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Addicted to Games

The Novi Youth Council is partnering with the Novi Fire and Police Departments and Lucky Strike Lanes to present the annual Addicted to Games ... Not Drugs event from 9 a.m. to noon Monday, Dec. 22.

Hosted by Lucky Strike, located in Twelve Mile Crossing at Fountain Walk, this event offers students in kindergarten through sixth grade access to all the games, bowling, interactive entertainment, food and soft drinks they can handle.

Members of the Novi Youth Council, Novi Fire and Police Departments and Lucky Strike staff will be on hand to supervise the event. However, parents are encouraged to join the fun. Proceeds will go toward local anti-drug initiatives in Novi schools.

The permission slip and registration are both available at www.cityofnovi.org. Payment of cash or check (made payable to city of Novi) may also be made at the city of Novi clerk's counter at the Novi Civic Center (45175 W. 10 Mile). Tickets are \$10 per student.

Novi not interested in revisiting Sandstone judgment for 2 homes

By Lonnie Huhman
Staff Writer

Consent judgment

A court judgment from the past and neighborhood concerns about the preservation of the wooded area and wetlands were key parts of the discussion by Novi City Council before it voted down a request to build two homes.

The Novi City Council (7-0) denied the request of Foresta Architects, LLC to amend the Sandstone Associates Limited Partnership v. City of Novi Consent Judgment to allow the construction of two single-family homes on two separate parcels.

According to Barbara McBeth, Novi Deputy Community Development director, the property in question is located on the northwest side of Novi Road, south of 13 Mile Road in between the Saratoga Circle and Howell's Walled Lake Subdivision neighborhoods.

She said the property is also part of the Vistas of Novi Planned Unit Development (PUD), dated Sept. 16, 1998, which identifies the property as Phase 10 Church/Cemetery Site.

According to the legal website, www.findlaw.com, the



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Foresta Architects, LLC requested Novi to amend the Sandstone Associates Limited Partnership v. City of Novi Consent Judgment to allow the construction of two single-family homes on two separate parcels on the property shown here.

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For the Oak Pointe Church Christmas party, staff members Margret Michael, left, and Karen Parker wrap presents that they've just purchased for needy families. The party took place at the 10 Mile Road church on Dec. 9.

New Toll Brothers condo development planned for Novi

By Lonnie Huhman
Staff Writer

A new condominium development is being planned for Novi that will be located adjacent to the Ice Arena and Sports Club.

The Novi City Council (7-0) granted the request from Toll Brothers for a Zoning Map Amendment to rezone the property on the east side of Novi Road and south of 10 Mile Road from Light Industrial/Office Service to Low Density, Low-Rise Multiple-Family Residential with a Planned Rezoning Overlay (PRO).

According to the concept plan, the property totals 20.9 acres and Toll Brothers is proposing a 93-unit attached condominium multiple-family residential development. The parcels are currently made up of vacant land.

"This will be a high-quality development," said Matthew Quinn, who spoke on behalf of Toll Brothers.

Quinn said the condos will be beautiful homes ranging in size from 2,000 to 2,600 square feet each. He said they will be similar to the townhouses at Island Lake. He emphasized to the Planning Commission earlier this month that this development will bring a good tax value to the city.

As part of the PRO, city administration said the underlying zoning is proposed to be changed when Toll Brothers enters into a PRO agreement with the city, whereby the city and the applicant agree to tentative approval of a conceptual plan for development of the site.

According to city administration, the PRO concept plan shows two on-site detention ponds, preservation of wetland areas along the site's northern and eastern property lines, a pathway connection through the site to future development to the north and an off-site pathway at the site's southeast corner to the Novi

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Helping hands

Oak Pointe Church makes holidays special for families

By Lonnie Huhman
Staff Writer

Oak Pointe Church turned this year's staff Christmas party into something bigger when it took part of the day to help make the holidays better for some local families.

Staffers and members of the church on 10 Mile Road gathered Dec. 9 for their annual luncheon party, which turned out really well. But the highlight of the day was getting and wrapping gifts for local families connected to them by local organizations like Novi Youth Assistance, Active Faith and the Salvation Army.

They also continued the tradition of handing out gift baskets to community organizations like the police and chamber of commerce. For Oak Pointe, making the holiday party into one for service was natural.



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Wayne Pryce wraps presents for needy families during Oak Pointe Church's Dec. 9 staff party.

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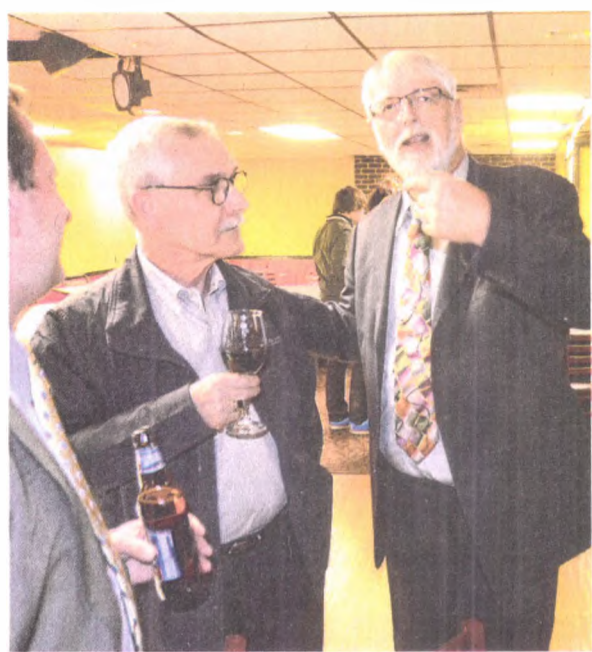
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Judge Brian MacKenzie, right, talks to attorney Mike Schloff at his Dec. 12 retirement party at Novi's Big Tommy's Parthenon. MacKenzie and his family spent time that night thanking their friends, co-workers and supporters for the 26 years that Mackenzie was on the bench at 52-1 District Court. Schloff worked with Mackenzie for years on the Veteran's Court.

Caregiver charged with theft, fraud



Beard

A Novi man has been charged with defrauding an elderly Westland man, who he was supposed to be a caretaker, of his life savings.

Anthony Edward Beard, 52, is scheduled for preliminary examination Dec. 11 in Westland 18th District Court on 12

felony counts, including five counts of uttering and publishing, charges of embezzlement and identity theft, along with charges of

illegally using and possessing a financial transaction device — a credit or ATM card.

A not guilty plea was entered for Beard at his arraignment. He was released on personal bond.

The charges are that over a period of months

Beard, while acting as a caregiver, stole most of the 86-year old resident's life savings by accessing his bank and credit card accounts. Westland Police didn't specify the amount of money missing.

By LeAnne Rogers

JUDGMENT

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consent from 2002 granted Sandstone Associates Limited Partnership a judgment that totaled tens of millions of dollars, including costs, interest and attorney fees. However, rather than enter into a financial agreement, Sandstone and Novi entered into one in which Novi waived its appellate rights and Sandstone received real property (about 75 acres) rather than the financial judgment.

According to McBeth, the judgment gave the city the option to acquire the property for park and open space purposes, but the city declined to do so. Eventually, the property was acquired

through tax foreclosure, and the new owner is now looking to do something with the property other than a church or cemetery.

The judgment has never been amended. McBeth said the city and the property owners seeking relief would have to address one question if council had been interested in amending the judgment: Who exactly has the authority to enter into an amendment to the judgment on the property owners' side.

"At the time the consent judgment was entered into, all of the property affected was owned by the original plaintiff in the case, Sandstone Associates Limited Partnership-A," McBeth said in her report to council. "However, the properties have

been sold over time."

Citizen, council and developer reaction

During the council meeting's public comment time, many residents from Saratoga Circle and Camden Court spoke out against amending the consent judgment, stating that they had bought their homes knowing that the woodlands and wetlands would be protected forever.

Patrick Tortora, the developer who bought the two parcels, spoke in favor of amending the judgment and request. He said the plan was to only build two simple homes and be careful in preserving the area.

Nearby homeowner Kelly Hough-Breen was one who spoke out against the request. She said the property was

meant to be for another more passive use rather than having two homes that would damage the natural setting that it is there currently.

In voting to deny, both Mayor Bob Get and David Staudt, mayor pro tem, said they were not comfortable opening up the consent judgment/agreement. Council members Andrew Mutch and Gwen Markham noted the wetlands prior to voting. Mutch said the judgment/agreement sets out that the property was not meant to have homes on it.

Tortora wasn't too dismayed by the denial and said they would be back with another plan that would be more conducive to the property.

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CONDOS

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Dog Park to the south. Two access points (one will be a boulevard) are proposed off of Nick Lidstrom Drive.

City administration said a large part of the site contains contamination that must be mitigated for residential use. Toll Brothers intends to remove the affected dirt and construct a berm along 10 Mile Road with the fill.

A PRO requires the applicant propose a public benefit that is above

and beyond the activities that would occur as a result of the normal development of the property.

To do this, Novi's community development department said Toll Brothers has proposed the construction of a pathway for public use through the site from Nick Lidstrom Drive to the north property line for a connection to a future development to the north. Toll Brothers will also build an off-site pathway to the new Novi Dog Park and a connection to the existing pathway along Nick Lidstrom Drive.



Pedestrian directional signage is also proposed along the pathways. Toll Brothers has offered to preserve the remaining on-site natural features with a conservation easement.

The next steps in the coming months will be the review of the preliminary and final plans.

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State fair expanding with equine competition, arenas

The Fifth Third Bank Michigan State Fair will continue to expand the fairgrounds for 2015 with the addition of two large outdoor arenas to the west of the Suburban Collection Showplace (46100 Grand River Ave., Novi) and a new slate of horse, riding and pulling competitions during Labor Day Weekend, Sept. 4-7, 2015.

The Michigan State Fair, LLC welcomes new Equestrian Superintendent Sara Ressler, who brings deep experience organizing equine competitions across Michigan and beyond, including many youth and open shows and the Crystal Horse Show at the Shiawassee Fairgrounds in Corunna.

"Sara has the skills and extensive network in the equestrian community that make her an ideal person to organize and lead this new equine expansion," said State Fair Livestock Co-Superintendent and Oakland County Fair General Manager L.C. Scramlin.

Ressler is owner of Show Office Services, which provides breed and open horse shows with secretarial and office staff throughout Michigan and Eastern United States. She is also a USEF "R" steward, serves on the USEF

Steward Task Force, is a director for the American Saddlebred Horse Association of Michigan, and has served on the Michigan Horse Show Association board for eight years.

The slate of classes and competitions for the new horse program at the 2015 fair will include English (Hunt and Saddle Seat), and Western Equitation and Pleasure classes, Barrel Racing, Reining, and expanded pulling events, as well.

"We are so excited to begin this new direction for the Fifth Third Bank Michigan State Fair" said Livestock Co-Director and Oakland County Fair Director Jackie Scramlin, "As the new fair continues to expand, adding the equine component is the next step in the natural progression and development of long-time state fair attractions."

Registration for equine classes at the 2015 Michigan State Fair will run May 15-Aug. 1 online at www.MichiganStateFairLLC.com. Class sizes will be held to 18-20 competitors, and will be split if numbers exceed that level.

"This expansion is the next logical evolution in our growth, and is being driven by exhibitors who wish to compete and

show during the fair. It also presents an excellent opportunity to provide another educational experience for fair goers, and showcase another facet of the Michigan Agricultural/Livestock tradition," said State Fair Executive Director Steve Masters, "We anticipate great interest in the new horse program, based on the deep history and enormous popularity of equine programs at the original Michigan State Fair, so we are mindful of creating a great environment to showcase Michigan's finest horses and riders."

An informational meeting for officers of equine breed associations and leaders of other riding and training organizations is planned for 6 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 28 at the Suburban Collection Showplace. Interested parties are encouraged to contact Ressler at Equestrian@MichiganStateFairLLC.com to register and for more information.

Complete information about the Fifth Third Bank Michigan State Fair and a link to review or download the highlights report from 2014 can be found at <http://www.MichiganStateFairLLC.com>.



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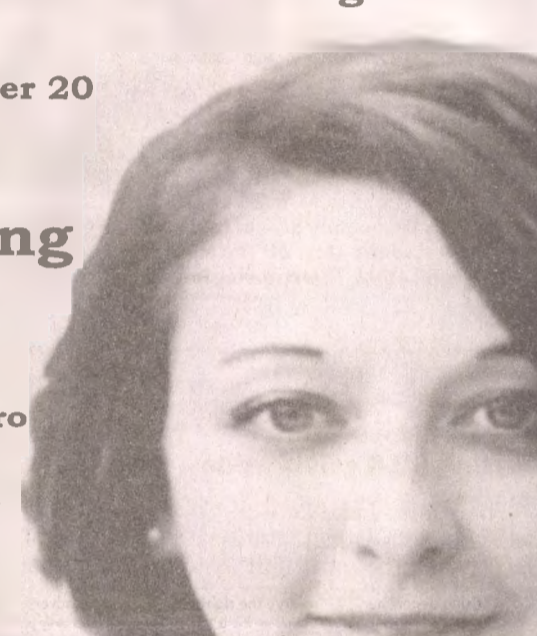
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"We try to give of ourselves," said Dave Johnson, Oak Pointe (the church is divided into areas) South Community pastor. "Looking outward and seeing where we can serve the communities around us is important to us, so we try hard at doing that."

The holiday service party is just the next step

in Oak Pointe's year-round goal to serve.

Last month it adopted some families on Thanksgiving, and it annually gives scholarships to local high school students.

The Christmas gifts were delivered to six area families.

The church membership is not just Novi; it's also Northville, South Lyon, Plymouth and Canton, and other nearby communities. So they tried to support one from

many of these communities.

Church staffers Debbie Brunk and Gail Paulus were wrapping the gifts before the party. Both said it made the party even more fun.

"This is a nice way to celebrate," Brunk said. "This aligns with what we are all about and who we are. Plus, it's a lot of fun."

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Thankful this holiday season for Novi school district

By Steve Matthews
Guest Columnist



Steve Matthews
SUPER TALK

I was Santa Claus once. My father was responsible for the church Christmas party. They needed a Santa. I was available. Next thing I knew, I was dressed in a Santa suit waiting for little children to come and tell me what they wanted for Christmas.

I was 19 years old. I was, to be honest, a terrible Santa Claus. I kept repeating, "Ho, ho ho!" While not completely out of character, looking back on it, I wish I could have been more imaginative. However, I panicked and couldn't think of anything else to say.

But an hour later, 55 chil-

dren left the church happier than when they came in.

Sometimes things just work out.

But most of the time things work out because good people spend a lot of time making sure that things will work out.

Here in the Novi Community School District, we do a lot of good things. We create a wide variety of positive experiences for the students who attend our schools.

During the holiday season that is especially evident. Just

over the last month I have seen band, choir and orchestra concerts. I have seen programs at the elementary, middle school and high school level.

Within the last month I have sat in over 100 hundred classrooms across the district and watched as teachers have helped keep students focused on the important task of learning. Amidst the excitement generated by Thanksgiving and then the December holidays teachers have done a wonderful job of making sure that students don't forget that the reason they come to school is to learn.

This fall I was a spectator at a wide variety of athletic events. I have been in the weight room and watched as

our young men and women do the hard work that is required to get better. And leading them were coaches who challenged and pushed and helped these young people learn and grow as athletes and as people.

Our bus drivers, food service workers, technology staff, preschool and CARE staff, and maintenance staff all plan and prepare so that good things can happen every day for our students.

And most importantly our community — students, parents, and community members — spend a lot of time working to ensure that our district will be among the best in this state and nation. Whether it is doing homework, working hard in class, volunteering in our

schools or supporting our students by coming to events, our community contributes mightily to the success our district enjoys.

Things work out when good people spend time making sure that good things will happen. During this holiday season I am thankful for our community — staff, students, parents, and community members — who work to make sure our students have a great place to go to school.

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

Giving thanks



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Novi Woods Elementary School fourth-graders perform their musical, "A Time to Give Thanks," for their parents and fellow students Nov. 24. The musical was directed by teacher Julia Saeli and gave a fun, humorous and learning look at the Thanksgiving holiday.

Holiday Shop



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Karen Guiboux assists Yuna Huhm in her selections at the Dec. 11 Holiday Shop at Novi Woods Elementary. The annual shopping excursion to allow kids to purchase gifts for their parents and siblings, which takes place in the school, is staffed and organized by the school's PTO.

SCHOOL BRIEFS

Walled Lake schools hosting MLK celebration

The Walled Lake Consolidated School District invites the community to the 16th annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day Celebration at 5 p.m. Monday, Jan. 19, at

Walled Lake Northern High School.

The evening will include a multicultural dinner with ethnic food from around the world prepared by 12 different local restaurants from 5-6 p.m. and an exhibition of student work from 5-6:30 p.m.

The keynote speaker is Oakland Schools educational consultant Dr. Jay Marks.

For more information, call Alec Bender, principal at Wixom Elementary, at 248-956-3432 or contact Judy Evola at judyevola@wlcsd.org.

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Orchard Hills holiday musical takes on a deeper meaning

By Lonnie Huhman
Staff Writer

The recent second-grade musical performance at Orchard Hills Elementary School took on an even deeper holiday meaning as the school community undertook a project to collect toys and food for needy children and families.

Called "Light up the World," the performance was the highlight of the month for the second grade as well as the entire school, who all got behind the effort.

"When we asked the kids about doing this they got really excited," music teacher Nicole Gustafson said. "It quickly turned into a school-wide effort. The out-



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Orchard Hills Elementary School students present their holiday musical Dec. 11 to their fellow students and a few parents. The kids incorporated a theme of giving into their songs and actions as they amassed a large collection of gifts and food donations for the needy on the stage.

pouring of support was awesome." The hallways at the

school also demonstrate the school-wide effort to "Light up the World"

with art creations made by the students. Integrating lessons plans and working together are two themes for Orchard Hills' teachers and staff as they work to teach the students what it means to be leaders in the community.

Over the last month or so, the repurposed water melon box outside the main office has been filled with toys and food. Students, staffers and parents have all contributed to the cause.

Two members of the U.S. Marine Corps attended the performance for the parents to pick up all of the donations. The food will go to a local food bank.

The performance was a good one with various holiday songs and the

students mixing in the Leader in Me process at the school with the performance.

Words like win-win and synergize were spoken with each second grader going to the microphone to recite a different part of the performance's story of helping the world. The students spoke about them having a good holiday while others were struggling,

and how they wanted to help with changing that, not just during the holidays but year-round.

"They (students) took a lot of pride in this project, and it shows in the donations and their efforts to make this a great performance," Gustafson said.

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All about the bass



CURTIS DROGMILLER

The Grinch was nowhere in sight at Walled Lake Western High School on Dec. 9, only an auditorium filled with parents, family and friends — and holiday cheer. It was the Holiday Collage Concert featuring Western's bands and orchestras under the direction of Patrick Dudzinski and Ted McDonald. Like the current trendy song, it was all about the bass, about the bass, no treble, as the bass section shined during the performance of the Christmas favorite "How the Grinch Stole Christmas." Pictured are Symphony Orchestra bassists Raul Rangel, Christian Selley, Peter Fargo.

PLE officers



Recently, 12 fifth-grade students at Pleasant Lake Elementary gave election speeches in front of more than 450 students and adults as they hoped to become members of this year's Student Lighthouse Team. All week the students campaigned for the positions of secretary, treasurer, vice president and president. Students in grades 2-5 voted and elected this year's officers. The process started two weeks earlier when 32 students filled out an application expressing their interest in the Lighthouse officer positions. Each fifth-grader who filled out an application went through an interview process involving several staff members. Pictured (from left) are Nayal Maktari, PLE principal; Alyssa Alexander, president; Lilly Hermiz, vice president; Kayden Marrogy, treasurer; and Abby Zang, secretary.

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Holiday toy gifts can combine learning, fun

By Julie Brown
Staff Writer

Sherry Attard came Monday, Dec. 1, to Plymouth to shop for her 2-year-old granddaughter at Genuine Toy Co. on Forest Avenue.

"I'm trying to find something that's an original toy," Attard said. "Things (like) back when I was a child."

At the toy and game store, Attard looked at dress-up outfits, a small piano she liked and puppets. "Oh, it has everything," she said of Genuine Toy Co. "And, of course, she loves stickers," another must-get purchase on Attard's list.

Her daughter-in-law teaches at West Bloomfield High School. "Her mom, of course, introduces her to everything educational," Attard, a Trenton resident, said of her granddaughter's mom.



Paciorek

Parents, grandparents and others are out in droves these days in search of toys for children that combine learning and fun. Karen Paciorek, a professor of early childhood education at Eastern Michigan University

and a Novi resident, has some advice for those shoppers.

"I am all about the toys that allow for creativity to flourish," Paciorek, who served on the Northville schools Board of Education more than eight years, wrote in an email. "That means there are multiple ways to use the materials and the child can keep returning to the material. Anything that has parts to put together many different ways, think blocks, magna tiles, straws and connectors, etc."

In an interview, Paciorek said there is a good variety of toys and books for kids. "There's a nice selection for families that want to look a little bit," she said. "I prefer the creative toys. Low-tech or no-tech that really require the children to put in some effort."

"These types of toys have been around for centuries and are popular for their ability to help children learn to solve problems," she added. "The architect Frank Lloyd Wright's son developed Lincoln Logs after spending most of his life around a master builder. These are timeless toys and the ones parents and grandparents today remember from their childhood."

Paciorek, the mom of two grown children, recommends the site amightygirl.com/

"Lots of good information," she said of the site, which helps parents and others avoid gender stereotyping. "They have excellent recommendations for books, materials and anything needed to help raise strong, powerful women. I also like to recommend gifts that keep children active. So much of a child's life today is scheduled physical team activity that play that is freely chosen is important to cultivate."

There are some great recommendations on A Mighty Girl under Toys and Outdoor Play."

Paciorek, who earned her Ph.D. from Vanderbilt University in Tennessee, is a professor and program coordinator for Early Childhood Education at EMU's Department of Teacher Education in Ypsilanti. One recommendation she gives would be some gifts that spark creativity and curiosity. There are gifts in the creative arts where children are able to expand their creative side, she said.

"When we look at children developing the aesthetic or creative self, there are four different types of creative arts," Paciorek said.

- » Visual – paints, stickers, pastels, clay.
- » Performing – dress-up clothes, puppets, musical instruments.
- » Literary – books, writing supplies, journals, a variety of pens.
- » Usable arts – kits for making something for themselves or as a gift, such as a pillow, scarf, woodworking, jewelry, container or basket, etc. or fabric, yarn for the child to create on his or her own.

Parents will want to encourage the child to explore by allowing a creating space, the professor noted. That's a place where the child can start to construct and then return later. So many parents make children clean up after each play segment that good construction and creativity never has the opportunity to flourish. It's a good idea to allow children to put a string or piece of yarn around a work in progress and return to work on it later, she said.

"Books make wonderful gifts," she said. You can also keep a family journal, with such things as annual Christmas or



JULIE BROWN

Sherry Attard of Trenton looks for gifts for her 2-year-old granddaughter at Genuine Toy Co. in downtown Plymouth.



JULIE BROWN

Toy trucks and cars, seen here at Genuine Toy Co. in downtown Plymouth, remain perennial favorites.

Hanukkah memories, fun to look back on years later.

"Those are wonderful memories for families to build," Paciorek said. "Now everybody keeps everything online. A family journal is a wonderful thing to keep."

She added to watch age recommendations on

toys, which in some cases are wider to encourage sales when a toy may not be appropriate. "Find out what the child enjoys," Paciorek said. "Children enjoy sharing what they do," making it a good idea for parents to join in the fun.

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» Wednesdays, Feb. 4-25, 2-3:30 p.m.; Silver Springs Elementary School, 19801 Silver Springs Dr.

» Wednesdays, March 4-25, 7-8:30 p.m. Silver Springs Elementary School.

The fee is \$20 per person. Contact the NYA office at 248-344-1618 if this presents a financial hardship. Pre-registration is required.

Santa visits

Santa and his elves will be arriving at Maybury Farm from noon to 3 p.m. Dec. 20-21 to meet with kids of all ages.

Santa's elves have decked the halls of the Welcome Center with all kinds of Christmas cheer and the fire in the wood stove will keep everyone toasty and warm. Children can bring their wish list and sit with Santa while parents and grandparents take all the photos they want.

Admission is just a smile and a small donation to feed the animals at Maybury Farm throughout the winter months.

Maybury Farm is located at 50165 Eight Mile Road, between Beck and Napier. Parking is complimentary. For more information, visit www.northvillecommunityfoundation.org, call 248-374-0200.

Film fest deadlines

The deadlines for the 2015 Rock Hard Film Fest all-ages competition are approaching — Jan. 1 for musicians; Feb. 1 for filmmakers. Returning as special guest judge is Allee Willis, a Grammy and Tony award-winning songwriter/artist.

The three-day event will kick off its second year at Detroit Farm and Garden at 7 p.m. Friday, June 5. Registered filmmakers and musicians will be introduced and then randomly paired into teams by random drawing. All teams will be given specific elements that need to be incorporated into their music videos. They will be given 48½ hours to complete their music videos. The finished music videos will then be screened at a Detroit theater and a \$500 first-place cash prize will be given for Best Music Video. Also awarded will be the Audience Choice award for Best Song.

The entry cost is \$100 for filmmakers; \$80 for student filmmakers; and \$50 for musicians. Mail payments to P.O. Box 5290, Northville, MI 48167.

Sponsors opportunities are available; contact

event founder Lisa Meininger-Abraham at rockhardfilmfast@gmail.com.

For more information, go to www.rockhardfilmfast.com and follow on www.facebook.com/rockhardfilmfast, www.twitter.com/rockhardfilmfast and www.instagram.com/rockhardfilmfast.

Rotary's Little Libraries

Northville Rotary is initiating the installation of Little Libraries, small book depositories where community members can exchange books. The Rotarians would like to establish six locations throughout the Northville community and seeking suggestions as to where the locations might be. Rotarians are encouraging other organizations to volunteer and assist in this effort as well.

For more information, contact John Kelly at john@kellykellylaw.com or 248-348-0496.

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Choralaires recruiting

Do you love to sing? Would you like to meet new people and take part in sharing the joy of music within our community? Join the Novi Choralaires, a community chorus of men and women from Novi and the surrounding area, who perform concerts for the public and at many community events. The current season is January through May, with rehearsals 7:30-9:30 p.m. each Tuesday.

The Choralaires are seeking new members for all voice parts. Open rehearsals for the 2015 January through May season will be held at 7:30 p.m. Jan. 6 and 13 at the Novi Middle School choir classroom (4900 W. 11 Mile at Wixom Road).

The Choralaires spring show will be at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 9, at the Novi Middle School Auditorium.

The Novi Choralaires holiday performances include 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.

Join the Novi Choralaires as they celebrate their 40th season of music. For more information about the Choralaires and their concerts, visit www.novichoralaires.org or www.facebook.com/novichoralaires.

2015 State of the City Address

City of Novi Mayor Bob Gatt on Thursday, Feb. 12, will deliver the 2015 State of the City Address, providing Novi citizens and business partners an opportunity to reflect upon the 2014 accomplishments and learn about the goals Novi will strive for in 2015. The event, in partnership with the Novi Chamber or Commerce, begins with a 7:30 a.m. breakfast at the Suburban Collection Showplace.

Interested parties can register online at cityofnovi.org (\$23 per person) or mail a check (\$20 per person, made payable to City of Novi) to Community Relations, City of Novi, 45175 Ten Mile Road, Novi MI 48375.

Contact 248-347-0416 for more information.

Buddy's Pizza's break from holiday shopping

Buddy's Pizza, including its new location in the Twelve Mile Crossing at Fountain Walk entertainment complex in Novi, offers up gift cards in-store and on its website at www.buddyspizza.com. Choose from the kind you can pop in your wallet or a holiday greeting card or purchase a mobile or e-card version to give anytime. Add re-loadable values to the card right online, too.

Those who purchase at least \$25 in gift cards this season will get something back — a voucher for a free four-square cheese pizza with one topping — good for use in January and February 2015.

"Wicked" ways at Twelve Oaks Mall

A wicked partnership is brewing between Twelve Oaks Mall and Broadway's blockbuster *Wicked*, now in its 11th year on Broadway and flying back to the Detroit Opera House through Jan. 4.

Now through Dec. 14, visitors to Twelve Oaks can delight in the World of *Wicked* museum display, special offers from retailers, weekend giveaways and other "Oz-some" exclusive offerings to celebrate this worldwide theatrical sensation.

» The World of *Wicked* display located on the lower level near Lord & Taylor, where visitors can walk through Glinda the Good's bubble, view the "Behind the Emerald Curtain" museum display and take a photo in Oz;

» The Passport to Oz featuring special offers from 39 retailers. Passports are available at Glinda's bubble located at the World of *Wicked* Display.

Winner of more than 100 international awards, *Wicked* is the untold story of the witches of Oz. Long before Dorothy dropped in, two other girls meet in the land of Oz. One, born with emerald-green skin, is smart, fiery and misunderstood. The other is beautiful, ambitious and very popular. *Wicked* tells the story of their remarkable odyssey, how these two unlikely friends grow to become the Wicked Witch of the West and Glinda the Good.

"The *Wicked* partnership builds on successful promotions done at several other Taubman centers," Twelve Oaks Marketing and Sponsorship Director Emily Taucher said. "We're delighted to be bewitched by *Wicked* this holiday season."

Gorman's partners with Arc

It is estimated that nearly 4.6 million Americans have an intellectual or developmental disability. Gorman's Home Furnishings & Interior Design, through its Lifeline of Hope Campaign, will

once again raise money to help make a difference in the lives of these local individuals and their families.

Customers can participate in this community-giving program by visiting any of Gorman's four southeast Michigan showrooms in Novi, Troy, Southfield or Lakeside (Shelby Township) through Jan. 19 and make a minimum donation of \$50 to The Arc of Oakland County. As a thank you, donors will receive \$200 off the price of any recliner from Gorman's 10 best brands or \$400 off select, world-famous Stressless recliners.

The Arc of Oakland County Inc. is Michigan's largest community-based organization of and for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. It works through education, research and advocacy to improve the quality of life for the people it serves.

For more information about The Arc of Oakland County, visit <http://thearcoakland.org/>.

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 10 Mile Road.

The winter market will take place twice monthly from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. the following Saturdays: Dec. 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, decor and gifts for holiday entertaining.

To stay in the know about the Novi Farmers Market, including recipes, vendor features and more, like it on Facebook.

For more information, contact manager RoseAnna Twitchell at 248-347-0400 or www.rtwitchell@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: Jan. 12 (6:30 p.m.); Jan. 14 (10:15 a.m.); Feb. 9 (6:30 p.m.); Feb. 11 (10:15

Drive-in time



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Ellery Shirey, 2, and Colin Hughes, also 2, compare their 'cars' at a Dec. 15 crafts and movie gathering at the Novi Public Library. Kids, with their parents' help, got to make cars to sit in as they watched a few videos projected on the big screen — just like a drive-in.

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.).

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, 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:

For more information, call 248-347-0414.

Clothing recycling program

For Walled Lake residents, recycling unwanted clothing is now as easy as a walk to the curb with the free curbside collection program offered by Simple Recycling.

The program is simple and convenient since pickup occurs on the same day as recycling service, collection bags are provided and replacement bags are left each time full bags are set out for curbside pickup.

While the focus is on recycling clothing, Simple Recycling will also accept shoes, accessories, toys, books and small home goods in working condition such as kitchen ware and

tools. Residents who live in communities not serviced by the Simple Recycling program are encouraged to donate unwanted clothing to their favorite charity or thrift shop. A list of local organizations, including those that offer pickup, is available on the RRRASOC website at www.rrrasoc.org.

Civilian pistol safety class

The Novi Police Department will be offering a civilian pistol safety class from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 17 at the Novi Police Department Training Center 45125 10 Mile Road. The course fulfills both the classroom and shooting requirements to obtain a Michigan Concealed Pistol License (CPL).

Registration forms are available online at www.cityofnovi.org and at the Novi Police Department. Completed registration forms and the \$150 course fee (cash or money order), may be returned to the Novi Police Department. Class size is limited, and all participants are subject to a criminal background check.

After lunch, participants will move to the Novi Firearms Training Center to complete the course. Students must bring their own equipment, including a personal handgun, 100 rounds of ammunition, safety glasses, shooter's earmuffs or ear plugs, a pen or pencil, a baseball cap, and wear loose comfortable clothing to participate in the course. Participants must be 21 years old and do not have to be a Novi resident to attend.

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

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BID

DATE:	December 18, 2014
PROJECT:	Project No. 14-NPS-SCS-01, Structured Cabling System, District-Wide
OWNER:	Northville Public Schools Business Office – Third Floor 501 W. Main Street Northville, MI 48167-1576
DESIGNER:	Wright & Hunter, Inc. 818 W. 11 Mile Road Royal Oak, Michigan 48067 Phone: 248 594-5850 Fax: 248 594-5851
BID DUE DATE:	Until 2:00 PM EDT on January 28, 2015 the Owner will receive sealed Bids for the work as set forth in the Bid specifications and proposal forms ("RFB documents") at: Sealed Bid Enclosed for Structured Cabling System, District-Wide Northville Public Schools Attn: Michael Zopf Business Office – Third Floor 501 W. Main Street Northville, MI 48167-1576
	Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at this time. Bids received after the above date and time will not be accepted. Bids that do not include a sworn and notarized statement disclosing any familial relationship between the Owner and the bidder as defined in Michigan Public Act No. 232 of 2004 will not be accepted.
	RFB documents will be available on or after January 6, 2015 and can be obtained by registering at the following website: http://www.vlbp.com/launch/wright/hunter/home.php . Bidding details may be obtained electronically at: http://www.vlbp.com/launch/wright/hunter/home.php .
	A bidders' meeting is scheduled for January 14, 2015 at 2:00 PM EDT at: Hillside Middle School All visitors must sign-in at the Main Office 775 North Center Northville, Michigan 48167
	All bidders are strongly encouraged to attend.
	Each bid shall be accompanied by a certified check, cashier's check, money order or bid bond made payable to Northville Public Schools in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the base bid as a Bid guarantee.
	Withdrawal of any bid is prohibited for a period of ninety (90) days after the actual date of the opening thereof.
	The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids, either in whole or in part, to reject a bid not accompanied by the required bid guarantee, or by other data required by the RFB documents and Michigan law or to reject a bid which is in any way non compliant with the bid requirements. Submitted bids may be adjusted by unit prices included by the bidder to ensure all bids submitted are compared on the same basis with respect to required materials.
	The Owner reserves the right to accept alternates in any order or combination and to determine the low bidder on the basis of the sum of the base bid and the alternates accepted.

**City of Northville
Notice of Public Hearing
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Notice is hereby given that the City of Northville City Council will hold a public hearing on the use of Community Development Block Grant Funds. The Hearing will be held on Monday, January 5, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. at the Northville City Hall Chambers, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan 48167 for the purpose of hearing public comments on the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Year 2015 application in the approximate amount of \$49,811 to fund eligible projects. All interested citizens are requested to attend the Hearing. Comments will also be received in writing or in person at Northville City Hall until Monday, at 7:30 p.m.

Total Estimated Allocation – Wayne County	\$44,629
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Proposed uses include:

Public Services- Senior services	\$ 6,861
Rehab Publicly Residential	\$33,305
General Program Administration	\$ 4,463

Total Estimated Allocation – Oakland County	\$ 5,182
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Proposed uses include:

Public Services- Senior service	\$ 5,182
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Arrangements to reasonably accommodate special needs, including handicap accessibility or interpreter, will be made upon receiving 72-hour advance notice. Contact Sherry Necelis, Housing Director at 248.349.8030 for special services.

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The gymnasium at Northville's Cooke School is filled with students and family during the Lions Club holiday party on Dec. 12.

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MAKING CHRISTMAS MERRY FOR COOKE KIDS

Northville Public Schools operates a Center Program for students within the Western Region of Wayne County RESA at Cooke School, serving severely cognitively impaired, severely multiply impaired and dual diagnosed (cognitively and emotionally impaired) students, ages 3 years to 26 years old. The Lions Club on Dec. 12 put on a holiday party for the students and staff with music making, visits with Santa, a live strolling band and lots of good food and cheer.



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Ebony Wilson works together with her son Myles, 5, to play a Christmas tune on a series of bells. The Wilsons hail from Livonia.



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Benjamin Terrian reacts with a smile after getting a quick kiss from his grandmother Shirley while she feeds him an ice cream sandwich.



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Santa sits with DeQuindra Banks for a quick photo. Members of the AlHambra Order 217 staffed the area for photos with St. Nick.



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A strolling band entertains: (l to r) Ken Reszczyk of Fraser, Steve Zajac of Livonia, and Dave DeClark from Redford.



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- Do not take GRASTEK if you or your child has severe unstable, or uncontrolled asthma; had a severe allergic reaction in the past that included trouble breathing, dizziness or fainting, or rapid or weak heartbeat; had difficulty with breathing due to swelling of the throat or upper airway after using any sublingual immunotherapy before; has ever been diagnosed with eosinophilic esophagitis or is allergic to any of the inactive ingredients contained in GRASTEK.
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- Children should be given each tablet of GRASTEK by an adult.
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RCOC chair joins leaders backing senate road funding plan

Road Commission for Oakland County (RCOC) Chairman Greg Jamian last week joined a group of top leaders from Southeast Michigan at the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG) offices to urge the state Legislature to support the road-funding package passed recently by the Michigan Senate and supported by Gov. Rick Snyder.

In addition to Jamian, the group included Detroit Mayor Mike Duggan, Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano, Macomb County Executive Mark Hackel, SEMCOG Executive Director Kathleen Lomako and numerous representatives of county and local governments across the region, including Rochester Hills Mayor Bryan Barnett.

All the officials present urged the Legislature to move quickly to enact the Senate's road-funding proposal. The group also expressed concerns with a proposal passed by the Michigan House, which would divert revenue from the sales tax on gas from



RCOC Chairman Greg Jamian speaks at the SEMCOG event. To his left are SEMCOG Executive Director Kathleen Lomako, Detroit Mayor Mike Duggan, Macomb County Executive Mark Hackel and Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano. To Jamian's right is Rochester Hills Mayor Bryan Barnett and Washington Township Supervisor Dan O'Leary.

schools and local communities to fund roads.

"We greatly appreciate that both the Senate and the House have acknowledged we have a road-funding crisis and are working to resolve it," Jamian said. "Michigan has not invested adequately in roads for more than 50 years, and the data is clear: Our roads are in bad shape. We need additional fund-

ing to repair Michigan's roads, and we need it now."

The plan approved by the Senate would convert Michigan's 19-cent gas tax to a percentage of the wholesale price of gas, and would then increase that percentage from 9.5 percent to 15.5 percent over the next four years. In all, the bill is expected to generate between \$780 million and \$1.5 billion

per year by 2018.

The plan approved by the House would eliminate the 6-percent sales tax on gas, convert the gas tax to a percentage of the wholesale price and raise the percentage from 7.5 percent in 2016 to 13.5 percent in 2021. Currently most of the revenue from the sales tax on gas goes to Michigan's schools and the state's cities, villages and

townships through "revenue sharing."

The House proposal assumes state revenues will grow enough in coming years to make up for the lost revenue for schools and municipalities. However, if school revenues remain stagnant, the sales tax on gas would be reenacted and the increased road funding would disappear.

Jamian noted this

means there is no guarantee that road funding levels would be sustained under the House plan. "We cannot program road projects or plan future improvements without a consistent funding level," he noted. He added that waiting two years for new funding, as would be the case with the House bill, is too long.

"We need this money absolutely as soon as possible to start fixing the roads," he said.

The House and Senate are now in the process of naming a conference committee that will meet next week to try to find a compromise between the House and Senate bills before the two chambers are scheduled to break for the year at the end of this week.

"It's imperative that the Legislature gets something done next week. If they fail to do that, we will start all over again with many new members in the Legislature in January, and the likelihood of getting a road funding solution anytime soon will be minimal," Jamian said.

Retired Oakland County Road chief honored for his work

Former Road Commission for Oakland County (RCOC) Managing Director Brent O. Bair, who retired in 2011 after more than 34 years with the agency, was inducted Nov. 12 into the Michigan Transportation Hall of Honor.

The Hall of Honor, established in 1971, publicly recognizes individuals who have made an outstanding contribution to the development of Michigan's highways, roads or public transportation systems.

The Hall of Honor is a permanent display in the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT)

offices in the Van Wagoner Transportation Building in Lansing. In all, 83 people are recognized in the Hall of Honor.

Bair was recognized for his longtime leadership in the field of public roads in Michigan as well as for overseeing RCOC's implementation of a variety of cutting-edge technologies. During his tenure, the Road Commission developed the second-largest system of adaptive traffic signals in North America and became home to the highest concentration of modern roundabouts in the state.

"I am proud of many accomplishments of the Road Commission," Bair said at the Hall of Honor induction ceremony Wednesday in Lansing. "But the thing that really hits home for me is that we reduced the number of people being killed every year in traffic crashes by more than 100. That means 100 people every year who are alive today in part because of the efforts we made at the Road Commission."

During his tenure at RCOC, Bair was a leader in a number of related organizations. He was a member of the board and

past president of the County Road Association of Michigan, was a founding member and past president of the Intelligent Transportation Society of Michigan (ITS Michigan) and was a board member and past chairman of the Intelligent Transportation Society of America (ITS America). He was also a member of the board of directors of the Traffic Improvement Association of Michigan (TIA).

In addition, Bair was appointed by former Gov. Granholm to the Michigan Transportation Funding Task Force Citizen Advisory Committee

in 2007 and was actively involved in the Act 51 Study Committee during the administration of Gov. Engler.

Bair served as chairman of the Intelligent Transportation Systems Congressional Caucus Public Sector Advisory Committee, advising members of Congress on matters related to ITS.

In 2004, he was recognized on the floor of Congress for his election as chairman of ITS America. In Oakland County, Bair was a member and former chairman of the Oakland County Business Roundtable Transportation Committee.



Brent Bair receives the Hall of Honor plaque from MDOT Director Kirk Steudle.

Brief Summary



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Carefully read the Medication Guide before you or your child start taking GRASTEK and each time you get a refill. This Brief Summary does not take the place of talking to your doctor about your medical condition or treatment. Talk with your doctor or pharmacist if there is something you do not understand or you want to learn more about GRASTEK.

What is the most important information I should know about GRASTEK?

GRASTEK can cause severe allergic reactions that may be life-threatening. Stop taking GRASTEK and get medical treatment right away if you or your child has any of the following symptoms after taking GRASTEK:

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- Trouble swallowing or speaking
- Dizziness or fainting
- Rapid or weak heartbeat
- Severe stomach cramps or pain, vomiting, or diarrhea
- Severe flushing or itching of the skin

For home administration of GRASTEK, your doctor will prescribe auto-injectable epinephrine, a medicine you can inject if you or your child has a severe allergic reaction after taking GRASTEK. Your doctor will train and instruct you on the proper use of auto-injectable epinephrine. Talk to your doctor or read the epinephrine patient information if you have any questions about the use of auto-injectable epinephrine.

What is GRASTEK?

GRASTEK is a prescription medicine used for sublingual (under the tongue) immunotherapy to treat Timothy and related grass pollen allergies that can cause sneezing, runny or itchy nose, stuffy or congested nose, or itchy and watery eyes. GRASTEK may be prescribed for persons 5 through 65 years of age who are allergic to grass pollen. GRASTEK is taken for about 12 weeks before grass pollen season and throughout grass pollen season. GRASTEK may also be taken daily for 3 years to provide a sustained effect for a fourth year in which you do not have to take GRASTEK.

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Who should not take GRASTEK?

You or your child should not take GRASTEK if:

- You or your child has severe, unstable or uncontrolled asthma
- You or your child had a severe allergic reaction in the past that included any of these symptoms:
 - o Trouble breathing
 - o Dizziness or fainting
 - o Rapid or weak heartbeat
- You or your child has ever had difficulty with breathing due to swelling of the throat or upper airway after using any sublingual immunotherapy before.
- You or your child has ever been diagnosed with eosinophilic esophagitis.
- You or your child is allergic to any of the inactive ingredients contained in GRASTEK. The inactive

ingredients contained in GRASTEK are: gelatin, mannitol and sodium hydroxide.

What should I tell my doctor before taking GRASTEK?

Your doctor may decide that GRASTEK is not the best treatment if:

- You or your child has asthma, depending on how severe it is.
- You or your child suffers from lung disease such as chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD).
- You or your child suffers from heart disease such as coronary artery disease, an irregular heart rhythm, or you have hypertension that is not well controlled.
- You or your daughter is pregnant, plans to become pregnant during the time you will be taking GRASTEK, or is breast-feeding.
- You or your child is unable or unwilling to administer auto-injectable epinephrine to treat a severe allergic reaction to GRASTEK.
- You or your child is taking certain medicines that enhance the likelihood of a severe reaction, or interfere with the treatment of a severe reaction. These medicines include:
 - o beta blockers and alpha-blockers (prescribed for high blood pressure)
 - o cardiac glycosides (prescribed for heart failure or problems with heart rhythm)
 - o diuretics (prescribed for heart conditions and high blood pressure)
 - o ergot alkaloids (prescribed for migraine headache)
 - o monoamine oxidase inhibitors or tricyclic antidepressants (prescribed for depression)
 - o thyroid hormone (prescribed for low thyroid activity).

You should tell your doctor if you or your child is taking or has recently taken any other medicines, including medicines obtained without a prescription and herbal supplements. Keep a list of them and show it to your doctor and pharmacist each time you get a new supply of GRASTEK. Ask your doctor or pharmacist for advice before taking GRASTEK.

Are there any reasons to stop taking GRASTEK?

Stop GRASTEK and contact your doctor if you or your child has any of the following after taking GRASTEK:

- Any type of a serious allergic reaction
- Throat tightness that worsens or swelling of the tongue or throat that causes trouble speaking, breathing or swallowing
- Asthma or any other breathing condition that gets worse
- Dizziness or fainting
- Rapid or weak heartbeat
- Severe stomach cramps or pain, vomiting, or diarrhea
- Severe flushing or itching of the skin
- Heartburn, difficulty swallowing, pain with swallowing, or chest pain that does not go away or worsens

Also, stop taking GRASTEK following: mouth surgery procedures (such as tooth removal), or if you develop any mouth infections, ulcers or cuts in the mouth or throat.

How should I take GRASTEK?

Take GRASTEK exactly as your doctor tells you. GRASTEK is a prescription medicine that is placed under the tongue.

- Take the tablet from the blister package after carefully removing the foil with dry hands.
- Place the tablet immediately under the tongue. Allow it to remain there until completely dissolved. Do not swallow for at least 1 minute.
- Do not take GRASTEK with food or beverage. Food and beverage should not be taken for the following 5 minutes.

- Wash hands after taking the tablet.

Take the first tablet of GRASTEK in your doctor's office.

After taking the first tablet, you or your child will be watched for at least 30 minutes for symptoms of a serious allergic reaction.

If you tolerate the first dose of GRASTEK, you or your child will continue GRASTEK therapy at home by taking one tablet every day. Children should be given each tablet of GRASTEK by an adult who will watch for any symptoms of a serious allergic reaction.

Take GRASTEK as prescribed by your doctor until the end of the treatment course. If you forget to take GRASTEK, do not take a double dose. Take the next dose at your normal scheduled time the next day. If you miss more than one dose of GRASTEK, contact your healthcare provider before restarting.

What are the possible side effects of GRASTEK?

In children and adults, the most commonly reported side effects were itching of the mouth, lips, or tongue, swelling under the tongue, or throat irritation. These side effects, by themselves, were not dangerous or life-threatening. GRASTEK can cause severe allergic reactions that may be life-threatening. Symptoms of allergic reactions to GRASTEK include:

- Trouble breathing
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- Trouble swallowing or speaking
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- Severe flushing or itching of the skin

For additional information on the possible side effects of GRASTEK, talk with your doctor or pharmacist. You may report side effects to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) at 1-800-FDA-1088 or www.fda.gov/medwatch.

This Brief Summary summarizes the most important information about GRASTEK. If you would like more information, talk with your doctor. You can ask your doctor or pharmacist for information about GRASTEK that was written for healthcare professionals. For more information go to www.grastek.com or call toll-free at 1-800-622-4477.

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NEWSMAKERS

Oakland County commissioners honored for service

The Oakland County Board of Commissioners on Dec. 11 honored Commissioners Mike Bosnic, Kathy S. Crawford, Mattie McKinney Hatchett and Jim Runestad at the board's final meeting of the year.

Crawford (R) has served on the board since 2011 and was elected to the Board in November 2010. She has served as vice chairperson of the General Government Committee and was a member of the Finance Committee.

Throughout her time on the board, she has been an advocate for senior issues, serving on the Area Agency on Aging 1-B Board of Directors and the Oakland County Senior Advisory Committee, where she served as an advisor. Crawford initiated having many resolutions on senior issues. She also served as vice chairperson of the board's Ad-Hoc Webcasting Committee. She represents Novi, Novi Township and a portion of Northville in District #9.

Beginning in 2015, Crawford will begin her first term as a member of the Michigan State House of Representatives in District #38. She will serve as the representative for District #38 in the state legislature, filling the seat of her term-limited husband, Hugh.

The Commissioners' terms will officially end at 11:59 p.m. Dec. 31.

Novi's Cardenas appointed to GVSU board

City of Novi Assistant City Manager Victor Cardenas was appointed to the Board of Trustees of Grand Valley State University by Gov. Rick Snyder. The board consists of eight members,



Mahan



Cardenas



Riegner



Colon



Crawford

each serving eight-year terms.

Cardenas graduated from GVSU in 2000 with a bachelor of arts, majoring in political science, with a minor in Spanish. He went on to attend Indiana University, where he earned a master of public affairs in 2003. He has been an active alumnus of GVSU, serving on the School of Public, Nonprofit & Health Administration Advisory Board and the Champions Committee from 2008-2013. Cardenas has been a member of the GVSU Alumni Association Board of Directors since 2005.

Cardenas joined the Novi team as assistant city manager in 2010 after serving as the village manager of Brooklyn. Prior, Cardenas served as the assistant to the city manager for the City of Oak Park. He is a graduate of the Senior Executive Institute at the University of Virginia's Darden School of Business. He is a member of the International City County Management Association and the Michigan Local Government Management Association.

Quinn Law announces new attorneys, appointment

Two attorneys have joined Quinn Law Group, PLLC, an intellectual property firm in Novi, according to Christopher Quinn, founder and principal of the firm. They are Stephen T. Mahan and David A. Riegner. In addition, firm attorney Roberto Colon has been named a deputy general counsel for the Hispanic

National Bar Association.

Stephen T. Mahan secures protection for clients' intellectual property by preparing and prosecuting patent applications and related efforts. His technical focus includes both automotive and non-automotive components and systems related to controls, electromechanical devices, manufacturing systems and other technologies.

Mahan has prepared and prosecuted patents for technologies including hybrid-electric powertrain systems, electric vehicles, electro-hydraulic transmissions, power electronics, energy storage systems and electric motor/generators.

He has held engineering posts at an automotive original equipment manufacturer and at Tier 1 automotive suppliers in exhaust emission systems, fuel and air intake systems, on-board diagnostics, engine management systems and tire design among others.

Prior to joining the Quinn Law Group, Mahan practiced at another firm in southeast Michigan, where he practiced in patent preparation and prosecution.

A resident of Hartland Township, Mahan received a B.S. in agricultural engineering from Pennsylvania State University and an M. S. in engineering from Cornell University with an emphasis on electronics and instrumentation. He received his Juris Doctor magna cum laude from Michigan State University, and is admitted to the State Bar of Michigan and the United States Patent and Trademark Office as an attorney.

David A. Riegner concentrates his law practice on the preparation and prosecution of

patents in the mechanical technologies. Prior to pursuing his law degree, Riegner was an advanced development engineer at the General Motors Technical Center for 31 years. His responsibilities at General Motors included development and implementation of advanced products, materials, and manufacturing methods for both current and future vehicles.

Riegner has experience in mechanical, aerospace, materials, manufacturing, product, and systems engineering as well as global and regional engineering project management. He has extensive experience in conventional, hybrid, electric and fuel cell vehicle engineering and manufacturing. He has also worked in advanced composite materials research at the NASA Langley Research Center.

Riegner received a B.S. in mechanical and aerospace engineering with highest honors from the University of Delaware and an M.S. in engineering from Purdue University. He received a Juris Doctor magna cum laude from the Ave Maria School of Law. Riegner is licensed to practice in Michigan courts and in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan. He is also registered to practice before the United States Patent and Trademark Office. He lives in Shelby Township.

Roberto Colon, who specializes in preparing and prosecuting domestic and foreign patent applications for mechanical and electrical tech-

nologies, has been appointed one of eight deputy general counsels by the Hispanic National Bar Association (HNBA). In this role, Colon will assist the HNBA Office of the General Counsel and the HNBA National President with specific organizational issues within the General Counsel's purview for 2014-2015. Colon previously served as the HNBA vice president of Programs.

Colon received an LL.M. in Intellectual Property from Columbia Law School, and a Juris Doctor and B.S. in mechanical engineering from the University of Puerto Rico. He was a member of the editorial board for the University of Puerto Rico Law Review, and is fluent in Spanish.

Beagen appointed to EMU board

Dennis Beagen, of Northville, was appoint-

ed by Gov. Rick Snyder to the Eastern Michigan University board of regents. The eight-person board is the governing body of the University.

Beagen is communications professor at Eastern Michigan University where he previously served as acting associate provost, interim dean of continuing education, professor of communication, department head of the Department of Communication, and executive associate to provost for advancement. He earned a bachelor's degree from Eastern Michigan University, a master's degree from the University of Michigan, and an ABD from Wayne State University. He replaces Floyd Clark.

Appointees will serve eight-year terms expiring Dec. 31, 2022. Their appointments are subject to the advice and consent of the Senate.

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Auto dealer Robert Shuman will be honored for service, accomplishments at national event

Robert Shuman, president of Shuman Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram in Walled Lake, has been nominated for the 2015 TIME Dealer of the Year award.

Shuman is one of a select group of 55 dealer nominees from across the country who will be honored at the 98th annual National Automobile Dealers Association (NADA) Convention & Exposition in San Francisco, California, on Jan. 23.

The announcement of this year's nominees was made by Jed Hartman, group publisher, worldwide, TIME, and Tim Russi, president of Auto Finance for Ally Financial.

"The dealers nominated for this award are dedicated business owners, auto lovers and, most importantly, champions for their local communities, with a willingness to give back on a grand scale," Russi said. "Ally is proud to honor and support these dealers as they work today and tomorrow to build better places to live, work and do business."

In its fourth year as

exclusive sponsor, Ally will recognize dealer nominees and their community efforts by contributing \$1,000 to each nominee's 501(c)3 charity of choice. Nominees will also be recognized on AllyDealerHeroes.com, which highlights the philanthropic contributions and achievements of TIME Dealer of the Year nominees.



Shuman

Shuman, 53, was chosen to represent the Detroit Auto Dealers Association in the national competition — one of only 55 auto dealers from 17,000 nationwide — nominated for the 46th annual award. The award is sponsored by TIME in association with Ally Financial, and in cooperation with NADA. A panel of faculty members from the Tauber Institute for Global Operations at the University of Michigan will select one finalist from each of the four NADA regions and one

national Dealer of the Year.

"Helping my grandfather and my dad taught me long ago that we're not in this business solely to make a buck," nominee Shuman said. "We're in this business to help people. Sure, we've got to make a profit but, fundamentally, we're here to help our customers, our employees and our community in any way we can."

A 1979 graduate of Walled Lake Central High School, Shuman earned a B.A. with honors in accounting at Michigan State University in East Lansing in 1983 and a J.D. in law at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor in 1986. Shuman's grandfather sold Model T's in Detroit and had a used-car lot, eventually opening a Ford dealership with Shuman's father in Walled Lake in 1955. While Shuman worked at the store during high school, he chose instead to study law.

"I really didn't want anything more to do with the automobile business probably because I want-

ed to prove to myself that I could make it on my own," he said.

And he did, rising to partner in the law firm that he joined in 1986. By then, his father had already closed the Ford dealership and opened a Chrysler Plymouth store. In 1997, his father decided to retire and Shuman gave up his successful law practice to operate the dealership.

"The thought of the dealership no longer being part of the family was just unacceptable," he said. "I just have an irrational emotional attachment to the place."

He later added Dodge and Ram and rebuilt the entire store.

"My dad is now 87 years old and still occasionally helps out at the dealership," Shuman said.

Shuman is proud that his dealership has remained in the small city of Walled Lake rather than move to a highway location.

"I'm the third-generation dealer," he said. "I'm the one that is supposed to run the place into the ground. By successfully

growing and keeping the store in Walled Lake, we are able to keep supporting our local community as the Shuman family has done since 1955."

And that support includes serving on the board of directors for the Walled Lake Schools Foundation for Excellence, a group that facilitates, encourages and manages charitable contributions to the public school district. He provided a contribution to create an endowment to help students who are experiencing financial challenges pay for performing arts programs at three Walled Lake schools. Shuman was called on by the mayor to lend his leadership talents to the Walled Lake Downtown Development Authority, which monitors and spends incremental property tax income to improve business conditions in the downtown area. The mayor also appointed him to the Walled Lake Library board, which oversees the operation and budget of the city library.

A major sponsor of his

local Rotary Club's annual Walled Lake Carnival, Shuman volunteers for the club whenever he can and has been awarded a Paul Harris Fellow for his contributions. Shuman has received numerous awards including the 2014 *Detroit Free Press* Automotive Leadership Award, given to game-changing executives who pushed their organizations forward with key decision-making and charitable efforts. He is also proud of being recognized by the Mary Helen Guest Elementary School's PTA for contributing a sizable amount to a new playground project, enough to galvanize the group to reach their fundraising goal.

"I think I've made a tangible difference in this community simply by looking for ways to help," Shuman said.

Shuman was nominated for the TIME Dealer of the Year award by Rod L. Alberts, executive vice president of the Detroit Auto Dealers Association. He and his wife, Sherry, have two children.

Jewelry auctioned for Goodfellows



COURTESY

Stop in to view two Novi student-designed pendants that are available now for silent auction bids at Larson Jewelry Design, 43155 Main St. Master jeweler Brian Larson holds the competition each year, and the money collected from this year's winning bids is given to the Novi Goodfellows. Larson donates his time, resources and talent to fabricate jewelry chosen from a large stack of student entries. This year, the designs of Novi Middle School seventh-grade students Kashika Chhabra and Clarissa Rogers have been chosen for the auction. Bidding will continue through Dec. 24. A third design by Selina Huang has also been chosen and will be auctioned in March at the Green Gala to benefit the Novi Education Foundation.

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Community Financial warms hearts, homes

Community Financial Credit Union kicked off another season of the Warming Hearts & Homes charitable campaign, donating up to \$40,000 to local charities in December.

Each year for Warming Hearts & Homes, Community Financial challenges its communities to get social with the credit union. For every Facebook like, tweet or Instagram picture Community Financial receives, the credit union will donate \$25 to select nonprofits in north and southeast Michigan. These nonprofits provide heat, food, housing and clothing to low-income families of Michigan.

This year, The Heat and Warmth Fund, local food pantries, Habitat for Humanity and The Salvation Army Coats for Kids Program will each receive a portion of \$40,000 during the Warming Hearts & Homes campaign.

For more information, visit www.cfcu.org/warms.

Friedman sells 9.67 acres in Novi

Friedman Integrated Real Estate Solutions recently sold 9.67 acres

of land located at 29293 Haggerty Road in Novi. The seller, Land Holding LLC, sold the land to Haggerty Holdings, LLC. Paul Feldman, vice president, Brokerage Services at Friedman, represented the seller in this transaction.

Signature leases

Signature Associates has negotiated the lease of 12,000 square feet of industrial space located at 28990 Wixom Road, Wixom. Jim Montgomery of Signature Associates represented both the landlord, Toebe Construction, and the tenant, Citiwide.

Signature Associates has negotiated the lease of 17,296 square feet of industrial space located at 40100 Grand River Ave., Novi. Steve Kozak and Kris Pawlowski of Signature Associates represented the landlord, Brewer Properties. Kozak and Steve Gordon, also of Signature Associates, represented the tenant, Kip Sheward Motorsports.

InvestNovi.org has a new look

The economic development website InvestNovi.org is boasting a brand new look. The refreshed format is aimed at providing seamless viewing on all

devices utilizing responsive web design.

The site provides updated business and community profile information used by site selectors to attract national and international businesses. The site also provides updated news and events for existing businesses in Novi.

InvestNovi.org is an all-inclusive site for doing business in the city and connecting businesses to resources for growth and expansion.

Novi's temporary additional sign permits

To assist the Novi retail business community during the holiday shopping season, Novi's City Council has passed a resolution allowing temporary relief of the "temporary promotional event" signage authorization in the sign ordinance.

Visit investnovi.org to learn more about the requirements and download the Promotional Sign Permit Application.

Novi Business Recognition Awards

Nominations are now open for the Novi Chamber of Commerce 2014 Business Recognition Awards. This is an opportunity for Novi com-

panies to be recognized for their great work as community builders, excellent employers or providing phenomenal customer service. Nominations are open until Jan. 5.

Award winners will be honored at the Toast of the Town Gala on Feb. 27, at the Baronette Renaissance hotel with Chuck Gaidica as emcee.

Visit novichamber.com for more information and to obtain a nomination form.

AccessPoint announces charitable partnership

Novi-based AccessPoint announced a new charitable partnership opportunity for its clients and worksite employees. Members of AccessPoint's leadership team, working in conjunction with industry partners, implemented a voluntary payroll deduction program and are calling on their business partners and employees to join with AccessPoint in giving back to its communities.

AccessPoint recently partnered with Hope for the Warriors, a Department of Defense endorsed service organization that assists the men and women of our military as they make the often difficult transition from the battlefield to civilian life.

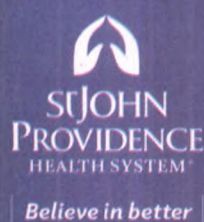
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1 Mile West of I-75 734-844-3455
\$5.50 BARGAIN TWILIGHT DAILY 4:00-6:00
SHOWTIMES 12/19 - 12/24 No passes
TITLES & TIMES SUBJECT TO CHANGE
Last shows of Christmas Eve will start no later than 5pm. First shows on Christmas Day will start after 3pm.
NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM: SECRET OF THE TOMB (PG)
FRI-TUE 11:10, 12:00, 1:30, 2:20, 4:20, 4:45, 6:45, 7:05, 9:00, 9:30
FRI/SAT LS 12:00
WED 11:10, 12:00, 1:30, 2:20, 4:20, 4:45
ANNIE (PG)
FRI-TUE 1:00, 4:00, 6:40, 9:20
WED 1:00, 4:00
THE HOBBIT: THE BATTLE OF THE FIVE ARMIES (PG-13)
FRI-TUE 11:30, 12:15, 2:40, 6:05, 6:35, 9:10 FRI/SAT LS 11:15
WED 11:30, 12:15, 2:40
D-BOX FRI-TUE 12:15, 6:35
WED 12:15
3D THE HOBBIT: THE BATTLE OF THE FIVE ARMIES (PG-13)
\$2.50 PREMIUM PER 3D TICKET
D-BOX FRI-TUE 3:25, 9:40
WED 3:25
EXODUS: GODS AND KINGS (PG-13)
FRI-TUE 11:40, 3:00, 6:15, 9:25
WED 11:40, 3:00
HUNGER GAMES: MOCKINGJAY PART 1 (PG-13)
FRI-TUE 12:40, 4:10, 7:10, 9:55
WED 12:40, 4:10

DFCU Financial donates \$5,000 to Walled Lake educational foundation

DFCU Financial donated \$5,000 to the Walled Lake Schools Foundation for Excellence to promote student achievement and professional development within the Walled Lake Consolidated School District.

The Foundation for Excellence is one of four educational organizations receiving donations from DFCU Financial this year, raising the sum of Michigan's largest credit union's total contributions to community education to more than \$500,000 in the past decade.

"DFCU Financial invests a significant

amount of resources and effort into positively impacting the communities that surround us," said Mark Shobe, president and CEO, DFCU Financial. "By awarding this \$5,000 grant to the Walled Lake Schools Foundation for Excellence, we are supporting a financial literacy program for high school students and funding middle school math initiatives that empower students to develop skills and positive financial habits that will remain with them throughout their lives."

Each year, DFCU Fi-

ancial donates thousands of dollars to public school districts across the state of Michigan to support education and help children become financially literate and develop positive, long-lasting financial habits. In addition, the organization works directly with school districts to provide financial education in classrooms and at local branches.

"As a result of DFCU Financial's support, we are able to better develop critical skills used inside and outside of the classroom," said Michelle Bianco, executive direc-

tor, Walled Lake Schools Foundation for Excellence. "We truly appreciate this donation and will work together to develop creative, impactful initiatives that position our students and community for short- and long-term success."

Founded in 1991, the Foundation for Excellence is a nonprofit organization committed to advancing ways for children to learn. It works with teachers, families and business leaders to subsidize a variety of activities and programs in schools that are not funded by tax dollars.



TRACY BINS

Peggy Richard, senior communications specialist, DFCU Financial, and Michelle Bianco, executive director FFE.

Your Invitation to

Worship

Brighton

HOLY SPIRIT ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL
www.hsrrcc.net
at the corner of Winans Lake & Musch Rd.
810-231-9199
Fr. John Rocus, Pastor
Weekend Liturgies Saturday 4:00 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.
Please visit our Shroud of Turin Display and Book & Gift Shop

Milford

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH
Preschool, Pre-K & Kdg. - Mo. Synod
620 General Motors Rd., Milford
Church office: (248) 684-0885
Worship Services: Sunday 8:30 am & 11:00 am
Bible Study: Sunday 9:45 am
Nursery Available
Rev. Martin Dressler
LO-0000219709

BRIGHTMOOR CHRISTIAN CHURCH
40800 W. 13 Mile Road, Novi
on the corner of M-5 & W 13
Sundays 9:15a & 11:15a
www.brightmoorcc.org
something for the entire family

HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH
24505 Meadowbrook Rd., Novi, MI 48375
Saturday 4:30 p.m. (English) & 6:30 p.m. (Spanish)
Sunday: 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. & 12:30 p.m.
Fr. Bob LaCroix, Pastor
Fr. Beto Espinoza, Associate
Parish Office: 349-6847 • www.holyfamilynovi.org

Walled Lake

CROSSPOINT COMMUNITY CHURCH
1850 S. Commerce Rd.
Walled Lake, MI 48390
Sunday Services: 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.
Wednesday Evening: 7 p.m. All Ages
Rev. Kenneth Warren - 586-531-2021
www.cpcnow.com

FIRST BAPTIST OF MILFORD
VISITORS WELCOME!
133 Detroit St., Milford • 248-684-5695
Pastor Steve Swayze
Sunday School (all ages) 9:30 a.m. • Sunday Worship - 11 a.m.
Young Adults Dinner/Bible Study, Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.
Wednesdays, 6:45-8:15 p.m.
Awana, 3 yrs old thru 5th grade (Sept.-March)
and Youth Group for 6th grade and older
Website: milfordbaptist.org

FAITH COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
44400 W. 10 Mile, Novi, 248-349-2345
1/2 mile west of Novi Rd.
www.faithcommunity-novi.org
248-348-7757 • www.mbcc.org
WORSHIP AND SUNDAY SCHOOL - 10 AM
"Children, Youth and Adult Ministries"

HOLY CROSS EPISCOPAL
40700 W. Ten Mile Rd. • 248-427-1175
Sunday Worship 7:45 am & 10 am
Healing Service Wednesday 11:45 am
Rev. Ann Webber, Rector
holycrossnovi@gmail.com
LO-0000219718

Whitmore Lake

FELLOWSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH
10774 Nine Mile Road
Rev. M. Lee Taylor • 449-2582
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.
Worship, 11:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening, 7:00 p.m.

MILFORD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Pastor Bryant Anderson
238 N. Main Street, Milford MI (248) 684-2805
www.milfordpc.org
Sunday Worship: 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School age 3 thru 5th grade @ 10 a.m.
Youth Group 10 am - Grades 6-12
A heritage of area worship since 1836

MEADOWBROOK CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
21355 Meadowbrook Rd. in Novi at 8 1/2 Mile
248-348-7757 • www.mbcc.org
Sunday Worship 10 a.m.
Rev. Arthur Ritter, Senior Minister
LO-0000219713

OAK POINTE CHURCH
50200 W. 10 Mile Road, Novi
Saturday Worship 5:15 p.m.,
Sunday 9:15 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.
Casual, contemporary service
Phone (248) 912-0043
www.oakpointe.org

Highland

HIGHLAND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
680 W. Livingston Rd. • Highland, MI 48357
248-887-1311 • www.myhucm.com
Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
Kids Church: 9:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.
MS & HS Youth: 11:00 a.m.
Wed is MS Youth Night: 6:30 p.m.
Griefshare, Mondays, 6:30 p.m.

Milford United Methodist Church
1200 Atlantic St., Milford, MI 48391
Sunday Worship: 8:30 am, 10:30 am, 6:00 pm
Children's Church: 10:30 am
Groups for Children, Youth and Adults
248-684-2798

ST. JAMES ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH NOVI
46325 10 Mile Rd. • Novi, MI 48374
Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 8, 9:30 & 11:30 a.m.
Msgr John Kasza, Pastor
Parish Office: 347-7778

NOVI UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
41671 W. Ten Mile Road • Novi, MI 48375
Sunday Worship 9:45 a.m.
Rev. James M. Smith, Pastor
248-349-2652
www.umcnovi.com
"Loving God, loving each other and living our core values"

South Lyon

New Hudson

NEW HUDSON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
56730 Grand River Avenue • New Hudson MI 48165
(248) 437-6212 • Gerald S. Hunter, Pastor
Sunday School & Bible Class - 9:30 a.m.
Worship - 10:30 a.m.
www.newhudsonumc.org

WEST HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH
1116 S. Hickory Ridge Rd., Milford, MI 48380
248-687-1218
Sunday Worship 9 am & 11:15 am
Wed. Kids-6:30 pm/Adults-6:45 pm
Also Small Groups / Ministry Teams

The Church of Christ
21860 Pontiac Trail • South Lyon, MI 48178
248-437-3585 • www.southlyoncoc.org
9:30 a.m. Sunday School,
10:30 a.m. Praise and Worship
Wednesday Midweek Ministries 7 p.m.
Troy Singleton, Minister
LO-0000219717

CROSS OF CHRIST LUTHERAN
(Missouri Synod)
Pastor Terry Nelson
437-8810 • 486-4335
Griswold Rd. at 10 Mile
Worship: 10 a.m.; Sunday School: 10 a.m.;
Adult Bible Study: 9 a.m.
LO-0000219722

NEW HOPE - A Unitarian Universalist Congregation
57855 Grand River Ave., New Hudson, MI 48165
Phone 248-474-9108
Sunday Celebration of Life Service 10:30 a.m.
Rev. Suzanne Paul, Minister
Website: http://www.newhopeuu.org

Freedom Life Church
Where the Spirit of the Lord is,
there is Freedom - Cor 3:7
1208 E. Commerce, Milford
Worship: Sun 11am, Wed 7pm
We are here through Christ Jesus
to provide Freedom to those who
are hurting, diseased, addicted
LO-0000219863 and depressed.

Fellowship Evangelical Presbyterian Church
22200 Pontiac Trail (S of 9 Mile)
Sunday Worship @ 9:30 am
Sunday School @ 11 am
Wednesday mid-week programs
Rev. David Brown, Pastor
248-437-2222 • www.fellowshippepc.org

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF SOUTH LYON
60820 Marjorie Ann St., South Lyon 48178
Phone: 248-437-2983
Sunday School 9:45 a.m. • Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
Evening Service 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.
Senior Pastor: Rob Freshour / Assoc. Pastor: Randy Weeks
Website: www.fbcsouthlyon.com
• Email: fbcsouthlyon@sbcglobal.net

Northville

First Presbyterian Church of Northville
www.fpcnorthville.org
200 E. MAIN ST. AT HUTTON
Worship, 9:30 am.
Sunday School for all ages, 10:30 am.
248-349-0911

First United Methodist Church Northville
(248) 349-1144
777 West 8 Mile Road
(8 Mile and Taft Road)
Northville, Michigan
Worship Times: September - May 9:15 & 11:00 a.m.
Memorial Day - Labor Day 10:00 a.m.
Rev. Marsha M. Woolley, Lead Pastor
www.fumnorthville.org

first united methodist church south lyon, mi
640 S. Lafayette (248) 437-0760
Worship: 8:15 am, 10:45 am,
11 am & 6:30 pm
Sunday School: 9:40 am
Rev. Sandra Willobee, Lead Pastor
southlyonfirstumc.org

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN
Wisconsin Synod • Reynold Sweet Pkwy.
at Liberty St.
Sunday Service 10:00 a.m.
All Classes 9:00
Pastor Scott Miller, (248) 437-1651

NORTHVILLE CHRISTIAN
Experience Life Each Week
Sunday Worship - 9:00 am & 10:15 am
Sunday School and Children's Programs
www.ncalife.org
41355 Six Mile Road
248-348-9030

WARD CHURCH
40000 Six Mile Road
Northville, MI 48168
248 374 7400
Sunday Worship Services
8 a.m. | 9:30 a.m. | 11 a.m.
4 different music styles from classic to modern
www.wardchurch.org

Shepherd's Way Lutheran Church, ELCA
59255 10 Mile Rd.
South Lyon MI 48178
Sunday Worship 9:00 AM
Education Hour 10:15 AM
Rev. Bart Muller, Pastor
248-573-7320
www.shepherdswaysouthlyon.org

CROSSROADS COMMUNITY CHURCH
28900 Pontiac Trail • South Lyon
248-486-0400
www.ecrossroads.net
Service Times
8:45am, 10:00am & 11:30am
Christmas Eve Services
5:30pm & 7pm

OUR LADY OF VICTORY CATHOLIC CHURCH
133 Orchard Dr., Northville
WEEKEND LITURGIES Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday, 7:30, 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m.
Church 349-2621, School 349-3610
Religious Education 349-2559
Rev. Denis Theroux, Pastor

Our Saviour Apostolic Lutheran Church
54899 8 Mile Rd. at Currie Rd. Northville, MI 48167
248-374-2268
Sunday Worship:
9:45 am Children's & Adult's Sunday School
10:30 am Fellowship/Coffee
11:00 am Worship Service
Wednesday Bible Study at 7 pm
Pastor Andy Whitten
oursaviouralc.com

SOLID ROCK BIBLE CHURCH
Loving God and Loving People
22183 Pontiac Trail • 248-486-4400
(In Brookdale Shopping Center,
behind Powerhouse Gym)
SUNDAY WORSHIP: 10:00 A.M.
Reed Heckmann, Pastor/Teacher
www.solidrocksouthlyon.com

Livonia

FELLOWSHIP PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Services held at:
Saint Andrews Episcopal Church
16360 Hubbard Road - Livonia
South of Six Mile Road
Adult Sunday School 9:20 - 10:15 a.m. Worship 10:20 a.m.
Children's Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
Dr. James N. McGuire • Nursery Provided

For more information regarding this Directory, please call Sue Sare at 248-926-2219 or e-mail: ssare@hometownlife.com

RELIGION CALENDAR

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

Brightmoor Christian

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

Celebrate Recovery

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

Church of the Holy Family

Location: 24505 Meadowbrook Road.
Contact: 248-349-8847 or visit holymfamilynovi.org.

Mass Schedule

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

Holy days: 9 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Reconciliation: beginning 9 a.m. Saturdays or by appointment.

Priests: the Rev. Bob LaCroix, pastor, and the Rev. Beto Espinoza, associate pastor.

AA: 8 p.m. Wednesdays.

Crosspointe Meadows

Location: 29000 Meadowbrook Road, south of 13 Mile.
Contact: 248-669-9400, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday-Thursday or visit crosspointemeadows.org.
Sunday worship: 11 a.m.
Bible study classes: 10 a.m. for

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

Destiny Worship Center

Location: Ridge Wood Elementary School, 49775 Six Mile, Northville.
Contact: DestinyW3C@gmail.com or visit www.DW3C.org.

Emmanuel Lutheran

Location: 34567 Seven Mile, Livonia.
Web: www.emmanuel-livonia.org.
Contact: 248-442-8822.

Sunday worship: 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.

Youth group: 7 p.m. Wednesdays.

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

Christmas Eve Services: 5 p.m. family worship; 7 and 11 p.m. traditional family worship. All services include candle lighting and holy communion.

Sunday, Dec 28: one worship service at 9:30 a.m.

Faith Community Presbyterian Church

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

First Baptist Church of Northville

Location: 217 N. Wing.
Contact: 248-348-1020.

Sunday Worship: 10:45 a.m. and 5:45 p.m.

Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.

Ladies Bible Study: 9:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Tuesdays.

Men's Bible Study: 9 a.m. first Saturday of every month.

First Church of the Nazarene

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

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

Thursday: 6 a.m. Men of Purpose Prayer Group and Bible Study.

Tuesday: 9:25 a.m. Women of the Word Bible Study — the Books of Ruth and Esther

Wednesday: 5:30 p.m. family dinner; 6:30 p.m. Caravan Scouting program for ages 4 through fourth grade; Club 56 for fifth and sixth graders; Surge Youth Group, Bible Study with Pastor Troy Ogle; and Little Critters for preschool age.

First Presbyterian Church of Northville

Location: 200 E. Main.
Contact: 248-349-0911 or visit www.fpcnorthville.org.

Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School: 10:30 a.m. (for all ages).

First Presbyterian Church

Location: 205 E. Lake St. (corner of Wells and 10 Mile), South Lyon.
Contact: 248-437-2875.

First Presbyterian Church

Location: 26165 Farmington Road, Farmington.

First United Methodist Church of Northville

Location: 777 W. Eight Mile, Northville.

Contact: 248-349-1144 or www.fumcnorthville.org.

Sunday Worship (September-May): 9:15 and 11 a.m.

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

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

Location: 41415 Nine Mile,

corner of Meadowbrook Road, Novi.

Contact: 248-349-0565.

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

Holy Cross Episcopal

Location: 40700 W. 10 Mile.

Contact: 248-427-1175 or holycrossnovi@gmail.com; visit holyCROSSnovi.org.

Sunday Worship: 7:45 and 10 a.m.

Sunday School and Nursery Care: 10 a.m. worship service.

Alzheimer's Support Group: 10 a.m. second Saturday of month.

Hope Lutheran Church

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

Lakes Baptist Church

Location: 309 Decker Road, Walled Lake.

Livonia Church of Christ

Location: 15431 Merriman, Livonia.

Contact: 734-427-8743 or visit www.livoniachurch.net.

Sunday Worship: 11 a.m.

Bible School: Sunday 10 a.m.; Wednesday 7 p.m.

Legacy Church

(formerly First Baptist Church and Orchard Hills Baptist Church)

Location: 23455 Novi Road, Novi.

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

Sunday School/Small Groups for all ages: 9:45 a.m.

Worship Services: 11 a.m.

Bible Study/Prayer: Wednesday 7 p.m.

Meadowbrook Congregational Church

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

Contact: the Rev. Arthur P. Ritter, senior minister, at 248-348-7757; visit mbccc.org; or email to office@mbccc.org.

Sunday Worship: 10 a.m.

Church School and Nursery Care: provided during worship.

Fellowship Hour: 11 a.m.

Christmas Eve Worship: 6 p.m. (children's message and nativity scene) and 9 p.m. (adult choir and harp).

NorthRidge Church

Location: 49555 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth.

Phone: 734-233-3621.

Email: pheaton@northridgechurch.com.

Northville Christian Assembly

Location: 41355 Six Mile.

Contact: 248-348-9030; ncalife.org.

Sundays: 9-10 a.m. Sunday School for adults/youth/children; 9 a.m. Contemporary service in sanctuary; 10:15 a.m.: Contemporary service in worship center; children's super church on the second level (208/210).

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

Novi-Northville Center for Jewish Life

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

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

Novi United Methodist

Location: 41671 W. 10 Mile.

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

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Novi-United-Methodist-Church/59782031433>.

Sunday Worship: 9:45 a.m.

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

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

Oak Pointe Church

Location: 50200 W. 10 Mile, Novi.

Contact: 248-912-0043.

Web: www.oakpointe.org/lifegroups.

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

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

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

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

Our Savior Apostolic Lutheran Church

Location: 54899 Eight Mile, Northville.

Contact: 248-374-2268.

Children (5-10) & Adult Sunday School: 10 a.m.

Bible Study: Wednesdays at 7 p.m.

Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church

Location: 47650 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth Township.

Contact: 734-453-0326, Ext. 221.

Our Lady of Victory

Location: 132 Orchard Drive, Northville.

Contact: 248-349-2621 or olvnorthville.org.

Saturday Worship: 5 p.m.

Sunday Worship: 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m.

Our Shepherd Presbyterian Church

Location: 1200 S. Sheldon, Plymouth.

Contact: pastor Bill Burke at 734-927-0891.

Wednesday Bible Study: 7 p.m.

Sunday Bible Study: 9:30 a.m.

Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m. with fellowship and food after service.

Our Savior Apostolic Lutheran Church

Location: 54899 Eight Mile, Northville.

Pentecostals of Novi

Location: Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. 10 Mile.

Contact: 248-697-8158 or visit www.thepentecostalsofnovi.org.

Plymouth St. John's Episcopal Church

Location: 574 S. Sheldon in Plymouth.

Contact: 734-453-0190, Ext. 16, or visit www.stjohnsplymouth.org.

Praise Baptist Church

Location: 45000 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth.

Contact: 734-748-3898.

Prince of Peace Lutheran

Location: 28000 New Market Road, Farmington Hills.

Phone: 248-553-3380

Fall Support Groups: Hosting two separate fall support groups: "Hope for Tomorrow" for those grieving and "Through the Fire" for those needing divorce recovery. These free support groups will meet at 7 p.m. Thursdays in the fellowship hall area. These classes will offer strength, courage and hope to individuals as they go through the process of grief and/or divorce. Space is limited. Please call the church office to pre-register or for more information.

Free monthly movie: *Polar Express* will be shown at 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 19 with a potluck dinner.

St. James Catholic

Location: 46325 10 Mile, Novi.

Contact: 248-347-7778.

Pastor: Monsignor John Kasza.

Mass schedule: 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Sunday; 9 a.m. Monday-Tuesday; 7 p.m. Wednesday; 5 p.m. Saturday.

St. John Lutheran Church

Location: 23225 Gill, Farmington Hills.

Contact: 248-474-0584 or visit stjohn-lutheran.com.

Saturday Worship: 5:30 p.m.

Sunday Worship: 9, 11:15 a.m.

Sunday School: 10:15 a.m.

St. Paul's Lutheran

Location: 201 Elm St., Northville.

Contact: 248-349-3140.

Unity of Farmington Hills

Location: 32500 W. 13 Mile, Farmington.

Contact: 248-737-9191; AdministrativeDirector@unityfh.com.

Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church

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

Web: www.wardchurch.org.

Contact: 248-374-7400.

Sunday Worship: 8 a.m. Liturgical in the Chapel; 9:30 a.m. Contemporary in the Sanctuary; 11 a.m. Traditional in the Sanctuary; 11a.m. Post-Contemporary in Knox Hall.

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

Passages

Obituaries, Memories & Remembrances

How to reach us: 1-800-579-7355 • fax 313-496-4968 • www.mideathnotices.com

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

BROWN, RUTH R.
April 8, 1926-December 9, 2014
L.J. Griffin Funeral Home-Northrop Sassinan Chapel.

BUCKLEY, ANN

A resident of White Lake and a retired Elementary Teacher for Waterford Schools, passed away peacefully on December 14, 2014, surrounded by her family. She is survived by her husband of 50 years, Daniel Buckley; son, Kevin Buckley; grandson, Mason Buckley; father, Charles Mastro; sister, Jane (Michael) McDaniels, extended family, friends and her favorite horse, Coupe. A Memorial gathering will be held at Milford House Restaurant, Thursday, December 18th, 2014 from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Alzheimer's Association or to University of Michigan Health System, directed to C.S. Mott-Cancer. For further information phone Lynch & Sons, Milford at 248-684-6645 or visit www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com

COLLIER, KENNETH P.

Age 58, passed away December 13, 2014. He was born on June 1, 1956 in Northville, son of the late John & Lucille Collier. Ken was a lover of country music and nature. He will be remembered for living life on the edge. He is survived by his loving children: Vanessa (Brian) Holden, Jacob Collier, and Luke (Sheena) Collier and his grandchildren: Aaron, Spencer, Leila, and Bella. He is also survived by his brother, Doug (Donna) Collier; his sister, Cindy Lou Collier and his nephews. Ken was preceded in death by his parents. Visitation will be held on Wednesday, December 17 from 4:00PM-8:00PM with a funeral service being held on Thursday, December 18 at 11:00AM at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, 122 W. Lake St., South Lyon. Memorial contributions may be made to Phillips Funeral Home.
www.phillipsfuneral.com



DeANGELIS, GEORGE

November 21, 1920 - December 14, 2014. A memorial service to be held at a later date.
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Police: Be alert, stay safe when holiday shopping

By Julie Brown
Staff Writer

You can't eliminate the possibility of being a crime victim when out shopping, but common-sense tips from police can reduce that likelihood.

"Make sure you lock your car," Cmdr. Dave Stasch of the Farmington Hills Police Department said. He also urges you to shop in nearby, well-lit areas and to put shopping packages and gifts out of site, "preferably in the trunk."

Purses should be carried close to your body, said Stasch, who heads up the Hills Administrative Bureau, including crime prevention. "Make sure you close your purse and carry your strap across your body," he said.

"If you have a concern of a suspicious person, certainly notify security or the police," Stasch said. Men can carry their wallets in a zippered pocket or a front pants pocket, he said, to reduce chances of a pickpocket striking.

"These days, most parking lots are well-lit," Chief Tom Tiderington of the Plymouth Township Police Department said. He noted if you see someone by your vehicle upon your return, it's advisable to go back to a populated area such as the mall for help if you're fearful.

"Certainly you want to make your way back in a well-lit area," said Tiderington, who agreed busy holidays can distract some shoppers. "A lot of times, people are preoccupied. They lose track of their surroundings."

He said you should immediately lock your car doors when you get in, rather than delaying, to make a call, for example. "They're vulnerable after they get inside the car if the vehicle's not locked," he said. Agreeing with such

advice is Deputy Chief Todd Adams of the Westland Police Department, who said, "One of the main things is to not leave your gifts in plain view."

Having your car keys in hand when returning to your car is also vital, Adams said, "so that they don't present themselves as a target. Pay attention to your surroundings," he urged, and don't text on your phone while in the parking lot. "They become a target that way. Stay off the cell-phone," Adams said.

"Don't flash your cash around," he added. "People are watching you. You become an easy target."

Criminals look for the easiest opportunity when committing a crime. Shoppers, women especially, can be vulnerable to such crimes as theft, robbery, and assault. These crime prevention tips from Canton police aim to make shopping as safe as possible:

» Be alert and aware of your surroundings at all times. Knowing who and what is around you can help you avoid being surprised. It also allows you time to react if something does appear suspicious.

» Display confidence. Criminals choose the victim who looks like the easiest target. That choice is partially based on their perception about your abilities to react to an attack. If you walk with purpose, scan the area around you and make casual eye contact with others, you are displaying confidence.

» Trust your instincts. Your body will tell you when someone or something is suspicious. If you have an intuitive feeling something is wrong, do not second-guess yourself. React immediately and take action to reduce your risk.

» Carry only what you need. Extra cash, credit

cards, checks, jewelry and other items should be left at home. If it is necessary to carry a purse, keep it in front and close to your body. Men should keep wallets out of back pockets, where they are easily stolen. Carry wallets in front coat pockets or use a money clip as an alternative.

» Don't be overburdened with packages. Carrying several shopping bags makes you look vulnerable. Request a store to hold your merchandise until you are finished with your shopping. If the store does not offer that service, place your purchases in the trunk of your car before you buy additional items.

» Shop with others. The chance of being victimized drops dramatically when you are with a companion. If there are three or more people together, the chance of being targeted for crime is 90 percent less than when alone.

» Ask for an escort. Many retailers have security personnel. Ask for an escort to your vehicle if you are uneasy about venturing into the parking lot alone.

» Be prepared. Have your keys in hand when walking to your vehicle. The keys can be used as a defensive weapon and you will not waste time trying to find them when standing outside your vehicle. Carry a whistle or personal alarm. These devices will alert those around you something is wrong.

» Plan ahead. Choose areas to park where lighting is good and activity is high. Be sure to lock the car at all times. Most auto burglaries occur on cars that are left unlocked.

"Have a happy holiday," said Farmington Hills' Stasch, noting his city rates well nationwide in safety for communities its size. Tiderington agreed

Sing-along



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER
George and Caroline Giese lead a Dec. 10 Christmas carol sing-along at the Novi Senior Center on Meadowbrook. The husband-wife duo host a sing-along on the second Wednesday of each month at the center.

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FORGOTTEN HEROES

Military working dogs honored, revered at Michigan War Dog Memorial and cemetery

By Joanne Maliszewski
Staff Writer

A general who had fought in the Korean

War told a story of a man and a dog.

As the story goes, as told by Phil Weitlauf, president of the Michi-

gan War Dog Memorial, soldiers accompanied by a German Shepherd K-9 partner, approached a bridge they intended to cross.

The dog sat down and wouldn't budge. Some soldiers forged ahead

and checked the bridge. They couldn't find what was upsetting the dog. So, the soldiers began to move out. The dog took two steps and again sat down. And again soldiers investigated.

This time, however, they found explosives ready to blow in the middle of the bridge. "The dog could hear the wires," said Weitlauf, who spoke to the Xemplar Club on Wednesday in downtown Farmington.

"You can hear these stories over and over again," said the Milford resident.

Perhaps little known, K-9 military dogs have long accompanied soldiers on their missions, going as far back as World War I. Weitlauf and other veterans in 2010 decided that the War Dog Memorial cemetery in Lyon Township — long ignored and in disrepair — needed attention and the respect it deserved.

As they rolled up their sleeves and began cutting down overgrown weeds and grass, another 50 residents, some just passersby, jumped in and helped clean up the 2-acre cemetery that was begun in 1936.

Thanks to Boy Scouts who conducted a survey, the cemetery contains 2,158 graves of dogs that have served, including Blizzard who died in 1937 after he joined in an expedition to the Antarctic, as well as Sgt. Sparks, a doberman who passed away in 1947 following four major battle campaigns.

By 2012, the cemetery's owner gave up the property to the Michigan War Dog Memorial, an effort that is supported through the organization, donations, veterans and volunteers.

Each of the dog graves represents a story of courage and sacrifice, Weitlauf told Xemplar Club members. He told another story of a young soldier on his first patrol in Vietnam. "He was scared to death," Weitlauf said. But he survived that first encounter with the enemy and then had an idea.

He offered to be a handler for a war dog, assuming that would keep him out of the line of fire. Unfortunately, the young man didn't



Phil Weitlauf, president of the Michigan War Dog Memorial, with his pet, Ziva, spoke at the Xemplar Club this week.



This monument welcomes visitors to the Michigan War Dog Memorial and cemetery at 11 Mile and Milford Road in Lyon Township.

realize that when you are the handler of a scout dog — you're back on patrol.

Sure enough, the soldiers were headed into a rice paddy. The dog stopped cold just a split second before a mortar landed and injured his handler. While the fighting continued, the dog not only wouldn't leave the injured man, he dragged him to cover and saved his life.

"They will bond with you and protect you with their lives," said Weitlauf, who was accompanied to the Xemplar Club with his dog, Siva, an ambassador for the War Dog Memorial.

"This is something we have to acknowledge and respect them for," he continued.

The use of dogs as scouts isn't limited to recent conflicts. In World War I, dogs were used as messengers, accompanied ambulances and were trained to find wounded soldiers. "There were very few records kept then," Weit-

lauf said. But in World War II, dogs played a large role, including leading and protecting soldiers in the jungles of the Pacific battles. In 1942, the U.S. government put out a request for "Dogs for Defense," asking Americans to donate their dog for the war effort. More than 20,000 dogs were donated.

Some 15,000 soldiers were saved by war dogs, while 10,000 lives were saved in Vietnam. In Korea, 28 dogs saved some 3,000 lives. At the same time, a smaller percentage of the dogs were killed in action.

In World War II, of 2,800 dogs, 250 were killed in action and 250 died from disease or heat exhaustion. In Vietnam where 4,000 dogs were used, 550 were killed in action and 300 died due to the heat. "They are America's forgotten heroes," Weitlauf added.

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OUR VIEWS

Don't take holiday drinks on the road

We say the same thing every year about this time, and we always hope someone's paying attention: If you celebrate this holiday season with a drink in your hand, don't take it on the road.

We join with voices from organizations like Mothers Against Drunk Driving and local law enforcement agencies — but is anyone listening?

When Mothers Against Drunk Drivers launched their red ribbon campaign in 1984, 897 lives were lost on Michigan roads as a result of crashes involving alcohol (or 59 percent of all traffic fatalities). That number has dropped dramatically over the years, but, as we see it, one alcohol-related death is one death too many.

In Michigan, a blood alcohol concentration (BAC) of .08 or greater is the level at which a driver is considered legally intoxicated. According to MADD, drunk driving fatalities with a .08 BAC or higher represented 28 percent (259) of all total traffic deaths in Michigan in 2012. There was a total of 5,471 alcohol-related crash injuries and 10,014 alcohol-related crashes in which the BAC was .01 or higher. The taxpayer subsidy of drunken driving fatalities was \$1.3 billion.

Predictably, driving danger is higher than average during holiday periods. The U.S. National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism reports that 40 percent of traffic-related deaths during Christmas and New Year's involve drunk drivers.

According to MADD, drunk driving fatalities with a .08 BAC or higher represented 28 percent (259) of all total traffic deaths in Michigan in 2012.

This week police agencies around the country have launched the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's "Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over." Due to the increase in drunk driving-related fatalities around

the holidays each year, law enforcement agencies will be out in force through Jan. 1 actively searching for drunk drivers.

The facts are grim: in December 2012 there were 830 people killed in crashes involving at least one driver or motorcycle operator with a BAC of .08 or higher; 26 of those deaths occurred on Christmas Day. On average, a third (31 percent) of all crash fatalities in America involves drunk driving. But on Christmas day 2012, the percentage jumped to 36 percent.

You think it can't happen to you, of course. You know it can't, because you're not a drunk driver. But consider this: there is the same amount of alcohol in one regular beer (12 ounces, 5 percent alcohol), one glass of wine (5 ounces, 12 percent alcohol), one glass of fortified wine (3 ounces, 20 percent alcohol) and one shot of spirits (1.5 ounces, 40 percent alcohol).

Four drinks will elevate blood-alcohol level of a 160-pound man to 0.09, which is legally drunk in Michigan. That's four 12-ounce beers, glasses of wine or four shots of hard liquor. A 140-pound woman hits the same level with just three drinks.

With a 0.02-0.03 BAC, you could experience a loss of coordination, feel a slight euphoria and loss of shyness, and be mildly relaxed and maybe a little light headed. With a 0.04-0.06 BAC, there may be some minor impairment of reasoning and memory, a lowering of caution. Your behavior may become exaggerated and emotions intensified.

With a 0.07-0.09 BAC, you will probably believe that you are functioning better than you really are. There will be slight impairment of balance, speech, vision, reaction time and hearing. Your judgment and self-control are reduced and caution, reason and memory are impaired.

It's the holidays, and we're not saying adults shouldn't drink. By all means celebrate the holidays; those who choose to drink should drink responsibly, and don't drive after you've been drinking.

And we'll keep saying it until we're sure everybody's listening.



The National Highway and Traffic Administration and local law enforcement agencies are asking holiday revelers to "Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over."

COMMUNITY VOICE

What are your favorite memories of 2014?

This was asked of various people in the Novi community.



"My time with my family, whether it's a movie night or a new place to explore, will ALWAYS be my favorite memories. Being able to see your kids grow up to be amazing young leaders is a gift. In my new position as project-based learning (PBL) specialist for Novi Community Schools District, my best memories were growing teacher leaders in their understanding of PBL and building student engagement."

Myla Lee
Novi Community Schools



"My favorite memory is when my daughter tried out for color guard captain and was selected to lead the team; finding and buying my house. Finally providing a home for my daughter. Lastly, getting our displaced cats back home with us."

Linda Cianferra
Novi's coordinator of Alternative, Adult & Continuing Education



"My favorite memory was traveling to Hawaii with my husband."

Julie Farkas
Novi Public Library director



"As a first-grade teacher, I have been able to bid farewell to an eager and energetic group of students who are proud second-graders today. I have seen them blossom as learners and leaders. And with a new school year, I also get to welcome students who amaze me daily. It's wonderful to work within a school that honors individuality and cultivates respect. I am proud to be an Orchard Hills teacher! As a mom and wife, I am always ready to roll with new experiences. Whether it be zooming down a water slide with my kids or touring New York City with my husband, there are always opportunities for memory making."

Melissa Israel
Orchard Hills Elementary teacher

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Leave it to Northville

Novi is growing and prospering, and our leaders are looking at ways to make Novi a better place to live. I would like to suggest city assistance with leaf disposal.

We live on Welch Road in Novi and walk our dog down Welch Road into Northville. There, all the residents have to do is rake their leaves to the curb, and Northville picks them up and disposes of them. I think they turn them into mulch for city agricultural use and sales.

It would be great if Novi residents could get this kind of assistance from our government.

Bob Moreillon
Novi

Thanks for editorial

I just want to thank you for your "Our Views" article on "Family caregivers are our unsung heroes" in the Opinion

page of the Nov. 20 edition of the *Observer*.

I personally appreciate the recognition as I am a registered nurse by profession and have been a caregiver for most of my adult life as a nurse, mother, daughter and niece and can honestly say I have experienced the situations discussed in your article.

I am part of the Michigan family caregivers who provide 1.4 billion hours of unpaid care each year.

You don't expect payment because what you are doing is out of love and concern, but the reality is that this does take a toll and does cause significant stress and is financially straining on families attempting to maintain the ability of loved ones to remain in their own home while providing care and support for their own family.

I am grateful that AARP is attempting to address this issue with the CARE legislation, how-

ever, in addition to what they are recommending, more needs to be done both on a state level and national level.

Expanding the Family Medical Leave to extend to all employment statuses should be considered or an elder care tax credit. Perhaps this could help lessen the financial strain caused by job loss and salary reduction as we attempt to care for our loved ones.

The care we provide helps to keep aging loved ones in their homes and hopefully prevents more costly alternative care, which would be more taxing on the already taxed health care industry.

Thank you *Observer* for your kind recognition of the 42 million Americans who are trying to do the right thing for one day we will be in that same situation requiring assistance as we head into old age ourselves.

Donna Ruemenapp
Livonia

GUEST COLUMN

USS Detroit will honor a city, protect a nation

In mid-October, I joined hundreds of people in celebrating the christening and launch of the future USS Detroit, which will be the sixth ship in the history of the U.S. Navy to bear that name. The ship, built at Marinette Marine's shipyard in Marinette, Wis., just across the state line from the Upper Peninsula, is part of the Navy's growing fleet of Littoral Combat Ships, a new class of warship designed to meet the new security threats of the 21st century.

The shipbuilders at Marinette Marine — including about 1,000 Michiganders — have many reasons to be proud. They have built a great ship as part of a great program and the way they have done it — not just with high quality, but with efficiency — has allowed our navy to acquire more capability, more quickly and at lower cost. That's good for our national security, for our navy and for taxpayers.

But as proud as they feel, and rightly so, I think I was the proudest guy in the shipyard. I got to watch a great ship christened with the name of my hometown and I got to watch my partner and shipmate of 53 years do the christening. My wife Barb



By Sen. Carl Levin

GUEST COLUMNIST

bara is the sponsor of the USS Detroit. That means she had the ceremonial duty of breaking the traditional champagne bottle on the ship's bow at the christening.

As the ship's sponsor, she will also have an ongoing relationship with the ship and her crew and will have additional duties when, more than a year from now, the ship is formally commissioned as a U.S. Navy vessel at a ceremony in Detroit. Barb will be a fantastic sponsor of this ship and friend to the crew and their families. For several years now, she's been active in the Military Family Education Coalition, so she's familiar with the challenges military families face.

Barb feels a special bond with the USS Detroit. As I told Navy Cmdr. Michael Wohnhaas, who will serve as the first captain of the ship, if Barb provides the Detroit and her crew just a fraction of the support, encouragement, wisdom and love she has

provided me over the years, he and the crew will have a sponsor for the history books.

They will also have the support of a great city and state. As a lifelong Detroiter, I am proud that this latest of a new class of ships being born is named after my hometown that is in the process of being reborn. I look forward to joining cheering throngs of Detroiters a year and a half from now when the USS Detroit is christened on our reborn riverfront, a few yards from where Antoine de la Mothe Cadillac stepped ashore in 1701 to found the city the French called "of the narrows."

We Detroiters aren't fancy. We're about deeds, not words. We work hard. We don't start a fight, but when it's necessary, we have the grit to see one through. And no matter what you throw at us, we don't quit.

I hope the spirit of Detroit guides the USS Detroit to achieve its assigned missions and its crew safely through the challenges that lie ahead.

Carl Levin is the senior U.S. senator from Detroit.

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Northville girls 'zone in' to throttle Walled Lake Central

Big third quarter leads to lopsided 52-19 win

By Brad Emons
Staff Writer

It was like trying to solve a riddle during the first five minutes of the game Friday night for the Northville girls basketball team.

The host Mustangs were still looking for their first field goal when sophomore guard Jessica Moorman finally ended

the stalemate with a steal and a layup to make the score 4-2.

Walled Lake Central's match-up zone defense created problems to start, but by the end of the third quarter the riddle had been solved as Northville pulled away from a 21-10 halftime lead with a 17-1 third-quarter run and cruised to a 52-19 victory.

"That's typically what Central does," Northville coach Todd Gudith said of the zone. "Rob (Schopf) (Central's coach) took a few years off,

but now he's back, so they're running the same stuff he's always run. And he gets his kids to run it well. And it just took us awhile to get going. We had a lot of shots at the rim, just didn't make them early in the first quarter."

The Mustangs, who shot only 8-of-28 the opening half (28.5 percent), needed to swing the ball around a little more and resulted in a 31-point second half.

"That's what we talked about, especially at halftime,"

Gudith said. "We adjusted to it (the zone) a little bit. We said, 'Hey, we got to make them run a little bit side-to-side and cover more space than we they're doing.' I thought we caught and held the ball too much. But the extra pass really made the difference in the third quarter."

Many the Mustangs' baskets came off steals.

Senior center Emily Maresh paced Northville (2-0) with 15

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JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER
Northville's Jessica Moorman (13) goes up for two over Walled Lake Central's Lindsey Ebeling (24) in Friday's 52-19 victory.



MARK HICKS
Northville's Alec Morgan (left) tries to win the face-off against Plymouth's Josh Smith (16) as Mitchell Lopetrone (9) converges on the play.

Northville penalties cost dearly in 5-1 loss to Wildcats

Plymouth's third-period surge stops No. 4-ranked Mustangs

By Tim Smith
Staff Writer

During Monday's second intermission at Novi Ice Arena, Plymouth boys hockey coach Gerry Vento told his team to focus on playing a solid third period against Northville and let the chips fall where they may.

The Wildcats — fortunate to still be tied 1-1 after the second thanks to some outstanding goalkeeping by senior Erik VandenBosch — broke the deadlock just four minutes into the final frame.

Then they scored again, again and again to skate off with a 5-1 victory over the No. 4-ranked Mustangs. Three of Plymouth's goals were on the power play, to the chagrin of Northville coach Clint Robert.

"Plymouth's a good, fast, physical team," Robert said. "We expected that. We just got to stay out of the box."

Plymouth improved to 5-2-0 with the KLAAs crossover victory while Northville lost for the first time after opening the season with seven wins.

VandenBosch stopped 24 of 25 shots while senior Andrew Jossey scored twice and set up another. A tip-in by Northville's Kevin O'Connell with 2:32 left in the second was the only puck to get past VandenBosch.

"It's obviously a top-quality team and we knew we were going to have our

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Brighton's Nick Brish (top) pins Catholic Central's Conor Cox at 171 pounds in Wednesday's season-opening school assembly match.

Brighton takes down Shamrocks in all-school assembly match

Three-time defending D-1 champions pinned, 40-21

By Brian Beupied
Livingston Daily

Lights dimmed, and, looking like a team of prizefighters — robes and all — the Novi Detroit Catholic Central wrestling team entered its season-opening school assembly dual Wednesday afternoon to a hype

video and a raucous ovation.

But a soft-spoken Brighton junior helped quiet the crowd. And before too long, fans of the three-time defending MHSAA Division 1 wrestling champions — or those who remained, anyway — were left looking for something else to cheer about.

"Let's play hockey!" they chanted, a nod to the Shamrocks' hockey team and their victory over Brighton in last

spring's state finals.

Grant Morrison won a pivotal swing match early at 119 pounds, rallying from a 5-0 deficit and securing a pin with just eight seconds remaining as third-ranked Brighton beat No. 2 Catholic Central, 40-21.

"Obviously, we knew we were down 6-0 coming in, not having a (103) pounder," Brighton coach Tony Greathouse

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Kennedy's Marsh gets 36 in win vs. Catholic Central

Taylor Kennedy's Andia Marsh proved to be a one-man wrecking crew Friday night, scoring a game-high 36 points to lead the Eagles past Novi Detroit Catholic Central in its boys basketball opener, 81-78.

The 6-foot-2 senior guard had 11 field goals, including a three-pointer, and was 13-of-19 from the foul line to lift Kennedy (1-0) to the victory. Maceo Anderson, a junior guard, added 15 points.

Sophomore C.J. Baird led CC with 23 points, while another sophomore, Gio Genrich, added 16. Junior guard David Weber added eight.

CC led 44-40 at halftime and 59-54 after three quarters before Kennedy rallied in the final quarter with a 27-19 run.

The Shamrocks, unable to score on their final possession down three, made 24-of-27 free throws on the night (88.3 percent).

"We had chances," CC coach Bill Dyer said. "We missed a block-out on the free throw line and had the ball late, too, and we got a bad shot



Franklin Road Christian's Joshua Betcher (20) knocks down the shot in the Warriors' 58-28 season-opening victory over Huron Valley Lutheran.

JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

and we fouled way too much," CC coach Bill Dyer said. "They shot 41 free throws and that's way too much. We have to play better defense without fouling. We shot the ball pretty well tonight."

GENESEE CHRISTIAN 62, FRANKLIN ROAD 44: On Friday, host Burton Genesee Christian (1-0) pulled away in the final quarter with a 29-15 run to earn a non-conference victory over Novi Franklin Road Christian (1-1).

The Rose brothers, Tyler and Travis, scored 18 and 15, respectively, while the Mowmy brothers, Logan and Landon, added 16 and 11, respectively, for the victorious Soldiers, who led by 43-40 after three quarters.

Austin Hearn led the Warriors with 17 points and 10 rebounds, while Joshua Betcher added 16 points, five rebounds and two blocks. Joshua Bause also added eight points and 10 rebounds.

Franklin Road made 18-of-29 free throws (62 percent), while Genesee was 18-of-30 (60 percent).

FRANKLIN ROAD 58, HURON VALLEY 28: On Dec. 9, junior guard Austin Hearn led the way with 21 points and 10 rebounds Tuesday as host Novi Franklin Road Christian (1-0) downed Westland Huron Valley Lutheran (0-1) in the season opener for both teams.

The Hawks, who led 26-13 at halftime before pulling away with a 21-4 third-quarter run, also got 14 points and five rebounds from junior Joshua Bause. Junior point-guard Gavin Harris added nine points, six rebounds and two assists.

Jordan Rundstadler and Austin Bell scored seven and six points, respectively, for the Hawks.

"Being the first game, we took some good shots, but they were from the outside and not falling," Franklin Road coach Renardo Brown said. "The third quarter we started to look inside and started getting to the basket."

Both teams shot poorly from the foul line with Franklin Road going 16-of-27 (59.2 percent) and HVL hitting only 10-of-18 (55.5 percent).

Novi coach Sinawi notches 1st victory

Mustangs lose to Central after win against Hartland

Novi chalked up its first boys basketball victory of the season Friday, but it was not without more than a few anxious moments.

Senior Max Yanke scored a game-high 19 points and sophomore Naji Ozeir split a pair of free throws with only 2.7 seconds left to break 57-all deadlock to give the Wildcats a 58-57 victory at Pinckney.

Ozeir finished with nine points, while Nick Hankerson chipped in with eight as Novi evened its record at 1-1.

The Pirates (0-2) jumped out to a 13-5 first quarter advantage before Novi got untracked thanks to 11 second-quarter points by Yanke to put the Wildcats ahead 32-29 at the half.

"Pinckney came out and jumped on us, we weren't ready to play the first four or five minutes," said Novi first-year coach Brandon Sinawi, who notched his first win after spending the last three seasons at Livonia Stevenson. "They (Pinckney) came out and played quicker than we did. They ran a little run-and-jump. We had had some turnovers and hit a couple of outside shots and got a big lead."

"Things started to settle down for us the second quarter and Max Yanke literally put us on his back and brought us back into the game and got us a six-point lead at one point in the second

quarter." Jake Schmitter and Andrew Kruk paced Pinckney with 16 and 13 points, respectively.

The Pirates made 15-of-26 free throws (57.6 percent), while Novi was only 7-of-20 (35 percent).

"It was hard-fought," Sinawi said. "They (Pinckney) played tough. We had more size than they did and they played harder at times. That's something we've got to figure out here. We were fortunate enough to get the win tonight."

W.L. CENTRAL 55, NORTHVILLE 35: Walter Kelsor broke open a close game by scoring nine of his 24 points in the final quarter to spark a 21-3 run Friday as host Walled Lake Central (2-0) downed the Mustangs (1-1).

Central connected on 15-of-24 free throws on the night, including 13-of-19 in the decisive final period after leading by only two after three quarters, 34-32.

Senior guard David Morrissey scored 12 points in a losing cause, while junior guard Justin Zimbo added eight.

"The first half was a complete grind," Northville coach Todd Sander said. "I thought we were on the verge of giving them a really big halftime lead, but our guys did a nice job and had a pretty good second quarter (outsourcing Central, 13-12) and held it together. We were pretty content being down only six at the half."

Northville took a brief 32-31 third quarter lead, but Central hit a triple at the buzzer to end the period and never looked back.

"That was a huge momentum shift," said Sander, whose team made 12-of-19 free throws, but attempted only three in the final period. "I thought we ran out of gas in the fourth quarter. We fought hard and competed hard. We had guys step up being short-handed."

NORTHVILLE 45, HARTLAND 37: The Mustangs (1-0) played sterling defense down the stretch to open its season Dec. 9 at home with a win over the Eagles (0-1). The Mustangs, who trailed 26-20 at the half, roared back in the third and fourth quarters to outscore the Eagles 25-11.

Northville held Hartland scoreless over the final 5:02 to secure the win. The Mustangs also outscored the Eagles 13-4 in the final period making 6-of-7 foul shots.

"We held them to 11 in the second half and that was big," Northville coach Todd Sander said. "We created more tempo the second half after playing their pace in the second quarter (while being outscored 17-7)."

Senior guard David Morrissey paced Northville's scoring attack with a game-high 23 points, including a pair of triples and 4-of-4 free throws. Junior guard Justin Zimbo added 10 points, including 6-of-6 from the line.

W.L. WESTERN 67, NOVI 46: High-flying Walled Lake Western (1-0) dominated virtually from start-to-finish rolling to a season-opening victory Dec. 9 over the host Wildcats (0-1).

Marcus Bailey and Jerald Booker paced the victorious Warriors with 16 points apiece, while John Flowers added 11.

After trailing 29-19 at halftime, Novi cut the deficit to four early in third quarter only to be outscored 24-14.

Naji Ozeir paced Novi with 18 points, while Max Yanke chipped in with 11.

Novi girls cagers upend Pinckney, Western

Senior Jenna Lowney scored 11 points Friday as host Novi held off Pinckney in the final quarter to earn a 39-39 girls basketball win.

Novi, which improved to 3-0 overall, led 23-16 at halftime and 33-22 after three quarters before the Pirates (1-2) made a late surge with a 12-6 run.

Alex Felice and Kelsey Miller each contributed eight points for the

Wildcats, who made only 8-of-17 foul shots (47 percent). Felice grabbed a team-high seven rebounds.

Pinckney got nine points apiece from Jamie Katschor and Shay Herbert, while Shannon Dingman added eight points.

Herbert also snared seven rebounds.

FRANKLIN ROAD 62, GENESEE CHRISTIAN 44: Eighth-grader Alexis Johnson poured in a game-high 23 points Friday as Novi Franklin Road Christian (2-1)

overcame a 12-6 first-quarter deficit to beat Burton Genesee Christian (0-3) in a non-conference encounter.

Katherine Larabell added 14 points for the victorious Warriors, who took control with a 26-7 second-quarter outburst to lead 32-19 at halftime.

Jordan Edward Usher led the Soldiers, who made only 6-of-23 free throws (26 percent) with 12 points.

NOVI 56, W.L. WESTERN 22: The Wildcats (2-0) were dominant for three of the four quarters and used a balanced scoring attack to roll to a win Dec. 9 at Walled Lake Western (0-1).

Julia Lalain, Allie Lipson and Alex Felice led the way for Novi with 11 points apiece, while Kelsey Miller added 10.

Ellie Mackay also chipped in with a team-high nine rebounds and five steals, while Ally Kobakof and Felice each grabbed eight rebounds.

Novi led 20-2 after one quarter before the Warriors cut the deficit to 29-21 in the first half. The Wildcats then outscored Western 27-2 in the second half.

Walled Lake Western, which connected on only 6-of-42 from the floor (14.2 percent), got a game-high 15 points from Janara Flowers.

OUR LADY 58, FRANKLIN ROAD 44: On Dec. 9, Alex Troy tallied 20 points and Allison Nalorona added 15 as host Waterford Our Lady of the Lakes (2-1) downed Novi Franklin Road Christian (1-1) in a non-conference encounter.

Alexis Johnson paced Franklin Road and all scorers with 22 points.

The Lakers trailed 17-10 after one quarter before taking control with a 17-10 second-quarter run followed by a 14-8 third period surge.

Franklin Road made 5-of-6 free throws, while Lakes hit only 3-of-11.

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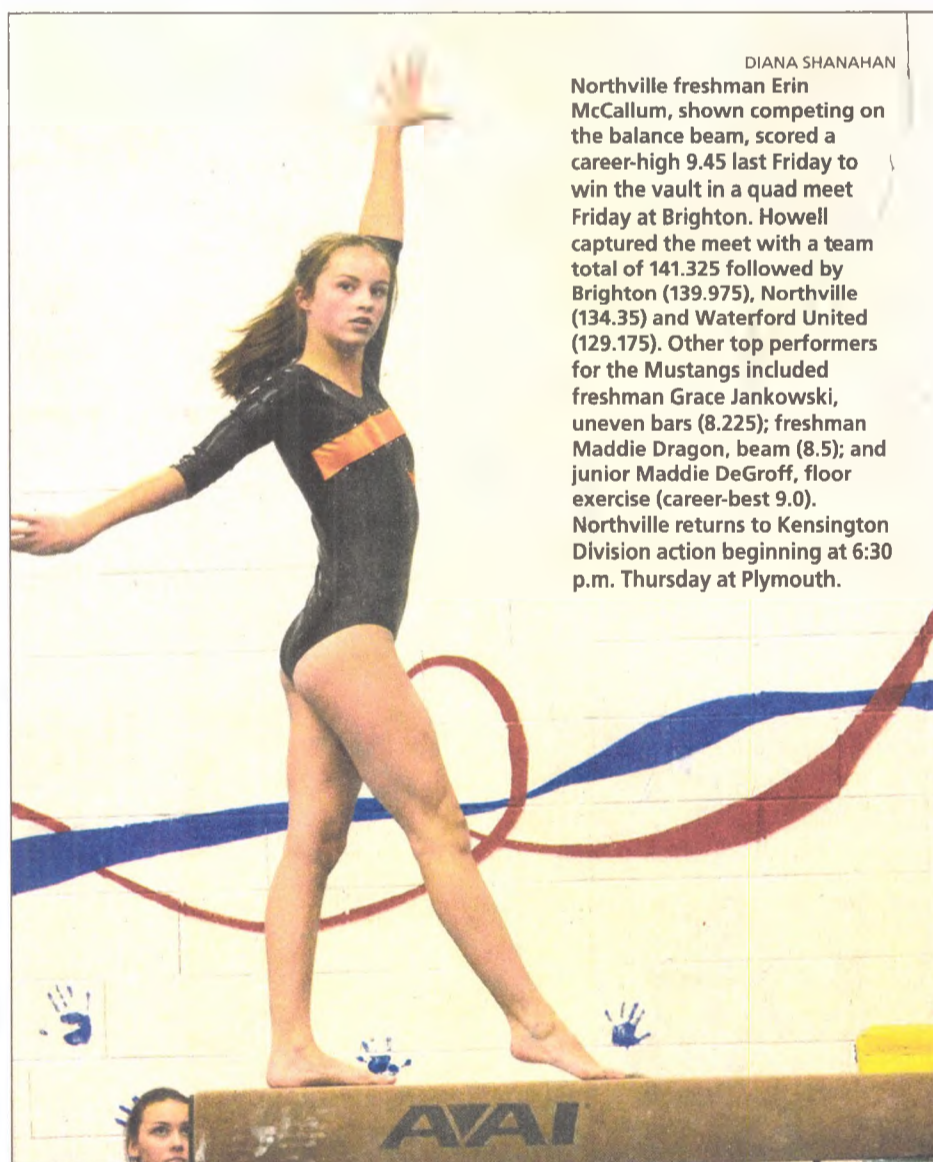
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Freshman excels



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Northville freshman Erin McCallum, shown competing on the balance beam, scored a career-high 9.45 last Friday to win the vault in a quad meet Friday at Brighton. Howell captured the meet with a team total of 141.325 followed by Brighton (139.975), Northville (134.35) and Waterford United (129.175). Other top performers for the Mustangs included freshman Grace Jankowski, uneven bars (8.225); freshman Maddie Dragon, beam (8.5); and junior Maddie DeGroff, floor exercise (career-best 9.0). Northville returns to Kensington Division action beginning at 6:30 p.m. Thursday at Plymouth.

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points, while Moorman added 14. Freshman guard Kendall Dillon contributed 10, including a pair of triples.

"I thought our transition was really good in the second half," said Gudith, whose team made 21-of-60 shots from the floor (35 percent) on the night. "I think that's what really made the difference and helped us break the game open because it was pretty stagnant in the first half. We're starting to get kids healthy. We had a couple of kids out sick, so we

need to have a full 10."

Central, which slipped to 0-3, had a rough shooting night making only 6-of-34 (17.6 percent) as Kaitlyn Wolschager was the Vikings' top scorer with nine points.

"We have four sophomores and a freshman in our top 10," said Schopf, who returned this season after being the Vikings' varsity coach from 1999-2011. "We are running a new system with the kids and it might as well be a foreign language to them."

"One of the points we're stressing is to compete. We're having a hard time with skill level being equal to these other teams, but if we feel like

we can get the kids to compete for 32 minutes, that's a building block to get the program back going in the right direction."

And 29 turnovers didn't help Central's cause either.

"Obviously taking care of the ball is an issue right now as is putting the ball in the basket," Schopf said. "We're trying to get the kids in the right spots, and once we get them in the right spots, we're trying to get them to perform on how they're supposed to. It's a process and we're trying to lay a foundation."

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Shamrocks down Ontario prep power, 5-3

CC ickers sweep at MSU's Munn Arena

By Brad Emons
Staff Writer

As far as regular season wins go, it might be the biggest victory in recent memory for the Novi Detroit Catholic Central hockey team.

The Shamrocks stayed unbeaten Saturday by scoring three unanswered goals in the final

period Saturday to stun St. Andrew's College of Aurora, Ontario, 5-2, in a game played at Michigan State University's Munn Arena.

The Saints, who feature seven players drafted by the Ontario Hockey League, led 2-0 after one period on goals by J.D. Falconer (2013 Sault Ste. Marie Greyhounds) and Mitch Martan (2014 Saginaw Spirit).

CC, now 8-0 overall, tied it with a pair of sec-

ond-period goals including one unassisted by Evan Rochowiak at 6:03 followed by Brian Kearns from Mitch Ossowski just 16 seconds later.

Dillon Jones scored what proved to be the game-winning goal at 4:01 of the final period followed by Alex Kreutzer's power play goal with only 3:22 left from Rochowiak and Andrew Lane.

Nick Macari's short-

handed goal with only 1:29 remaining from Kyle Mulka iced the victory.

CC goaltender Spencer Wright made 23 saves, while Matthew Galadja had 16 saves for the Saints (20-3-2).

On Friday, CC handed Green Bay Notre Dame Academy (Wis.) its first loss of the season at Munn Arena, 5-3, as Ryan Burnett was voted the first star after scoring two goals and one assist.

CC led 2-0 after one

period on goals by Kreutzer (from JoJo Mancinelli at 6:21) and by Burnett (from Kipke and Lane at 10:14).

Notre Dame (5-1) evened the count at 2-2 on goals by Bryce Poshah (at 5:39) and Collin Appleton (at 10:14) of the second period, but Burnett's second goal from Kearns and Ossowski at 15:59 of the same period gave CC the lead for keeps, 3-2.

Eric Marson's power

play goal from Ossowski and Burnett at 9:48 of the final period made it 4-2, but Notre Dame's Jack Wied pulled the Ice Bears to within a goal, at 15:15.

But Kearns' empty netter with a second left ended the suspense.

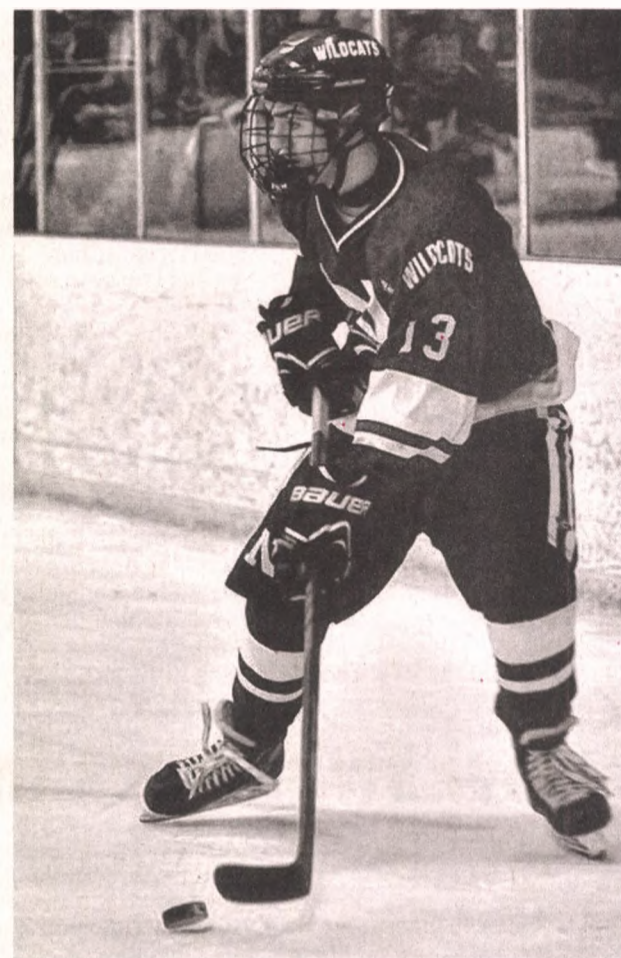
Catholic Central goaltender Alec Calvaruso made 10 saves, while Notre Dame's Zach Krysiak had 19.

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Northville's Megan Kerr (left) had two goals and one assist in a 9-3 setback to Ann Arbor Pioneer.

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Novi's Bryan Fegert (13) had two goals and one assist in a 6-2 KLA Central loss Dec. 10 against host Brighton.

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Pioneer skates past Mustang girls, 9-3

Despite a pair of goals and an assist Sunday from Grace Healey while outshooting their opponent, 31-24, Northville fell 9-3 to Ann Arbor Pioneer in a Michigan Metro Girls High School Hockey League game at Livonia's Edgar Arena.

Megan Kerr also had a goal and assists for the Mustangs, who fell to 1-4 in Division 1 of the Mich-

igan Metro. Other assists went to Marisha Hackett and Adrienne McCarthy.

"I was encouraged by our puck possession and number of chances to-night," said Northville first-year coach J.D. Damrath, whose team was outscored 4-1 in the second period and 2-0 in the third. "Megan Kerr could have had four or five herself, but their goaltender (Lucy Fuller)

came up big. Our defensive zone mistakes continue to haunt us."

Maria McGuire led Pioneer (2-3 Division 1) with a pair of goals.

NORTHVILLE 4, COUNTRY DAY 2: After going winless in their first three games while being outscored 24-3, the Mustangs (1-3) broke through Dec. 9 with a Michigan Metro victory over host Beverly Hills Detroit Country Day (0-5) in a game played at the Southfield Civic Center.

Senior Megan Kerr finished with a hat trick, including an empty netter with 34 seconds remaining. Senior Grace Healey opened the scoring for Northville on an unassisted goal with

only 38 seconds remaining in the first period to make it 1-0.

It was 2-2 after two periods as Kerr scored from Claire Ramsden and Kendall Murray, while Country Day countered with goals by Sydney Taylor (from Diana Lu) and Kaley Roszcwski (from Taylor).

Kerr then scored the game-winner with 8:39 left in the final period from Healey and Marisha Hackett followed by her empty netter from Emily Comben and Hackett.

The Mustangs outshot Country Day, 22-11. Junior goalie Annette Taylor made nine saves in the victory.

"Taylor made several key saves while the game was still tied," Northville first-year coach J.D. Damrath said. "One in particular was labeled for the lower right corner and she kicked out her left toe and got it. She was key in preserving the win for us."

PENALTIES

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hands full and for the first two periods we did," Vento said. "They had us on our heels, but Erik kept us in the game. He was fantastic. But him and Jared (Maddock) have been great all year, I got two great goalies."

Robert lamented the penalty trouble that wound up costing his squad. Three of Plymouth's goals came on the power play, including the tallies less than two minutes apart that turned a 2-1 game into a 4-1 contest.

"It was kind of a weird third period, we didn't see that coming," Robert said. "But you know we've been kind of dancing with the devil as far as taking penalties this year. It finally came back and bit us tonight."

"We've been trying to get that message (to stay out of box) across all year. We've taken way too many penalties. We've been fortunate to only give up two power-play goals up until this game."

The first period ended scoreless, with Northville outshooting Plymouth 7-5. VandenBosch saved his best stop of the frame for the final 10 seconds, moving across his crease to block and cover a one-timer by junior forward Anthony Solack.

Northville enjoyed a pair of power plays early in the second, but again, VandenBosch came up with the goods. He flashed out a leg pad to deny a shot from the right circle by junior forward Kyle Dann.

Plymouth's first pow-



Northville's Riley Brass (3) tries to gain control of the puck in Monday's 5-1 setback to Plymouth.

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ties, couple power-play goals and the next thing you know we're down 4-1."

Just before Plymouth junior forward Alex Bump scored the go-ahead and game-winning goal at 3:58 of the third, VandenBosch needed to make perhaps his best save of the game.

After a Plymouth player coughed up the puck in his own zone, Meacham unleashed a wrist shot from between the circles that looked headed for the back of the net. Instead, VandenBosch calmly reached out to snag it.

About a minute later, Plymouth junior defenseman Kyle Kozler sent a stretch pass out of his own zone right on the tape of Bump, streaking over Northville's blue line.

Bump, with a Mustang defender draped all over him, managed to cut in on Boutin and slide a backhand home. Also assisting was senior forward Jared Merandi.

Plymouth then went to work on the power play to break the game open.

At 6:16, senior winger Simon Nesich re-directed a point shot by Zabrowski that Boutin had no chance on. Senior forward Josh Smith drew the second assist.

The Wildcats struck again with 7:35 remaining, also on the power play. This time, Jossey walked the puck out of the right corner into the blue paint and jammed it past Boutin.

Capping off the scoring was Merandi at 14:19, finishing off a play started by Jossey.

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Wildcats rally in final period to sink Rocks, 4-2

Novi proved Saturday afternoon that you keep going until the final buzzer.

The Wildcats got their first goal with only 15 seconds left in the second period and added three more in the final period to earn a 4-2 KLA Central Division boys hockey triumph over Salem at the Novi Ice Arena.

Salem took a 1-0 lead in the first period on Liam Walker's goal from Nick Callegari and Dan Sealy and led 2-0 in the second on Matt Schaumberger's goal from Miles Daugherty and Shawn Weldon.

But Novi answered with just 15 seconds left in the second on Brandon Kour's goal from Brendan Wexler and Drake Shepard.

And with just 7:17 left read Hofelich made it 2-2 on a power play effort from Nik Tewiliager and Pat Wojtylo followed by Ryan Baxter's game-winner from Brennan Martin and Hofelich with only 1:46 remaining.

The Wildcats added an empty netter by Hofelich

from Bryan Fegert and Martin with 33 seconds to go to improve their overall record to 4-4 overall and 2-3 in the KLA Central.

Novi goaltender Josh Richardson made 11 saves, while Dillon Phillips stopped 42-of-45 shots for Salem (2-2-1, 1-2-1).

BRIGHTON 6, NOVI 4: Brad Halonen notched a hat trick, including two in the final period to break a 4-4 deadlock to propel host Brighton (2-5, 1-0) to a Central Division victory Dec. 10 over the Wildcats (3-4, 1-3) at the Kensington Valley Ice House.

Brighton trailed 4-2 midway through the second period before scoring four unanswered goals to earn the victory.

Halonen scored what proved to be the game-winning goal with 6:09 left in the third off an assist from Lee Pietila. Halonen then scored again with 3:01 to go to give the Bulldogs a two-goal cushion off assists from Pietila and Colin Blek.

Novi pulled its goalie Ryuta King (21 saves) and had a two-man advantage starting with 2:18 left after the Bulldogs took a penalty, but were unable to capitalize against Brighton goalie Jimmy Miletics (25 saves).

It was 1-1 after one period as Pietila

scored on a power play from Blek at 11:28,

while Bryan Fegert countered for the

Wildcats at 13:18 off an assist from Brad

Hofelich.

Novi then scored three of the next four

goals in the second period to take a 4-2

advantage — Alec Wells from Pat Wojtylo

(at 4:24); Fegert from Hofelich (at 6:59); and

Ryan Fonda on a power play from Fegert

and Ryan Baxter (at 8:08).

But Brighton countered with three second

period goals of its own — Harry Newton

from Zach Mavovich (at 7:07); Adam

Conquest from Cal Salmon and Jay Kennedy

(at 9:38); and Kyle Henry from Halonen (at

15:02) to make it 4-4 entering the third.

THE WEEK AHEAD

BOYS BASKETBALL

Thursday, Dec. 18

Franklin at Novi, 7 p.m.

Churchill at Northville, 7 p.m.

Lincoln Park at Detroit CC, 7 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 19

Franklin Road at Everest Coll., 7 p.m.

Windsor CC at Detroit CC, 3 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 23

Detroit CC at Fordson, 6 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 27

(Northville Holiday Tourney)

Warren Cousino vs. G.P. South, 1

p.m.

Northville vs. Saline, 7 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 28

Northville Tourney 3 & 7 p.m.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Thursday, Dec. 18

Novi at Franklin, 7 p.m.

Northville at Churchill, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 27

(Northville Holiday Tourney)

Dexter vs. Warren Cousino, 3 p.m.

Northville vs. Troy Athens, 5 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 28

Northville Tourney, 1 & 5 p.m.

BOYS HOCKEY

Friday, Dec. 19

Novi vs. Davison

at Detroit Skating Club, 6 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 20

Novi vs. Macomb Dakota

at Detroit Skating Club, 2:30 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 20

Detroit CC vs. P.H. Northern

at Computware Arena, 5:30 p.m.

PREP WRESTLING

Friday, Dec. 19

Oakland County Meet

at Southfield, Lake Orion, 4 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 20

Oakland Co. at Lake Orion, 9 a.m.

Wayne Co. Inv. at Wyandotte, 9 a.m.

BOYS SWIMMING

Thursday, Dec. 18

Brother Rice at Northville, 6:30 p.m.

PREP BOWLING

Thursday, Dec. 18

Novi at Wat. Kettering, 3:30 p.m.

Northville vs. Howell

at Westland Bowl, 3:30 p.m.

PREP GYMNASTICS

Thursday, Dec. 18

Northville at Plymouth, 6:30 p.m.

TBA — time to be announced.

Novi matmen finish third at Romeo

Wildcats capture first 3 matches before falling

By Brad Emons
Staff Writer

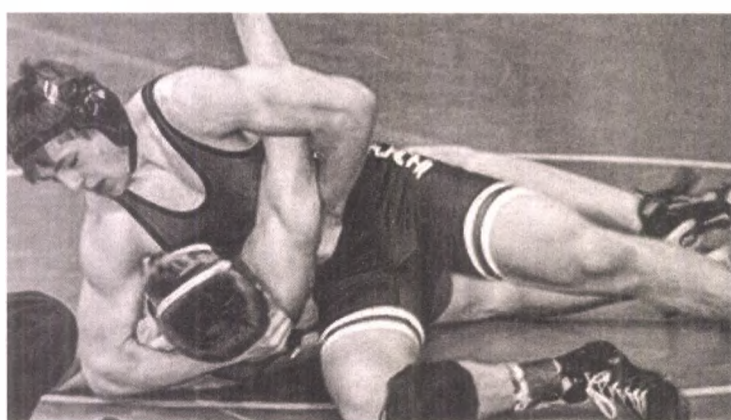
The Novi wrestling team stands 5-2 overall after earning a third-place finish in Saturday's Romeo Invitational.

The Wildcats started quickly with victories over Auburn Hills Avondale (61-12), the host Bulldogs (39-38) and Port Huron Northern (72-9), before falling Lake Orion (36-30) and Sterling Heights Stevenson (48-18) to wind up 3-2 on the day.

"The team wrestled well all day and I was pleased effort," Novi coach Joel Smith said. "But still a lot of work to be done on our end. It was a nice tournament hosted by Romeo and they have a nice team and I feel very fortunate to be beaten them. It was a good performance overall."

Senior Evan Davis (135) led the way with a 5-0 record, while Travis Davis (112), Kyle Benkarski (152) and freshman Zach Rouch (103) went 4-1. Senior Jared Engebretson (285) won three of four matches.

The Wildcats captured 12-of-14 matches against Avondale and then rallied from a 38-24 deficit to beat host Romeo by a point as Travis Davis came up with the mat-clinching pin following a



Novi 152-pounder Kyle Benkarski (top) captured four of his five matches Saturday at the Romeo Invitational.

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win from Rouch (103) and a pin by Engebretson.

After the big comeback against Romeo, the Wildcats put on an impressive show again Port Huron Northern winning 12 of the 14 matches. Seniors George Freeman (189) and Dorian Haney (285) recorded two of the Wildcats' nine falls.

Against Lake Orion, the Wildcats raced out to a 27-0 lead thanks to a pin by junior Willie Jackson (130) along with victories by Evan Davis, Lincoln Cleary (140), junior Brent George (145) and Benkarski.

But the Dragons then captured the next six matches to regain the lead before Travis Davis stopped the bleeding with a win. Novi then lost the final three — all by decision.

In the loss to Sterling Heights Stevenson, Rouch, Evan Davis, Cooper Smith (215) and Engebretson recorded victories.

"It was a good, solid effort and we had a nice dual with Lake Orion," Novi coach Joel Smith said. "We lost a couple of matches in that dual meet that we were expecting to win. That's why it ended up going in the wrong direction for us."

"Against Sterling Heights Stevenson we had four close matches that could have gone either way and unfortunately we lost all four matches. It was a closer dual meet than the score showed."

Novi wins 1st two

The Joel Smith era got off to a solid start Dec. 10 as the new Novi wrestling coach

watched his team earn a double-dual meet victory over Farmington, 40-21, and host North Farmington, 65-12.

"We were pleased with the overall performance," Smith said. "There are many areas where we had a lot of work to do, but for the beginning and the start of the season, I'm pleased because we been putting a lot of time into strength and conditioning, and it shows. We just have to continue to keep building."

Scoring two pins apiece on the night for the Wildcats included sophomore Travis Davis (112 pounds), Benkarski (152), junior Neil Haakenson (160) and Smith (215).

Also going 2-0 for Novi were Jackson (125-130) and Engebretson (285).

Against Farmington, junior Greg Silva (130) and Cleary (140) both won by pin, while junior Brent George (145) won by decision.

"Zach Rouch also had a strong performance against a real tough opponent," Smith said of his 103-pounder. "Farmington wrestled well. They have a tough program."

Adding victories for the Wildcats against North Farmington was junior Griffin Sparling (171) on a pin and freshman Eric Wright (125) on a decision.

Meanwhile, Rouch (103), Bryce Wegner (119) and Chase Sparling (140) all won by void.

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Mustangs get 1 victory at Schoenheide mat tourney

It was tough sledding Saturday for host Northville in the eighth annual Todd Schoenheide Challenge wrestling tournament.

The Mustangs finished 1-4 on the day in the 10-team tournament that featured a dual-match format. Northville now stands 2-5 overall.

Monroe defeated Caro for the title, while two-time defending champion Plymouth placed third.

Northville's lone win on the day came against Ann Arbor Skyline, 54-24, while losses came against Dearborn Edsel Ford (51-18), Carleton Airport (42-39), and Caro (80-0).

Shunhe Wang (125-130 pounds) and Chris Koumariotis (160) each posted 3-2 records on the day for Northville.

Northville splits

Northville opened its season Wednesday at the North Farmington quad scoring a 52-30 triumph over the host Raiders followed by a 54-28 setback to Farmington.

Leo Keys (135) recorded a fall to earn his first varsity win against North, while Jim Behe, Wang, Will Bartlett and newly elected team captain Koumariotis also recorded pins.

Nolan Landis, Bartlett and Koumariotis posted pins against the Falcons, while Noah Burrell scored a major decision for the Mustangs.

Novi swimmers impressive in early going

By Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Novi boys swim coach Brent Pohlonski saw plenty of good things in his team's third meet of the season Friday night at home.

The Wildcats took all three relays and five individual events to score a double-dual meet victory Friday over visiting Okemos (143-43) and Brighton (141-42).

"Tonight taught us a lot about what our team is made of," said Pohlonski, whose team improved to 3-0 overall. "It was the first meet in which we entered our best lineup. This year's Wildcats have incredible depth, which gives us plenty of options in future meets."

The Wildcats were led by individual double winner Siddhardha Kareddy, who captured firsts in the 200-yard individual medley (2:08.33) and 100 butterfly (56.89).

Kareddy also teamed up with Phillip Billiu, Narayan Manivannan and Ryan Katulski for a first in the 200 medley relay (1:43.65) and was also a member of the Wildcats' first-place 400 freestyle relay

(3:28.43) which also included Toraki Maehata, Alexander Yuan and Ryan Katulski.

Other Novi individual winners included Yuan, 200 freestyle (1:54.56); James Ciolli, 1-meter diving (215.00 points); James Popyk, 500 freestyle (5:23.27); and Billiu, 100 backstroke (58.90).

The foursome of Yuan, Arthur Shi, Joey Berman, Popyk also captured the 200 freestyle relay (1:35.66).

Novi sinks Canton

On Thursday, Berman captured a pair of individual firsts Thursday night to lead Novi to a convincing 136-49 victory over host Canton.

The sophomore took firsts in the 200-yard individual medley (2:11.1) and 100 backstroke (59.45), while also teaming up with Maehata, Yuan and Popyk for a victory in the 200 medley relay (1:48.92).

Other Novi first-place individual finishers included Katulski, 200 freestyle (1:53.79); Yuan, 50 freestyle (23.95); Billiu, 100 butterfly (58.08); Kareddy, 500 freestyle (5:14.88); and Gordy Williams, 100 breaststroke (1:08.99).

The Wildcats also swept the 1-meter diving event led by Ciolli (169.35 points) followed by teammates James Pellerito (167.70) and Trey Richman (153.70).

The Novi foursome of Shi, Katulski, Maehata, Kareddy captured the 200 freestyle relay (1:36.10), while Wildcats' quartet of Billiu, Kareddy, Katulski and Shi added a first in the 400 freestyle relay (3:32.98).

"The Canton meet was a great opportunity for our guys to swim some of their secondary events to see what options we have for future meets," Pohlonski said.

TRI-MEET RESULTS
Dec. 12 at Novi

TEAM SCORES: Novi 143, Okemos 43; Novi 141, Brighton 42, Okemos 104, Brighton 76.

200-yard medley relay: 1. Novi (Phillip Billiu, Narayan Manivannan, Siddhardha Kareddy, Ryan Katulski), 1:43.65; 2. Brighton, 1:46.53; 3. Novi (Maxwell Williams, Bradley Huang, Gordy Williams, Toraki Maehata), 1:47.0.

200 freestyle: 1. Alexander Yuan (N), 1:54.56; 2. Joey Berman (N), 1:54.91; 3. Jacob Eddy (O), 1:55.1.

200 individual medley: 1. Kareddy (N), 2:08.33; 2. Thomas Rachman (O), 2:10.04; 3. Maehata (N), 2:10.61.

50 freestyle: 1. Jonathan Ham (B), 22.26; 2. Katulski (N), 23.02; 3. Billiu (N), 23.48.

1-meter diving: 1. James Ciolli (N), 215.00 points; 2. Nathan Pellerito (N), 172.05; 3. Trey Richman (N), 158.75.

100 butterfly: 1. Kareddy (N), 56.89; 2. Berman (N), 58.49; 3. Brian Son (N), 59.04.

100 freestyle: 1. Ham (B), 50.95; 2. Katulski (N), 51.52; 3. Yuan (N), 52.01.

500 freestyle: 1. James Popyk (N), 5:23.27; 2. Nick Merrill (O), 5:23.94; 3. Justin Lee (N), 5:26.83.

200 freestyle relay: 1. Novi (Yuan, Arthur Shi, Berman, Popyk), 1:35.66; 2. Brighton, 1:35.97; 3. Novi (Huang, Albert Tan, Manivannan, Andrew Kilponen), 1:39.42.

100 backstroke: 1. Billiu (N), 58.90; 2. Maehata (N), 1:00.41; 3. G. Williams (N), 1:02.39.

100 breaststroke: 1. Rachman (O), 1:09.20; 2. Manivannan (N), 1:06.43; 3. Kilponen (N), 1:09.97.

400 freestyle relay: 1. Novi (Kareddy, Maehata, Yuan, Katulski), 3:28.43; 2. Novi (Billiu, M. Williams, Berman, Shi), 3:33.61; 3. Okemos, 3:37.48.

Novi's dual meet record: 3-0 overall.

DUAL MEET RESULT
NOVI 136, CANTON 49
Dec. 11 at Canton

200-yard medley relay: 1. Novi (Toraki Maehata, Alexander Yuan, Joey Berman, James Popyk), 1:48.92; 2. Canton, 1:50.72; 3. Novi (Maxwell Williams, Joel Kotyk, Arthur Shi, Bradley Huang), 1:50.94.

200 freestyle: 1. Ryan Katulski (N), 1:53.79; 2. Siddhardha Kareddy (N), 1:54.54; 3. Phillip Billiu (N), 1:54.83.

200 individual medley: 1. Berman (N), 2:11.03; 2. Maehata (N), 2:11.26.

50 freestyle: 1. Yuan (N), 23.95; 2. Popyk (N), 24.83; 4. Kotyk (N), 25.44.

1-meter diving: 1. James Ciolli (N), 169.35 points; 2. Nathan Pellerito (N), 167.70; 3. Trey Richman (N), 153.70.

100 butterfly: 1. Billiu (N), 58.08; 2. Maehata (N), 58.11; 3. Shi (N), 59.95.

100 freestyle: 1. Daniel Mullen (C), 53.45; 2. Popyk (N), 53.51; 3. M. Williams (N), 54.95; 4. Brian Son (N), 55.40.

500 freestyle: 1. Kareddy (N), 5:14.88; 2. Ryan Katulski (N), 5:15.30; 3. Gordy Williams (N), 5:26.26.

200 freestyle relay: 1. Novi (Shi, Katulski, Maehata, Kareddy), 1:36.10; 2. Novi (Berman, Popyk, Kotyk, Billiu), 1:38.55; 3. Novi (Edward Cheng, Huang, Narayan Manivannan, Brian Son), 1:44.08.

100 backstroke: 1. Berman (N), 59.45; 2. M. Williams (N), 1:00.96; 4. Erik Halboth (N), 1:04.38.

100 breaststroke: 1. G. Williams (N), 1:08.99; 2. Yuan (N), 1:09.38; 4. Kotyk (N), 1:12.33.

400 freestyle relay: 1. Novi (Billiu, Kareddy, Katulski, Shi), 3:32.98; 2. Canton, 3:45.96; 3. Novi (Anthony Rose, Son, Huang, Albert Tan), 3:55.29.

Dual meet records: Novi, 1-0 overall; Canton, 0-1 overall.

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100 freestyle: 1. Kaminski (N), 53.64; 2. Mike Scaramantino (N), 57.43; 3. Jack Breuch (N), 57.49.

500 freestyle: 1. Schulz (N), 5:19.82; 2. David Alameddine (N), 5:22.73; 3. Stacer (N), 5:35.30.

200 freestyle relay: 1. Northville (Kaminski, Yash Bajaj, Sharma, Stacer), 1:40.12; 2. Northville (Orion Shi, Matt Lee, Taiyo Ichikawa, Breuch), 1:43.98; 3. Northville (David Handy, Matthew Hezemey, Nikolai Arton, Brendon Tseng), 1:53.66.

100 backstroke: 1. Xu (N), 1:00.44; 2. Zhao (N), 1:01.73; 3. Reppenhausen (LC), 1:05.64; 4. Matt Lee (N), 1:06.76.

100 breaststroke: 1. Opdycke (LC), 1:17.27; 2. Jarvis (LC), 1:22.21.

400 freestyle relay: 1. Churchill (Taylor, Reppenhausen, Jarvis, Opdycke), 4:04.35; 2. Churchill (Dylan Fetter, Alex Babut, Noah Morrison, Colin Dillon), 5:19.03.

Dual meet records: Northville, 1-0 overall; Churchill, 0-1 overall.

103 pounds: Stone Moscovici (CC) won by void; 112: Lee Grabowski (B) decision Aaron Rehfeldt, 8-5; 119: Grant Morrison (B) pinned Joseph Lyon, 5-52;

125: Jackson Renicker (B) won by major dec. over Thomas Herrmann, 11-3; 130: Trevor Zdebski (CC) p. Ben Yahr, 1:06; 135: Kyle Bonsack (B) dec. Aidan Wagh, 1-40; 140: Jose Ramos (B) dec. Matt Anderson, 4-1;

145: Ryan Salmon (B) dec. Tyler Johnson, 8-0; 150: Tanner Maschke (B) dec. Nicholas Joseph, 6-0; 162: Myles Amine (CC) won by major dec. over Beau Mourer, 12-2; 171: Nicholas Brish (B) p. Connor Cox, 2-48; 189: Nicholas Giese (CC) won by technical fall over Patrick Dowd, 17-2; 215: Eric Conquest (B) dec.

Northville motors to lopsided dual swim triumph

Freshman Kirk Maibach and junior James Xue each figured in three first-place finishes Thursday night as Northville swept seven of 12 events en route to a season-opening 119-57 dual meet boys swim victory over visiting Livonia Churchill.

Maibach captured the 50-yard freestyle (23.30) and 100 butterfly (59.06), while Xue also took firsts in the 200 individual medley (2:07.84) and 100 backstroke (1:00.44).

Maibach and Xue also

teamed up with Larry Zhao and Chris Geng for a first in the 200 medley relay (1:46.27).

Other individual winners leading one-two-three sweeps for Northville included Matthew Schafer, 200 freestyle (2:07.84); Mark Kaminski, 100 freestyle (53.64); Fred Schulz, 500 freestyle (5:19.82); and Xue, 100 backstroke (1:00.44).

Northville also swept the first three places in the 200 freestyle relay as Kaminski, Yash Bajaj, Nirek Sharma and Troy Stacer won in 1:40.12.

DUAL MEET RESULTS
NORTHVILLE 119
LIVONIA CHURCHILL 57
Dec. 11 at Northville

200-yard medley relay: 1. Northville (Larry Zhao, Chris Geng, James Xue, Kirk Maibach), 1:46.27; 2. Northville (Fred Schulz, Sho Kikumori, John Duan, Connor Lepish), 1:54.70; 3. Churchill (Kyle Reppenhausen, Jake Jarvis, Tyler Opdycke, Dash Dobari), 2:03.85.

200 freestyle: 1. Matthew Schafer (N), 1:54.77; 2. Mark Kaminski (N), 1:58.05; 3. Troy Stacer (N), 2:02.78.

200 individual medley: 1. Xue (N), 2:07.84; 2. Duan (N), 2:11.16; 3. Geng (N), 2:11.90.

50 freestyle: 1. Maibach (N), 23.3; 2. Schulz (N), 24.31; 3. Nirek Sharma (N), 25.21.

1-meter diving: 1. Ethan Burke (LC), 280.80 points; 2. Christian Field (N), 145.35; 3. Thomas Rys (N), 120.25.

100 butterfly: 1. Maibach (N), 59.06; 2. Kevin Taylor (LC), 1:00.13; 3. Duan (N), 1:00.51; 4. Acheng

to 152, respectively.

(Zdebski, the reigning state champ at 119 from a year ago, pinned Ben Yahr in 1:06 at 130.)

It helped take any pressure off of Brighton's firepower in the upper weights as Nick Brish's pin at 171 all but put the match out of reach. Eric Conquest's takedown with 27 seconds left earned him a win at 215, and Luke Ready, the No. 1 215-pounder in Division 1, bumped up and earned a 5-1 win at heavyweight to close out the dual.

"Our coaches have been talking to us all week about how everyone has one job to do: Go out there and win your match," Brish said. "They've got some tough guys in their lineup that we knew were tough. We had guys who had to go out and wrestle their tough guys and still do their jobs."

Meanwhile, Brighton did a good job of avoiding giving up the bonus.

Beau Mourer held Amine, a reigning state individual champ at 140, to a major deci-

sion, 12-2, at 160. And the one team point Patrick Dowd saved in losing by technical fall, 17-2, at 189 to No. 1-ranked Giese clinched it for the Bulldogs.

"It's as good of a loss as a loss can be," CC coach Mitch Hancock said. "Anytime you can come in here and compete, learn and get better, it's good. We have a very young team. We have eight starters in their lineup who've never competed on a varsity mat before. And for those guys to come in and put it all on the line in front of 1,500 people speaks a lot. You've got to tip your hat to Brighton, they're a veteran team."

DUAL MATCH SUMMARY
BRIGHTON 40, DETROIT CC 21
Dec. 10 at Catholic Central

103 pounds: Stone Moscovici (CC) won by void; 112: Lee Grabowski (B) decision Aaron Rehfeldt, 8-5; 119: Grant Morrison (B) pinned Joseph Lyon, 5-52;

125: Jackson Renicker (B) won by major dec. over Thomas Herrmann, 11-3; 130: Trevor Zdebski (CC) p. Ben Yahr, 1:06; 135: Kyle Bonsack (B) dec. Aidan Wagh, 1-40; 140: Jose Ramos (B) dec. Matt Anderson, 4-1;

145: Ryan Salmon (B) dec. Tyler Johnson, 8-0; 150: Tanner Maschke (B) dec. Nicholas Joseph, 6-0; 162: Myles Amine (CC) won by major dec. over Beau Mourer, 12-2; 171: Nicholas Brish (B) p. Connor Cox, 2-48; 189: Nicholas Giese (CC) won by technical fall over Patrick Dowd, 17-2; 215: Eric Conquest (B) dec.

Brighton rolls past Wildcats in KLAA bowl

Both the Novi boys and girls bowling teams fell to 0-2 on Thursday in KLAA crossover matches held at Novi Bowl.

The Brighton boys (2-0) defeated the Novi, 28-2, by winning both Baker sets, 211-138 and 196-146, as well as both regular games, 1,056-868 and 998-792.

DiAndre Moreland (232-267) and Scott Pryson (203-192) scored the lone points for Novi.

In the girls match, Brighton (2-0) came away with a 20-10 victory.

Madison Murphy (169), Heather Gregory (145), Lauren Wahrman (144) and Emily Jennings (141) each scored single points for Novi.

Novi drops opener

The tiebreaker rule came into effect to decide a 15-all deadlock as White Lake Lakeland edged Novi in a KLAA crossover boys bowling match Dec. 9 at Novi Bowl.

Lakeland captured the match based on total pints, 1,944-1,933. That came after Novi had split the Baker games winning the first, 163-159, before losing the second, 149-132.

The host Wildcats took the first regular game, 930-797, but lost the second, 839-708.

Pryson (227-156) and Moreland (255-176) won both their individual matches.

On the girls side, Lakeland scored a 24-6 triumph thanks to winning both regular games, 710-602 and 784-676. Novi split the Baker games.

Megan Hrit paced Novi with games of 141-149.

Blake Bueter, 3-2; 285: Lucas Ready (B) dec. Nicholas Jenkins, 5-1.

Dual meet records: Brighton, 1-0 overall; Catholic Central, 0-1.

CC rules Rocket Duals

The Shamrocks regained their winning ways Saturday capping a 5-0 showing by defeating host Westland John Glenn, 45-21, in the finals of the Rocket Duals.

CC also bested Livonia Franklin (54-15), Utica Eisenhower (52-20), Allen Park (69-10) and Southgate Anderson (59-24) en route to the finals.

Going undefeated on the day was Bobby Brewer, Aaron Rehfeldt, Zdebski, Amine and Giese. Meanwhile, Stone Moscovici, Nick Joseph, Tyler Johnson, Aidan Wagh and Joe Lyon each finished 4-1.

"Our guys wrestled tough today and went out looking for bonus points," Hancock said. "I was happy with how they competed and approached the weekend with the mindset of getting better and scoring points."

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said. "With the firepower they have with (Trevor) Zdebski and (Nick) Giese and Myles Amine, you're looking at a potential 18 (points) guaranteed and the void, so that's 24 points. Even though we were really confident in every other weight, we knew there was no room for error. Any guy who slips up and gets pinned would have put them right back into the mix."

The Bulldogs captured 10 of the dual's 14 matches, with their losses coming to a pair of defending state champions, along with a preseason No. 1 and by match-opening forfeit at 103 pounds.

Early on in his match at 119 pounds it appeared that guy could have been Morrison, who was put on his back and into a 5-0 hole by Joe Lyon in the first period.

The next two, however,

were a different story. Morrison scored the next 1

Home Builders Association lauds Michigan's top industry leaders

The Home Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan (HBA) announced its 2014 Industry Leadership Award honorees. Awards were presented on Dec. 3 at the association's Awards Night and Holiday Celebration held at The Diamond Center at Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi. Nearly 300 members and guests attended the event, a clear indication that the economy has improved for local builders, land developers, remodelers and suppliers to the home construction industry.

"These individuals and companies are pillars of the regional home building industry. Their accomplishments are making a positive impact on our industry and enhancing our communities," said Michael Stoskopf, CEO of the HBA. "It is our honor to acknowledge them."

Award honorees include:
2014 HBA President - Paul Aragona, Aragona Properties
Hall of Fame - John Scaccia, Scaccia Builders



Paul Aragona



Thomas M. Walsh

Builder of the Year - Frank Mocerri, Mocerri Custom Homes

Young Builder of the Year - Eric Konieczny, Clearview Homes

Developer of the Year - Dominic J. Mocerri, Mocerri Companies

Development of the Year - Pinnacle in Oakland Township by Mocerri

Samuel Kreis Award For Distinguished Service To The Building Industry - Dennis P. Dickstein, Real Estate One

Distinguished Service To The Housing Industry - Arthur Szlizer, in memoriam, Artea Homes

Distinguished Service To Government - U.S. Rep. Candice Miller

Thomas Ricketts Award To The Region's Outstanding Building Official - Thomas M. Walsh, City of Novi

Distinguished Service For Urban Home Building - Tim O'Brien, O'Brien Construction
Don Maillho Memorial Award In Banking - Wells Fargo Home Mortgage

Distinguished Service to HBA's Professional Women In Building Council - Cindy Maxwell-Philips, Lighting Resources of Michigan

Professional Women In Building Council - Barb Baker, Transitions Remodeling

Remodeler of the Year - Tim Capaldi, Capaldi Building

Distinguished Service To The Remodeling Industry - Kyle Hunt, Remodel Your Marketing

Subcontractor Of The Year - Riemer Floors

Associate of the Year - Mary Olk, Designer Interiors

Professional Services to the Building Industry - Norman Hyman, Strobl & Sharp, P.C.

Recognition Award: Outstanding Service - Ernest Martyniuk, Consumers Energy

Recognition Award: Design of a Public Memorial - Michael J. Gordon, RA, Moiseev/Gordon Associates

New Home Sales Professional of the Year - Grace Evola, MJC Companies

New Home Sales Manager of the Year - Frank Munaco, MJC Companies

Headquartered in West Bloomfield, the Home Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan (HBA) and the Apartment Association of Michigan (AAM) are trade associations representing 800 builders, remodelers, multi-family property owners, developers and suppliers to the single family and multi-family residential construction industry. HBA is affiliated with the Home Builders Association of Michigan in Lansing and the National Association of Home Builders in Washington, D.C.

Check law, warranties on solar panel installation

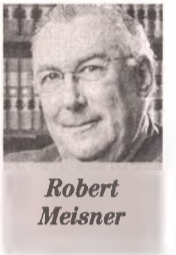
Q: I live in a subdivision and I want to consider setting up solar panels on my property. The subdivision restrictions say that I need to get permission from the association. What do you think I should do for starters?

A: First, you should check your local laws, including your municipal ordinances, regarding the installation of solar panels. Second, you should review your association's architectural guidelines and determine what kind of approval you need to get from the association. Third, you should insure that your property is protected during the installation with adequate warranties given by the installer once you get approval. Fourth, make sure you work with your roofing company to maintain the warranty that may be in place; and, fifth, see if there is any state requirement regarding solar rights. Michigan does not have solar rights provisions and does not specifically discuss these issues in regard to community associations, or, for that matter, individuals.

Q: We have a large community run by our cooperative and there are some social clubs in the community. I am on the board of the cooperative and am somewhat concerned about there being some confusion about potential liability for the social clubs. Do you have any suggestions?

A: It is important to make and record a clear distinction between any social club and the cooperative. You need to be able to show that the clubs in your community are not sponsored by the cooperative or operated by it. The cooperative needs to be able to show a separation of operations and finances. Ideally, to minimize a cooperative's liability, the club should become properly incorporated as its own entity, adopt its own bylaws, maintain separate financial records and add separate bank accounts, and the cooperative should require yearly documentation regarding the independence of that club from that of the cooperative, including the club's legal name, current bylaws, membership lists, insurance, licenses, proposed activities, and an annual certification by the club acknowledging compliance with all legal and tax requirements.

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REAL ESTATE BRIEFS

Short sales seminars held locally

If you owe more than what your house is worth, you may be interested in a free informational seminar on short sale procedures. Such sessions are held locally for homeowners.

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

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Real Estate Investors Association of Wayne

The Real Estate Investors Association of Wayne will have an open forum. Investors will answer questions and offer a market update.

Meetings are at 6-9 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month at the Red Lobster on Eureka in Southgate.

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

If you have any questions

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

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Send Real Estate Briefs to Julie Brown, presentation editor/Real Estate editor, at jcbrown@hometownlife.com or 29725 Hudson Drive, Novi, MI 48377. Items run on a space available basis on the Real Estate page. Publication is not guaranteed.

HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-WAYNE COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Aug. 25-29, 2014, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

CANTON	
42544 Beechwood Dr	\$199,000
43135 Calais Ct	\$230,000
1588 Centennial Dr	\$470,000
43805 Cherry Grove Ct E	\$182,000
300 Cherry Stone Dr	\$138,000
42745 Colling Dr	\$205,000
382 Constitution St	\$190,000
8165 Endicott Ln	\$640,000
44638 Fair Oaks Dr	\$228,000
4333 Forest Bridge Dr	\$273,000
4407 Forest Bridge Dr	\$236,000
43449 Fredericksburg St	\$162,000
1676 Glenshire Dr	\$218,000
42317 Gloria Dr	\$145,000
47924 Jake Ln	\$427,000
46530 Killarney Cir	\$250,000
47443 Madison Rd	\$390,000
8122 Newbury Ct S	\$640,000
44321 Nowland Dr	\$260,000
47488 Pembroke Dr	\$143,000
41569 Singh Dr	\$345,000
42658 Somerset Dr	\$180,000
3319 Wall St	\$287,000
48578 Wildrose Dr	\$325,000
1232 Wildwood Ln	\$219,000
6350 Winter Dr	\$210,000
GARDEN CITY	

225 Arcola St	\$90,000
6724 Elizabeth St	\$110,000
LIVONIA	
15221 Adams Ct	\$167,000
33117 Allen St	\$170,000
9537 Arcola St	\$126,000
9904 Auburndale St	\$160,000
29559 Barkley St	\$141,000
27668 Bennett St	\$155,000
14906 Brookfield St	\$190,000
17590 Dolores St	\$40,000
35810 Dover St	\$166,000
37486 Eagle Dr	\$273,000
28251 Five Mile Rd	\$40,000
11038 Flamingo St	\$131,000
9622 Garden St	\$141,000
28932 Grandon St	\$142,000
9023 Laurel St	\$148,000
15595 Liverpool St	\$224,000
10000 Loveland St	\$163,000
39174 Lyndon St	\$170,000
16545 Middlebelt Rd	\$43,000
9997 Milburn St	\$137,000
17782 Parklane St	\$252,000
29229 Perth St	\$170,000
29602 Ravine Dr	\$166,000
9907 Roseland St	\$58,000
31408 Scone St	\$170,000
29173 Westfield St	\$134,000
NORTHVILLE	
16738 Abby Cir	\$400,000
40477 Beechwood Ct	\$423,000
40687 Delta Dr	\$369,000
39446 Edgewater Dr	\$260,000
17217 Fairfield Ct	\$450,000

19851 Fry Rd	\$225,000
39716 Golfview Dr	\$523,000
39580 Muirfield Ln	\$300,000
16748 Old Bedford Rd	\$380,000
46600 Pinehurst Cir	\$661,000
48740 Running Trout Ln	\$485,000
42653 Savoy Ct	\$125,000
42672 Steepleview St	\$309,000
17405 Victor Dr	\$435,000
16093 Weatherfield Dr	\$339,000
44433 White Pine Cir E	\$635,000
PLYMOUTH	
46260 Barrington Rd	\$286,000
607 Burroughs St	\$374,000
13500 Cambridge Ct	\$323,000
41244 Crestwood Dr	\$220,000
243 E Ann Arbor Trl	\$125,000
40145 E Ann Arbor Trl	\$150,000
40777 Five Mile Rd	\$158,000
49964 Fuller Ct	\$539,000
420 Irvin St	\$389,000
9073 Mayflower Dr	\$246,000
40104 Newport Dr	\$106,000
9095 Northern Ave	\$166,000
42253 Old Pond Cir	\$129,000
1199 S Sheldon Rd	\$60,000
1066 Sutherland St	\$213,000
12403 Woodgate Dr	\$126,000
REDFORD	
15567 Chelsea	\$45,000
9035 Columbia	\$82,000
9647 Columbia	\$25,000
12890 Columbia	\$60,000
18291 Delaware Ave	\$38,000
26242 Elba	\$121,000

15634 Fox	\$68,000
13521 Garfield	\$43,000
18870 Glenmore	\$37,000
19341 Kinloch	\$113,000
19404 Wakenden	\$23,000
12916 Wormer	\$42,000
WAYNE	
34032 Winslow St	\$34,000
WESTLAND	
1116 Abbey Ct	\$160,000
1620 Ackley Ave	\$92,000
1943 Ackley Ave	\$24,000
1627 Ashby St	\$85,000
889 Autumn Ridge Dr	\$173,000
34759 Block	\$143,000
157 Carson Dr	\$105,000
31239 Cooley Blvd	\$127,000
6531 Deerhurst Dr	\$110,000
1155 Easley Dr	\$115,000
36260 Farragut Ave	\$54,000
37548 Lang Ct	\$122,000
8537 N Hubbard St	\$143,000
7668 Ritz Ave	\$129,000
7812 Rivergate Dr	\$85,000
690 Superior Pkwy	\$104,000
35551 Thames St	\$84,000
312 Van Sull St	\$110,000
817 Van Sull St	\$75,000
7881 Whispering Willow	\$130,000
1954 Wilshire St	\$120,000

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18604 Devonshire St	\$300,000
22940 Nottingham Dr	\$576,000
18201 Saxon Dr	\$348,000
31829 Sheridan Dr	\$265,000
BIRMINGHAM	
550 Chester St	\$980,000
615 Chester St	\$1,040,000
444 Chester St Unit 7	\$137,000
932 Davis Ave	\$239,000
1225 Derby Rd # 8	\$106,000
2010 Hazel St	\$495,000
713 Maple Hill Ln	\$485,000
727 Maple Hill Ln	\$495,000
757 N Old Woodward Ave	\$217,000
450 Oak Ave # 100	\$152,000
660 Smith Ave	\$575,000
863 Southfield Rd	\$720,000
1823 Southfield Rd	\$180,000
111 Willits St Unit 38	\$750,000
BLOOMFIELD HILLS	
1979 Lakewood Dr	\$205,000
7152 Glengrove Dr	\$387,000
534 Hunters Xing	\$765,000
741 Ivy Ln	\$248,000
7029 Lindenmere Dr	\$438,000
1745 Liverton Rd	\$168,000
850 Trailwood Path # D	\$130,000
BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP	
5731 Burnham Rd	\$238,000

6645 Cathedral Dr	\$300,000
950 Charrington Rd	\$500,000
2447 Devonshire Rd	\$285,000
468 Fox Hills Dr S	\$71,000
4857 Keithdale Ln	\$505,000
1301 Knollcrest Cir	\$218,000
3845 Oakland Dr	\$470,000
6856 Sandalwood Dr	\$255,000
328 Wadsworth Ln	\$358,000
1889 Wingate Rd	\$288,000
275 Yarmouth Rd	\$1,638,000
COMMERCE TOWNSHIP	
2293 Brigantine	\$75,000
2989 Gabriel Dr	\$130,000
5450 Huron Hills Dr	\$378,000
530 Muskoka	\$96,000
5690 Pickbourne St	\$42,000
5675 Strawberry Cir	\$60,000
1680 Trace Hollow Dr	\$307,000
421 Whipponwill Way	\$158,000
FARMINGTON	
36847 Brittany Hill Dr	\$232,000
36996 Brittany Hill Dr	\$252,000
32037 Leelane	\$158,000
22780 Maple Ave	\$100,000
22930 Maple Ave	\$205,000
33254 Tall Oaks Ct	\$190,000
23016 Warner St	\$170,000
23081 Warner St	\$157,000
FARMINGTON HILLS	
27920 Berrywood Ln	\$53,000
28021 Brandywine Rd	\$190,000
32425 Dohany Dr	\$280,000
29270 Glen Oaks Blvd W	\$125,000
28401 Green Willow St	\$215,000
32979 Hargrove Ct	\$295,000
23940 Haynes St	\$263,000

32236 Hearthstone Rd	\$155,000
33633 Heirloom Cir	\$70,000
22955 Inkster Rd	\$215,000
21435 Jefferson St	\$92,000
21975 Leyte St	\$170,000
30772 Ramblewood Club Dr	\$240,000
30166 S Stockton Dr	\$130,000
22448 Springbrook Ave	\$111,000
30400 W 11 Mile Rd	\$185,000
29830 W 12 Mile Rd # 305	\$50,000
24152 Watercrest Ct	\$260,000
21702 Wheeler St	\$160,000
27207 Winterset Cir	\$291,000
HIGHLAND	
1181 Charlick Dr	\$200,000
3132 Donna Dr	\$267,000
2940 Giddings Blvd	\$61,000
2791 Golfers Dr	\$115,000
3791 Heritage Farms Dr	\$198,000
4126 Strathcona	\$85,000
LATHRUP VILLAGE	
17567 Avilla Blvd	\$140,000
17635 Glenwood Blvd	\$129,000
27333 Goldengate Dr W	\$155,000
27410 Lathrup Blvd	\$195,000
18890 San Quentin Dr	\$249,000
MILFORD	
660 Bellevue	\$220,000
1779 Bristol Dr	\$514,000
1795 Brockbury Dr	\$530,000
141 Cottage Ln	\$36,000
1799 N Labadie	\$173,000
1281 Yellowstone Valley Dr	\$323,000
NORTHVILLE	
21080 Boulder Cir	\$160,000

38720 Cheshire Dr	\$377,000
38238 Connaught Dr	\$447,000
21330 E Glen Haven Cir	\$132,000
1008 McDonald Dr	\$600,000
NOVI	
50915 Almafai Ct	\$525,000
23783 Argyle St	\$540,000
43304 Ashbury Dr	\$325,000
45215 Bartlett Dr	\$460,000
41399 Beacon Rd	\$343,000
27540 Belgrave Pl	\$284,000
50616 Billenca Dr	\$615,000
28071 Carlton Way Dr	\$210,000
28259 Carlton Way Dr	\$193,000
22054 Cascade Dr	\$280,000
22649 Cranbrooke Dr	\$123,000
41609 Cummings Ln	\$335,000
23465 Danberry Ln	\$55,000
51272 E Bourne Ter	\$290,000
51296 E Bourne Ter	\$264,000
23984 Forest Park Dr E	\$236,000
44708 Gwinnett Loop	\$143,000
22444 Haverdale St	\$370,000
45751 Irvine Dr	\$415,000
41685 Magnolia Ct	\$190,000
41262 Marks Dr	\$305,000
23109 Meadowbrook Rd	\$283,000
41488 Mitchell Rd	\$215,000
41492 Mitchell Rd	\$203,000
41504 Mitchell Rd	\$209,000
41574 Mitchell Rd	\$243,000
41578 Mitchell Rd	\$227,000
41582 Mitchell Rd	\$226,000
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The myth of the passive job seeker



By Mary Lorenz
CareerBuilder Writer

“We need to get rid of the words ‘active’ versus ‘passive,’” says Cassandra Barnes, research and content manager at CareerBuilder. “They just aren’t relevant words in the job-search landscape anymore.” Barnes is referring to the findings of CareerBuilder’s and Inavero’s 2012 Candidate Behavior Study, which highlights the behaviors and perceptions of today’s job seekers.

One of the survey’s major findings was that, employed or unemployed, the vast majority of workers are almost always seeking new opportunities. Of the 1,291 workers nationwide who participated in the survey, 77 percent said they were either actively searching for a new job or open to new opportunities, and 35 percent said they begin preparing for their next job within weeks of starting a new one. When it comes to frequency, 71 percent of workers said that searching for new opportunities is part of their regular routine, whether or not they’re employed, with 27 percent searching as frequently as once a week.

These findings weren’t unique to any particular demographic segment. Workers of both genders and across various income levels, generations and backgrounds reported similar attitudes and behaviors.

How employers should treat all job candidates

Given these findings, employers should stop thinking of job seekers in terms like “passive”

and “active,” since a majority of workers are constantly on alert for new job opportunities. Instead, employers who want to hire more effectively should focus less on finding passive job seekers, since most workers are casually browsing opportunities and employers at any given time.

Why employers run into hiring roadblocks

The other danger in using these labels is that it can inadvertently derail the employee search, causing employers to miss out on perfectly qualified workers. “Employers tend to think of active and passive candidates in terms of bad and good,” Barnes says. “Yet passive candidates are not necessarily better than active candidates. If anything, they might even be less ambitious or willing to leave their current company.” Employers do themselves a disservice by ignoring the active candidates who have shown interest in their companies.

“Think of recruitment in terms of running for political office,” Barnes says. “Why would you try to sway a Republican to be a Democrat -- or vice versa -- when you should really focus on re-energizing your base population?” For hiring managers, their base is active job seekers, so it only works against them to ignore or discredit this group.

Mary Lorenz writes for The Hiring Site, CareerBuilder.com’s community for hiring professionals and other curious-minded individuals to discuss the attraction, engagement and retention of their #1 asset, their people.



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Car Report

Dodge, Fiat, Alfa Romeo All Face Challenges As Chrysler Redefines, Orchestrates Its Brands



By Dale Buss

Part 2 of a three-part series.

Fiat Chrysler CMO shared with me his basic objectives for each brand as he refines the company's

overall brand architecture in the years ahead. Here's what he's thinking about three of those brands:

Dodge: "Purification"

One of the biggest gambits Fiat Chrysler is making over the next few years is to scale back previous expectations that Dodge could remain a truly mainstream brand with offerings spread across all of the highest-volume segments, in favor of a curtailed and specialized role in which Dodge's considerable credentials as a mass-market performance brand become its soul.



Fiat Chrysler CMO Olivier Francois.

In a development not necessarily pleasing to company executives, but sort of in keeping with their long-range road map for Dodge, the brand's overall sales have softened by 4 percent through November of this year compared with 2013, the worst relative performance in 2014 by any Fiat Chrysler brand. And Dodge's muscle-car nameplates such as Challenger and Charger were leading the negative comparisons for the year.

But Dodge also is the home of the 2015 Challenger SRT Hellcat, a 707-horsepower monster launched in November that is America's most powerful muscle car. Its introduction boosted Challenger sales for the month by 51 percent over a year ago, with the tightly supplied cars in such high demand that conservative radio talk-show host Michael Savage issued a plea on his show, to Fiat Chrysler and its dealers, to make one available to him.

"We agreed it would be beneficial for Dodge to go back to what Dodge used to be and undergo a purification process," Francois said. "More muscled; more opportunities like Hellcat. We can own it. But if Dodge wants to own this positioning, we can't be the same kind of Dodge that owns the minivan. This is a deliberate choice, meaning Dodge isn't going to just push volumes or enter every segment of the market, but cultivate that 'muscled' part of its DNA."

Fiat: "Growth"

With the new, larger Fiat 500 X that is due out in coming weeks, Francois hopes that "growth" becomes the main byword for Fiat. The brand has struggled to make progress as a mainstream marque in the United States even though American consumers have had several years now to get used to the reappearance of the Italian little-car brand whose parent company now owns Chrysler. Even high gasoline prices haven't done Fiat all that much good, and it has faced stiff competition in the tiny-car derby.

Yet, for 2014 to date, Fiat sales were ahead of last year by 7 percent, so the brand has been gaining — mainly through strong sales of the latest variant, 500 L. Thus Fiat has been closing in on about a 60-percent share of the mini-car market, Francois said.

"But 'X' is a potential main car," Francois asserted. "So the challenge will be to go from a pure style, if not lifestyle, brand to substance. It will finally be a car that can be mainstream, with



The 2015 Dodge Challenger SRT will help the brand keep its muscular positioning.

roominess, space and a powerful engine. It'll be capable. But we have to do all of this without losing the fun and edge of the brand. We can't switch off fun and sexy and personal and just go super-mainstream and boring."

And if Francois can accomplish that, beginning with the 500 X, then Fiat can become another growth engine for the company in the United States.

Alfa Romeo: "Seeding"

The brand has been fashioning its return to America after decades' absence, at first with an intentionally low-volume model,

4C, which sold 24 in November.

"It's not destined to sell that many," Francois said of the 4C. "We're really using this car as an opportunity to seed, to start talking again about Alfa Romeo and in a way that will help define the brand in North America, where it has been a blank slate for so long."

And what will the Alfa Romeo brand stand for? "Performance, but not pure power," Francois explained. "It's all about the weight-to-power ratio, like with supercars. They'll be super-light and super aerodynamic."

"We're defining this base DNA so that we can start identifying a potential customer base for Alfa Romeo in [the U.S.] and to create connections with people. We have a year to start 'dating' potential customers for [future] Alfa Romeo cars. That teasing phase is coming soon, which will allow us to have a smoother introduction of the brand [with future products] than we had with Fiat."



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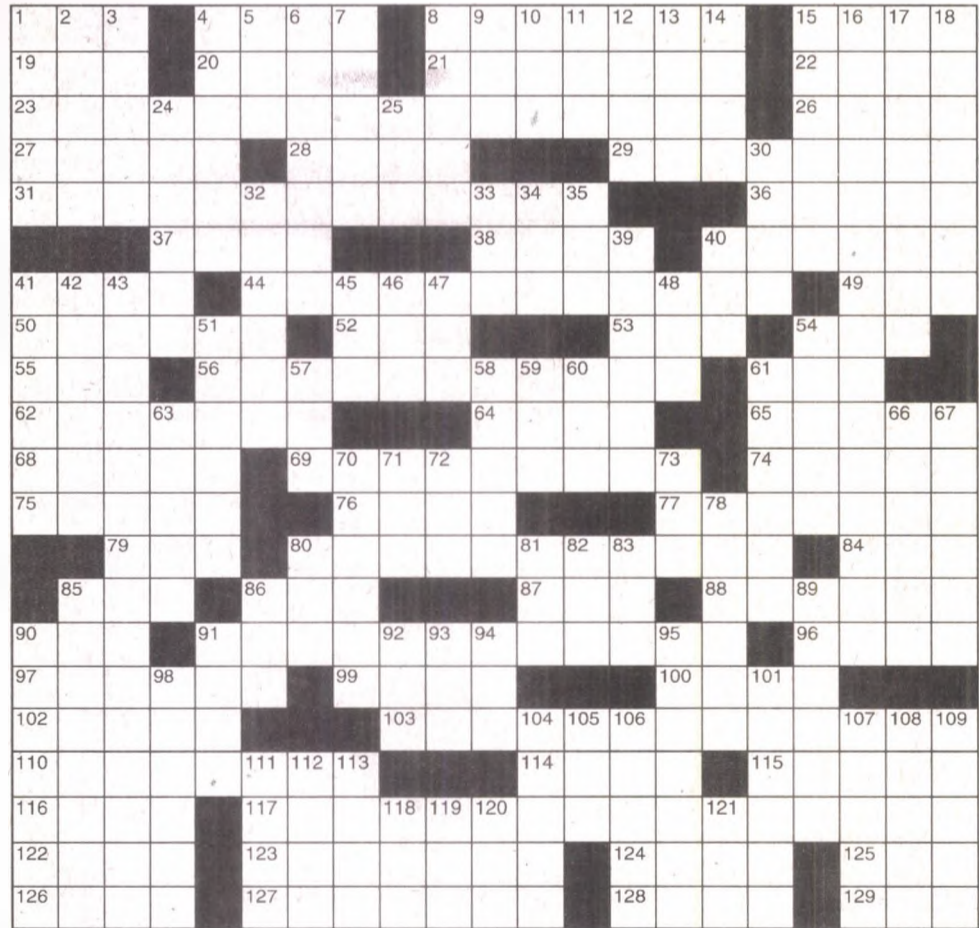
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| 8 More savory | 61 "... — a puddly tat!" | 110 Item-trading place | 10 Imminent alumni: Abbr. | 47 Jorge's gold | 89 Fake fireplace item |
| 15 1998 Apple debut | 62 Fall back | 114 Dip — in (try tentatively) | 11 Bit of body art, briefly | 90 Huge hits | 90 Aural pair |
| 19 Confucian "way" | 64 Irish coin | 115 Vital artery | 12 "— your pardon" | 91 Aural pair | 92 "— for Noose" |
| 20 Undiluted | 65 Really longs | 116 "What — God wrought!" | 13 Wiesel with a Nobel | 92 "— for Noose" | 93 See 9-Down |
| 21 Qualified to join a payroll | 68 "Three Sisters" sister | 117 "More Than Human" sci-fi novelist | 14 Western city on I-80 | 94 Rx order | 95 Moving force |
| 22 One-billionth Prefix | 69 Member of "N Sync | 122 In a tie | 15 Perform plainsong | 95 Moving force | 98 "Frasier" role |
| 23 "Oklahoma!" lyricist | 74 Hearty hot dog topping | 123 Ill-fated ship | 16 She sang "A Tree in the Meadow" | 101 Mean stares | 104 Drug cops |
| 26 1982 Disney film | 75 Hymns, e.g. | 124 Philosopher | 17 Divinely chosen | 105 Summer, to Michel | 106 Dinosaur sidekick in Nintendo games |
| 27 Ranch in the film "Giant" | 76 Appliance plug-in | 125 Stockholm loc. | 18 Hide | 107 "You — Beautiful" | 108 Home of baseball's Indians, informally |
| 28 Pear variety | 77 Temer type, informally | 126 Dried up | 24 "Finally!" | 109 Welles' "Citizen" and others | 111 URL start |
| 29 Of a certain earth science | 79 Hi — (some stereotypes) | 127 Doorways | 25 Chinese soup additive | 112 Toledo locale | 113 Korda of tennis |
| 31 "Pretty in Pink" star | 80 Classical guitarist and lutenist | 128 "Stupid — stupid does" | 30 Tart fruit | 118 Grain staple | 119 Cell material |
| 36 Silly | 81 B&B, e.g. | 129 Walk — (tiny roles) | 32 Views anew | 120 "Black gold" | 121 Hollywood's Thurman |
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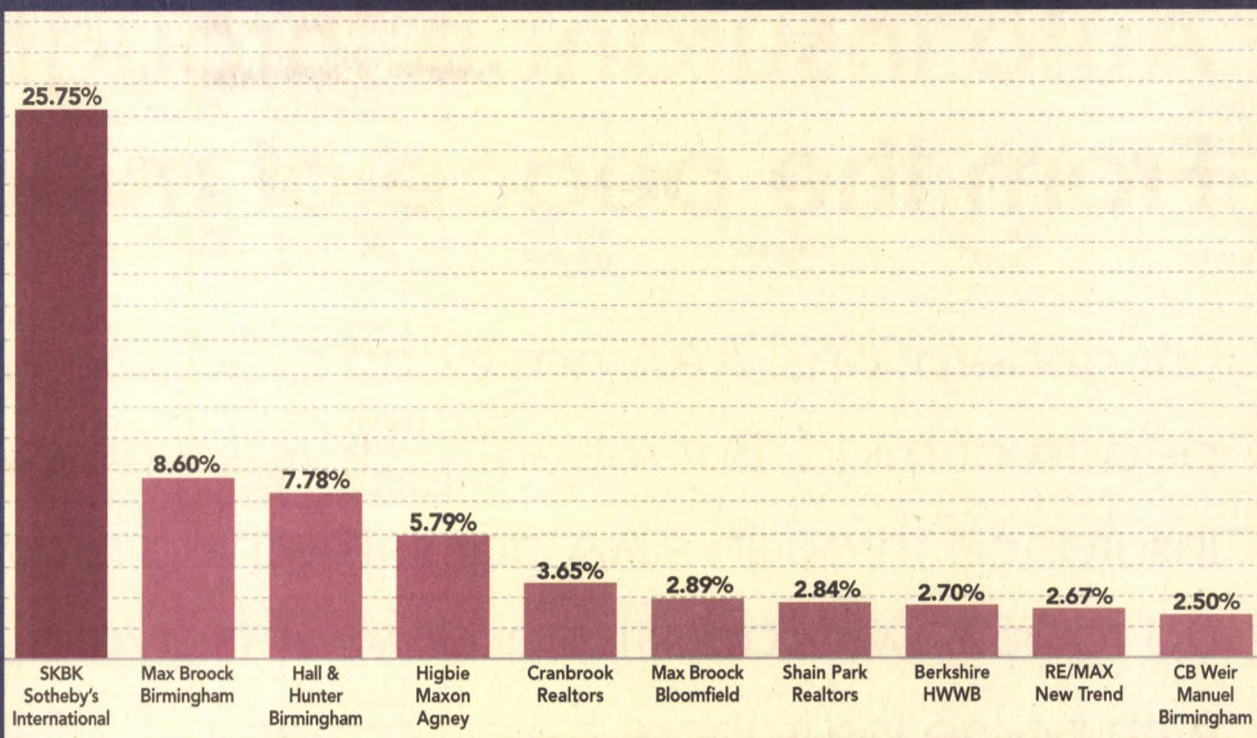


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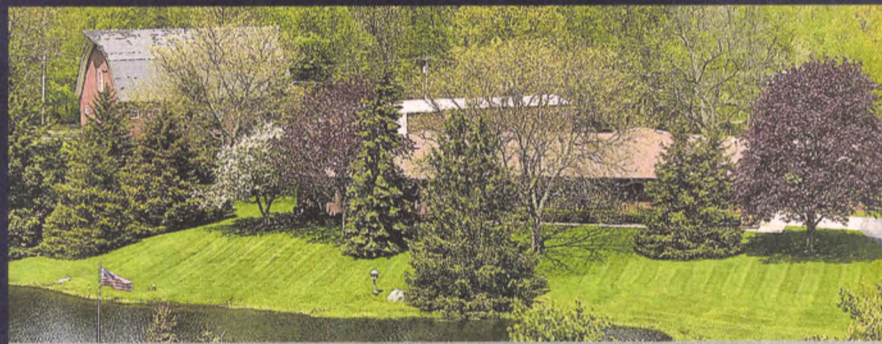


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