland**

The Eagle senior finished second for Lakeland and 35th overall at the state finals with a season-best 15:55. McComas also earned All-Conference (fifth) and All-County honors (14th) before placing eighth at regionals. McComas was hit by a car as a junior and came back his senior season to help lead the Eagles to a runner-up finish at state.

"Blake's comeback story is one for the ages," said Verellen. "It is hard to believe how far he has come since the accident. He had to relearn how to walk, run and compete at the highest level in the state all in less than 18 months. His heart and commitment are second to none."

**Kyle Garbovits**

Novi junior Joost Plaetinck earned Area Boys Cross Country Runner of the Year honors.

**Lakeland**

The Lakeland junior finished one spot behind teammate McComas at the state finals in 36th (15:57). Garbovits was 10th at regionals, 11th to earn All-Conference and 17th to earn All-County honors.

"Kyle is a complete team player," said Verellen. "He could easily be the No. 1 guy on a different team. He approaches every race with the idea that he will run his very best and if that puts in a position to be No. 2 or 1 on the team, then he will go for it."

**Jason Ferrante****Northville**

The senior placed 38th in the Division 1 finals (16:00.0) after placing fifth at the regional and seventh in the Kensing-

ton Conference.

"Jason had a breakthrough season, posting a team best time of 15:44 at the Portage Invitational," Cronin said of the academic all-stater. "His emergence as a elite runner helped us achieve a fourth-place finish at the state finals this season."

**Sean Noone****Milford**

The senior was the lone representative for the Mavericks at the state finals. He finished 43rd in 16:05. Noone ran a PR of 15:59 at regionals to finish fourth. He was also fourth at the Lakes Conference meet and 15th to earn All-County honors. Noone went unbeaten in dual meets, including a win against Lakeland.

"Sean was our fearless leader," said coach Brian Salyers. "He was our No. 1 runner in every meet, he inspired his teammates and took the time to teach the next generation what it means to be part of the Milford cross country program."

**Second team****Sean McCullough****Northville**

The senior, an academic all-stater who was injured for much of the season, took 60th in the state finals (16:13.9) following a 15th-place finish at the regional (16:32.0).

**Trevor Learmont****Lakeland**

The senior capped off his Lakeland career by finishing 78th at the state finals with a PR of 16:22 to help the Eagles finish runner-up. Learmont was 14th at regionals, 17th at the conference meet and 38th at the county meet.

**Drew Wenger****Lakeland**

The Eagle freshman had a PR of 16:24 to finish 83rd at the state finals. He was 19th at regionals, 25th at the conference meet and 47th at county.

**Scott Smith****Catholic Central**

The junior took 92nd at the state finals (16:25.8) after an 11th-place at the regional (16:21.8). He also took third in the Catholic League and at Sturgis, along with a fourth at Lansing CC.

**Scott MacPherson****Novi**

The sophomore placed 112th in Division 1 (career-best 16:36.1), 19th at the regional and 14th at the conference meet. He added sixths at both Ramblin' Rock and South Lyon invitationals.

**Bailey Hobson****Catholic Central**

The junior placed 113th at the state finals (16:36.4), 14th at the regional and eighth [ace in the Catholic League. He also captured an 11th at the Lansing CC Invita-

## ALL-AREA CROSS COUNTRY

## RUNNER OF THE YEAR

Joost Plaetinck, Novi

## FIRST TEAM

Jackson Grzymkowski, Lakeland  
Nick Noles, Northville  
Conor Naughton, Northville  
Blake McComas, Lakeland  
Kyle Garbovits, Lakeland  
Jason Ferrante, Northville  
Sean Noone, Milford

## SECOND TEAM

Sean McCullough, Northville  
Trevor Learmont, Lakeland  
Drew Wenger, Lakeland  
Scott Smith, Catholic Central  
Scott MacPherson, Novi  
Bailey Hobson, Catholic Central  
Sahisnu Malapati, Novi

## HONORABLE MENTION

**Northville:** Ben Cracraft (so), Sam Kremke (sr), Kenny Goolsby (jr), Ryan Flanagan (sr), Christian Freiburger (jr), Jacob Blackmore (so).

**Novi:** Nathan Hall (sr), John Landy (so), Cameron Misko (sr), Adam Ditri (jr).

**South Lyon:** Bryce VanAsselt (sr), Jordan Okdie (sr), Brent Peruski (jr), Marshall Thelen (jr).

**South Lyon East:** Adam Caruso (jr), Charles Marchand (jr), Jon Kesler (sr).

**Milford:** Kevin Bradsher (sr), Nick Gapp (sr), Jack Aman (so), Dakota Giles (so).

tional.  
**Sahisnu Malapati**  
**Novi**

The senior finished 114th at the state finals (16:37.4), 16th at the regionals (16:36.1) and 12th in the conference (16:36). He was also 11th at the Anchor Bay Invitational.

## ALL-AREA GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

## Mustangs' Eckenroth becomes leader of the pack

By Brad Emons  
Staff Writer

Though she's only a sophomore, Northville girls cross country runner Cayla Eckenroth has proven that she's way ahead of the curve.

After helping the Mustangs to the MHSAA Division 1 team title with a 22nd place finish as a freshman, the two-year varsity runner enjoyed another stellar season to earn all-state honors for the second straight year at MIS when she finished 11th overall with a career-best time of 18:08.7.

Eckenroth, who was the KLAA Kensington Conference champion and regional runner-up, also holds the school record at Cass Benton Park with a time of 18:36.

And for her efforts, which included leading Northville to a third-place team finish in this year's state finals, Eckenroth has been named Area Girls Cross Country Runner of the Year.

"Cayla continued to excel as a runner this year, getting better and better as the season progressed," Northville coach Nancy Smith said. "Cayla stepped up each meet and ran with determination and confidence."

**First team****Lexa Barrott****Northville**

The junior, who was out for a month with a femur issue, rebounded late in the season by finishing 15th overall in Division 1 with a career-best 18:18.1 after finishing third at the regional.

"Lexa worked hard to maintain her strength and aerobic base and came back at the state finals like she didn't lose a beat, placing for the second season in the top 15," Smith said of the academic all-stater. "She and Cayla together were a great one-two punch."

**Mallory Barrett****Milford**

The sophomore has taken

over the lead after her sister (Rachel) graduated last year. Mallory earned her first All-State honor by finishing 17th overall at state in 18:20 to help the Mavericks to a fourth-place finish. Barrett was also first at the conference meet, first at regionals and fourth at Oakland County. She is also Academic All-State.

"Mallory is the consummate teammate who is growing into her role as a lead runner," coach Brian Salyers said. "She had a tremendous season in winning the conference, the regional and earning All-State honors for the first time in her career. Her growth has fueled our growth as a team."

**Hannah Lonergan****Novi**

The senior, headed to Northern Michigan University, enjoyed a breakout season earning all-state honors with a 21st-place finish at the state finals with a career-best and school record 18:21.8. Lonergan also took fifth at the regional and was runner-up in the conference.

"Hannah ended the season on a great note at the state meet," Novi coach Marsha Reid said. "Going into the season we knew that she put the time in as well as the off-season conditioning."

**Nicole Grindling****Milford**

The freshman wasted no time making a name for herself by running to All-State status by placing 26th in 18:31. She was third at regionals, seventh at the conference meet and 13th at Oakland County.

"We could not have been more pleased with Nicole's improvement over the course of the season," Salyers said. "It was apparent early that she had the tools to contribute on the varsity level, but making it all the way to All-State was very impressive. Her enthusiasm makes her an impactful teammate."

**Hailey Harris**

Northville sophomore Cayla Eckenroth was named Area Girls Cross Country Runner of the Year.

**Northville**

The junior earned all-state honors with a 27th-place finish (18:32.2), while taking 12th at the regional and fourth in the conference.

"Hailey was a real contributing piece as one of our top five this year," Smith said of the academic all-stater. "She was so motivated and mentally ready as the championship season began. She ran with a purpose and it paid off in the end."

**Madison Paquette****Milford**

The senior was the third Maverick to earn All-State by placing 28th in 18:33 at the state finals. Paquette was second at the conference meet, fifth at regionals and eighth at Oakland County. She has earned Academic All-State honors as well.

"Madison is the prime example of what happens a person commits to everything the program has to offer for their

## ALL-AREA GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

## RUNNER OF THE YEAR

Cayla Eckenroth, Northville

## FIRST TEAM

Lexa Barrott, Northville  
Mallory Barrett, Milford  
Hannah Lonergan, Novi  
Nicole Grindling, Milford  
Hailey Harris, Northville  
Madison Paquette, Milford  
Emma Herrmann, Northville

## SECOND TEAM

Gabrielle Byndas, Milford  
Emilie Kennedy, Milford  
Olivia Clymer, Lakeland  
Rebecca Bradsher, Milford  
Emma Smith, Northville  
Sarah Ausum, Milford  
Rachel Zimmer, Northville

## HONORABLE MENTION

**Northville:** Mirai Kobayashi (sr); Taylor Gattoni (so).  
**Novi:** Jacalyn Schubring (soph); Jessica Lypka (so).  
**Milford:** Eve Hemingway (jr); Regan Lobodzinski (fr).  
**Lakeland:** Marisa Sailus (soph); Kara Cotter (sr); Margaret McDonald (so); Maria Walston (jr).  
**South Lyon:** Madison Swiatlowski (sr); Emily Hudgens (so); Maiju Oksanen (sr); Mackenzie Flannery (jr).  
**South Lyon East:** Erin O'Donnel (sr); Lea Fields (sr); Jessica Lavoie (sr); Kayla Zielinski (jr).

entire career," Salyers said. "She never missed a practice, mandatory or optional. This consistency allowed her to have a superlative senior year and establish her as a legend of our program."

**Emma Herrmann****Northville**

The junior just missed all-state honors with a 33rd place in Division 1 while posting a career-best 18:46 after taking sixth at the regional and third in the conference.

"Emma was another factor in our top five who continued to excel as the season pro-

gressed," Smith said of the academic all-stater. "She is a strong and determined runner whose love for the sport shows daily."

**Second team****Gabrielle Byndas****Milford**

The junior finished 79th at state in a PR of 19:21. Byndas was 14th at regionals, 17th at the conference meet and 27th at Oakland County. Byndas earned Academic All-State honors.

**Emilie Kennedy****Milford**

The freshman added the fifth spot at state to complete the scoring for Milford by finishing 83rd overall in a PR of 19:22. She was 15th at regionals, 22nd at the conference meet and 44th at Oakland County.

**Olivia Clymer****Lakeland**

The freshman qualified for state and ran to 85th in a PR of 19:24.

**Rebecca Bradsher****Milford**

Another freshman in the Milford lineup, she ran 19:44 at state to place 103rd overall. Bradsher was 17th at regionals, 23rd at the conference meet and 48th at Oakland County.

**Emma Smith****Northville**

The sophomore placed 106th in the state finals with a career-best 19:45.4 after finishing 18th at the regional and 17th in the conference.

**Sarah Ausum****Milford**

The Maverick junior completed the lineup at state and finished 20:07 for 140th.

**Rachel Zimmer****Northville**

The freshman earned a 20th at the regional and eighth in conference, while recording a season-best time of 19:37 to help the Mustangs earn KLAA Central, Kensington and Division 1 regional titles.

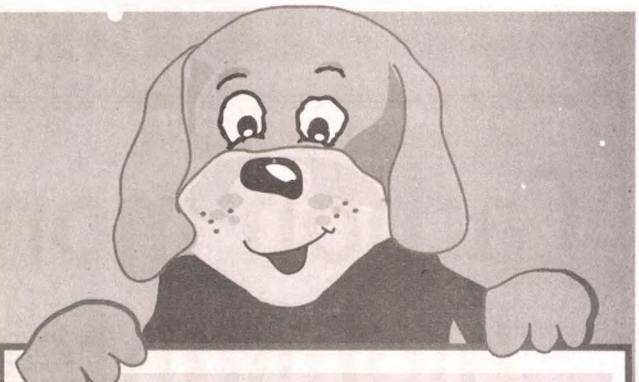


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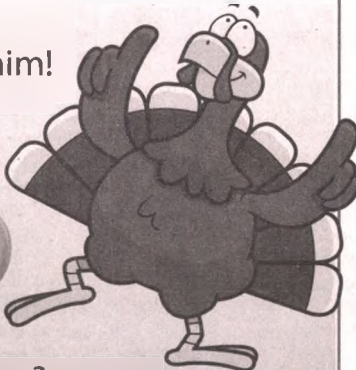


### Thanksgiving: Giggles & Riddles

Q: Why did the police arrest the turkey?  
A: They suspected it of fowl play!



Q: What happened when the turkey got into a fight?  
A: He got the stuffing knocked out of him!



Q: What's the sleepest thing at the Thanksgiving table?  
A: The NAPkin!

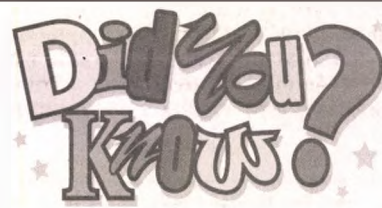


Q: Why do most people go to grandmother's house on Thanksgiving?  
A: Because the house cannot come to them!

Q: Why was the turkey the drummer in the band?  
A: Because he had drumsticks!



### Facts & Fun



BLACK FRIDAY IS NOT THE BUSIEST SHOPPING DAY OF THE HOLIDAY SEASON. THAT DISTINCTION BELONGS TO THE SATURDAY PRIOR TO CHRISTMAS DAY.



### GET THE PICTURE?



Can you guess what the bigger picture is?

ANSWER: FOOD BASKET

### Fun with Anagram

Rearrange the letters of the phrase to find the hidden word

saving knight

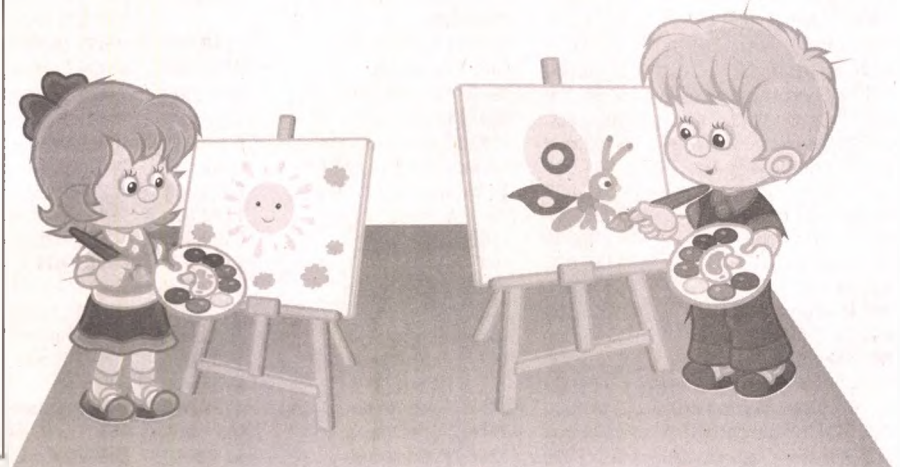


Answer: Thanksgiving

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## Carbon monoxide dangers highlighted by initiative

As temperatures drop and consumers begin cranking up their heating systems, the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) and the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) have launched a new online toolkit to help local fire departments educate the public about the associated risks of carbon monoxide (CO) in the months ahead. November through February represent the leading months for CO poisoning in the U.S., with a peak in December.

NFPA and CPSC announced the toolkit at a press conference recently at a Philadelphia fire station with Philadelphia Fire Commissioner Derrick J.V. Sawyer, NFPA President Jim Pauley, and CPSC Vice Chairman Robert Adler. The event highlighted CO safety, prior to the upcoming winter season, and included a local resident who spoke about how his CO alarm recently saved his life from CO traced to a faulty hot water heater.

"Risks of carbon monoxide poisoning are highly preventable by following simple, yet very important, safety precautions," said Pauley. "With help from local fire departments nationwide, our shared goal with the CPSC is to increase awareness about the danger of carbon monoxide and, most importantly, inform people about how CO alarms significantly reduce that risk."

Carbon monoxide is created when fuel burns incompletely, and is often called the "invisible killer" because it's a poisonous gas that's invisible and odorless. When home heating equipment isn't installed or working properly, the risk of higher levels of CO increases significantly.

In 2010, U.S. fire departments responded to an estimated 80,100 non-fire incidents in which CO was found.



The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reports that from 1999-2010, an average of 430 people were killed by unintentional CO poisoning per year.

NFPA and CPSC's online toolkit provides a wealth of resources, safety tips and advice for properly maintaining heating systems to prevent the buildup of CO in the home, while strongly advocating for the installation of CO alarms.

"We all know that smoke alarms save lives, but it's important to know that carbon monoxide alarms save lives too," said CPSC Commissioner Robert Adler. "While

about 95 percent of U.S. homes have at least one smoke alarm, only 42 percent have a working CO alarm. Installing CO alarms on every floor of your home, keeping portable generators far away from your home, and having a yearly inspection of gas appliances can help your family avoid the invisible killer."

Fire departments can access all toolkit materials from NFPA or CPSC. For more information on carbon monoxide in the home, visit NFPA's carbon monoxide web page and CPSC's carbon monoxide information center.

CPSC is also working to educate middle school stu-

dents about CO safety. CPSC is sponsoring a CO safety poster contest with cash prizes that is open to all sixth-, seventh- and eighth-graders at <http://www.cpsc.gov/COcontest>. The contest is accepting students' posters through the end of February 2015.

### About CPSC

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission is charged with protecting the public from unreasonable risks of injury or death associated with the use of thousands of types of consumer products under the agency's jurisdiction. Deaths, injuries, and property damage from consumer product incidents cost the nation more than \$1 trillion annually. CPSC is committed to protecting consumers and families from products that pose a fire, electrical, chemical or mechanical hazard. CPSC's work to ensure the safety of consumer products - such as toys, cribs, power tools, cigarette lighters and household chemicals - contributed to a decline in the rate of deaths and injuries associated with consumer products over the past 40 years.

### About the National Fire Protection Association

NFPA is a worldwide leader in fire, electrical, building, and life safety. The mission of the international nonprofit organization founded in 1896 is to reduce the worldwide burden of fire and other hazards on the quality of life by providing and advocating consensus codes and standards, research, training, and education. NFPA develops more than 300 codes and standards to minimize the possibility and effects of fire and other hazards. All NFPA codes and standards can be viewed at no cost at [www.nfpa.org/freeaccess](http://www.nfpa.org/freeaccess).

## Start spreading the news: New York real estate hot

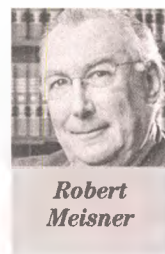
**Q: I am with a company that is inquiring as to the rental market in New York, particularly around Park Avenue South and the 30s. Is there a way of finding out what the situation is and/or do you have any information concerning it?**

A: There has been influx of luxury apartments with a younger work force around the Park Avenue South and the 30s. It has sparked interest from hoteliers and restaurateurs to take a look at this once bland office district. Several high rise hotels, most of which with posh amenities and design and are being built. High end hotels are being constructed and older hotels are being refurbished. By way of example, a two-bedroom co-op loft with two baths on 30<sup>th</sup> Street is listed for \$2.8 million. A two-bedroom duplex condo with a private garden is listed for \$2.35 million and two-bedroom condo with two baths on 28<sup>th</sup> Street is listed at \$3.2 million. Obviously, the whole area is being rejuvenated with new restaurants, hotels and upscale apartments, co-ops and condominiums. You are best advised, if you are interested in buying, to retain a Realtor in the area and/or do an independent marketing survey, if you are thinking about investing.

**Q: I am interested in buying into a hotel condo in the Caribbean, particularly in St. Lucia and am wondering what kind of arrangement would you recommend.**

A: I am familiar with one particular hotel condominium resort which has done it the right way. The original developer went bankrupt and the bank foreclosed as would normally be the case, but then the condominium association itself bought the note from the bank, completed the foreclosure and took over control of the project. There were additional units that could have been constructed, but the association decided that it would only construct certain additional units that were the most potentially marketable on the water and has decided to run the resort community on its own. That means that all of the money that is generated from the restaurants, spa facilities and the like are given to the condominium association and all of the units in the condominium are sold to end purchasers who literally have an ownership interest directly in the condominium association as members of that association. Unfortunately, too many situations in the United States result in the association taking back property after the developer has relinquished control after 10 years per the Michigan Condominium Act, choose to do nothing or do not wish to take it upon themselves to retain their own builder or developer to complete the project potentially at great benefit to them. This project in St. Lucia is a perfect example of how that can be successfully accomplished.

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Robert Meisner

### HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-OAKLAND COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of June 30 to July 3, 2014, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

#### BEVERLY HILLS

18280 Devonshire St \$441,000  
18360 Devonshire St \$315,000  
15589 Kirkshire Ave \$150,000  
16147 Wetherby St \$228,000

#### BINGHAM FARMS

23033 Bristol Ct \$984,000

#### BIRMINGHAM

1951 Cole St \$220,000  
1352 Dorchester Rd \$585,000  
1433 E Lincoln St \$140,000  
1900 Fairview St \$610,000  
1774 Graefield Rd \$114,000  
1645 Holland St \$577,000  
2057 Manchester Rd \$315,000  
928 Oakland Ave \$420,000  
2401 Radnor St \$305,000  
1785 S Bates St \$850,000  
1884 Shipman Blvd \$245,000  
1727 Southfield Rd \$141,000  
1652 Taunton Rd \$234,000

#### BLOOMFIELD HILLS

1903 Pine Ridge Ln \$379,000  
2762 Bridle Rd \$275,000

#### BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP

1624 Bracken Rd \$484,000  
1867 Brookview Cir \$327,000  
2082 E Spinningwheel Ln \$292,000  
1760 Trailwood Path \$192,000

#### COMMERCE TOWNSHIP

3095 Arbutus St \$145,000  
5431 Bridge Trl W \$360,000  
5513 Deerwood \$550,000  
1932 Hampshire Ct \$365,000  
2862 Ivy Hill Dr \$328,000  
1760 Sadie Shore Dr \$105,000  
8788 War Bonnet-Dr \$155,000

#### FARMINGTON

33002 Maplenut St \$175,000  
24168 Saint Mary Ct \$215,000  
22740 Violet St \$165,000

#### FARMINGTON HILLS

37646 Avon Ln \$222,000  
28481 Beech Hl \$344,000  
29451 Breezewood \$155,000  
29240 Earth Ln \$605,000  
28500 Halsted Rd \$150,000  
30811 Lamar St \$30,000  
38240 Lana Dr \$340,000  
24060 Middlebelt Rd Unit 26 \$60,000  
31175 Misty Pines Dr \$151,000  
30040 Old Bedford St \$220,000  
32372 Old Forge Ln \$240,000  
22160 Ontaga Ct \$128,000  
36611 Quakertown Ln \$215,000  
28205 Statler Ln \$105,000

37776 Turnberry Ct \$480,000  
28677 Venice Ct \$210,000  
28260 Wildwood Trl \$45,000

#### HIGHLAND

1072 Dunleavy Dr \$74,000  
3111 Pine Bluffs Ct \$319,000

#### MILFORD

3283 Foxfire Dr \$585,000  
781 Promontory Dr \$177,000  
660 River Oaks Dr \$320,000  
326 River Wood Trl \$429,000  
1044 Riverstone Cir \$289,000  
957 S Main St \$570,000  
1780 Valley Vw \$199,000

#### NORTHVILLE

23001 Bentley Dr \$100,000  
21308 E Glen Haven Cir \$123,000  
38694 Northfarm Dr \$283,000

#### NOVI

24942 Acorn Trl \$530,000  
47992 Andover Dr \$640,000  
22545 Deerfield Rd \$223,000  
45153 Dunbarton Dr \$325,000  
41416 Glyme St \$197,000  
24054 Greening Dr \$326,000  
42041 Loganberry Rdg S \$215,000  
23559 Meeting Hall Ln \$83,000  
41855 Mitchell Rd \$208,000  
25886 Petros Blvd \$252,000  
22250 Roxbury Dr \$618,000  
48225 Rushwood \$210,000  
45612 South Lake Dr \$410,000

1127 South Lake Dr Unit 215 \$103,000

#### SOUTH LYON

58815 Carriage Ln \$442,000  
734 Challenging Trl \$170,000  
1086 Colt Dr \$242,000  
229 Detroit St \$134,000  
52616 Fremont Dr E \$522,000  
411 Jean Rd \$155,000  
57198 Meadowcreek Cir S \$430,000

22280 Quail Run Cir \$133,000  
61440 Richfield St \$153,000  
28200 Seville Dr \$345,000  
425 W Liberty St \$158,000  
950 Westbrooke Dr \$228,000

#### SOUTHFIELD

28452 Everett St \$83,000  
29660 Everett St \$61,000  
29539 Leemoor Dr \$157,000  
19050 Middlesex Ave \$75,000  
29919 Pleasant Trl \$68,000  
15801 Providence Dr # 04E \$82,000

28627 Regent Ct N \$50,000  
30326 Rock Creek Dr \$188,000  
15561 Stratford Dr \$100,000  
21670 Virginia St \$130,000  
17350 Westover Rd \$110,000  
30845 Woodgate Dr \$175,000

#### WHITE LAKE

8265 Eastway Dr \$350,000

### HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-WAYNE COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of July 21-25, 2014, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

#### CANTON

4181 Brighton Ln \$195,000  
2277 Brookhaven Rd \$185,000  
48880 Central Park Dr \$405,000  
1897 Century Ct \$174,000  
8476 Chatham Dr \$580,000  
44232 Cherkoub St \$151,000  
46773 Creeks Bnd \$228,000  
39814 Deepwood St \$102,000  
39761 Edmundton Dr \$81,000  
2095 Fairmount Park Ln \$79,000  
45337 Glengarry Rd \$298,000  
44387 Hanford Rd \$158,000  
1214 Heritage Dr \$164,000  
479 Lenox Dr \$415,000  
46515 Maben Rd \$245,000  
49230 Manhattan Cir \$365,000  
899 Meadowlake Rd \$175,000  
8594 N Canton Center Rd \$75,000  
45707 N Stonewood Rd \$153,000  
49964 N Wintergarden Ct \$76,000  
599 Pheasant Woods Dr \$315,000  
49564 Potomac Rd \$201,000  
426 Prospect Hill St \$402,000  
2566 River Woods Dr N \$322,000  
3498 Shepherd Ct \$208,000

3540 Shepherd Ct \$215,000  
1580 Stafford Dr \$175,000  
43356 Stonington Ct \$220,000  
43877 Vicksburg Ct \$175,000  
41143 Westfield Cir \$180,000  
1197 Wildwood Ln \$215,000

#### GARDEN CITY

31901 Balmoral St \$88,000  
32415 Cambridge St \$89,000  
30112 John Hawk St \$55,000

#### LIVONIA

28286 Five Mile Rd \$10,000  
14851 Arcola St \$153,000  
15623 Blue Skies St \$262,000  
36995 Bristol St \$171,000  
18728 Canterbury Dr \$280,000  
14606 Country Club Dr \$143,000  
16854 Country Club Dr \$255,000  
9611 Deering St \$140,000  
15686 Deering St \$169,000  
14232 Doris St \$165,000  
38656 Elsie St \$160,000  
33011 Fargo St \$28,000  
36258 Hammer Ln \$260,000  
11771 Hunters Park Ct \$305,000  
29810 Lamar Ln \$135,000  
36536 Munger Ct \$222,000  
35183 Parkdale St \$171,000  
38648 Richland St \$160,000  
15530 Riverside St \$260,000  
17511 Riversway St \$125,000  
31150 Roycroft St \$166,000  
17231 Stamwich St \$213,000

33055 Summers St \$175,000  
19474 Whitby Dr \$255,000

#### NORTHVILLE

15412 Bay Hill Dr \$600,000  
18241 Blue Heron Dr E \$375,000  
44465 Broadmoor Blvd \$440,000  
44836 Broadmoor Cir S \$415,000  
50640 Hawthorne Ct \$480,000  
19844 Irongate Ct \$140,000  
49431 N Glacier \$275,000  
49473 N Glacier \$390,000  
19338 Old Bridge Ct \$125,000  
17126 Orchard Ridge Rd \$540,000  
39471 Springwater Dr \$162,000  
18381 Stoneridge Ct \$940,000  
46401 W Main St \$916,000  
46401 W Main St \$916,000  
222 West St \$314,000  
16499 Westminister Dr \$418,000  
44451 White Pine Cir E \$635,000

#### PLYMOUTH

11631 Aspen Dr \$186,000  
48708 Chambury Ct \$370,000  
49935 Fuller Ct \$498,000  
9068 Hillcrest Dr \$325,000  
288 Irvin St \$355,000  
9366 Ivanhoe Dr \$355,000  
46107 Litchfield Dr \$407,000  
693 Maple St \$325,000  
383 Pacific St \$357,000  
1432 Palmer St \$412,000  
1030 Penniman Ave \$430,000  
311 Red Ryder Dr \$333,000

345 Roe St \$350,000  
1199 S Sheldon Rd \$55,000  
820 Starkweather St \$170,000  
50330 Waterstone Ct \$300,000

#### REDFORD

15846 Denby \$78,000  
19999 Garfield \$30,000  
11410 Grayfield \$43,000  
9972 Inkster Rd \$58,000  
15639 Kinloch \$50,000  
13991 Minock Dr \$55,000  
16104 Norborne \$84,000  
17041 Norborne \$80,000  
19992 Norborne \$12,000  
11356 Royal Grand \$68,000  
17684 Sumner \$70,000  
18418 Sumner \$44,000

#### WAYNE

3068 Rivers Edge Dr \$175,000

#### WESTLAND

8722 August Ave \$121,000  
6774 Bison St \$112,000  
34029 Cambria Ct \$22,000  
766 Denise St \$78,000  
8706 Donna St \$131,000  
6112 E Executive Dr \$270,000  
34011 Majestic St \$103,000  
1700 N Berry St \$215,000  
38360 N Jean Ct \$134,000  
38075 Sherwood St \$44,000  
2414 Wilshire St \$115,000



# Car Report

## Toyota Still Dominates Hybrid Segment as Worthy Prius v Measures Up



By Dale Buss

Prius remains by far the world's dominant hybrid franchise, but things have gotten tougher lately for Toyota's pioneering marque. U.S. sales are down, and so are gasoline prices, and competitors that are still eyeing the hybrid segment as a good thing promise to keep pestering Prius with new entries of their own.

I recently drove one of the relatively new iterations of the original Prius, the Prius v, and it reliably provided the experience that every hybrid enthusiast has desired since the dawn of this vehicle type a couple of decades ago: great fuel economy with dependable, not ostentatious,

performance.

Yes, Prius v is EPA-rated at 51 mpg in the city and 48 on the highway for a combined fuel economy of 50 mpg, which just about sets the standard in the US auto industry for a mainstream vehicle. Owners will save \$6,250 in fuel costs over five years compared with the "average" new vehicle, regulators allow Toyota to claim about Prius v.

A 1.8-liter four-cylinder engine and, of course, Toyota's Hybrid Synergy Drive battery system deliver the power. In any normal driving situation, what it delivers is adequate, for accelerating onto an interstate or making a quick pass. It's not instantaneously responsive, but responsive enough. The "joy of driving" isn't the point of a hybrid, anyway.

Design-wise, Prius remains the exemplar of clean and rounded

exterior and interior lines that once were looked at as the shape of the future and now mainly communicate a certain Spartan-ness of expression that seems to fit the minimalist mindset that has historically represented the Prius buyer. The key — as with the powertrain — is efficiency.

So the lack of a traditional instrument panel above the steering wheel is a perfect example of the Prius approach. Instead, monitoring and performance information is clustered in the center of the car, topped with a crescent-shaped dashboard readout above a navigation screen and various controls that segue into storage spaces between the front seats.

Conveniently, there is a storage area with a lot of space underneath that console that is ideal for fulfilling the demand that many women make, but which carmakers for some reason over the eons have decided to ignore: a place to store a purse, where it stays and doesn't slosh or slide all over the car as it can do if it's placed on the passenger seat, for example, or the floor on the passenger side.

Otherwise, Prius v is appointed with everything that most drivers will be looking for in their main vehicle, including all the convenience, safety and electronic touchpoints you'd expect. And it's plenty roomy in the rear seats as well as the front, with ample cargo room under the hatchback in the rear.

It's this kind of predictability and steadiness that has allowed Prius to carve out an undisputed place as



Twelve of the Toyota and Lexus hybrids available in the U.S.

the master of the hybrid automobile. Toyota took a big chance in attempting to mainstream Prius in the first place, given that the Honda Insight, a two-seat hybrid, already had appeared on the U.S. market.

But as is the Toyota way, the company dedicated itself to a certain path and gradually but inexorably built up not only the Prius franchise but also the hybrid market itself. Strategically, this included extending the Prius product line with both smaller and larger versions of the original car, which, respectively, reduced the stiff price premium to get into a Prius and gave buyers with more roominess needs a Prius option to consider.

Nearly every other automaker over the years also introduced hybrids in an attempt to get a shred of the market that Prius created. And some have tried and failed to mount a direct frontal assault on the

Prius brand, especially Ford with its sluggish-selling C-Max hybrid. Now Ford is talking about mounting another assault on Prius's hold on the hybrid market, and Hyundai seems to be planning to do the same.

The Prius line still comprises Toyota's third-best-selling car, and fourth-best-selling vehicle overall. But Prius sales were down about 15 percent for the year through October. Plunging gasoline prices also erode the incentive that many Americans may feel even to consider a hybrid.

So Toyota recently launched a new advertising campaign under the slogan, "Let's Lead the Way," that features the video testimonials of actual Prius owners who testify to all the other wonderful things about the cars besides their exemplary fuel economy. My experience with Prius v testifies to their endorsements as well. And, yes, you can't beat the mileage.



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| <b>ACROSS</b> | 1 Keanu of "The Matrix" | 7 "— in Calico" (1946 hit) | 11 World Cup lover, say | 20 Is covetous of | 21 Mature nits | 22 Greek love goddess | 23 It's not too light or too heavy | 25 Practices to compete in | 26 Put on, as clothes | 27 Friend | 28 With 50-Down, "No need to shout!" | 30 A couple of | 31 Big, diverse collection | 36 Gets laryngitic | 40 Quarterback Manning | 41 Stars' cars | 43 Parcel (out) | 44 Lily-family member with long, narrow leaves | 48 Dictatorship | 51 Greeting statement in Mac ads | 53 Stag's mate | 54 Road surface stuff | 56 — -Detoo | 57 Indexing aid | 58 Scoop | 63 Indira Gandhi's maiden name | 64 Low-altitude clouds | 66 Roman love god | 67 Dog pests | 69 PDO | 70 Hit into | 74 Verdi heroine | 78 West Point freshman | 80 Wash up | 81 Agrees to participate | 83 Hyundai sedan | 86 Dwelling | 90 Fish-catching tool | 91 Giant of myth | 92 Theta lead-in | 93 African antelope | 94 Horn noises | 96 "To Kill a Mockingbird" father | 98 Requiring no proof | 103 Exploitative type | 104 Extend apart | 105 In advance of | 106 Dry red wine | 109 1980s David Hasselhoff series | 115 Bruins legend | 116 Made angry | 118 China's Chou En- — | 119 Tote around | 121 The Pelican State | 125 Tourist office publication | 130 They're very unegological | 131 Suffix with million | 132 Start | 133 Most drowsy | 134 Marvel superheroes | 135 Has the wheel | <b>DOWN</b> | 1 Senator Harry | 2 Provide funds for | 3 "— knew that!" | 4 By means of | 5 Shocking fish | 6 Detroit-to-Memphis dir. | 7 Make — out of (refute) | 8 Ben Affleck film flop | 9 Dresden cry | 10 Etiquette guru Baldrige | 11 Fill up fully | 12 — Book Club | 13 One-named flamenco fireball | 14 Demier — (latest thing) | 15 Nearly forever | 16 Hwys. and blds. of March date | 18 "— Like Alice" (Peter Finch film) | 19 Pianist Peter and a Roman emperor | 24 Pollution-control org. | 29 Sacred song | 32 Actor Johnny | 33 Draw out | 34 YouTube clip, for short | 35 Right-angled pipe bend | 37 Author Tan | 38 Prioritize again | 39 Views rudely | 42 Film director Reminger | 44 Israeli native | 45 Mag. staffers | 46 Pansian king | 47 Go by bicycle | 48 "Have a bite" | 49 Here-there link | 50 See 28-Across | 51 "— living!" | 52 Gym pads | 55 Intro painting class, maybe | 59 Amiable | 60 Actor Hirsch | 61 Cocktail mixers | 62 Roman fountain | 65 Evaluate | 68 — cream, vor, briefly | 71 — awriting vards | 72 e-Easter | 73 — mon | 75 House — "Home" | 76 ith 106-Down, Pepsi | 77 and Coke Zero | 77 Hill makers | 79 Armed cavalry | 82 "Great" czar | 83 "One thing — time" | 84 Acne bit | 85 Ides of March cry | 87 Carpentry file | 88 Ltr. enclosure | 89 Rapa — (Easter Island) | 95 Like the x- or y-axis, briefly | 97 Fancy vase | 99 Sommer | 100 Levy on real estate | 101 Memo-starting abbr. | 102 Erfurt article | 104 Economizes | 106 See 76-Down | 107 "I'm on —!" (casino cry) | 108 Blot out | 110 Harsh light | 111 Sanctuary | 112 Boló, e.g. | 113 Beethoven's "Fur —" | 114 More impolite | 117 Hang in there | 120 Figures out | 122 Deep anger | 123 Eat dinner | 124 Sundial's 3 | 126 Crater edge | 127 — Alamos | 128 — reaction | 129 Sporty truck, for short |
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## 5 classic interview questions updated for today's job search

By Debra Auerbach  
CareerBuilder Writer

Going into a job interview, you know the standard questions to expect. "What is your biggest weakness?" "What interests you about this position?" and "Why do you think you'd be a fit for this role?" often rise to the top of the common interview questions list.

While these queries are important to today's hiring managers and recruiters, many employers are updating their customary questions to include ones that refer to new trends, address the current economic situation or gauge a candidate's commitment to the company and position in question.

Here are five questions that job seekers may be asked in today's job hunt and what they should address when responding:

### 1. Have you used social media in your current job? If so, how?

Unless you've completely sworn off new technology, you should be very aware by now that social media are a part of the fabric of society and are well-ingrained in most companies'

communication practices. Employers asking this question want to know how well you understand social media and how you think companies can benefit from using social networks. Try to give an example of how you have used the communication form in your current job. If you haven't done much in this area, speak to how the company as a whole uses social media. For extra points, share how you think your prospective employer could benefit from social media.

### 2. Give me an example of how you've contributed to your present/most recent company's success.

You've likely heard or read resume-writing advice stressing the importance of not only sharing your qualifications but also addressing accomplishments. In today's competitive job market, employers don't want to hire someone who can just complete tasks. They want someone who can make an impact on the bottom line. If you can, answer this question by sharing examples of how you increased revenue, helped a client gain market share or created efficiencies that saved



money. Use numbers or percentages, when possible. If you don't know the numbers off the top of your head, you can provide that information in your follow-up or thank-you note.

### 3. Why did you leave your last job?

While this may not be a new question, today's hiring managers understand the answer may have evolved. If you've been laid off, be honest. Employers know that the economy is rough, and they expect that some of the candidates they interview will be unemployed. In this case, briefly talk about what happened and then demonstrate how, in the time you've been unemployed, you've continued to boost your resume by volunteering, attending networking events or joining industry organizations. They want to know that you've put your time to good use and that you'd be ready on day one to take on the required tasks.

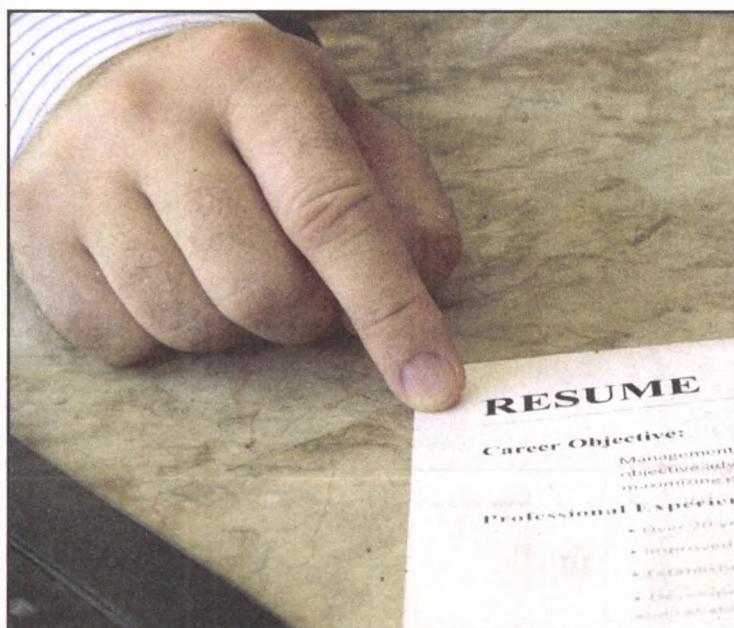
### 4. Describe the work environment or culture in which you are most productive and happy.

In a recent article, human-resources expert Susan

human-resource professionals are concerned that top workers will leave their organization this year. As the economy slowly improves and more opportunities become available, unhappy workers will be more likely leave their jobs in pursuit of a more fulfilling career. While there's no way to guarantee an employee won't head for the door as soon as a better job offer comes along, hiring managers may try to get to the root of why candidates want to work at their company.

"I've been unemployed for more than a year and I'm really desperate to get a job." Yes, that's an honest answer, but it's also a red flag to an employer that you're more interested in getting a job versus getting this particular job. When asked this or a similar question, speak to why the company at which you're interviewing is the right company for you, and why the particular role will help you achieve your career goals. Also mention how you see yourself growing at the company as a way to show your commitment to the organization.

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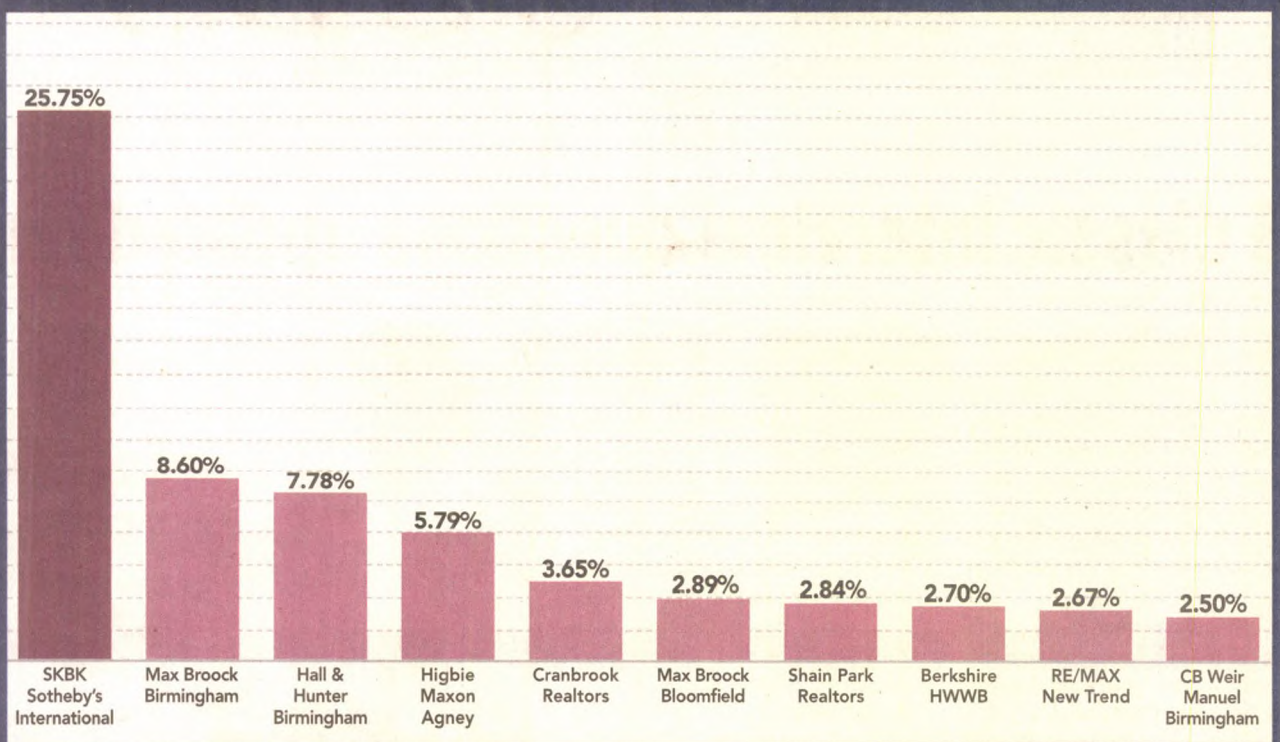
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