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## Begole 95th birthday celebration

The Novi Rotary Club will celebrate the 95th birthday of retired Police Chief Lee Begole at noon Thursday, July 2.

“Chief Begole has been a long-standing member of our Novi club and through the years Lee has delighted us with stories of Novi’s past. For those of us who are not lifetime residents of Novi, we could listen for hours,” club president June Marshall Smith said. “We are looking forward to this day of celebration with Lee!”

Attendees must RSVP to Maryanne Cornelius at 248-347-0456 by June 29. Cost is \$12 per person. It will be held at the Novi United Methodist Church, 41671 10 Mile Road.



Begole

## Full-time firefighters get pay raise

By Lonnie Huhman  
Staff Writer

Full-time firefighters in the city of Novi have a new contract that looks to benefit both sides.

A three-year agreement (2015-18) was officially approved June 22 by the Novi City Council. The new contract was reached before the current one expired in the coming weeks, which both sides were happy to see get done.

“The full-time fighters feel good about the contract,” said Paul Mullett, a Novi fire protection officer and union president for the full-timers. “What stood

out to me was that it was a fair deal all around.”

He said the city got its payroll to line up with the rest of the employees. Starting pay (years one through five) for firefighters is up to a more comparable rate with neighboring communities and “the negotiations went very smoothly.”

There are 26 full-timers represented in this association.

According to Tia Gronlund-Fox, city of Novi’s director of human resources, the July 1 pay raise in the first year for top pay (more than five years with



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A fire engine from Novi’s Fire Station No. 4. Novi full-time firefighters have a new contract with the city.

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Mark Zielinski cuddles with her son Adam, 7, during the June 17 Wonderful Wednesday gathering at Novi’s Fuerst Park. The series kickoff concert that day was by the Gemini Twins, Sander and Laszlo Slomovits. Concerts will continue at 10 a.m. each Wednesday at the park through early August.

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## Wonderful Wednesday



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The Gemini Twins, consisting of Laszlo (left) and Sander Slomovits, entertain at the first of Novi’s Wonderful Wednesday gatherings at Fuerst Park.

## Judge Law’s investiture held at his alma mater, CC

By Cal Stone  
Staff Writer

In his first day as the 52-1 District Court’s newest judge, David Law handled around 15 pretrial hearings, four sentencing, a bench trial and a couple of violation of probation hearings.

And it all “went by in a flash,” Law said of March 2, 2015. “It

was a busy day, but I really enjoyed it.”

Law was sworn in June 17 at a ceremonial investiture at Detroit Catholic Central High School, from which he graduated in 1987.

Judge Dennis Powers resigned from the 52-1 court last September. Gov. Rick Snyder eventually appointed Law in a process he said was “long and

arduous,” including a 32-page questionnaire, an initial interview with the Michigan State Bar Judicial Qualifications Committee and then another interview with the governor’s office.


“I believe my legal background of having been in private practice, the Oakland (County) Prosecutor’s Office and the Michigan Attorney General’s Office helped me greatly

throughout the process,” Law said.

Seven months later, he’s sitting on the bench at the Novi court.

“It was an exciting day when I finally got a call from Gov. Snyder telling me that he was proud to give me the appointment,” Law said. “I am truly

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## RAISE

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the department) and supervisory (captains and lieutenants) full-timers will be a 1.25-percent increase in their \$25 an hour pay.

Gronlund-Fox said initial full-timers (one to five years) will get a \$1 an hour bump in pay to their current \$15 an hour pay, also starting July 1.

All of the full-timers will also get a one-time \$500 stipend or bonus this August.

Going into years two and three, all 26 will see a 2-percent increase in pay.

One change in the new contract's health care language omits reference to an insurance vendor by name, which Gronlund-Fox

said provides the city greater flexibility to negotiate with other insurance carriers for competitive rates and coverages. She said this is something officials want to do in all contracts with the different union groups in the city.

Another change the city feels good about deals with seniority. The new contract removes seniority points in the promotional process. Now promotion will come from things like good performance and testing rather than time with the department.

"We have a great relationship with our firefighters and this negotiating went really well," Gronlund-Fox said.

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## Making reading fun

JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER  
Doug Scheer (left) and his superhero assistant, Lise LaCasse, entertain a June 16 crowd at the Novi Public Library. The duo brought some magic and comedy to the gathering and encouraged those interested to check out books at the library to learn as much as they can about magic or whatever interests them.

## LAW

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humbled by the opportunity the governor has provided me to be able to make a difference in our community by working with law enforcement to help keep our streets safe."

### Colleagues

Law joins Judge Robert Bondy, who has been at the 52-1 court since 2002, and Judge Travis Reeds, who was elected in November 2014.

"I respect what they do and how they do it," Law said. "Our citizens are lucky to have judges like them on the bench."

Law said he was fortunate to have had the opportunity through the years to see a wide variety of judges in action and noted Oakland County is lucky to have hard-working, high-quality jurists on the bench.

"I have really tried to take what I liked from those courtrooms and apply it in my own court," Law said. "When I was an Oakland County assistant prosecutor, I was assigned to Circuit Judge Wendy Potts' court. She is smart, well-prepared and treats people well. I have a lot of respect for her. I most recently was assigned to Wayne Circuit Judge Christopher Dingell's court when I worked for the Michigan Attorney General's Of-



52-1 District Court Judge David Law (center) is welcomed to Novi by Mayor Bob Gatt (right) and Police Chief David Molloy during Law's ceremonial investiture June 17 at Catholic Central High School.

CAL STONE

ice. Judge Dingell is intelligent, prompt and diligent. I enjoyed working with him."

### Family tradition

Law grew up in a family that believes in public service. His father Tom was an Oakland County commissioner for 26 years, including four as chairman. His mother Sharon was West Bloomfield Township clerk for 24 years. Both were at their son's investiture June 17 and presented him with his robe.

Law also has two uncles who served in the Michigan Legislature and he followed in their footsteps as a state representative serving Commerce Township and Wolverine Lake (2005-

08). He introduced Michigan's version of Jessica's Law, which mandates longer prison sentences and strict electronic monitoring for adults who sexually prey on children. He also received the Legislative Support Award from the Southeast Michigan Police Chiefs' Association for his support of law enforcement while in the Legislature.

Law ran for Oakland County prosecutor in 2008 and most recently served as a Commerce Township trustee from 2011 until he was appointed to the bench in February.

The 46-year-old Commerce Township resident is single, but his girlfriend, Colleen McDon-

ald, was at his investiture, as were his sister Julie and her husband Mike Puzsar.

After graduating from CC, Law earned a bachelor's degree in business administration from Notre Dame in 1991 and his juris doctorate from Detroit College of Law in 1995.

He worked in private practice for the firm Sills, Law, Essad, Fielder and Charboneau, P.C., specializing in family law and civil practice until 1998. For the next six years, he served as Oakland County's assistant prosecutor and then was a Michigan assistant attorney general from 2009-15, trying cases of child abuse and neglect.

Law is a member of the Michigan District Judge's Association and he serves on the Legislative Committee for the MDJA. He also belongs to the State Bar of Michigan, Oakland County Bar Association, Multi-Lakes Conservation Association, the Incorporated Society of Irish American Lawyers and he is on the Board of Directors for Lakes Area Youth Assistance.

"It's an honor to be able to make a difference in the community with this position," Law said of his seat on the bench, "and it is an awesome responsibility which I do not take lightly."

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# City partners with area school districts

Web tool to attract newcomers

By **Lonnie Huhman**  
Staff Writer

The city of Novi has entered into a partnership with the Novi Community School District, Northville Public Schools and Walled Lake Consolidated Schools to share the costs for the development of the creation of an "online community attraction tool."

This partnership grew out of a Novi City Council approved project in last

fiscal year's budget, which was listed in the documentation as an "Attraction Tool," also referred to as "Hello Novi."

"The goal of the project is to create and develop an informative and eye-popping web experience for individuals interested in what Novi has to offer from three different angles: traditional informational content, location-based presentation and share-based

social media," Novi City Manager Pete Auger said.

The project was bid a year ago, which Auger said produced a winning bid from Basso Design Group for a total development fee of \$60,000.

"Initially the project was a joint effort with Novi Public Schools," Auger said. "Hearing the feedback from city council members during fiscal year 2014-15 budget deliberations, city administration engaged the other two prominent school districts in the

area, Walled Lake and Northville, to participate. Over the last year, administration has worked with all three school districts."

All are on board with the tool idea.

The community information will primarily be overlaid on a mapping platform (example: Google Maps) and will utilize both GPS and/or pin-drop location management.

"The ultimate goal is to attract families locating to southeast Michigan to the three major school districts in the

community," Auger said. "The tool will be especially useful for families relocating for limited assignments from overseas as well."

According to the plan, the site's informational content will be a combination of video, external links, photos and mapping coming together to give the user the experience that he/she is traveling down the street and experiencing Novi in augmented reality. Web content, both video and written, will be translated into different lan-

guages to further increase the size of the net cast for potential new residents.

Basso has lowered the development fee to \$45,000. Cost sharing from the three school districts was developed from their Novi student enrollment numbers. Northville will pay \$2,852 and Walled Lake \$4,605, while Novi schools will pay \$18,336 and the city \$25,794.

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## Stabenow seeks HOPE for Alzheimer's patients, families

By **Sandra Armbruster**  
Staff Writer

John D. MacInnes put a face to a recent discussion about Alzheimer's.

The 87-year-old Bloomfield Hills man took his turn, standing and offering comments that earned applause from the audience that had gathered in Southfield to hear U.S. Sen. Debbie Stabenow discuss legislation she has introduced in Congress. That legislation, if approved, would offer education and options to families of Alzheimer's patients.

MacInnes had some ideas of his own.

"Eight years ago I was diagnosed with Alzheimer's," said the articulate MacInnes, noting that he had just had an appointment with his neurologist. "She said that at your stage now, you should not be driving."

"I tell you, that's a blow."

MacInnes would later go on to offer comments on what the needs are of those with the disease that robs its victims of their memories - things like a better transportation system than the metro area now has in place, and expanded use of caregivers to support families.

### A stigma

The meeting had been marked by speaker after speaker, commenting on a medical community that they said frequently considers a diagnosis hopeless and doesn't continue treatment.

There is a stigma to an Alzheimer's diagnosis, said Kristin E. Cahill, a social worker with U-M's Michigan Alzheimer's Disease Center. And she saw MacInnes, who has served on the Alzheimer's Association advisory team, as the antithesis to that stigma.

Cahill commented on what she said was MacInnes' dignity, eloquent speech and ability to "give back" and she called for others to "still respect people" who have the disease.

That's part of what Stabenow wants her legislation to do - offer hope to families and the Alzheimer's patients who, she said, sometimes are never even told what their diagnosis is. One in every three people will suffer from Alzheimer's or dementia, she said.

### Bringing HOPE

Stabenow, whom the Alzheimer's Association praises for her advocacy, said that her proposed bipartisan legislation would bring HOPE (or Health Outcomes, Planning and Education for Alzheimer's Act). The legislation would bring information and treatment options to those caring for patients, she said.

To those who worry about cost, Stabenow said that to not offer HOPE would cost more, but she worries about cuts in the next budget for both Medicare and Medicaid. "It doesn't have to be

this way," she said. "The economy has turned around...We're coming out of the hole."

She suggested that loopholes allowing companies that "pretend to leave" the U.S. and not pay taxes should be closed.

Stabenow and officials with the Alzheimer's Association encouraged those present and the general public to "not take no for an answer" when advocating for patients.

"It's about priorities and values," she said.

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John D. MacInnes of Bloomfield Hills, who has Alzheimer's, speaks during a meeting in Southfield of the Alzheimer's Association. At right is Kristin E. Cahill, a social worker and education coordinator with the Michigan Alzheimer's Disease Center.

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## Graduates thankful for Novi Career Prep High

By Lonnie Huhman  
Staff Writer

"It feels awesome," Dai-Sean Coston-Maddox said prior to the Novi Career Prep High School graduation.

He, along with 20 other of his fellow students, proudly walked across the stage at the Novi Middle School auditorium to accept their diplomas June 4. His friend Peter Zajac also graduated and for him the feeling was mutual.

"I'm excited to finally be here. It's been a long road sometimes," he said.

The Novi Career Prep program consists of students of all different learning styles, abilities and circumstances that impacted the completion of their educational goals. This program offers a flexible schedule that allows students to maximize their options to complete their high school education. It offers the opportunity for students to graduate with a high school diploma.

"This is another great group of students graduating this year," said Linda Cianfer-



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The Class of 2015 of the Novi Career Prep High School begins commencement exercise June 4 at Novi Middle School.

ra, Novi Community Schools' Adult and Continuing Education coordinator. "They're an example of what it means to work hard and stay dedicated."

Scholarships were given by the Novi Educational Foundation, Novi Youth Assistance and the Career Prep program.

The Novi Board of Education and members of the Novi

school administration attended the ceremony. Board President George Kortlandt and district Superintendent Dr. Steve Matthews spoke to the class.

So did a former student, who has gone on to college. "This was my foundation," said Dani Elfallal, who graduated in 2014 from the program. He attended Lansing Com-

### 2015 GRADUATES

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munity College this past year. Next year, he's moving on to the pre-med program at Michigan State University. He said the Novi program helped him get his academic life back on track and, with support from his family, friends and the school staff, he was able to succeed.

That echoes the sentiment of this year's grads.

"This was an amazing opportunity that gave me the support I needed to get where I am now," said Zajac, who will be going on to the Local 324 Heavy Equipment Operator Training School.

## Walled Lake teacher accepted into Teacher Leadership Initiative

Walled Lake teacher Kara Helgemo was recently accepted into the Teacher Leadership Initiative as a member of their class of 2016.



Helgemo

The Teacher Leadership Initiative has been created through the partnership of the Michigan Education Association, National Education Association, National Board for Professional Teaching Standards and the Center for Teaching Quality.

Helgemo will be joining the second cohort of the Teacher Leadership Initiative. She will now be joined by more than 300 NEA teacher-leaders in 12 states across the country who are working on enhancing their leadership skills and their impact.

Helgemo joined the Walled Lake Consolidated School District in February 2013 and has worked in several capacities throughout the district. She has worked at Pleasant Lake Elementary as a literacy intervention teacher, Keith Elementary as a fourth-grade teacher and Meadowbrook Elementary as a second-grade teacher. Helgemo graduated from Walled Lake Northern High School in 2005.

"As a Walled Lake teacher, I am fortunate to be a part of many innovative teaching initiatives and I am eager to begin my involvement with the TLI," Helgemo said. "I'm looking forward to learning the most effective methods to help increase student achievement. This professional development opportunity will have a positive impact for me professionally, but most importantly, it will ultimately facilitate improved learning for children."

## Village Oaks students become a wax museum

By Lonnie Huhman  
Staff Writer

The gym at Village Oaks Elementary School was filled with historical figures and modern influential people last week. Among the group were Albert Einstein, Thomas Jefferson and Leonardo Da Vinci.

The gathering of these great minds was part of the annual wax museum put on by fourth-graders as part of a class project. It was an opportunity for students to learn about the Leader in Me habits. Parents joined staff and their students for a tour of the museum to learn about some wonderful people and their contributions to society.

"It was fun to learn about Leonardo Da Vinci because I love art and so did he and he liked to look at nature," said fourth-grader Ruby Crockett, who was Da Vinci.

Students got dressed up as the person



LONNIE HUHMAN

Fourth grader Justin Frick played a convincing Albert Einstein during the wax museum event.

and posed as a wax figure. Once a person on the tour stepped on the fake button in front of the student, they would tell the character's story and how they used the leadership habits.

Einstein sought first to understand, Jefferson was proactive and Da Vinci sharpened his saw.

Teacher Tom Guilmette said the pro-

ject involved a number of learning areas, from English language arts and Leader in Me, which teach students the seven habits to becoming a responsible leader and learner.

The project wasn't just about dressing up, it also involved students researching the different figures and writing a persuasive letter to the Leader in Me organization attempting to state their case as to why the project is a good one to feature.

"They really get to see how these important women and men made their mark on history," teacher Meghan Ashkanani said.

Fourth-grader Justin Frick played Einstein. He was very convincing as he told the story about the famous theoretical physicist, who played a big part in the development of atomic and nuclear energy. Each step in Einstein's life, he explained what habit was used.

"He always liked to use begin with the end in mind," Justin said.

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SCHOOL BRIEFS

Scholarships awarded

Northville High School senior Rachel Grimmer was the recipient of the Northville Woman's Club scholarship presented May 18 at the school's Honors Convocation.



Grimmer

The Northville Woman's Club, one of the oldest organizations in the community, supports an annual scholarship for a NHS student who demonstrates scholarship, financial need, and service engagement. Grimmer will be attending Michigan State University in the fall, enrolling in the Honors College.

The Northville Marathon Bridge Club awarded its annual scholarship to NHS senior Madeline Delis at the NHS Convocation Ceremony. This scholarship is designated for a Northville student who plans to attend a community college. The scholarship is funded by the Marathon Bridge Club and is administered by Northville Woman's Club. Delis will be attending Schoolcraft College in the fall focusing on business studies.



Delis

Community invited to Summer Camp culminating experiences

Three Walled Lake Schools' summer camps are hosting events Thursday, June 25, highlighting the work of students. All three events are open to the public and the entire community is invited to attend.

**Visual Arts Camp 2015 Student Art Exhibition:** The show will take place at Sarah Banks Middle School (1760 Charms Road, Wixom) at 1 p.m. June 25. Students will have all the masterpieces they have created over the course of camp on display for your viewing pleasure. There are more than 100 fourth- and fifth-grade students enrolled in this year's camp, with students attending from all 12 Walled Lake

Schools elementaries. Contact Jessica Rohrhoff at [jessicarohrhoff@wlcsd.org](mailto:jessicarohrhoff@wlcsd.org) or 248-956-3776 for more information.

**Creating Music Camp Final Performance:** The 2015 Creating Music Camp with the theme, "C is for Create" cordially invites the community to the finale performance at 2 p.m. June 25 at Pleasant Lake Elementary (4900 Halsted Road, West Bloomfield). Contact Diane Raymond at [dianeraymond@wlcsd.org](mailto:dianeraymond@wlcsd.org) or 248-956-3372 for more information.

**Performing Music Camp Final Performances:** The 2015 Performing Music Camp invites the community to their final performances at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. June 25 at Walnut Creek Middle School (7601 Walnut Lake Road, West Bloomfield). Contact Matt Horn at [matthorn@wlcsd.org](mailto:matthorn@wlcsd.org) or 248-956-2858 for more information.

Fox Run residents raise \$360,000 for scholarships

Novi Fox Run retirement community celebrated the 36-member Class of 2015 Student Scholars at a recent award ceremony. The student workers earned four-year collegiate scholarships from the \$360,000 raised by residents.

In the previous 11 years, the Fox Run Scholars Program has raised \$930,000, assisting 163 students to advance their collegiate careers.

To be eligible for a scholarship, the students employed in the Dining Services Department must work a minimum of 1,000 hours between their junior and senior years of high school, build positive relationships with residents and maintain a strong work record while employed at Fox Run.

WLCSD offers summer meal program

Walled Lake Consolidated Schools will participate in the Summer Food Service Program through Friday, Aug. 21 (except July 3). This program provides meals to children ages 1-18 without charge. Young adults ages 19-26 are also eligible if they're enrolled in programs for the mentally or physically disabled. These programs must be recognized by a state or

local public agency. Breakfast will be served 8:15-8:45 a.m. and lunches will be served from 11 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. Monday through Friday at the Walled Lake Community Education Center, 615 N. Pontiac Trail. For more information, call 248-956-3080.

Zonta Club scholarships

The Zonta Club of Northwest Wayne County has established scholarship funds to empower women to get the education necessary to enter the workplace and reach their educational goals. Applicants must be U.S. citizens and reside in one of our service areas which are Livonia, Plymouth, Canton, Redford, Wayne, Garden City, Westland, Northville Township and the Wayne County portion of Northville. The scholarship is open to all women without regard to race, ethnic origin, disability or age.

To request an application, email Leigh at [Lei717@gmail.com](mailto:Lei717@gmail.com). Applications must be received by **June 30**. Scholarship will be awarded in July with money available for the fall 2015 semester.

To request an application, email [rsrand521@sbcglobal.net](mailto:rsrand521@sbcglobal.net). Applications must be returned by mail and postmarked by Oct. 22.

Cheer clinic

The Novi varsity cheerleaders are hosting a three-day cheer clinic for girls ages 5-12 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. **July 13-15** at Village Oaks Elementary, 23333 Willowbrook Drive.

Learn chants, gymnastics, stunts, dance, stretches, jumps and flexibility. T-shirts are available on a first-come, first-serve basis, but are not included in the price of the clinic. The fee \$100 for all three days (includes lunches and snacks; pizza first and third day, Subway second day).

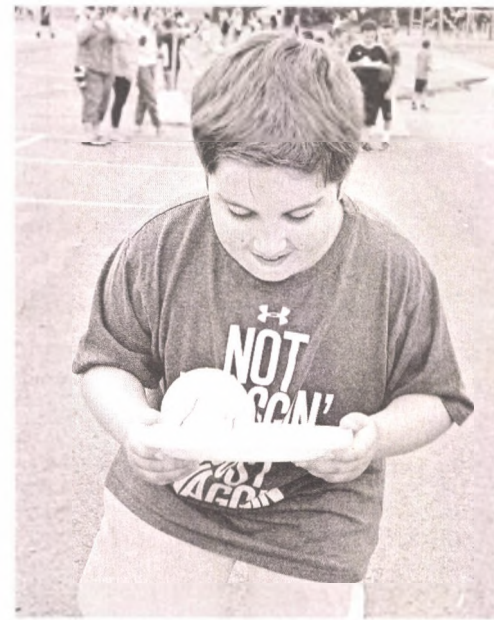
To register, go to <http://www.novi.k12.mi.us/> and click the Athletics tab; select Sports Camp for the Summer Cheer Clinic link. Email coach Ashley Karinen with any questions: [AKarinen07@gmail.com](mailto:AKarinen07@gmail.com).

Northville accepting early kindergarten registration

Northville Public



Amerman Elementary School student Stacey Slyusar flings her shoe off her foot and into the air in the shoe-kick contest during the school's field day.



Field day

Aaron Weiskopf races around a course balancing a softball in a Frisbee during Amerman Elementary's field day June 8.

Schools is now accepting kindergarten enrollment for fall 2015. If you have a child who will be 5 years of age on or before Sept. 1, schedule an enrollment appointment to register your child using the appropriate school link below and complete the online pre-enrollment process prior to your scheduled appointment. Enrollment forms and information regarding which documents you will need to bring to your scheduled appointment are listed on the district website at <http://www.northvilleschools.org/node/584>.

Preschool programs

Northville Public Schools is currently assessing the need within the community for a no-cost or reduced-cost preschool program. Recruitment has begun for a preschool program

to be funded through the Great Start Readiness Program. The district is recruiting 4-year-old children for a state-funded preschool class it hopes to offer in the fall. Income eligibility and admission criteria applies. See the website link at [www.earlychildhood.northvilleschools.org](http://www.earlychildhood.northvilleschools.org) for more information.

**Novi kindergarten roundup**

In September, the Class of 2028 will officially begin their educational career at Novi Schools. Registration paperwork is now available in all elementary offices. If you have a student or know someone who has a child who will be turning 5 prior to Sept. 2 and is within the Novi Schools attendance boundaries, have them call the school office: Deerfield (248-

449-1700); Novi Woods (248-449-1230); Orchard Hills (248-449-1400); Parkview (248-449-1220); and Village Oaks (248-449-1300).

Novi offering Great Start Readiness Program

The Novi Community Education Preschool will again be offering the Great Start Readiness Program for 4-year-olds starting in September.

To qualify for this state funded program, children must be age 4 by Sept. 1 and meet two of seven criteria set by the state. The GSRP program is a free preschool and includes lunch and snack. Parents provide transportation. The all-day class will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Thursday and follow the Novi School District calendar.

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# Our Lady of Victory wraps up a good year

By Lonnie Huhman  
Staff Writer

It was a great year for students and staff at Our Lady of Victory School.

From the success of the growing student band to the school hosting its first Spring Showcase, the year was filled with learning, talent and fun.

The OLV Concert Band's year was highlighted by a visit May 9 to the Music in the Parks Festival at Cedar Point. It was a band festival in which bands from Michigan, Indiana, Pennsylvania and Ohio competed.

Band director/teacher Stephen Cross said OLV was in its own classification, due to its non-affiliation with the state band and orchestra organization (because it is a beginning band, typically it does not compete).

All of the middle school bands at the festival were rated on their playing ability and musicianship. Considering this was OLV's first year of having a band, Cross said this was a risk to take the members, not knowing how the students would work toward their goals of being at their best.

Superior ratings are given for groups that score 90-100 percent, excellent ratings are given for groups that score 80-89 percent and good ratings are given for groups that score 70-79 percent; there were



Our Lady of Victory School band director Stephen Cross (far right) and his musicians pose for a quick year end photo May 26. The band made great strides this year in establishing itself and winning some competitions on the state level.



Our Lady of Victory student Linnea Baldori warms up on her flute before end-of-year photos May 26. Baldori and the rest of the school's seventh- and eighth-grade band students made great strides this year in establishing their music program.



Visitors to OLV enjoy some of its students' art creations.

no groups scoring below 70 at this site, Cross said. "Out of the middle school bands for the day, only two scored the highest rating - the group that won Best Overall Instrumental Ensemble

and our Lady of Victory Concert Band!" the proud band director said. "I was surprised at the level our students rose to when challenged. I never settled for what is expected of a beginning

band student, instead I pushed them as they did not know any limits when starting," Cross said. "We were able to play music that I expected to get to with second-year students for next year. I was very impressed with our students' positive attitudes and hope it will continue in the future as we continue to build the program."

The Spring Showcase was another display of student talents. It was an open house-like forum for parents and students to see art projects, science fair projects and hear a musical program dedicated to celebrating America. The goal was to invite parents into the school to share with them what the students

have learned in art, music and science.

"The event is about celebrating student learning! We have really worked on our fine arts offerings here at OLV and this was an opportunity for the students to showcase their learning in this area," said OLV Principal Karen Gessler, who added that the teachers played a big part in the showcase's success.

She said Petra Hinderer, art teacher at OLV, is truly an inspiration to the students and has taught them so much and guided their understanding of how to create. "Each child was able

to select a piece of their work and have it on display for the show - they were so proud!" Gessler said.

In addition, Jessica Marcou, middle school science teacher at OLV, has led her students through an inquiry-based process regarding scientific questions posed by each student.

"Through discovery, the answers uncovered the student for their question and the rationale as to why. It was a wonderful night of learning!" Gessler said.

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## PBL succeeding in Novi schools

By Lonnie Huhman  
Staff Writer

The Novi Community Schools project-based Palooza was a great way to wrap up a year by having a showcase of student learning.

Held May 28 at the Novi Public Library, the showcase was a moment for teachers and students to show the community what different and creative projects they have been working on over the past school year. More than 200 community members attended the event.

"The reason we're here is for the kids. This is the wrap-up for the year where they can show their parents and the community what they've been working on," said Myla Lee, the Novi Community Schools' project-based learning specialist.

Both middle school and elementary students were represented at the event. The Novi Middle School project was called "Myth Busters" and one from Novi Meadows Elementary School was called "1492: The Right Thing To Do?" This pro-

ject was created by fifth-grade students in Cary Grimm's class and it dealt with social studies.

In all, PBL assignments have a driving question to lead the project. In this Meadows class, it had the students looking at the story of Christopher Columbus. One big part of the project was putting the debate before the entire student body, presenting the findings of both sides and asking whether or not they should celebrate Columbus Day. The majority of students voted against celebrating the day.

Another project team was from Deerfield Elementary and it was called "Egg-cellent Egg-perts." First-graders worked on the question of helping animals survive, specifically chickens.

"I learned a lot," Deerfield first-grader Zach Fleming said of the project.

PBL has really taken hold in the district, which is a good thing for teachers who have seen its positive results. Over the last two years, more than 650 students have experi-



Deerfield first-graders (from left) Zach Fleming, Mackenzie Ziegler, Alayna Bazzy and Ali Davison stand in front of their project about chickens and their life cycle during the Palooza.

enced this style of learning, which is a teaching method where students gain knowledge and skills by working for an extended period of time to investigate and respond to a complex question, problem or challenge.

A big part of it is going before an audience and explaining the project and what they've learned. The Palooza supports the notion that PBL is helping in Novi.

"This is a great way for them to share in their learning," Lee said.

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## ON CAMPUS

### University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point

More than 2,600 undergraduate students, including Evan Dixon (highest honors) of Novi, were honored for attaining high grade-point averages during the spring semester of the 2014-15 academic year.

### Hope College

The following local students were named to the dean's list: Northville - James Rogers, Ryan Skowronek, Luke Boeve, Jessica Snyder; Novi - Marissa Lozser, Katelyn Owen, Andrew Erickson, Stephanie Eiler; and Wixom - Nicholas Parliamant.

The following local students recently graduated: Northville - Alexandria K. Syverson (B.A. psychology), Bryce A. Groshek (B.S. biochemistry and molecular biology); and Novi - Andrew Mark Erickson (B.A. athletic training).

### Lawrence Technological University

The following local students have been named to the dean's honor roll for the spring 2015 semester. To be named to the honor roll, a student must maintain at least a 3.5 grade-point average for the term. Northville - Steven Gonzalez, Robert Kennedy, Lacy Pyrzynski; Novi - Tyler DeMeere, Tyler Holt, Alex Lozser, Clarissa Maddox and Hayley Walkowski.

### CITY OF NORTHVILLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL CANDIDATES CANDIDATE FILING DEADLINE 4:00 P.M. ON JULY 21, 2015

In accordance with PA 44 of 2010 and PA 276 of 2012, all city level candidate filing deadlines are now governed under State law. The Public Acts supersede the City of Northville's Code of Ordinances and City Charter deadlines for filing for local office. As such, the Code of Ordinances and City Charter's language pertaining to the deadline to file nominating petitions for Mayor and City Council is no longer applicable.

Per Michigan election law (amendments), the non-partisan candidate filing deadline for the November 3, 2015 election (no primary) is 4:00 p.m., July 21, 2015. Candidate packets are available at the Office of the City Clerk, City of Northville Municipal Building, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan, 48167, 248-349-1300, during regular business hours of 8:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m., Monday - Friday.

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### City of Northville Proposed Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance Article 13 - Performance Regulated Industrial District No. 1 (PR-1)

At its regular meeting on July 6, 2015, the Northville City Council will introduce for first reading proposed amendments to the City of Northville Zoning Ordinance. The proposed amendments would update the Zoning Ordinance to amend Article 13 Performance Regulated Industrial District No. 1 (PR-1). The proposed amendment will modify the district language to allow the current activities at the cider mill as permitted uses in the district. However, it limits the accessory uses of wholesale/retail sales and consumption to the products manufactured on site. Stand-alone businesses, such as restaurants or bars, which are not accessory to the manufacturing business are specifically prohibited.

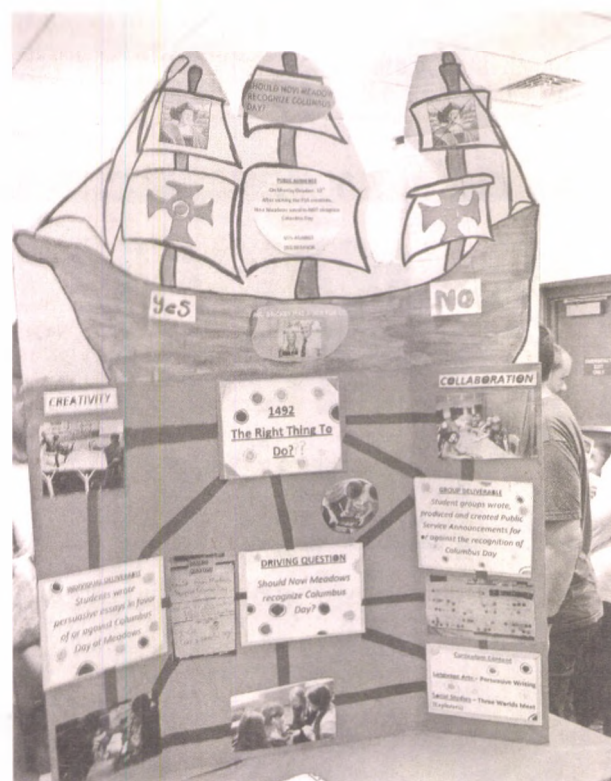
Public comments will be received at the City Council meeting scheduled for July 6, 2015, at 7:30 p.m. at the City of Northville Municipal Building - Council Chambers, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan, 48167, 248-349-1300. Written comments may also be submitted to the above address. Complete text of the proposed ordinance amendment is available for review at the City Clerk's Office during normal business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, local prevailing time and on the city's website at www.ci.northville.mi.us

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This display board was created by Novi Meadows fifth-graders, who examined the story of Christopher Columbus.

### City of Novi Public Hearing Notice

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Zoning Board of Appeals for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on **Tuesday, July 14, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Council Chambers Novi Civic Center 45175 Ten Mile Road to consider:

#### **DOLIN (CASE NO. PZ15-0015) MARK AND ALISON DOLIN, 26382 GLENWOOD DRIVE, PARCEL #: 50-22-18-429-013**

The applicant is requesting variances from the CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES; Section 3.1.2(d) to allow construction of new 315.0 square foot covered porch addition on an existing parcel: 1) a variance of 7.0 feet in the required rear yard setback (35.0 feet required, 25.0 feet proposed); and 2) a variance of 1-foot in the required side yard setback (25 feet required, 24.0 feet proposed).

#### **ROVIK (CASE NO. PZ15-0017) CHRIS AND NANCY ROVIK, 21494 EQUESTRIAN, PARCEL #:50-22-32-401-086**

The applicant is requesting variance from the CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES; Section 3.1.2(d), a variance of 4.5 feet in the required north side yard setback (15.0 feet required, 10.5 feet proposed, in order to allow construction of new stairwell addition within the existing side yard on an existing parcel.

#### **HARRIS (CASE NO. PZ15-0018) JOYE T. HARRIS, 1256 EAST LAKE DRIVE, PARCEL #: 50-22-02-151-018**

The applicant is requesting variances from the CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES; Section 3.1.5(d) to allow construction of new second floor living area addition over the existing foot on an existing nonconforming lakefront parcel: 1) a variance of 7.0 feet in the required north side yard setback (10 feet required, 3.0 feet proposed); 2) a variance of 18.28 feet in the required aggregate side yard setback (25 feet required, 6.72 feet proposed); 3) a variance of 10.51 feet in the required rear (lake side) yard setback (35 feet required, 23.49 feet proposed); 4) a variance 10.5% in the allowed lot coverage (25% allowed, 35.5% proposed/existing).

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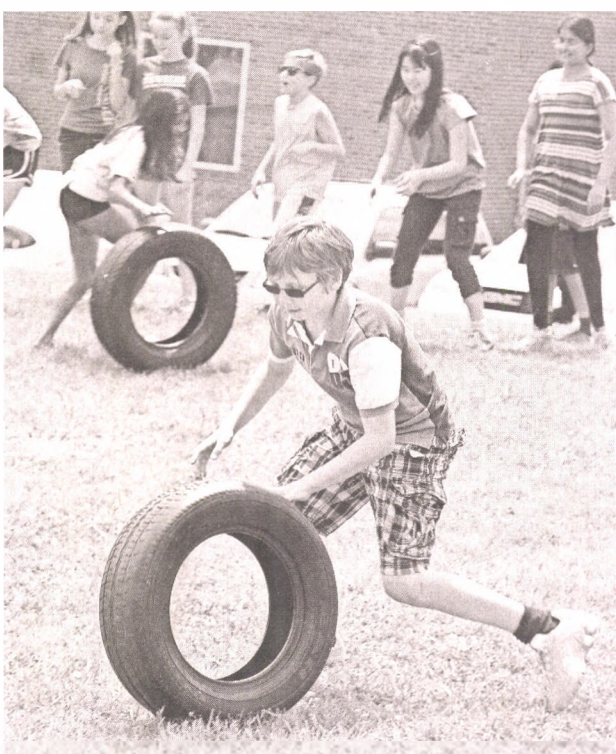
## Field day fun



Using their backs to haul a large ball around the field, Novi Meadows students Alyson Gilghrist (left) and Kirstren Ortman team up for a relay race event during the school's June 9 field day. The end-of-the-year outdoor fun gave kids the opportunity to run around for a while and play some fun games. All were winners.

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As his teammates cheer him on, Eric Sebe rolls a car tire around the field during Novi Meadows' field day.



## Dunked!



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

As his business suit drips from another dunking, Meads Mill teacher Jack Wickens prepares for another drop into the dunk tank during the school's year-end party for eighth-graders.



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Meads Mill Middle School eighth-grader Izabella Guleff seems like she's relaxed and having fun as she waits to dunk another teacher at the June 11 year-end party at the school. Eighth-graders had fun dancing, playing hoops, games of skill and dunking their favorite educators in the tank. With her good aim, Guleff dunked teacher Doug Walter twice.

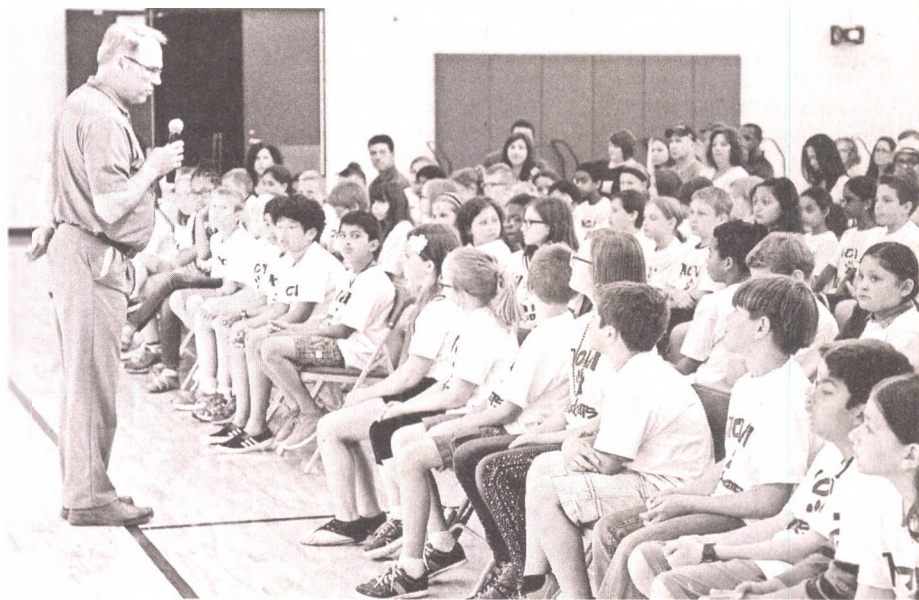
## High-five goodbye



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Novi Woods fourth-grader Jasmine Howard exchanges a high-five as she and her classmates are "clapped out" of the school June 12, their last day. Fellow students, teachers, friends and family came to say goodbye and good luck to the group of pupils. Novi's schools resume Sept. 8.

## Big step



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Novi district Superintendent Dr. Steven Matthews addresses the graduating class of Village Oaks Elementary on June 10. The group of fourth-graders will be heading to Novi Meadows in the fall and Matthews and their teachers noted their accomplishments so far and wished them good luck in the future.

## Clap out



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Silver Springs students give a bunch of high-fives to fourth-graders June 11 during the school's clap out. From right are Chloe Chung, Angela Begu, Sebastian Bellomo and Nehemiah Jones.

### SYNOPSIS June 18, 2015 - REGULAR MEETING CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

**DATE:** Thursday, June 18, 2015  
**TIME:** 7:00 p.m.  
**PLACE:** 44405 Six Mile Road  
**CALL TO ORDER:** Supervisor Nix called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.  
**PRESENT:** Robert R. Nix II, Supervisor; Symantha Heath, Trustee; Sue A. Hillebrand, Clerk; Mindy Herrmann, Trustee; Marv Gans, Trustee; Fred Shadko, Trustee; Marjorie F. Banner, Treasurer

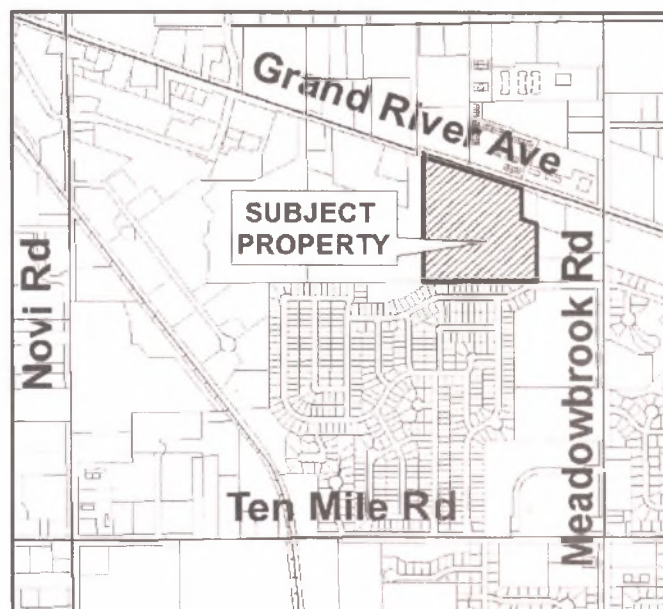
**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

1. **Agendas:** Approved
  - A. Approve the Regular Agenda and the Consent Agenda items:
    1. Minutes - Board of Trustees - Closed Session - May 21, 2015
    2. Minutes - Board of Trustees - Regular Meeting - May 21, 2015
    3. Northville Youth Assistance Program Report
    4. Minutes - Historic District Commission - May 28, 2015
    5. Minutes - Planning Commission - March 31, 2015
    6. Minutes - Zoning Board of Appeals - February 18, 2015
2. **Appointments, Presentations, Resolutions & Announcements:**
  - A. Governor John B. Swainson Award for Karl Gorham - Approved
3. **Public Hearing:** None
4. **Brief Public Comments:** None
5. **New Business:**
  - A. Seven Mile Property - Building 72 - Contract Payment No. 2 - Approved
  - B. Wayne County IGA - 8 Mile Rd. Pathway/Fish Hatchery Park - Approved
  - C. FOIA Procedures and Guidelines - Approved
  - D. Temporary Sign Request - Northville Christian Assembly - Approved
  - E. MTA Annual Dues - Approved
  - F. Five Mile Road Concept Plan - Design Proposals - Approved
6. **Unfinished Business:** None
7. **Ordinances:** None
8. **Check Registry:**
  - A. In the amount of \$ 2,016,725.18. - Approved
9. **Board Communication & Reports:**
  - A. Robert R. Nix, II, Sue Hillebrand, Marv Gans, Symantha Heath, Mindy Herrmann, Fred Shadko, Chip Snider
10. **Any other business for the Board of Trustees:** None
11. **ADJOURN:** Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

A draft of the complete minutes will be available June 29, 2015.  
 Respectfully submitted: Sue A. Hillebrand, M.M.C.

### CITY OF NOVI PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on **Monday, July 13, 2015 at 7:00 P.M.** in the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider **HUNTLEY MANOR, SITE PLAN NUMBER JSP 14-56 FOR CITY COUNCIL'S APPROVAL FOR PRELIMINARY SITE PLAN, PHASING PLAN, WETLAND PERMIT, WOODLAND PERMIT AND STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN IN THE GE. GATEWAY EAST DISTRICT WITH A SPECIAL DEVELOPMENT OPTION. THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IS LOCATED IN SECTION 23, SOUTH OF GRAND RIVER AVENUE AND WEST OF MEADOWBROOK ROAD.** The subject property is 26.62 acres.



All interested persons are invited to attend. Verbal comments may be heard at the hearing and any written comments must be received by the Planning Department, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 until 4:00 P.M., Wednesday July 8, 2015.



# Struggle: Woman pens book on coping with Asperger's

By Aileen Wingblad  
Staff Writer

From as far back as she can recall, Farmington Hills resident Tracey Cohen knew she was "different" — and her family and others she associated with knew it, too.

The signs emerged early — extreme difficulty with social interaction, "not getting" sarcasm and teasing, being overwhelmed by the slightest change in routine, perfectionism, aversion to touch. Even as a baby, she shunned being held and cuddled and as a young girl she soundly rejected light-hearted physical play with her own dad.

Her mother, Joanie Cohen, said she sought help from doctors, time and again. But they offered nothing, she said.

"They either said I was overreacting or they said something was wrong with me, the type of mother I was," she said. "There's no words to say how bad I felt, to see my child suffer and that I couldn't get the help or support we needed."

At one point, they resorted to institutionalizing Cohen. But that was no help, either.

It would be decades of struggle and challenges and questioning and searching before Cohen came to understand why she was so troubled.

Four years ago, at age 39, Cohen was diagnosed with Asperger syndrome.

Asperger's is an autism spectrum disorder that was identified in the mid-1990s, based on a doctor's observations and findings in young



AILEEN WINGBLAD  
Tracey Cohen of Farmington Hills is the author of a new book on Asperger's syndrome in females.

boys, some 50 years prior. But Cohen has learned symptoms are different in females with the disorder — which may result in misdiagnosis or no diagnosis for many.

That's a wrong that must be made right, she said. And that's why she braved stepping out of her comfort zone to share her story in the recently published, *Six Word Lessons on Female Asperger Syndrome - 100 Lessons To Understand and Support Girls and Women with Asperger's*.

### Awareness and understanding

The book is part of the "Six Word Lessons" series, with each chapter having six-word lesson titles and a one-page lesson. It's a quick-read, yet

filled with insight and, at times, painfully honest accounts of what Cohen and other females with Asperger's live with every day.

The goal, she said, is to provide awareness of the syndrome, its signs and manifestations — not only to those who might be dealing with it themselves, but to their families and friends, as well as doctors, teachers and other professionals.

It's also about how she's coped so far and will continue to do so.

"It's for anybody willing to learn something outside the box," she said. "You never know when you are going to come across someone (with Asperger's) and then you will have the understanding."

There's little written about the syndrome in females, Cohen explained, and had she known about it earlier she might have avoided some of the pain that resulted from the ignorance and miscommunication throughout her childhood and young adulthood.

"My whole life, I was made to feel kind of stupid, kind of worthless," she said. "(People would wonder) 'What is wrong with you?'"

Cohen likens having Asperger's to a "bum leg, where you are doing your darnedest to keep up, but every day it hurts and you limp along. You don't know what's wrong and you read about broken legs or torn muscles, but that's not it."

"You don't know why everything is so darn hard. You don't know what is wrong."

### 'Piecing together my life'

Cohen was 30 before she even heard of Asperger's. Of course, that was less than a decade after the syndrome had been identified and much of the focus then, as now, was on boys afflicted with it.

She was working as an in-home teacher/nanny at the time, and attended a conference on Asperger's because it was suspected one of the children she was caring for might have it. Cohen never anticipated the impact the speaker would have on her own life.

"From the moment that person started speaking, I was mesmerized. The tears started to flow — even though I'm not an emotional person — and they just didn't stop. I was thinking 'How can he know my life story?'"

"Everything that came out of his mouth made sense, like he was piecing together my life."

That enlightenment led to attending more conferences and reading as much about Asperger's as she could. Her parents did so too, she said.

It would take nearly nine years, though, before she was diagnosed. Cohen said the mental health professionals she consulted didn't have the tools to diagnose Asperger's in females because many of the symptoms differ from those that young males with the syndrome have. She said one psychologist, for example, told her "You have something. But I'm not sure what it is."

That was devastating to hear, she said, since she

thought she had at last found the answer she had been seeking.

But she didn't give up. Cohen continued researching and learning and, ultimately, was put in touch with a psychologist in Oregon, Dr. Karen McKibbin of the Portland Autism Center who did, indeed, diagnose her with Asperger's. While it was in some regard sobering to hear — and she still had the syndrome to deal with — the good part was the validation, she explained.

"It was OK for me not to be able to keep up with people, it was OK to be who I am and that it was not for lack of trying," Cohen said. "I was kind of missing a part, a disconnect in my brain."

"And I still struggle, but for better or for worse, it is who I am."

And while it was "very surreal and very rewarding" to complete the book, Cohen said what's most satisfying is "hearing from people who have read it and that it has helped them and made a difference."

"That's the point, helping people one way or another," she said. "To have females with Asperger's thank me for writing the book and the effect it has had on them, that means the world to me."

*Six Word Lessons on Female Asperger Syndrome - 100 Lessons To Understand and Support Girls and Women with Asperger's* is available on Amazon, Smashwords, Kindle, Nook and iTunes. It is available for libraries and bookstores by contacting Cohen at [run-trace@hotmail.com](mailto:run-trace@hotmail.com).

# Things to remember when walking — or just singing along

"She told me to walk this way, talk this way. Walk this way, talk this way..."

Yeah, you caught me singing one of my favorite Aerosmith songs, *Walk this Way*. The song made me think about walking and all the things we do while walking. Now we know about distracted driving, but

have you ever thought about distracted walking? Yes, it is a real issue.

In today's world, everyone uses some sort of electronic device — cell-phones, tablets, headphones, to name just a few. Did you know that when a pedestrian is struck by a vehicle, more than 80 percent of the time the pedestrian is



Sgt. Michael Sura  
ASK A TROOPER

killed or seriously injured? When texting or reading a text, a pedestrian's alters their speed and walking pattern. If you are crossing a street, this can become dangerous as lights change and vehicles begin to move.

The National Highway Transportation Safety Administration reported that distracted pedestrians may have been a contributing factor in 4,200 pedestrian deaths and 70,000 injuries in traffic crashes in 2010. That reminds me of another song written by the Bee Gees called *Stayin' Alive*.

When walking, make sure to use the sidewalk if one is available. Cross streets at a corner, using traffic signals and crosswalks whenever possible. Most pedestrians are struck when crossing somewhere other than an intersection. Always stop at the edge of a parked car, curb or vehicle before walking into traffic.

What your parents told you as a child still holds true today: Always look both ways before crossing a street. Make eye contact with drivers prior to crossing in front of them. Don't assume that because you can see them, the driver can see you. You should never cross mid-block.

If you have to walk along the roadway, walk

facing the traffic as far to the left as possible. If you have to walk at night or in the early morning, wear reflective clothing and carry a flashlight. Most pedestrian deaths occur between 6 p.m. and midnight.

Never allow children under 10 to cross streets alone. Young children do not have the skills to accurately judge traffic risks. Also, make sure to give older adults enough time to safely cross as well.

Something else to be aware of are your surroundings. When you are listening to music or texting, others may be looking to steal from or hurt you. Be aware of where you are and what you are doing. Walk with a sense of purpose and

wear clothing that discourages unwanted attention. Make sure you know where you are going to avoid getting lost. If you feel you are being followed, walk to a populated area, cafe, restaurant or other well-attended place.

Don't be afraid to yell or call for help — it is not a bad thing to draw attention to yourself if you are feeling threatened.

As the Pointer Sisters said in a song, these things should be *Automatic*.

If you have questions or comments, email them to [askatrooper12@gmail.com](mailto:askatrooper12@gmail.com), or mail them to Ask A Trooper, Michigan State Police Brighton post, 4337 Buno Road, Brighton, MI 48116.

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## NOVI POLICE BRIEFS

### Copper wire stolen

Someone stole \$700 in copper wiring and pipes from an apartment complex in Novi that was damaged by fire. Novi Police were contacted May 26 by a contractor who was doing work at the Woodland Glen apartment complex, which was damaged by a fire earlier this year. The contractor told police that about 200 pounds of copper wires and pipes were taken. A possible suspect is a man posing as a sanitation

contractor who said he was doing work there as well.

### Larceny from auto

A Novi woman had personal documents, prescription pills and credit cards stolen from her car. The woman told police her car was broken into the night of May 25-26 while parked in her driveway. A window was shattered. Her license, registration and insurance, along with the other items, were taken.

## CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE NOTICE TO THE RESIDENTS OFFICE CLOSING

The Charter Township of Northville Administrative Offices will be closed on Friday, July 3, 2015 in observance of Independence Day. The offices will reopen at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, July 6, 2015.

POLICE & FIRE EMERGENCY SERVICES WILL REMAIN AVAILABLE

Sue A. Hillebrand, Clerk

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## NORTHVILLE POLICE BRIEFS

### Headlight out

A Detroit woman was arrested for possession of marijuana after being stopped for a broken headlight.

Northville Township Police stopped the woman June 18 after spotting her going southbound on Haggerty with a headlight out. Upon making contact with her, police reported that while she was searching for her registration and insurance in the center console they observed some marijuana inside there as well. The other officer at the passenger window also noticed a pipe inside the door handle.

The woman was arrested for possession,

as well as driving on a suspended license.

### Trespassing

Three men from the Plymouth-Canton area were cited for trespassing onto the old Northville Psychiatric Hospital property, which is owned by Northville Township and is restricted.

The afternoon of June 18, Northville Township Police responded to the property off of Seven Mile Road on a report on trespassing. The police found the men near the main building. They had parked at the adjacent commercial development.

— By Lonnie Huhman

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# Farm programs allow kids to 'get a little bit dirty'

By Laura Colvin  
Staff Writer

Kensington Farm Center has plenty of opportunities for kids to have a unique experience while also soaking up some sunshine and fresh air this summer.

Beginning this week, children ages 8-15 can work alongside the center's farmers to help with chores and join in other activities in the Farmer for a Day program.

"We'll feed and water a few of the animals and, more importantly, clean up after the animals," farm interpreter Chris Williams said. "The kids will get a little bit dirty and it'll probably be their first experience using a pitchfork or rake."

Kids will also be able to help make butter, ice cream, cider, bread or some other food product – and do it the old-fashioned way.

"We'll actually be churning ice cream or churning cream into butter," Williams said, adding that families can sign kids up for one or all

the 11 sessions, which take place each Thursday during the summer.

"Every Farmer for a Day is a little bit different because we do get kids who sign up for multiple programs, so we like to offer something new," Williams said. "They all have a similar component, but we do change things up."

Activities may include harnessing a draft horse team, milking a cow, bottle-feeding babies or grooming animals, as well as scavenger hunts and hayrides.

The Farmer for a Day programs run from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The first session is scheduled for June 25, followed by additional sessions July 1, 8, 15, 21 and 28; Aug. 4, 11, 18 and 25; and Sept. 5. Cost is \$40 per child and preregistration is required.

### Age-appropriate programs

The center's Farmer Junior program includes many of the same activities, but is but designed for the capabilities of kids ages 6-8.

Like the Farmer for a Day program, Farmer Junior includes a chance for kids to meet all the farm critters and perform hands-on tasks and make a tasty farm food product.

Each Farmer Junior program runs from noon to 3 p.m. and takes place July 17, Aug. 13 and 27 and Sept. 19. Cost is \$30 per child and preregistration is required.

The farm center also offers a Fun on the Farm program, which is open to all ages, but especially designed for children ages 2-5.

Each program has a central theme, such as cows, pigs or tractors, and includes story time, a simple take-home craft and a theme-based activity.

The cost is \$5 per child and no registration is required. All Fun on the Farm programs begin at 10 a.m. and last approximately one hour. Upcoming programs include:

» Cows, Thursday, July 9. Children will have the opportunity to visit

dairy cows and learn more about milk.

» Pigs, Thursday, July 23. See the farm's hog pen, visit piglets and maybe get a little dirty.

» Horses, Thursday, Aug. 6. Visit draft horses and learn about how they get dressed for work.

» Goats, Thursday, Aug. 20. Meet the stars of the farm's goat herd, from silly to stubborn – but none gruff.

Fun on the Farm programs continue in September and October. A full schedule and description of all programs is available at [metro-parks.com/kensington](http://metro-parks.com/kensington). The farm is also open to the public from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. every day. A vehicle entry permit or a daily pass is required to enter any of the Metroparks.

The Kensington Farm Center is located inside Kensington Metropark at 2240 W. Buno Road in Milford. Call 248-684-8632 to register for events.

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Jeanna Schmansli pushes a wheelbarrow during a previous Farmer for a Day program.

## Three Northville Boy Scouts earn Eagle rank

A trio of hard-working Northville High School seniors earned their Eagle Scout rank after a seven-year Scouting journey together, climbing through the ranks of Troop 755. Michael McCauley, Mark Peterson and Jacob Sirois held their Court of Honor on May 3 at the Mill Race Village Church and each contributed their Scouting talents to meaningful community projects to achieve their Eagle status.

### Michael McCauley

In fall 2014, McCauley spearheaded a project to construct Northville's first archery range, to be managed through the

Parks and Recreation Department. Already employed through the department as a life-guard, McCauley was involved in early design discussions and then went forward to plan and oversee fellow Scouts in the range building process. He worked to secure permits and gain the necessary clearance to build the archery range at Northville Community Park on Beck Road. After acquiring materials, a team of Scouts was assembled to build the range. The project required more than 60 hours of work. The Parks and Recreation Department looks to use the range for upcoming

classes.

### Mark Peterson

After meeting with Mill Race Village representatives, Peterson accepted the challenge of building a brick paver pathway to the north bridge entrance. In September 2014, over the span of three days, he supervised a large group of volunteers to dig out the base area, prepare the gravel foundation and spread the sand layer for the bricks. Finally, Peterson and his team placed more than 1,400 bricks to complete the 8-by-36-foot path. This effort consumed 160 work hours and involved more than 50 volunteers.

According to Peterson, it was one of the best experiences of his life and today the path provides a safe entrance for visitors, wedding parties and dog walkers – and will continue to do so for years to come.

### Jacob Sirois

Mill Race Village also benefited from the contributions of Sirois through his project to build a brick paver pathway around the J. Hirsch Blacksmith Shop. The path was very much needed to provide a convenient pathway for visitors and to prevent mud from being dragged in the building. Sirois notes there was consider-



Michael McCauley (from left), Mark Peterson and Jacob Sirois held their Eagle Scout rank Court of Honor on May 3 at the Mill Race Village Church.

able prep work needed to get the site ready, including the removal of a concrete-based bench and numerous embedded rocks. Once the site was cleared, Sirois oversaw the process of preparation and placement of the pavers. This path required approximately 800 bricks to complete, spanned three days and more than 20 volunteers.

Mr. Gabrys, Historical Society representative, offered his "thumbs-up" approval upon visiting Sirois' completed project.

All three graduating seniors plan to pursue engineering degrees this fall with Sirois and Peterson both matriculating to Purdue University and McCauley attending Michigan State University.

# Outdoor Living

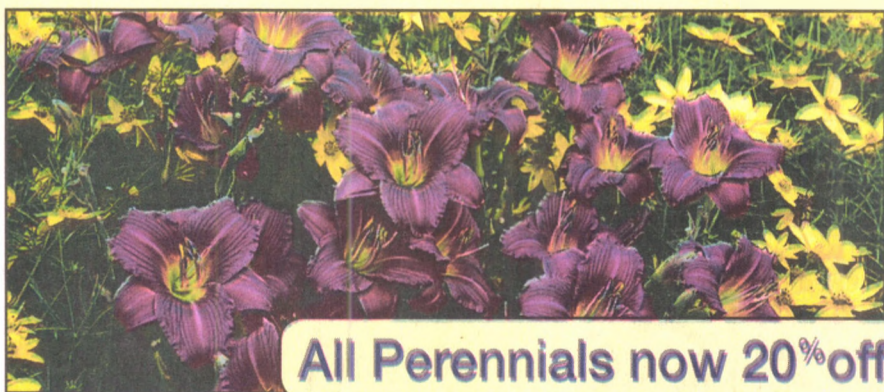
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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

**Palette & Brush Club display**

City of Novi Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services presents the works of the Palette & Brush Club in the Novi Civic Center Atrium Gallery, 45175 10 Mile Road, through **July 31**. More than 20 metro Detroit artists will display their pieces, ranging from oil and watercolor to glass and mixed media as part of the exhibit. Pieces from the exhibit will be available for purchase through the Novi Parks' office. For more information about the upcoming show, contact Rochelle Vallance, recreation supervisor-cultural arts, at 248-347-0509.

**NoviParksRX will promote active lifestyles**

In its second season, the NoviParksRX program promotes healthy, active lifestyles for community members and visitors by allowing health care and recreation professionals to write a "prescription" for activities in Novi's parks and on the Providence Park Hospital Campus. The city of Novi Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department has partnered with St. John Providence Health System to offer the program through **Sept. 30**. Prescriptions include swimming or biking at Lakeshore Park; climbing on the playground at Rotary Park; fishing at Pavilion Shore Park; biking, running or walking on the Providence Park Hospital Campus; and many more. Prescriptions are provided at Novi Parks programs, in the Novi Parks office in the Novi Civic Center and at the Providence Park Hospital main lobby information desk. Additionally, a select number

of Providence Park Hospital physicians are issuing the activity prescriptions.

**Novi Choralaires**

The Novi Choralaires are seeking new members for all voice parts. Open rehearsals for the 2015 season, September through December, will be held at 7:30 p.m. **Sept. 8 and 15** in the Novi Middle School choir classroom (4900 W. 11 Mile Road at Wixom Road). For more information about the Choralaires and their concerts, go to [www.novichoralaires.org](http://www.novichoralaires.org) or [www.facebook.com/novichoralaires](http://www.facebook.com/novichoralaires).

**Shredding Days**

Shredding is available from 9 a.m. to noon the first Saturday of each month at Corrigan Record Storage, 45200 Grand River Avenue. The fee for Novi residents is \$5 up to 300 pounds.

**Cars & Coffee**

Lingenfelter's North Engine Build Facility in Wixom will open its doors and parking to the public for the Cars & Coffee series from 8-10 a.m. each Saturday through **Aug. 22**. Car lovers are welcome to stop by and enjoy the company of others and to see the latest and greatest in performance cars. Lingenfelter Cars & Coffee will be held rain or shine. Guests attending the kickoff event May 30 are asked to bring a non-perishable food item that will be donated to Gleaners Food Bank. There is no fee to participate and refreshments will be available.

**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 up-

coming Color Your World art class series. The classes are led by volunteer Novi High School art students who want to share their love for art. No previous experience is necessary. Pre-registration is required and can be completed online at [www.cityofnovi.org](http://www.cityofnovi.org), at the Novi Civic Center (45175 10 Mile) or Meadowbrook Activity Center (25075 Meadowbrook Road). Classes are held from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. each Saturday at the Meadowbrook Activity Center. There is no cost to register, but a \$3 supply fee will be due to the instructors at each class. For more information, call 248-347-0414.

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**Northville Farmers Market**

Bright colors, summer smells and delicious treats are all part of the Northville Farmers Market with more than 100 stalls of fresh produce, plants and flowers available for purchase each Thursday through the end of October.

The market is located at the corner of Seven Mile and Center Street and is open rain or shine from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., with free parking.

For more information, contact the Northville Chamber of Commerce at 248-349-7640 or go to [www.northville.org](http://www.northville.org).

**Novi Farmers Markets**

The city of Novi Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department and the MSU Extension Tollgate Education Farm are partnering to host two farmers markets per week at two locations.

The Novi All Seasons Market (formerly the Novi Farmers Market) will take place on from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. each Saturday through Oct. 24 at the Novi Civic Center Campus (45175 10 Mile

Arts and Acts



Potter Darlin Nothnagel shows some of his clay wares June 19 at Arts and Acts in downtown Northville. Nothnagel makes his pottery using clay harvested near the Huron River.

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Alex Mendenall and Rachel Curtis perform along West Main Street at the start of the weekend-long Arts and Acts festival.



Road). The mid-week market at the MSU Extension Tollgate Education Farm will be 4-7 p.m. each Wednesday through Oct. 21. The farm is located at 28115 Meadowbrook Road.

For more information regarding the Novi All Seasons Market, vendor or sponsor opportunities call 248-347-0588, email [rtwitchell@cityofnovi.org](mailto:rtwitchell@cityofnovi.org) or go to [facebook.com/NoviFarmersMarket](http://facebook.com/NoviFarmersMarket).

**Gardens wanted**

Do you have a garden that you would like to show off? If so, consider including it in the 2016 Garden Walk or the 2018 Garden Walk to be presented by the Gardeners of Northville & Novi. Contact Barbara at 734-462-3928.

**Crafters sought for Bizarre Bazaar**

The eighth annual Bizarre Bazaar is set for Saturday, **Nov. 7**, at the First United Methodist Church of Northville and organizers are looking for crafters. There will be more than 40 spaces for crafters; lunch is available. Grow your business and help women

in third world countries start a business with a micro-loan from a Village Bank.

For more information, go to <http://www.fumc-northville.org/biz-baz-village-banking/>. To reserve a space, email [fumcbazaar@gmail.com](mailto:fumcbazaar@gmail.com).

**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](http://www.rrrasoc.org).

**Blues @ The Elks**

Plymouth-Ann Arbor Elks Lodge No. 325 in Plymouth will present Blues @ The Elks the second Tuesday of each month (\$5 donation at the door) in partnership with the Detroit Blues Society.

Jazz @ The Elks happens 7-10 p.m. the last Tuesday of each month. There is a \$10 donation at the door, which includes hors d'oeuvres. Enjoy jazz in a listening room setting close to the entertainers. Susan Tobocman with the Cliff Monear Trio returns **June 30**.

The Lodge is adding Big Band @ The Elks. The Dr. Pocket Big Band takes the stage 7-11 p.m. Saturday, **June 27**, with food included in the \$10 donation at the door.

The Lodge is located at 41700 Ann Arbor Road, in Plymouth Township. For more information, call 734-453-1780 or go to [www.plymouthelks1780.com](http://www.plymouthelks1780.com).

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## Three-in-one business expanding Novi operation

By Cal Stone  
Staff Writer

It's been three businesses – Service Pro, PowerVac of Michigan and Able Grease Trap Service – in one location in Novi for more than 20 years, but owner David K. Janks celebrated an expansion with a groundbreaking ceremony June 19 for his new Grand River Avenue building.

Janks started out as the sole employee and now has more than 45 employees working for him. All divisions of the company are expanding.

"We are a locally owned company that has been giving quality, expert service that offers emergency dispatch service to customers 24/7 – 365 days a year," said Penny Hall, customer relations.

The recession took its toll on many businesses,



A groundbreaking ceremony was held June 19 for the expansion of David Janks' businesses with a new facility on Grand River Avenue in Novi.

but Hall said as the economy improves, it allows new businesses to be formed and existing ones to grow.

"We are here to help them accomplish their

goals," she said.

The key word for their success – perseverance – is good advice for any burgeoning entrepreneur.

With more than two

decades, the companies have got a simple plan for the next 20 years, Hall said: "Continue to offer quality service to our existing customers and to form new busi-

ness relations with clients here in Novi and surrounding areas."

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### DETAILS

**Name:** Service Pro; PowerVac of Michigan; and Able Grease Trap Service (three entities under one umbrella owned by David K. Janks)

**Address:** 44300 Grand River Ave., Novi

**Opened:** More than 20 years

**Employees:** 45

**Hours:** Office 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday; emergency service dispatched 24/7 every day

**Specialty:** Service Pro – plumbing, electrical, mechanical (HVAC); PowerVac of Michigan – Vector Trucks offering jetting/vacuuming of drains, catch basins and storm sewers; Able Grease Trap Service – cleaning of grease traps and grease trap replacement.

**Phone:** 912-248-9973 or 912-248-9974

**Fax:** 912-248-9975

**Web:** YourWorkOrder.com

**Chamber Membership:** Novi Chamber of Commerce

## Kroger is 'Honoring Our Heroes' with donation to USO

Kroger customers and associates showed support for troops, their families and veterans by making a \$27,687.51 donation to the USO. Funds were collected during the Kroger Co. of Michigan's annual USO campaign, April 26 to May 23.

More than two million Americans presently serve on active duty or in the reserves, including many associates from Michigan Kroger stores. Kroger has partnered with the USO since 2010 through "Honoring Our Heroes," a multi-faceted program designed to show Kroger's deep gratitude to active duty troops and the nation's 23 million veterans.

"We are proud of



Michigan's response to the USO campaign and the opportunity to thank our troops and veterans," said Jayne Homco, president, The Kroger Co. of Michigan. "The 'Hon-

oring our Heroes' campaign provides the opportunity to give back to the service men, women and families who have sacrificed so much."

Although the Kroger

Co. of Michigan's USO coin box fundraiser is over, Kroger still offers easy ways for customers to continue to support American troops through the USO:

**\$1 million match** – Kroger invites customers to make online donations at HonoringOurHeroes.com. Kroger will match every dollar that is donated, up to \$1 million, through Labor Day.

**Gift card donations** – Customers may purchase special gift cards in \$5, \$10 and \$15 denominations available at all Kroger locations. The cards will be delivered to USO centers to support service men and women, with the project continuing through Labor Day.

**Share a Coke** – With every click, the Coca-Cola Co. will donate a refreshing Coke to the troops – up to 100,000 – on Kroger's behalf. Consumers can use the hash-

tags #HonoringOurHeroes #ShareACoke to spread the message.

**Social sharing** – Customers may go to HonoringOurHeroes.com to become inspired by Kroger's own associates' stories of courage and then write a special message to America's heroes. By posting on social media channels using the #HonoringOurHeroes hashtag, the message will automatically appear on the official website.

**Hiring our heroes** – Kroger has hired more than 29,000 veterans at stores across the nation since 2009 – including more than 6,000 last year – and continues to seek opportunities to honor heroes through career opportunities.

Kroger customers and associates raised more than \$11.9 million nationwide since 2010 to support USO programs. This contribution represents

the largest cumulative gift to the USO in its nearly 75-year history.

"Honoring Our Heroes" started as a small project in 2010, with coin boxes in 1,200 stores," said Lynn Marmer, Kroger's group vice president of corporate affairs.

"When we quickly raised \$400,000, we knew our customers were as committed to recognizing our troops and their families as we are and we decided to amplify our effort. We can never truly thank our service men and women enough for the sacrifices they make, but we intend to show our gratitude with words, deeds and financial support. That's why our stores have made it a priority to partner with the USO on the 'Honoring Our Heroes' initiative."

To learn more, go to <https://www.honoringourheroes.com/>.

## NOVI Grand Opening Celebration

### OPEN HOUSE

**Wednesday, July 8th • 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.**  
39500 High Pointe Blvd., Suite 200 • Novi, MI 48375  
(Just north of 8 Mile Road at the corner of Haggerty & High Pointe Blvd.)

- Refreshments
- Educational Videos
- Play to Win Prizes!\*
- Free Fusion Water Bottles
- Candy Buffet

**Kids' Corner**

- Kids' Craft
- Free Book: *The Berenstain Bears – Dollar\$ and Sen\$e*

RSVP by July 1st and attend the Open House to have a chance to win an iPad Mini!\*

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS IN NOVI**

**Tuesday, July 14th: BOSS Seminar #1 - Grow Your Business Through Leadership**  
7:30 – 9:00 a.m. - Breakfast & Presentation  
11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. - Lunch & Presentation  
Free Book: *Launching A Leadership Revolution* by Orrin Woodward

**Wednesday, July 22nd: No Pension? No Social Security? No Problem!**  
6:00 – 8:00 p.m. - Dinner & Presentation

**Wednesday, July 29th: Low Rates? Other Options!**  
7:45 – 9:00 a.m. - Breakfast & Presentation

RSVP: Call 800.287.0046, x 1009

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\*\*Excludes lines-of-credit, credit cards, easy money and real estate loans.

## Test drive this new technology

Modern technological advancements are improving the quality of life by saving time and adding convenience to life. While they are not as impactful as the wheel, indoor plumbing or electricity, who can argue with the ingenuity and importance of the DVR and Wi-Fi?

This year's tech advancements won't rival the aforementioned inventions, but they are certainly notable for tech geeks and those looking for a bit more ease in their hectic lifestyle.

Local energy provider DTE is at the forefront of one advancement with its app DTE Insights. The application links your Apple or Android smart phone with your advanced metering device to provide insights about your energy usage. For example, a DTE advanced metering customer can download the app and use it to see how every appliance from a refrigerator to a phone charger impacts your energy usage and costs.

The application will chart trends for your household over time to help you understand usage trends and peaks. Historical data can help you benchmark and make changes to save money and energy.

The application can also integrate with an energy bridge that DTE will provide at no cost. With the bridge, your phone will display instant energy statistics that can help consumers take action immediately. Other uses for the application are in testing and, if my sources are correct, will be an absolute game-changer for those who want to cut energy usage and costs.



Jon Gunnells  
TECH SAVVY

Comcast has also recently rolled out a pair of useful technologies for those who love entertainment. The first is a voice-activated remote, which is free to subscribers who have an X1 set top box – which is the most advanced cable box in the industry. I tested the remote at a recent media event and fell in love with the ease of use. Customers can use the remote to look up listings, future listings or set recordings on the DVR. They can also search for sporting events, watch archived sporting events like Tigers games from the past week or search for shows with their favorite actors.

The X1 also learns your viewing habits, which makes the voice-activated option even more impressive. With a voice-activated remote, a user can find a program or set up a recording in mere seconds.

The new remote, which is available to customers now, has me reconsidering my entertainment provider. With the X1, customers can also send streaming video to their DVRs so that others can view the media in real-time.

Sounds a bit unnecessary until you think about the practical usages. Pretend you are at your son's or daughter's sporting event or dance recital. Family members from out of town can witness the action in real time if they have X1. Simply record your media and send it to their set top

box using the Comcast app. It's that easy.

Photos and videos can also be sent to the devices and have a 30 GB capacity. With that much storage, your phone will die or fill up before the internal hard drive on the X1.

For those who enjoy spending money on the outside of their home, a new sprinkler management system called Blossom will certainly make watering your lawn and garden easier and faster. Blossom is the sprinkler version of Nest (a smart thermostat) which promises to save you money through water intelligence.

Blossom programs itself with the precise watering schedule for your home (up to 12 zones) and suggests users can use up to 50 percent less water, which has financial and environmental benefits.

It can be controlled via computer or smart phone and syncs with your Wi-Fi (or standard electric outlet that turns power lines into Wi-Fi-capable ones) to understand real-time weather data. If rain is in the forecast, your scheduled watering will be canceled for the day.

Blossom costs \$199 and includes a weather-resistant controller that can be installed inside or outside your home and provides access to the app, which is available for Apple and Android devices.

Check out this new technology and share your experience with me and readers.

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# One lucky family in need to get a 2002 Highlander

Kenny's Lakes Area Auto Experts in Walled Lake is accepting nominations through July 3 for families in need of a vehicle.

Families, friends or relatives are asked to share their stories and how the deserving family will use the new vehicle. The winning family will be chosen by the staff at Lakes Area Auto and will be rewarded with a newly refurbished 2002 Toyota Highlander.

Owner Kenny Walters and his team are currently renovating the all-wheel drive vehicle. In addition to a complete detail, the car is receiving new brakes, suspension, drive shafts, belts, hoses, timing belt service and tires, as well as all fluid flushes, a tune-up and alignment.

"Having a car could

## DETAILS

Applications should be submitted via the Lakes Area Auto website at [www.lakesareaauto.com](http://www.lakesareaauto.com) no later than Friday, July 3. Each submitted application must be accompanied by the submitter's name and contact information (including phone number and email address). The winning story will be chosen and winner notified no later than July 12.

Submitters must be at least 18 years old and not be an employee (or relative of an employee) of Lakes Area Auto. All submissions become the property of Lakes Area Auto, may be utilized by Lakes Area Auto without any restrictions regarding their use and with the understanding that there will be no additional financial consideration paid. Please see the Official Contest Rules posted online at [www.lakesareaauto.com](http://www.lakesareaauto.com).

For more information, call 248-668-1200.

mean the world to a family, especially one currently without any transportation. It could allow a parent to get a job because they will now have a vehicle to get there or it could improve the attendance record for the children at school," said Walters (a.k.a. Kenny the Car Guy), owner and

technician of Kenny's Lakes Area Auto Experts. "This project means a lot to my team. It's a labor of love."

Lakes Area Auto Experts (490 N. Pontiac Trail, Walled Lake), which was established in 2000 by Walters, is a family-friendly repair shop servicing all makes



The public can follow the progression of the remodel on Kenny's Lakes Area Auto Center's Facebook page ([www.facebook.com/lakesareaauto](http://www.facebook.com/lakesareaauto)).

and models of vehicles. The auto repair facility is fully certified to service both foreign and domes-

tic vehicles and is completely qualified to perform any vehicle service or maintenance while

keeping factory warranties intact. It is the only AAA Approved Repair Facility in Walled Lake.

## Northville physician named in Medicare fraud takedown

Attorney General Loretta E. Lynch and Department of Health and Human Services Secretary Sylvia Mathews Burwell announced June 18 a nationwide sweep led by the Medicare Fraud Strike Force in 17 districts, resulting in charges against 243 individuals, including 46 doctors, nurses and other licensed medical professionals, for their alleged participation in Medicare fraud schemes involving approximately \$712 million in false billings.

In addition, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services also suspended a number of providers using its suspension authority as provided in the Affordable Care Act. This coordinated takedown is the largest in Strike Force history, both in terms of the number of defendants charged and loss amount.

In the Detroit area, 16 individuals, including six doctors, a social worker, a pharmacist and two physical therapists, were charged with a variety of health care fraud and kickback schemes totaling more than \$122 million. The schemes involved services that were medically unnecessary or never rendered, including physician visits, hospice care, home health care and the billing (but not dispensing) of pharmaceuticals.

Laran Lerner, M.D., 59, of Northville, a physician, and Mohamad Bazzi, 42, of Dearborn, a licensed pharmacist and pharmacy owner, were charged by complaint (United States v. Lerner, M.D., et

al) with an more than \$24 million health care fraud scheme. Lerner provided medically unnecessary prescriptions for expensive pharmaceuticals for which Bazzi's pharmacy, Advanced Pharmacy Services would bill Medicare, but not dispense. In addition, Lerner billed for unnecessary physician visits and referred beneficiaries for medically unnecessary home health care services through his clinic Great-Detroit Physical Therapy & Rehabilitation, located in Westland.

"This action represents the largest criminal health care fraud takedown in the history of the Department of Justice, and it adds to an already remarkable record of enforcement," Lynch said. "The defendants charged include doctors, patient recruiters, home health care providers, pharmacy owners, and others. They billed for equipment that wasn't provided, for care that wasn't needed, and for services that weren't rendered. In the days ahead, the Department of Justice will continue our focus on preventing wrongdoing and prosecuting those whose criminal activity drives up medical costs and jeopardizes a system that our citizens trust with their lives. We are prepared - and I am personally determined - to continue working with our federal, state, and local partners to bring about the vital progress that all Americans deserve."

## Vacation season: Take a few simple precautions before leaving town

School is out, summer has arrived and many families will be taking a vacation. In today's high-tech world, it's important to take precautions before and during a trip.

In the old days, travelers were mostly concerned with pickpockets and other types of petty crimes. Unfortunately, that is no longer the case. Protecting sensitive information applies at home and when you travel. In fact, it applies even more when traveling, because thieves know that we all tend to put our guard down when we're on vacation.

Before leaving on a trip, it's a good idea to clean out your wallet. You don't have to take every charge card or other piece of information that you carry in your wallet while at home. Less is more. Obviously, you need



**Rick Bloom**  
MONEY MATTERS

some pieces of ID, such as a driver's license. My advice is limit yourself to two charge cards.

I also recommend that, before you go, you make a copy of your charge card, along with the emergency phone number for the credit card company. If something happens on your trip, you'll have the information to immediately contact your charge card company.

If you are taking a passport, make a copy of your passport, along with your driver's license. Don't keep the copies in your wallet. It is a good idea to leave a copy of these documents with someone at home. Notify your charge card compa-

ny as to where and when you're going. This will also provide you a certain level of protection.

Before leaving for a vacation, do some research as to the current scams that are happening in the area that you are going. You'd be surprised how much aggravation you could save yourself by doing a little homework. For example, those going to Europe this summer need to be aware of the friendship bracelet scam. In many cities, people come up to you and put a friendship bracelet on you. Of course, when you don't pay, all hell breaks loose.

Just like at home, be careful of Wi-Fi. The scam artists these days can very easily create a fake Wi-Fi hub and use that to gain access to your personal information and passwords. Don't make transactions containing sensitive busi-

ness via any public Wi-Fi.

In the past, many vacationers used travelers checks. Today, that's not an issue because of ATMs, which are everywhere around the world. But beware which ATMs you use. Many scam artists set up bogus ATMs which, once again, are meant to obtain password and other sensitive information.

When I travel, I only use ATMs at financial institutions. Yes, I may pay a little extra in fees, but it's worth the protection.

Vacations are meant to relax and enjoy. However, that doesn't mean letting your guard down.

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## BUSINESS BRIEFS

### Erickson a top tech organization

Erickson Living, developer and manager of Fox Run retirement community in Novi, has been named by IDG's *Computerworld* magazine for the fifth consecutive year as one of the "top 100 organizations" that have created dynamic and challenging environments for their information technology professionals. Specifically, the company was ranked third among large organizations and recognized for having work cul-

tures where creativity is valued, career opportunities are advanced and great benefits and compensation are provided.

A few of the primary factors that make Erickson Living a top workplace include its great mission, diverse and positive work culture, as well as its numerous IT applications. The company's high-performance team has been established through a comprehensive, integrated employee engagement program that includes extensive employee input; development plans and performance assessments; robust two-way communication; and a

performance-based employee value plan that aligns personal and team objectives. The end result is a culture in which people give discretionary effort and see Erickson Living as a career destination.

### HomeGoods running cancer campaign

Novi-area HomeGoods shoppers will have the opportunity to support cancer care and research while shopping at the off-price home fashions retailer. More than 335 HomeGoods stores nationwide will be participating through

June 28 in the 14th annual Helps Families Fight Cancer campaign benefiting the Jimmy Fund, which supports pediatric and adult cancer care and research at Dana-Farber Cancer Institute in Boston.

HomeGoods customers can participate by making a contribution at the register to Help Families Fight Cancer, with 100 percent of the proceeds benefiting Dana-Farber. The campaign materials will feature original artwork by Dana-Farber's Jimmy Fund Clinic pediatric patient Kate Morris, 7, of Watertown, Mass.

### CITY OF NORTHVILLE PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

2015 CITY OF NORTHVILLE REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES, DUE JULY 1, 2015, WILL BE PAYABLE WITHOUT PENALTY TO THE CITY OF NORTHVILLE FROM JULY 1, 2015 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2015.

Taxes may be paid by mail, addressed to City of Northville, PO Box 674505, Detroit, Michigan, 48267-4505, in person at the City Clerk's Office, 215 West Main Street, Northville, Michigan, 48167, Monday through Friday 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M., or via internet. The office will be closed Friday, July 3rd. Tax information, including payment status, will be available online as of July 1, 2015 at [www.ci.northville.mi.us](http://www.ci.northville.mi.us).

Forms of payment accepted will be cash, check, money order, and credit card. Please note if paying by credit card there will be a fee of 3% with a minimum of \$2.

On September 1st, 2015 a two percent (2%) penalty will be added, plus an additional 1/2 of 1% interest per month beginning October 1st, 2015. All payments received after 4:30 p.m. August 31st, 2015, regardless of postmark, will be subject to penalty and interest.

City of Northville Tax Department

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### 2015 CITY OF NOVI SUMMER PROPERTY TAXES

2015 CITY OF NOVI SUMMER PROPERTY TAX BILLS WILL BE MAILED BY JULY 1ST

If you have not received your property tax bill by July 15th, please contact the Treasurer's Department at 248-347-0440 and a copy will be mailed to you.

Payments must be received by the Treasurer's office on or before Monday, August 31st, to avoid an automatic penalty.

For your convenience, there is a drop box located at the curb behind the Civic Center for tax/water and sewer payments. Payments will be accepted in the drop box until midnight Monday, August 31st.

Property taxes/water and sewer payments can also be paid on-line at [www.cityofnovi.org](http://www.cityofnovi.org) by credit card or electronic check (no fee charged for electronic check). Please be careful when entering your bank account/routing numbers; payments returned after the due date will be assessed a penalty.

Please contact the Treasurer's Office at (248) 347-0440 if you have any questions, or if we can be of further assistance.

POSTMARKS ARE NOT ACCEPTED

Tina Glenn, Assistant Treasurer  
City of Novi

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### CITY OF NORTHVILLE NOTICE OF CLOSE OF REGISTRATION FOR THE AUGUST 4, 2015 SPECIAL ELECTION

To the Qualified Electors of the City of Northville, Counties of Oakland and Wayne, notice is hereby given that the last day to register to vote for the August 4, 2015 Special Election will be Monday, July 6, 2015. If you are not currently registered to vote or need to register at a new address, you may do so at the following locations and times:

#### In person:

- City of Northville Municipal Building, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, MI 48167, Monday - Friday, 8am-4:30pm. - Closed 7/3/15 for holiday (Northville City residents only).
- Wayne County Clerk's Office, 2 Woodward Avenue, Suite 502, Detroit, Michigan 48226, Monday - Friday - 8 am- 4:30 pm. Call 313-224-5525 to confirm hours and furlough days.
- Oakland County Elections Division, 1200 N. Telegraph Road, Pontiac, MI 48341, Monday-Friday, 8am-4:30pm.
- Any Secretary of State branch office.
- At specified agencies for clients receiving services through Family Independence Agency, Department of Community Health, Michigan Jobs Commission, and some offices of the Commission for the Blind
- At military recruitment offices for persons who are enlisting.

#### By mail:

- Voter registration application - Mail to the election official as directed on the application by the close of registration deadline. Mail-in voter registration applications are available at the City Clerk's office or on the City's website at [www.ci.northville.mi.us](http://www.ci.northville.mi.us). **Note:** a person who registers to vote by mail is required to vote in person unless they have previously voted in person in Michigan, are at least 60 years of age, are overseas voters, or are handicapped.

The election will be conducted in all voting precincts in the City of Northville for the purpose of voting on the following proposal(s):

#### LOCAL : Millage Proposal

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be imposed on taxable property in the City of Northville, Counties of Wayne and Oakland, Michigan be increased by 2.25 mills (\$2.25 per thousand dollars of taxable value) for a period of fifteen (15) years, 2016 through 2030, as new additional millage in excess of the limitation imposed by Michigan Compiled Laws section 211.34d, to partially restore City Charter millage authorization previously approved by the electors as reduced by operation of the Headlee Amendment, to provide funds for general operating purposes? It is estimated that 2.25 mills would raise approximately \$753,000 when first levied in 2016.

Full text of the proposal is noted above and may also be obtained by contacting the City Clerk, City of Northville, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan, 48167, 248-349-1300, or on the Sample Ballot posted on the City's website at [www.ci.northville.mi.us](http://www.ci.northville.mi.us) (go to Services / City Clerk / Elections / Ballots).

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DIANNE MASSA, CMC, CITY CLERK

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RELIGION CALENDAR

Send calendar information to [cstone@hometownlife.com](mailto:cstone@hometownlife.com) by noon Monday to be included in Thursday's publication. The calendar is also available online at [www.hometownlife.com](http://www.hometownlife.com).

**Brightmoor Christian**

**Location:** M-5 and 13 Mile, Novi  
**Contact:** 248-668-7014; [CelebrateRecovery@brightmoorcc.org](mailto:CelebrateRecovery@brightmoorcc.org)

**Web:** [www.brightmoorchurch.org](http://www.brightmoorchurch.org)

**Celebrate Recovery**

**Time/Dates:** 7 p.m. Monday

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

**Church of the Holy Family**

**Location:** 24505 Meadowbrook Road, Novi

**Contact:** 248-349-8847

**Web:** [www.holyfamilynovi.org](http://www.holyfamilynovi.org)

**Mass Schedule:** 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, Novi

**Contact:** 248-669-9400, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday-Thursday

**Web:** [www.crosspointemeadows.org](http://www.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, 41355 Six Mile, Northville

**Contact:** [DestinyW3C@gmail.com](mailto:DestinyW3C@gmail.com)

**Web:** [www.DW3C.org](http://www.DW3C.org)

**Detroit Japanese Christian Fellowship**

45301 Eleven Mile Road, Novi

**Reverend:** Kanji Fuki

**Contact:** 248-756-3336

**Dominion Church**

**Location:** P.O. Box 605, Novi

**Contact:** 248-767-1366

**Pastor:** James H. Moseley Jr.

**Asst. Pastor:** Ashaki M. Moseley

**Emmanuel Lutheran**

**Location:** 34567 Seven Mile, Livonia

**Web:** [www.emmanuel-livonia.org](http://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. Wednesday

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

**Women's Coffee Break Bible Study:** 10-11:30 a.m. Monday - "WHY? Making Sense of God's Will" by Adam Hamilton

**Adult Bible Class:** 9:30 a.m., 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday, and 7 p.m. Wednesday - "WHY? Making Sense of God's Will" by Adam Hamilton

**and 5:45 p.m.**

**Sunday School:** 9:30 a.m.

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

**Men's Bible Study:** 9 a.m. first Saturday

**First Church of the Nazarene**

**Location:** 21260 Haggerty, north of Eight Mile

**Contact:** 248-348-7600

**Web:** [www.dfcnazarene.org](http://www.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 Scout 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

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**Sunday Services:** 9:30 (classic) and 11 a.m. (contemporary)

**Sunday School:** 9:30 and 11 a.m.

**Children and Teen Sunday Worship** at 11 a.m.

**Summer FAMILY VBS:** July 7-9; register at [www.dfcnazarene.org](http://www.dfcnazarene.org)

**Bible Study:** Thursdays at 6 a.m. - Men of Purpose Prayer Group and Bible Study; and Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. (through the summer) in Room 300.

**Everest Vacation Bible School:** Family VBS is about kids and their grownups experiencing God's Power together. Children must be registered with at least one adult who will accompany them on this adventure. A preschool experience is offered for 2- and 3-year-olds. Childcare is available for children under 2 years. Little ones are also welcome to stay with their families in the main event. Times are 6:30-8:30 p.m. July 7-9; doors open at 6 p.m. Pre-registration is required at [www.dfcnazarene.org/kidventure](http://www.dfcnazarene.org/kidventure). Attendance will be capped to maximize the experience for participants. The first 20 get a free Everest sound track.

**First Free Will Baptist Church**

**Location:** 51395 10 Mile Road, Novi

**Contact:** 248-348-2380

**First Presbyterian Church of Northville**

**Location:** 200 E. Main, Northville

**Contact:** 248-349-0911

**Web:** [www.fpcnorthville.org](http://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 Street, South Lyon

**Contact:** 248-437-2875

**First Presbyterian Church**

**Location:** 26165 Farmington Road, Farmington

**Contact:** 248-349-1144

**Web:** [www.fumcnorthville.org](http://www.fumcnorthville.org)

**Frank Turner Ministries**

**Location:** Novi Civic Center 45175 W. 10 Mile Road

**Contact:** 810-599-7392

**Web:** [www.FrankTurner.org](http://www.FrankTurner.org)

**Sunday Gathering:** 10 a.m. The Believers Congregation in Novi receives all desiring God's love, grace, healing and acceptance, regardless of faith background, gender identification or sexual orientation. The atmosphere is warm and loving. The attire is casual. Experience an entirely new way of sharing and receiving the love of the Lord Jesus Christ.

**Good Shepherd Lutheran Church**

**Location:** 41415 Nine Mile, Novi

**Contact:** 248-349-0565

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

**Grace Immanuel Bible Church**

**Location:** 21900 Meadowbrook Road, Novi

**Pastor:** Charles Sexton

**Contact:** 248-344-4465

**Holy Cross Episcopal**

**Location:** 40700 W. 10 Mile,

Novi

**Contact:** 248-427-1175; [holycrossnovi@gmail.com](mailto:holycrossnovi@gmail.com)

**Web:** [www.holyCROSSnovi.org](http://www.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

**Hope Lutheran Church**

**Location:** 39200 W. 12 Mile, Farmington Hills

**Lakes Baptist Church**

**Location:** 309 Decker Road, Walled Lake

**Legacy Church**

(formerly First Baptist Church and Orchard Hills Baptist Church)

**Location:** 23455 Novi Road, Novi

**Contact:** pastor Jon Hix, 248-349-5665

**Web:** [www.legacychurch.us](http://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.

**Livonia Church of Christ**

**Location:** 15431 Merriman, Livonia

**Contact:** 734-427-8743

**Web:** [www.livoniachurch.net](http://www.livoniachurch.net)

**Sunday Worship:** 11 a.m.

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

**Meadowbrook Congregational Church**

**Location:** 21355 Meadowbrook Road, Novi

**Contact:** the Rev. Arthur P. Ritter, senior minister; 248-348-7757; [office@mbccc.org](mailto:office@mbccc.org)

**Web:** [www.mbccc.org](http://www.mbccc.org)

**Sunday Worship:** 10 a.m.

**Church School and Nursery Care:** provided during worship

**Fellowship Hour:** 11 a.m.

**Vacation Bible School:** Come to Avalanche Ranch Vacation Bible School - an exciting celebration of God's love filled with amazing Bible stories, exciting games, wonderful crafts, tasty snacks and toe-tapping music. VBS runs from 6-8 p.m. Sunday, July 12 through Thursday, July 16. Sign up today by calling 248-348-7757 or email [cfoster@mbccc.org](mailto:cfoster@mbccc.org). Suggested donation is \$10 per child.

**Memorial Church of Christ**

**Location:** 35475 Five Mile Road, Livonia

**Minister:** Mark McGilvrey

**Web:** [www.5milechurch.org](http://www.5milechurch.org)

**Contact:** 734-464-6722; [churchoffice@5milechurch.org](mailto:churchoffice@5milechurch.org)

**NorthRidge Church**

**Location:** 49555 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth

**Contact:** 734-233-3621; [pheaton@northridgechurch.com](mailto:pheaton@northridgechurch.com)

**Northville Christian Assembly**

**Location:** 41355 Six Mile

**Contact:** 248-348-9030

**Web:** [www.ncalife.org](http://www.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; 248-790-6075; [rabi@novijewishcenter.com](mailto:rabi@novijewishcenter.com)

**Web:** [www.novijewishcenter.com](http://www.novijewishcenter.com)

**Novi United Methodist**

**Location:** 41671 W. 10 Mile, Novi

**Contact:** 248-349-2652

**Web:** [www.umcnovi.com](http://www.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

**Peace Vigil:** noon first Sundays in front of the church. Members of the congregation and the community will stand united in

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How to reach us:

1-800-579-7355 • fax 313-496-4968 • [www.mldeathnotices.com](http://www.mldeathnotices.com)

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

View Online  
[www.hometownlife.com](http://www.hometownlife.com)

**BOGART, JEAN LOUISE**

93, of Empire, formerly of Northville, passed away Friday, June 12, 2015, at home surrounded by her family and friends. She was born January 5, 1922, in Wixom, the daughter of Alexander and Ethel (Fisher) Lyke. Jean was a member of the Empire United Methodist Church and the Northville Eagles Lodge. She was an avid bowler, having won several trophies and also enjoyed crocheting, solving jigsaw puzzles and reading. Most of all, Jean loved spending time with her family, especially with her granddaughter, great-grandsons and great-great-granddaughter. Jean is survived by: her granddaughter, Candace Bogart of Empire; her great-grandsons, Cameron Olds of Empire, and Nicholas Olds of Empire; her great-great-granddaughter, Presley Breithaupt, her sister, Shirley Mazur of Northville; her niece, Cyndi (John) Sutton of Dover, Massachusetts; and her good friend, Donald Sowa. Jean was preceded in death by: her husband, Warren Bogart; and her daughter, Lynda Bogart. Cremation has taken place at the Benzie Area Crematory, in Beulah, and memorial services will be held later this summer. Memorial contributions may be made to Munson Hospice or to the Northville Historical Society for the Mill Race Village. The Bennett-Barz Funeral Home, in Beulah, is in charge of arrangements. [www.benefit-barzfuneralhome.com](http://www.benefit-barzfuneralhome.com)

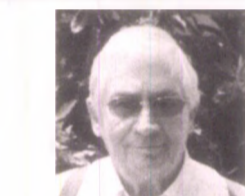
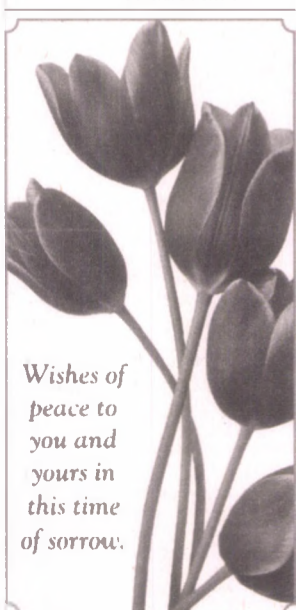
**CHRISTOPHER, JEROME W.**

Age 83, of Southfield, passed away June 20, 2015. Share condolences at [casterlinefuneralhome.com](http://casterlinefuneralhome.com)

**CRAMER, DANIEL L.**

Passed away peacefully on Saturday the 20th of June, 2015 in the loving care of his family. Daniel was the loving husband of Linda (Fawcett) Cramer; father of Evan Cramer and Elaine Cramer. Besides his immediate family, Dan is survived by his brother, Michael (Dulce Ramos) Cramer of San Francisco; sister Virginia (Edward) Virt of Summerfield, Florida; brothers-in-law David (Gayle) Fawcett of West Bloomfield, MI, Kim (Diana Huang) Fawcett of Chicago, Illinois; and sister-in-law Jams (Timothy) Casai of Bloomfield Hills, MI. He is also survived by many nieces, nephews, and friends. Memorial service and interment of ashes will take place on July 20, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. at Great Lakes National Cemetery, 4200 Belford, Holly. Donations may be made to the veterans organization of your choice. For further information please call, 248-684-6645 or visit [www.LynchFuneralDirector.com](http://www.LynchFuneralDirector.com).

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**DANCY, REDMOND "RAY"**

11/20/1927 - 6/12/2015

Was born in Jacksonville, Florida and later moved to Detroit, Michigan. Ray served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He married Laura Ruth Forrester on November 8, 1956. After retiring from JL Hudson's in 1979, he and Laura moved to Tennessee and Texas before returning to Michigan in 1987 where they lived until she passed away in January 1992. Ray continued to reside there until August 2015 when he returned to Texas. Ray struggled with health issues his last few years and passed away at home surrounded by his loving daughters, Susan, Carol, and Kathy by his side. He is preceded in death by his wife, Laura Forrester Dancy; brother, Marquess Gillespie Dancy II, and sister, Lucretia India Dancy. He is survived by his children, Susan Lesowyk, Carol Papenfuss, Robert (Vera) Dancy, and Kathy Parker; his grandchildren, Pamela (Garrett) Lesowyk Kubiak, William "Russell" Lesowyk, Jacob Lesowyk, Laura Lesowyk, Matthew (Lisa) Papenfuss, Andrew (Gabriela) Papenfuss, Alexandra Papenfuss, Clark Dancy, Brooke Dancy, Roberta Dancy, Isadora Dancy, Jessica Bedford, Clint Parker, Mavrick Parker; and his great-grandchildren, Haeley Lesowyk, Gracelyn (Lesowyk) Collier, Madix Papenfuss, Asher Papenfuss, Parker Papenfuss, Presley Papenfuss, and Kaelyn Balzer; and nieces and nephews. Ray was an avid history buff and loved watching documentaries. He enjoyed traveling to small towns, antique shopping, Opera, and the fine arts. He will be fondly remembered for his great sense of humor and dearly missed by his loving family. A memorial service will be held at a later date with burial at the Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holly, MI.

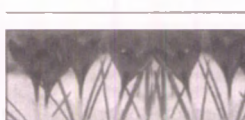
**DEAKE, FAY W.**

age 99, passed away June 20, 2015. She was born on February 13, 1916 in Pontiac, daughter of the late Herman Maude Willer. Fay graduated from Michigan Normal College (Eastern Michigan University) and was a proud educator for her entire career. She was a longtime member of Hiawatha Bible Church and will always be remembered for her strong and abiding faith. She is survived by her children: Roderick (Karen) Deake, James (Nell) Deake and Kathleen Deake; her grandchildren: Ronald Kruzman, Kristine Ferris, Jeremy Deake, Roddy Deake and Sheri Deake; 3 great grandchildren and her cousin Janet Davis. She was preceded in death by her husband, Oliver in 1988. Visitation and funeral services were conducted on Wednesday, June 24 at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, South Lyon. Fay was laid to rest beside her husband, Oliver in Thayer Cemetery. [www.phillipsfuneral.com](http://www.phillipsfuneral.com)



**FOWLER, WILLIAM**

"Billy Blue" October 29, 1948 - June 19, 2015. Arrangements by: PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME. [www.phillipsfuneral.com](http://www.phillipsfuneral.com)



**FREDERICK,**



# CHURCH

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prayer for peace.

## OakPointe 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

## Oakland Baptist Church

**Location:** 23893 Beck Road, Novi  
**Contact:** 248-982-4041  
**Web:** www.oaklandbaptist-novi.org

## Orchard Grove Community Church

**Location:** 850 Ladd Road, Walled Lake  
**Contact:** 248-926-6584  
**Web:** www.orchardgrove.org

**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  
**Web:** www.olvnorthville.org

**Saturday Worship:** 5 p.m.  
**Sunday Worship:** 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m.

## 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 Shepherd Presbyterian Church

**Location:** 1200 S. Sheldon, Plymouth  
**Contact:** pastor Bill Burke; 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

## Pentecostals of Novi

**Location:** Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. 10 Mile  
**Contact:** 248-697-8158  
**Web:** www.thepentecostalsof-novi.org

## Plymouth St. John's Episcopal Church

**Location:** 574 S. Sheldon in Plymouth  
**Contact:** 734-453-0190, ext. 16  
**Web:** 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  
**Web:** www.princeofpeacehills.org

**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 Movie Night:** 7 p.m. Friday, June 26 in the fellowship hall. This month *Loving a Bad Man* is the featured movie about a young Christian woman who decides to keep her baby and

forgive her rapist. A special meal of meatloaf, mashed potatoes and green beans is offered for a free-will donation. Please call the church office if you wish to be included in the meal.

**Fine Arts Camp/Vacation Bible School:** for ages 3 (potty-trained) through 12, from 8:30-11:30 a.m. July 6-10; music, art, and Bible time around the theme of "God's SUPER Heroes." Registration forms (with fees listed) are now available on-line at www.princeofpeacehills.org or by calling the church office.

**Third Annual Classic Car Show:** noon-5 p.m. Sunday, July 19. Enjoy a large variety of vintage cars, doo wop music, refreshments, and 50/50 raffle. The registration form to register a classic car or truck is now available on the church website. Admission is free; proceeds will support Another Way Pregnancy Center. Please contact Ron Donoghue at 248-892-7201 for more information.

# Your Invitation to

# Worship

## Highland

**HIGHLAND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
680 W. Livingston Rd. • Highland, MI 48357  
248.887.1311 • www.myhunc.com  
Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.  
Kids Church: 9:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.  
MS & HS Youth: 11:00 a.m.

## 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.

## Novi

**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: 349-8847 • www.holyfamilynovi.org

## 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

**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

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

**HOLY CROSS EPISCOPAL**  
40700 W. Ten Mile Rd. 248-427-1175  
An open, affirming & welcoming community  
Sunday Worship 7:45 am & 10 am  
Rev. Ann Webber, Rector  
www.holycrossnovi.org

## Brighton

**HOLY SPIRIT ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL**  
www.hsccc.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

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Rev. Suzanne Paul, Minister  
Website: http://www.newhopeuu.org

**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  
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**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

## Milford

**Milford United Methodist Church**  
1200 Atlantic St., Milford, MI 48381  
Sunday Worship: 9:30 am  
Children's Church: 9:40 am  
Groups for Children, Youth and Adults  
248-684-2798  
milfordumc.net

**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. June M. Smith, Pastor  
248-349-2652  
www.umcnovi.com  
"Loving God, loving each other and living our core values"

## Milford

**CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
Preschool, Pre-K & Kdg. - Mo. Synod  
620 General Motors Rd., Milford  
Church office: (248) 684-0895  
Worship Services: Sunday 8:30 am & 11:00 am  
Bible Study: Sunday 9:45 am  
Nursery Available  
Rev. Martin Dressler

**OKAIPINTE Milford CHURCH**  
1250 South Hill Rd.  
(248) 685-3560 www.opcmilford.org  
Contemporary Worship Service: Sunday 9:15 am & 11:15 am  
Adventureland Children's Program: Sunday 9:15 am & 11:15 am  
The Rock (Middle School) Wednesdays 6:30-8 pm, Sundays 9:15 am  
The 707 (High School) Sundays 6:30-8:30 pm  
Women, Men and Life Groups: Various Schedules

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
205 E. Lake (10 Mile) 248.437.2875  
Sunday Worship 10:00 a.m.  
Children's Church for Grades K thru 5th  
Nursery Care Provided  
Mid-Week Study Thursday 7:00 p.m.  
Rev. Michael Horlocker, Pastor  
www.fpcsouthlyon.org  
LO-0000219757

**BIBLE BELIEVERS CHURCH**  
Gathering in Jesus Name  
52909 10 Mile Rd • South Lyon, MI 48178  
Sunday 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.  
Wednesday 7:00 p.m.  
Mike Ragan, Pastor  
734-347-1983 pastor cell  
Old fashioned preaching KJV

**FIRST BAPTIST OF MILFORD**  
VISITORS WELCOME!  
133 Detroit St., Milford • 248-684-5695  
Pastor Steve Swazey  
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

**WEST HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH**  
1116 S. Hickory Ridge Rd., Milford, MI 48380  
248-887-1218  
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-0000219712

**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

**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 ages 3 thru 5th grade @ 10 a.m.  
Youth Group 10 am - Grades 6-12  
A heritage of area worship since 1836

**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, afflicted  
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  
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Sunday School 9:45 a.m. • Worship Service 11:00 a.m.  
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## OUR VIEW

# Road plan is a tax hike on working families

We were going to write an editorial pointing out that while Michigan's corporate income tax credits continue to grow to the point where we'll owe big business more than \$9 billion, our legislators remain hooked on the idea of eliminating tax credits for struggling families.

We'd have written what we thought about eliminating the Earned Income Tax Credit to find money for road builders.

Instead, we'll share the testimony of Gilda Jacobs, president of the Michigan League for Public Policy, to the House Roads and Economic Development Committee:

"House Bill 4609, which would eliminate the Michigan Earned Income Tax Credit, is a tax hike on 820,000 working families who are raising 1 million children. It punishes working families who are play-

ing by all the rules but still not getting ahead. ...

"Michigan shouldn't pave its roads on the backs of its lowest earning working families.

"We should instead strengthen the state EITC. By boosting families' incomes, the EITC improves odds for success. It improves maternal and infant health and reduces the likelihood of child abuse or neglect. It helps children do better and go farther in school and earn more as adults. ...

"The Earned Income Tax Credit can be claimed only by people who work. It is a hand up for people paid low wages, not a handout. If someone doesn't work and pay taxes, they can't receive the credit.

"Households eligible for the tax credit pay a greater share of their income in state and local taxes than wealthy people do, and cutting this tax credit will make this problem worse. With the repeal of the state

EITC, those making less than \$17,000 and those between \$17,000 and \$34,000 will be paying almost 10 percent of their incomes in total state and local taxes — double the 5.1 percent paid by the top 1 percent of earners. ...

"Saying that eliminating our state EITC is necessary to fund the state's road plan is like trying to fill the Grand Canyon with a bucket of sand. The \$117 million from the credit is a drop in the bucket of a \$1.2 billion road plan, but a huge amount to working families and children struggling with low wages. The credit may seem minimal to you, but to a single mom raising two kids on minimum wage, this is the equivalent of an extra paycheck or two. ..."

*This editorial was first published in the Port Huron Times Herald.*

## GUEST COLUMN

# Trade pacts, income tax hurt U.S. economy

Understandably, Americans prefer paying less for the products they purchase, rather than paying more — the main reason foreign-made products have increasingly become more popular. Many products are primarily available from foreign manufacturers because these products come from countries with lower — in some cases, much lower — labor and materials costs. Trade agreements with foreign countries are to some extent responsible for this phenomenon.

## Personal income taxes

In general, the problem with trade agreements is a lack of consideration of the U.S. income taxes, personal and corporate, in conjunction with the labor cost differentials. The labor involved in the manufacture of products made in the U.S. is subject to U.S. personal income taxes, while products manufactured in foreign countries are not.

Far more labor and materials costs are incurred in the manufacture of products than there is in the distribution and sale of imported products. Let's consider the labor costs of Mexico and China (two of the major exporters to the U.S.), in comparison to the U.S.

According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (Modified June 7, 2013), using the "U.S. hourly compensation costs of manufacturing employees," at a theoretical 100, comparatively, Mexico's is about 20 percent and China's is about 5 percent of U.S. costs. In addition, the U.S. imposes a personal income tax on all manufacturing employees.

If we assume a hypothetical situation — a U.S. worker paid \$25 per hour and paying an income tax rate of 25 percent (the tax rate commensurate with that pay rate) equals \$6.25 income tax. A Mexican worker is paid about \$5 per hour, while someone in

China is paid about \$1.25 per hour, in equivalent U.S. dollars. The U.S. employee pays more in U.S. income tax than a worker is paid, in either country.

With the costs of labor and materials not subject to U.S. income taxes for foreign-made products, U.S. policy not just benefits foreign countries economies because of the lower labor costs, but penalizes U.S. workers through the imposition of personal income taxes. The U.S. Income Tax Code consists of 74,608 pages of regulations. It is impossible for an ordinary taxpayer to understand the complexities of these regulations, requiring many small businesses and individuals to utilize the services of an experienced income tax accountant. Key legislators have violated tax regulations because of their complexity.

The only way to resolve this imbalance is by eliminating all personal income taxes and replacing them with sales taxes. All products, regardless of the country of origin, would be subject to the same taxes as U.S. manufactured products. By eliminating all U.S. personal income taxes, assuming labor costs/wages remain the same, the actual costs to U.S. workers could be reduced as foreign products would come under greater scrutiny, as they presently have a very definite cost advantage.

## Corporate income taxes

Our corporate income tax is the highest of all industrialized countries at 39.1 percent; all U.S. competitor countries have a tax advantage. There are 14,767,419 fewer jobs today than there were in 2000, with a labor force participation rate of 62.7 percent, the lowest since 1977.

Nationally, there are one million fewer Chapter "C" corporations than there were in 1986. More small companies are going out of business than there are start-ups. Where have those jobs gone? Michigan, in particular, having experienced the bankruptcy of General Motors and Chrysler, recognizes companies

and corporations need to generate profits or fail. No doubt, smaller and medium-sized companies and major corporations take into consideration the 39.1-percent corporate income tax burden in establishing product pricing.

Corporations are expected to be successful in order to prevent investor losses, to pay a dividend and, preferably, increase the company's value. Larger companies establish operations overseas, in order to grow or to be competitive. Multi-national corporations, U.S. corporations having operations in foreign countries, have to pay corporate income taxes to the country where their operations are located, but must also pay U.S. corporate income taxes when they bring profits to the U.S., a double tax. For this reason, massive sums, billions of dollars, are parked overseas.

There are massive regulations in place, consisting of more than 270,000 pages, creating severe complexities of understanding and limiting the ability to have knowledge of all regulations. The cost impact is more than \$2 trillion in annual compliance costs. Legislators with business experience need to be involved in writing legislation and regulations, not attorneys or inexperienced bureaucrats with no experience in manufacturing or business.

Corporate income taxes should be eliminated; this would, in fact, reduce the costs of U.S. manufactured products and bring profits generated in foreign locations back to the U.S. This would create massive numbers of jobs in the U.S., as companies would have an incentive to invest in and create a growth environment, in the U.S.

There are agreements that could both benefit the U.S. population from a cost standpoint, but also increase employment, by eliminating onerous income taxes on U.S. workers and companies.

*Michael Hansel is a Canton Township resident.*



Michael Hansel  
GUEST COLUMNIST

## Lakeshore Park



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Alec Sventickas, 5, plays in the sand June 19 at Novi's Lakeshore Park. The park, located along the southern shore of Walled Lake, is open every day through Labor Day and is fee-free for Novi residents.

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## LETTERS

### Don't ban fracking

The low natural gas and gasoline prices we see today are a result of hydraulic fracturing in U.S. shale formations. The U.S. Energy Information Administration has said as much in many news reports. This has led to a rebound for manufacturers and automakers. Michigan's unemployment rate has dropped two full percentage points in just one year. Consumers are paying the lowest natural gas prices in over a decade, a real savings for homeowners, schools and businesses.

But now, just as our state is getting back on its feet, a group has come up with a radical idea to ban hydraulic fracturing — even though our own DEQ says it is safe and the federal EPA recognizes that natural gas production is helping us achieve great emissions reductions. Why would we in Michigan want to go backward? Don't be fooled when activists ask you to sign a petition to ban fracking. Tell them, "No thanks — I'd like to keep Michigan energy bills low and Michigan jobs strong."

Pam Westenberg  
Northville

### Opportunities missed

Recently, we saw the bipartisan passage of House Bill 2 (H.R. 2) by both houses of Congress and signed by the president. This bill was positive in several regards, but negative from at least two others.

Some of the positives included fixing the doctor reimbursement problem, adding incentives based on performance, making electronic medical record a priority, putting prosthetics and orthodontics out for bid, making identity theft Medicare fraud harder and increased payments to rural, Medicare-dependent hospitals. Cost increases were covered by projected savings and Medicare Part B premium increases.

Looking forward, we hear of initiatives to cut Medicare benefits to "save it" and to even further privatize Medicare through a voucher system. The fight to preserve Medicare is just warm-

ing up.

To most citizens, Medicare is one of the best government programs ever and all steps that would preserve it should be taken. There are measures initiated in the Senate that would save Medicare tens of billions of dollars per year that were not even addressed in H.R. 2.

The first bill is Senate Bill 31 (S. 31) Medicare Prescription Drug Price Negotiation Act of 2015. The VA is already doing it, saving billions of dollars per year. The savings per a recent Congressional Budget Office report would be \$121 billion over the next 10 years.

The second bill is Senate Bill 122 (S. 122) Safe and Affordable Drugs from Canada Act. It would allow importation of 90 days supplies of prescribed drugs from FDA approved sources in Canada where the same brand drugs often are less than 50 percent of U.S. prices. This would not only help seniors, but all citizens with estimated savings running as high as \$240 billion over the next 10 years.

Congress should pass these bills before other major changes to Medicare are considered.

Donald Boyer  
Plymouth Township

### Is this an insurance bailout?

Some reports about higher "Obamacare" rates in 2016 have suggested a connection to the pending Supreme Court decision on consumer subsidies. It has nothing to do with it. It has everything to do with Section 1342 of the Affordable Care Act.

It puts taxpayers on the hook for insurance losses resulting from selling policies on the exchanges through 2016. It encouraged insurers to charge what insurance regulators deemed to be "affordable rates" that mask the true cost of ACA mandates and taxes.

Rate increases reflecting the true, unsubsidized cost of the ACA will force many to drop coverage, likely the young and healthy who subsidize older, high cost users putting insurance companies and the ACA at risk.

## WHAT DO YOU THINK?

We welcome your Letter to the Editor. Please include your name, address and phone number for verification. Letters should be 400 words or less. We may edit for clarity, space and content. Submit letters via the following formats.

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The Patient CARE Act would prevent that. It would also minimize federal involvement in health care, not something that would be embraced by central planners.

Jack Belisle  
South Lyon

### Colbeck's road ideas not 'convoluted'

In response to James Huddleston of Canton's letter about "convoluted ideas" and Patrick Colbeck and his Merry Band for ideas on the roads, I would encourage Mr. Huddleston to do a little more reading. He claims any plan from the "band" will hurt the elderly, poor, middle class, schools and local government.

There was a state Senate bill, S.B. 1150, in December that would have required truck weights to be more in line with other states. Although Mr. Colbeck voted for this, the bill failed. Everyone talks about limiting truck weights, but nobody does anything about it.

If cost-free ideas like these that are achieving better results are hurting these groups, Mr. Huddleston needs to take an accounting class.

Rob Duprey  
Livonia



# Painter's career blooms into second PCAC show

By Matt Jachman  
Staff Writer

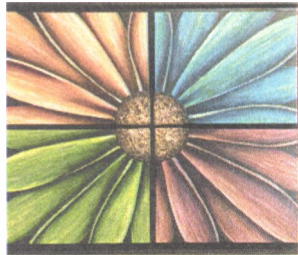
Denise Cassidy Wood has long worked creatively, but an adult education painting class in 2008 opened doors to a whole new career.

Trained as a hair and makeup artist, Wood was a stay-at-home mom when she took that class at Schoolcraft College. Since then, she's sold more than 300 paintings, launched a greeting-card company, exhibited at more than 50 shows and festivals (including at Plymouth's Art in the Park) and become a local art instructor.

Her work has been purchased by, and displayed at, area hospitals, plus she paints on commission. (She still does hair and makeup once in a while.)

"I never envisioned this when I started painting," Wood said.

Now, Wood has opened her second solo Plymouth Community Arts Council show; the PCAC hosted her first exhibit in 2010. Her signature works are acrylic-on-canvas close-ups of flowers in a rash of colors, some with three-dimensional cen-



"Daisy Quad VI" was entered in ArtPrize in Grand Rapids in 2014. The work is made of up of four 16- by 20-inch paintings.

ters — using media like beads, fiber paste and ground pumice — to give them more texture.

"Color is sort of what I feel inspired by, more than anything," Wood said Thursday at the PCAC gallery, which is exhibiting 40 of her paintings through the end of June.

Wood said her paintings are evoked by, but not necessarily copies of, flowers shown in photographs. She takes liberties with the colors, layering on the acrylic paint in order to get the color schemes just right.

"I just love flowers. It's actually quite simple," she said.



Denise Cassidy Wood has opened her second solo Plymouth Community Arts Council show.

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Wood has painted other subjects — landscapes, still lifes, portraits — but has stuck largely to the subject of flowers. "I can't quite get away from it just yet," she said.

But those works have changed over the years: Wood strives to get the paint to look smoother on the canvas (she's trying for the smooth look of oil paint) and many of the newer paintings are extreme closeups, with the centers shown in great detail and petals falling partially outside the canvas.

Her home studio has undergone a similar evolution.

"It's overtaken much of the basement, much to my husband's dismay," she said with a laugh.

Her painting career, she says, shows what local artists can do with

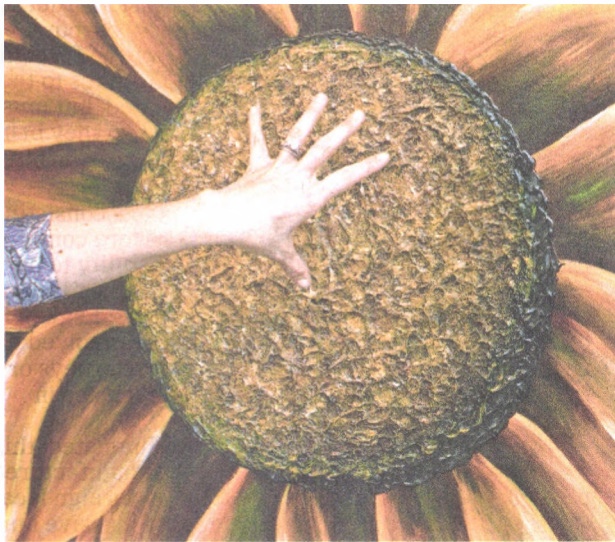
their talents.

"It is possible to be an artist and be more than painting in your basement," she said. "You can show your work and be successful."

Wood lives in Northville Township with husband Aaron Wood and children Courtney Cassidy, 10, Nikko Wood, 14, and Bella Wood, 16.

The PCAC's Joanne Winkleman Hulce Center For the Arts is at 774 N. Sheldon, at Junction, Plymouth. Gallery hours are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Thursday and during classes and public events. Exhibits can also be seen by appointment. The phone number is 734-416-4278 and the website is [www.plymoutharts.com](http://www.plymoutharts.com). Wood's website is [www.internalbloom.com](http://www.internalbloom.com).

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Denise Wood talks about the materials — ground pumice, gold flakes and modeling paste — used to make the three-dimensional center of the flower in this painting.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Author visits B&N

**Time/Date:** 7 p.m. Thursday, June 25  
**Details:** Dean Bakopoulos, the author of *Please Don't Come Back from the Moon and My American Unhappiness*, will visit Barnes & Noble of Northville. Books will be available at the signing or just prior to. Arrive early. Seating will be available. For more information, contact the store at 248-348-0696.

Northville concerts

**Time/Date:** 7-9 p.m. Friday, June 26, MainStreet Soul  
**Details:** Music will fill the air all summer long at the Friday Night Concert Series in downtown Northville's outdoor stage in Town Square, presented by Tom Holzer Ford and managed by the Northville Parks and Recreation Department. All concerts in the series are free to attend. Early arrival for the concerts is suggested and guests are encouraged to bring their own lawn chairs

For more information, contact the Northville Parks and Recreation department at 248-349-0203 or go to [www.downtown-northville.com](http://www.downtown-northville.com) or [www.northvilleparksandrec.org](http://www.northvilleparksandrec.org).

Summer heats up with Novi's Sizzling Summer Art Series

Novi Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Services is turning up the heat with family friendly entertainment all summer long. Eleven events are scheduled throughout the summer at Fuerst Park. Spend each Wednesday morning enjoying free children's entertainment and select Friday nights with a family-friendly band and movie. The Sizzling Summer Arts Series is presented in partnership with Community Financial Credit Union and sponsored in part by St. John Providence Health System, Novi Public Library, Michigan State Fair, Town and Country Eyecare, Novi Youth Assistance and Menchie's Frozen Yogurt.

**Time/Date:** 6:30 p.m. Friday, June 26, Eric Engblade and Friends (band), *Rio 2* (movie). Fuerst Park is located at the corner of 10 Mile and Taft roads. In the case of inclement weather, call the Novi Parks hotline at 248-347-0473 for updates. For more information about the Sizzling Summer Art Series and family-friendly summer happenings, go to [www.cityofnovi.org](http://www.cityofnovi.org).

Comedy at Tipping Point

**Dates:** Through June 28  
**Details:** *A Lovely Sunday for Creve Coeur*, by Tennessee Williams, is a lovely summer comedy for all ages at Northville's Tipping Point Theater. It's set in a cramped St. Louis apartment in the mid-1930s, where Dorothea, a high school civics teacher, rooms with Bodey, a plain but caring and kind-hearted German-American spinster. Dorothea, a hopeless romantic, dreams of marriage with the principal of the school, while her protective roommate, hopes to match Dorothea up with her fat, cigar-smoking twin brother, Buddy.

The curtain rises at 8 p.m. Thursday through Saturday, with matinees at 3 p.m. Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday. The theater is located at 361. E. Cady St. in Northville. Tickets are \$29 to \$32 for adults and \$27 to \$30 for students and senior citizens and are available at the box office at 248-347-0003.

Novi Older Adult Services

**Time/Date:** Noon to 2 p.m. Thursday, July 2, "Star Spangled Splendor" Fourth of July luncheon at Meadowbrook Activity Center; tickets are \$7 for Novi residents and \$8.50 for non-residents; deadline is June 26.  
**Details:** Join Novi Older Adult Services to stay active, celebrate and socialize with friends at a variety of special events designed especially for those 55 years and above. Tickets are required and are available now at the Older Adult Services Office, 45175 10 Mile Road, and the Meadowbrook Activity Center, 25075 Meadowbrook Road. For more information or to learn about additional older adult social and educational programs, call 248-347-0414 or go to [www.cityofnovi.org](http://www.cityofnovi.org).  
 Thursday, Aug. 20 - "Celebrating 85 Years and Beyond" Birthday Celebration; 1:30-3 p.m., Meadowbrook Activity Center; no cost for participants 85-plus years old (pre-registration still required); \$3 for Novi residents and \$4 for non-residents; deadline is Aug. 14. Birthday celebrants are asked to submit a personal history form that will be compiled into a keepsake booklet. Forms are due by Aug. 6.

Garden Walk

**Time/Date:** 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Wednesday, July 8  
**Details:** All are invited to enjoy the Country Garden Club of Northville's 22nd annual Garden Walk, featuring seven private gardens in and around the city of Northville and Northville Township. Included in the ticket price are the options to experience a garden market, live music, a member plant sale and a stroll through the 19th century village setting at the Historic Mill Race Village. Non-refundable tickets are \$10 and can be purchased from Gardenviews Garden Gallery (117 E. Main Street) and on the day of the walk at the gate at Mill Race Village. Proceeds from this major fundraising event will go toward supporting local and national organizations that promote environmental and horticultural causes and to scholarships for local high school seniors who will be going into college science careers.

Colbeck office hours

**Time/Date:** 7-8 a.m. Friday, July 10  
**Details:** State Sen. Patrick Colbeck and District Manager Penny Crider will hold his monthly office hours for July in Northville at the George's Senate Coney Island (39430 Dun Rovin Drive) and will be open to the public. Colbeck will be on hand to answer questions and respond to concerns any residents of his district may have. No appointment is necessary. Colbeck represents the 7th Senate District, which encompasses the cities of Livonia, Northville, Plymouth and Wayne, as well as the townships of Canton, Northville and Plymouth. For more information or to contact Colbeck, go to [www.SenatorPatrickColbeck.com](http://www.SenatorPatrickColbeck.com) or call 517-373-5713.

Youth Police & Fire Leadership Academy

**Time/Date:** Noon to 4 p.m. July 13-17  
**Details:** The Youth Police & Fire Academy was created to provide area teens with an inside look at local law enforcement and fire prevention. Participants must be ages 13-18 and a Novi resident or attend school in Novi. The academy will meet at the Novi Police Department Training Center (45125 W. 10 Mile Road) with the exception of a single day that will meet at Fire Station No. 4 (10 Mile Road at Wixom Road). Space is limited. All are welcome

Happy Trails



Barbara Lewis laughs June 18 as she and others at the Happy Trails luncheon use their back scratchers as conductor's batons as they sing along to Neil Diamond's "Sweet Caroline." The lunch-time gathering at the Novi Senior Center featured barbecued chicken sandwiches, a raffle for some summer merchandise and a sing-a-long with the musical act of Susan MacDermid and Jim Coury.

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The Novi Senior Center's Happy Trails luncheon gets underway.

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Grub Crawl

**Time/Date:** 6-10 p.m. Tuesday, July 21  
**Details:** The Northville Chamber presents the 10th annual Northville Grub Crawl. Indulge in Northville's unique collection of restaurants as you sample their signature specialties. Participating restaurants include Brann's Sizzlin' Steaks & Sports Grill, Claddagh Irish Pub, Edward's Café & Caterers, George's Senate Restaurant, Northville Sports Den, Poole's Tavern, Rusty Bucket Tavern and Village Workshop, with more to come. A grand prize drawing for a barbecue gas grill is courtesy of Home Depot. Tickets are \$30 (must be 21 or over) and are now available at Gardenviews, Good Time Party Store or the Northville Chamber of Commerce. New this year - submit a ticket order form and

the chamber will mail you your tickets. The order form is available on the chamber website at [www.northville.org](http://www.northville.org).

52/1 Specialty Court Golf Outing

**Time/Date:** 10 a.m. Thursday, July 30  
**Details:** The 52-1 Specialty Court's ninth annual golf outing will be at Brentwood Golf Club, White Lake. The four-person scramble cost \$100 per player (\$350 per foursome) and includes 18 holes of golf, riding cart, lunch, dinner and chance to win various prizes. Make all checks payable to Sobriety Court Advisory. To register, contact Justin Barnett, P.O. Box 1235, Clarkston, MI 48347 ([jbarnettlaw@hotmail.com](mailto:jbarnettlaw@hotmail.com)). Event and sponsorship money must be in by July 17. Please be advised that this is a sober event.

Wildcats '95 reunion

**Date:** Saturday, Aug. 22  
**Details:** The Novi High School Class of 1995 will have its 20-year reunion at the Embassy Suites in

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EAST-WEST ALL-STAR GAME

# Flohr, East stars aligned

Northville left-hander pitches scoreless inning

By Brad Emons  
Staff Writer

Evan Flohr admitted he may have had a little stage fright under the bright lights of Comerica Park.

But the Northville senior acquitted himself quite well as he pitched out of a sixth-inning jam June 17 as the East edged the West, 4-3, in the 34th annual Michigan High School Baseball Coaches Association All-Star Classic.

Flohr, who is headed to pitch at Cypress (Calif.) Community College, found himself in a bit of a pickle in his only inning on the mound while trying to keep it a 1-1 game.

Zach Berry (Haslett) drew a walk to open the inning and West MVP Bryce Windham singled off the Northville left-hander. Both runners then moved up to second and third, respectively, on a stolen base.

But Flohr was able to bear down in the no-out situation as he got Jordan Swiss (Charlevoix) and Trace Woodworth (Petoskey) on infield pop-outs before getting Thomas Lindeman (Milan) on a fly to left to end the inning.

"I was a little nervous my first couple of batters, but I bounced back and threw strikes and got myself out of it," Flohr said. "It was good."

And after the East scored two runs in the bottom of the sixth to take a 3-1 lead, Flohr was the pitcher of record and in line for the victory, only to have the West bounce back with two in the top of the eighth to knot the game at 3-3.

The East then won it in the bottom of the eighth on an RBI single by team MVP Anthony Gutierrez (Detroit Western

International).

"I had the win, but I didn't even know it until saw my dad (Bill) mouthing it to me in the stands," Flohr said. "No big deal. It was a team win more than anything."

One thing that Flohr will chalk up as a baseball memory bank were the pristine field conditions at Comerica.

"Probably the best mound I've thrown on," he said. "It was real nice. The bullpen was just as good, if not better."

Flohr earned a spot on the East All-Star team after a stellar senior season in which he went 8-1 with a 1.26 earned-run average. He struck out 69 and walked only 16 in 49 2/3 innings for the Mustangs (28-3), who went 18-0 in the Kensington Lakes Activities Association, which included Central Division, Kensington Conference and KLAAs titles.

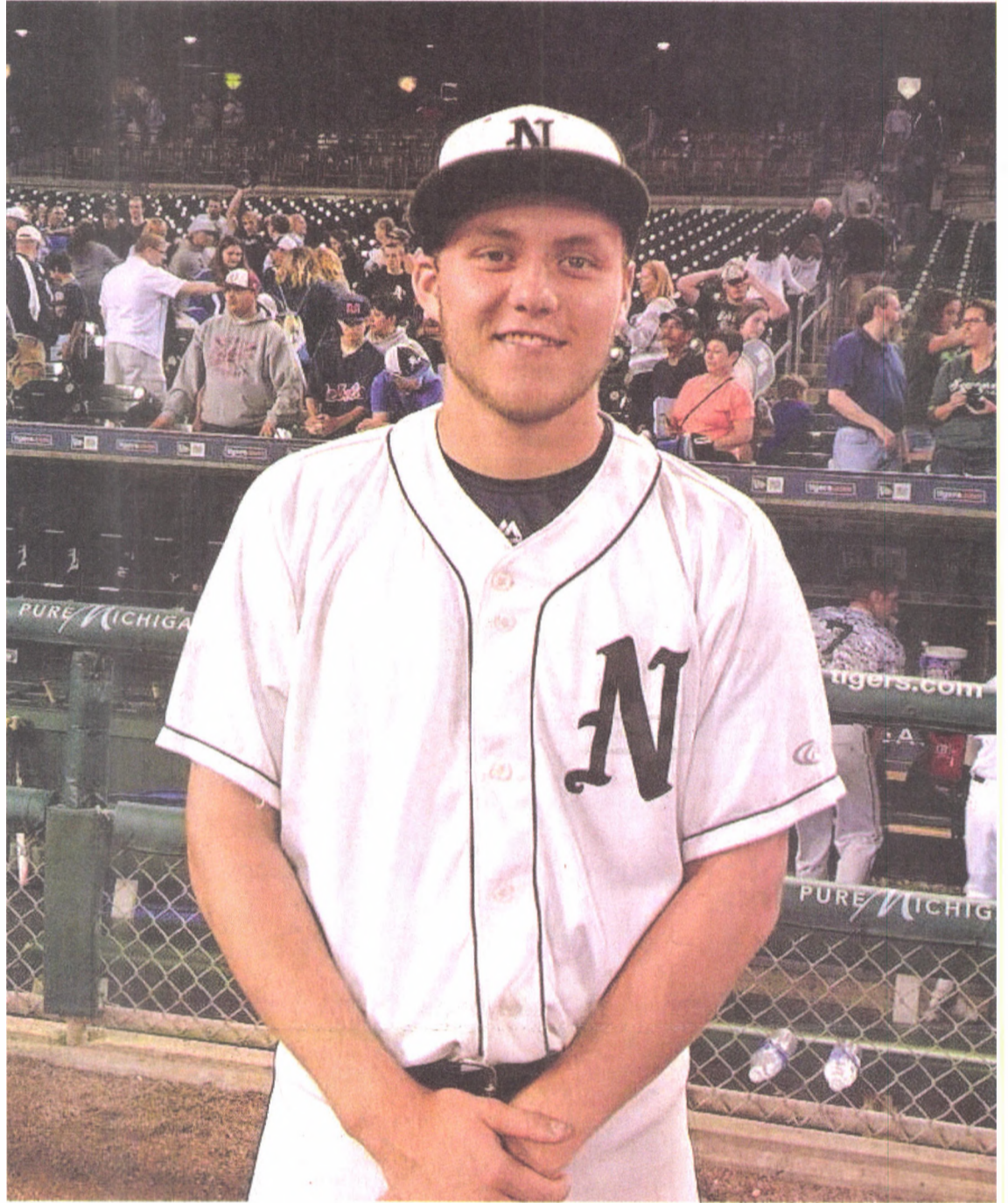
Unfortunately, the Mustangs' season ended prematurely May 26, when host Brighton ousted Northville in an MHSAA Division 1 pre-district, 6-0, which turned out to be Flohr's only loss of the season.

But in his final appearance as a high school player, the 6-foot-2, 185-pound lefty can say he went out a winner.

"I thought it was a great experience. I met a lot of new people and bonded with some people that I didn't even know until yesterday," Flohr said. "So it was a good experience."

This summer, Flohr is staying sharp by pitching for the 18-and-under South Oakland Athletics (based in Madison Heights).

"We just had a tournament



Northville's Evan Flohr pitched a scoreless inning in the 34th annual Michigan High School Baseball Coaches Association East-West All-Star Classic at Comerica Park.

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INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE

## Novi lacrosse player to represent Israel in U-19 World Cup tourney

By Brad Emons  
Staff Writer

Novi High lacrosse player Gina Salemi is earning some "extra credit" this summer.

The incoming senior has landed a spot on the Israel women's national team, which will compete at the 2015 Federation of International Lacrosse U-19 World Cup and International Lacrosse Festival, scheduled for July 23 through Aug. 1, in Edinburgh, Scotland.

The 38-player roster was selected from a series of tryouts held in 2014 at Voldenberg Field in Ashkelon, Israel, as well as formal evaluations in held in conjunction with the Israel U-19 Winter Developmental Program.

During her winter break last December, Salemi was able to make her first trip to Israel for the tryouts.

"It was really surreal. It was really a cool place and cool to connect with new peo-



Novi's Gina Salemi (middle) will play for the Israel Lacrosse Association's Under-19 World Cup team this summer in Scotland.

ple and to be able to try out to represent them on a world stage playing a sport you love is without words," Salemi said. "We split time between Israel and Belgium for about 12 days. We went to Jerusalem, Tel Aviv and a lot of Ashkelon. It's a beach town right on the Mediterranean (Sea). The tryouts were the

entire trip. We did the basic tour stuff as well, then we went into a lot of schools and taught the kids how to play lacrosse."

The highlight of the trip was the teaching the game of lacrosse to the Israeli youth.

"There's a huge language

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WESTERN GOLF ASSOCIATION

## Two Meadowbrook caddies secure Evans Scholarships

By Brad Emons  
Staff Writer

With costs escalating, paying for college can often be daunting and stressful.

But through the Evans Scholarship Program, a pair high school senior caddies from Northville's Meadowbrook Country Club, Jonathon Stott and Spencer Waldo, will have those worries alleviated over the next four years.

Both are recipients for the prestigious scholarship, which is valued at more than \$80,000 over the next four years. Evans Scholars are chosen based on demonstrating a strong caddie record, academic excellence, character and financial need.

Stott, a four-year member of the Northville High School boys golf team, carried a 3.6 grade-point average and plans to study supply chain management at Michigan State.

"I was a University of Michigan fan growing up, but actually I've already switched



Waldo

Stott

allegiances," Stott said.

Waldo, who has been home-schooled while attending classes at Schoolcraft College, will attend the Michigan. One of eight children, he plans to study business while following in the footsteps of his two older brothers, Austin and Connor, who were also Evans Scholars at U-M.

Stott and Waldo are among 250 students selected this year from across the country who will be awarded full tuition and housing where the Foundation owns and operates an Evans Scholarship House.

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## SPECIALITY RUNNING STORE

## Gazelle Sports plants its foot in Northville

By Brad Emons  
Staff Writer

Whether it's getting fitted for the right running shoe or finding the right active apparel, Gazelle Sports has been a staple on the west side of the state.

Originally founded in downtown Kalamazoo in 1985 before expanding to Grand Rapids and Holland, Gazelle recently moved east as it launched its fourth store June 15 at the Northville Park Place, 39737 Traditions Drive (off Haggerty and Seven Mile roads).

The new shopping center in Northville Township was developed by Schostak Brothers & Co. and sits on land that was once part of the old Northville Psychiatric Hospital property. It is adjacent to the University of Michigan Northville Health Center and features a dozen new retailers and restaurants.

"We had been looking and building our company to grow and we started looking at different opportunities and we looked at the metro Detroit area," Gazelle Sports co-owner Chris Lampen-Crowell said. "Our current peers (Running Fit) had sold their company and it was an opportunity for us to take a harder look at the marketplace. And when we looked at it, we really realized there was not only the consumer base, but also the community, Northville itself, that had a lot of the similar values that we were trying to promote in terms of healthy lifestyle and



Specialty running store Gazelle Sports opened June 15 in Northville.

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building an active, healthy community. As we looked at Northville, it became apparent that was a great place for us to land."

The 6,200-square-foot store, which includes the back room and offices, currently has seven employees.

Among the notable brands carried by Gazelle are adidas, Asics, Brooks, Lolé, Mizuno, New Balance, Nike, Saucony, Smartwool, Patagonia and The North Face.

"We do have a fairly large women's apparel (section)," Gazelle Sports assistant manager Michelle Dryer said. "We have a lot of really great

active wear, as well as a lot of the lifestyle apparel. Lolé is another one of our big brands. It's a company out of Montreal. It's made by women for women. And a lot of what they do is that they take pieces and make them multi-purpose. You can use them in the gym. You can use them casual. They actually tell you on the tags what are the intended purposes for the pieces. But they're very nice pieces. We also have a very good selection of men's active wear and lifestyle wear as well."

Gazelle Sports not only offers footwear and apparel for active and

casual use, it also provides free runs and walks, weekly clinics, training programs and organizes and/or supports more than 180 community events throughout the year.

Beginning at 6:30 p.m. each Wednesday, Gazelle's newest store has already started its Urban Herd, an informal group run with all levels welcome.

"We are not an event management company, so we don't put on events, but we do collaborate with other community partners to help events," Lampen-Crowell said. "Last year, we were involved in over 180

events and so we'll be looking for event partnership in the area. We haven't made any commitments at this point, but we will be looking to doing that in 2016 and beyond."

Store hours will be from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday.

"I think one of the things Gazelle Sports really has to offer is the customer experience," Dryer said. "One thing we really try to focus on is customer care. We want to make sure that everybody who steps in the door here has the best experience as pos-

sible. We really want to make sure we get them in the right shoe and we get them fitted properly so that they can go about their day whether they're new to running or just starting running or just out there walking. And we want to make sure that they're wearing good products to suit their needs well."

"We're a specialty running store. The fact that we really care about our customers makes a huge difference and I think people will notice that when they walk through the door."

Gazelle Sports also carries soccer cleats, expected to arrive in mid-July, along with other soccer-related items.

"We like to partner with a lot of people in the community," Dryer said. "That's really big with us. We try and partner with the different schools, different running groups, like the volunteer groups, whatever we can get involved with the community as best as we can."

"We're also a (certified) 'B' corporation, which means that we are environmentally friendly. We really encourage our employees to live a healthy, balanced lifestyle, to recycle, to buy locally, things like that."

A grand opening has been scheduled for August.

For more information about Gazelle Sports or the new Northville store, call 248-534-1372 or go to gazellesports.com.

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## SALEMI

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barrier, but they were kind of learning a few basic words and (we) just kind of showed them with our bodies," Salemi said. "What I got out of it was probably just a greater appreciation for lacrosse and spread the word in Israel about lacrosse and just learn more about Israel in general."

Salemi, a speedy forward and midfielder, scored 57 goals for the Wildcats this spring after scoring 50 goals as a sophomore.

Salemi, who also plays for Novi's field hockey team, began playing lacrosse at an early age.

"I started playing when I was in kindergarten or first grade," she said. "I went to a sports show at the (Novi) Expo Center when I was younger. I went on the first day and there was no one there but me and they had a lacrosse thing, so I just picked it up there and went to camps and to other things like that."

Israel's roster is composed of Israeli players, as well as members of the Jewish diaspora, in accordance with the rules and regulation of the FIL.

"My mother (Marcy) is Jewish, my dad is a Catholic from New York," said Salemi, who has committed to play at LaSalle University, an NCAA Division I school.

In conjunction with the Israel Tzedakah Program, each player will be competing in honor of a charity of their choice as part of the national team's general fundraising efforts.

Salemi has committed to URJ 6 Points Sports Academy in Greensboro, N.C.

"It's a pretty new camp," said Salemi, who heads July 18 for Scotland. "It's only six years old and I've been going six years. It's a Jewish sports camp in general."

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## JUNIOR TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

## Novi netters thriving at USTA Midwest Closed

By Brad Emons  
Staff Writer

Novi High's Tim Wang is off to a solid start in the U.S. Tennis Association Level 1 Midwest Closed Championships being held in Indianapolis, Ind.

The reigning MHSAA Division 1 singles state champion, who led the Wildcats to their first-ever team state title last fall, has reached the round of 16 in the Boys 18 singles draw.

The 15th seed, headed to Columbia University, recorded straight-set victories over Andrew Niehaus (West Chester, Ohio), 6-1, 6-1;

Jared Hamilton (Evansville, Ind.), 6-0, 6-3; and Alex Taylor (Montgomery, Ohio), 6-3, 6-3.

Wang, ranked No. 52 nationally by TennisRecruiting.net, was scheduled to meet fellow Michigan player Franklin Brozovich of Fort Gratiot, who is unseeded, in a match at North Central High School.

The tournament ends Friday. Wang's longtime high school rival Connor Johnston, who will be a senior this fall at Northville High, had to retire due to illness in his Boys 18 singles opener against Matthew Brumbaugh (West Milton, Ohio) after trailing in the first set, 3-1.

Johnston, the 10th seed and is ranked 40th nationally, defeated Wang earlier this month in the Southeast Michigan District Muthig Junior Boys Qualifier, 6-4, 4-6, 6-4. The two met in last year's MHSAA Division 1 singles championship, with Wang prevailing in three sets.

Johnston, who has committed to Michigan, reached the final of the Junior Qualifier with a 6-3, 6-1 triumph over Ann Arbor's Jason Kerst, while Wang defeated Jack Martin-Dyer, also of Ann Arbor, 6-4, 6-0.

Also in the Boys 18s at the Midwest Closed, Novi's Maxx Anderson fell in his first-round match to Max Gordon, 6-4, 6-2, while rebounding in the back



Novi's Marybeth Hurley won the Girls 16s SEMTA Muthig Qualifier and won her first three matches in the USTA Midwest Closed.

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draw to beat Luke Mills, 6-0, 6-1, before being eliminated by Noah Rosenblat, 6-1, 6-4.

## Novi's Hurley 3-0

Novi's Marybeth Hurley has also won her first three matches in the Girls 16 singles draw in the Midwest Closed Championships in Indianapolis.

The 10th-seeded Hurley, who will be a junior this fall at Novi High, won her first three matches in straight sets, downing Megan Guenther (Willowbrook, Ill.), 6-3, 6-3; Jacqueline Ahn (Willowbrook, Ill.), 6-1, 6-0; and Caroline Courtright (Ann Arbor), 6-4, 6-1.

Ranked 48th nationally by TennisRecruiting.net, Hurley will face top seed Meg Kowalski (La Grange, Ill.) in the round of 16.

In the SEMTA Qualifier, Hurley scored a 6-2, 6-3 triumph over Ava Thielman (Shel-

by Township) in the finals after a 6-3, 6-1 semifinal victory against Anika Yarlaga (Bloomfield Hills).

Also in the Girls 16s at the Midwest Closed, Northville's Shanoli Kumar beat Anastasia Hatfield (Rockford, Ill.), 6-3, 6-1, in her opener, before falling to 28th seed Samantha Choi (Warrenville, Ill.), 6-0, 6-3. Kumar, the state champ at No. 2 singles, then both her back draw matches to stay alive against Claire Holley (Kalamazoo), 6-3, 6-0, and Marie Kapelevich (Antioch, Ill.), 6-2, 6-1.

In the Girls 18s, Reeshma Kumar (Novi), also of Northville High, dropped both her matches to Angela Avgerinos (Elmhurst, Ill.), 4-6, 6-0, 6-2, and Natalie Allen (Beavercreek, Ohio), 6-1, 5-7, 6-3.

Her teammate on the Division 1 state championship team, Emma Worley also lost twice in

the Girls 18s to Caroline Maltby (Glen Ellyn, Ill.), 6-2, 2-6, 7-6 (7-1), and Amanda Showalter (Centerville, Ohio), 6-4, 7-5.

## Kouzmanov 3-for-3

In the Girls 12 singles tourney at the Midwest Closed in Okemos, Novi's Isabelle Kouzmanov has captured her first three matches, scoring victories over Allyce Gaborik (Bolingbrook, Ill.), 7-5, 7-5; Lauren Hatfield (Chicago, Ill.), 6-0, 6-1; and Shannele Lopez (Glendale Heights, Ill.), 6-1, 6-1.

Kouzmanov, ranked fourth nationally, will face seventh seed Eleana Yu of Mason, Ohio in the round of 16.

Kouzmanov captured the SEMTA Muthig Qualifier earlier this month with a 6-1, 6-1 victory over Ann Arbor's Angie Zhou following a 6-2, 7-5 semifinal win over Ann Arbor's Andrea Teofilovic.

## Boys 14s singles

Novi's Sidharth Amarnath lost in the round of 64 to seventh-seed Cole Shoultz, 6-3, 6-1, after winning his opening round match against Dev Sanapati, 6-2, 6-1, in the Boys 14 singles draw held in Okemos.

## SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN MUTHIG JUNIOR QUALIFIER SINGLES FINALS RESULTS

**Boys 18s:** Connor Johnston (Novi) defeated Tim Wang (Novi), 6-4, 4-6, 6-4; **semifinals:** Johnston def. Jason Kerst (Ann Arbor), 6-3, 6-1; Wang def. Jack Martin-Dyer (Ann Arbor), 6-4, 6-0.

**Girls 18s:** Dominique Vasile (Bingham Farms) def. Tiffany Huber (West Bloomfield), 6-4, 4-6, 6-4; **semifinals:** Vasile def. Christina Jordan (West Bloomfield), 6-1, 6-4; Huber def. Kathryn Dunleavy (Farmington Hills), 6-0, 6-1.

**Boys 16s:** Jibril Nettles (Detroit) def. Josh Mukherjee (Bloomfield Hills), 6-2, 6-0; **semifinals:** Nettles def. Denai Kitayama (West Bloomfield), 7-5, 6-4; Mukherjee def. Jack Winkler (Birmingham), 6-4, 1-6, 6-3.

**Girls 16s:** Marybeth Hurley (Novi) def. Ava Thielman (Shelby Township), 6-2, 6-3; **semifinals:** Hurley def. Sasha Hartje (Bloomfield Hills), 6-3, 6-1; Thielman def. Anika Yarlaga (West Bloomfield), 6-2, 1-6, 6-0.

**Boys 14s:** Andrew Zhang (Bloomfield Hills) def. Julian Hyman (Oakland Township), 6-3, 6-0; **semifinals:** Zhang def. Timothy Kao (Ann Arbor), 6-1, 6-3; Hyman def. Gabriel Liss (Bloomfield), 6-1, 6-3.

**Girls 14s:** Karina Miller (Ann Arbor) def. Miriam Gandham (Ann Arbor), 6-3, 6-0; **semifinals:** Miller def. Olivia Weiss (Royal Oak), 1-6, 6-1, 6-1; Gandham def. Amanda Herdoiza (West Bloomfield), 6-2, 6-2.

**Boys 12s:** Joseph Stafford (Livonia) def. Jeffrey Etterbeek (Bloomfield Hills), 7-5, 6-4; **semifinals:** Stafford def. Gabe Brown (Port Huron), 6-0, 6-3; Etterbeek def. Aidan Kim (Milford), 3-6, 6-2, 6-4.

**Girls 12s:** Isabelle Kouzmanov (Novi) def. Angie Zhou (Ann Arbor), 6-1, 6-1; **semifinals:** Kouzmanov def. Andrea Teofilovic (Ann Arbor), 6-2, 7-5; Zhou def. Whitney King (Grosse Ile), 3-6, 7-6 (7-4), 7-5.

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over the weekend, so I've been staying on top of my throwing," Flohr said. "I got plenty of rest, made sure I didn't lift too

heavily before I came out here and I wanted to be fresh for the game, so it was good."

In August, Flohr will embark on the next phase of his baseball career when he heads to California.

"There's a kid (Antho-

ny Hutting) a few years ago that came from California and played for Northville as a freshman, one of only two freshman ever to play for Northville on varsity," Flohr said. "He went out and finished at Cal-State Fullerton and now he's an

assistant coach at Cypress."

Flohr is one of two Michigan recruits headed to Cypress, joining Clarkston's Spencer Herford. Last year Cypress went 25-13 and 14-7 in the conference. The program has been a springboard

for numerous players to the NCAA Division I ranks.

"It's wonderful," Flohr said. "Great field, great facilities and the school is beautiful."

Who knows? Flohr could come back full-circle one day and pitch

again at Comerica Park.

And once again he would have to navigate through another case of the jitters - which would be a good thing.

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## ALL-AREA BOYS TRACK

# South Lyon's Burkhalter setting the bar high

By Jeff Theisen  
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South Lyon pole vaulter Nick Burkhalter held the school record at 14-1, breaking a 38-year-old mark as a junior.

Burkhalter shattered it his senior season, setting a record that might stand a long time again for the Lions. He cleared 15-7 at the Sunset Invitational before going on to win KLAA Conference, regional and state titles. He earns the nod as All-Area Boys Track Athlete of the Year.

Burkhalter dominated at the Division 1 state finals, finishing almost a foot ahead of second place by clearing 15-6. He went for a new personal record of 16-0 with the win already in hand. He just missed on one of his attempts, but the mission of state champ was already completed.

"Nick worked hard to accomplish what he did," coach Scott Smith said. "After every single vault that he took on the outdoor and indoor circuits, Nick took notes in a book that he kept. He used that information to make intelligent moves to keep improving."

"His senior year was exciting. He set new school, meet and field records that will stand for many years."

## First team Cody Stemple Lakeland

The senior high jumper came into this season with high hopes after finishing runner-up at states as a junior. Unfortunately, he battled injuries throughout much of the season, but started to get healthy as the temperatures went up and so did his heights. Stemple won the regional title and went on to place second again at states with a jump of 6-7. The winner also cleared 6-7, but won with fewer misses. Stemple still had one more event at states, helping the 1,600 relay finish 26th.

Stemple also competed at the Midwest Meet of Champions and finished seventh.

"Cody Stemple has had the best run that I think a jumper can have," coach David Browne said. "He has been all-state for three years, including two times runner-up. All of that despite battling knee troubles all season. If you add into the mix that he has also qualified in the 1,600 relay and the long jump during that time, it's been a remarkable run."

"He has been a New Balance All-American last season and he has a shot to do it again. It also can't be understated what he has done to help build interest and a level of seriousness for the sport of track with the guys at our school."

## Trent Willenborg South Lyon East

The senior finished off a storied career with a second consecutive all-state honor in the discus



South Lyon senior pole vaulter Nick Burkhalter is the All-Area Boys Track Athlete of the Year. JERRY REA

with a toss of 166-8. Willenborg's throw was the fourth-best for all divisions. He will go down as one of the top athletes in East history with major success in football, basketball and track.

"Trent was a great four-year track athlete where he found success in the 100, 200, 400 and discus," coach Joseph Merlo said. "He holds the school record in all four events, something you do not see every day."

## Lance Yassay Detroit CC

The two-time senior all-state high jumper was fourth in the Division 1 finals (6-3) after placing runner-up at the regional. Yassay, bound in the fall for the University of Pennsylvania, also broke the school record (6-7¼), captured four invitationals and was Catholic League A-B Division champ.

"Lance has been a fixture on our team for four years," CC assistant coach Tom Kessel said. "He's an outstanding young man with tremendous athletic ability. Not only a force in the high jump, he was one of our best hurdlers and long jumpers."

## Jackson Grzymkowski Lakeland

The distance runner will be looked upon for huge things in his senior season after ending his junior year with a bang. He had a pair of all-state runs while competing in three events at states. He started the day with a sixth-place finish as part of the 3,200 relay crew (7:53.91). He earned seventh in the 1,600 with a blistering 4:14.91. Grzymkowski finished off his day as a member of the

1,600 relay that finished 26th. He holds the school record in the 1,600 and was also regional champion.

"Jackson is a once-a-decade type of athlete. I've been fortunate enough to have two in five years (along with former 1,600 record-holder Garrett Zuk)," Browne said. "He has worked tremendously hard to put himself in a position to be one of the best returning distance runners in the state. Some of that is with talent, but much of that is with his work ethic. He is a special kid."

## Jason Ferrante Northville

The senior, headed to Michigan, was 11th in the Division 1 800 (1:55.93) after placing runner-up in the regional (1:54.49). Ferrante was also runner-up in the conference in the 800. He was a member of the first-place regional (3:22.73) and conference (3:24.39) 3,200 relay team, which eclipsed a 20-year-old school record.

"It's great to have a guy like Jason on your team, not only because of the talent, but also because he's a leader and knows how to do things the right way," Northville coach Brandon Langston said. "He had our second fastest 400 time, our fastest (1,600) time and fastest 800 time. Coaching a kid like that is special because of what he brought to the team with his positive attitude and leadership."

## Conor Naughton Northville

The junior wound up 15th in the 3,200 (9:25.94) at the Division 1 finals after taking the regional

title (9:23.43). Naughton was also conference runner-up.

"Conor focused for us in the two-mile this year and he proved himself as one of the best in the conference and best in the region," Langston said. "Next year, we're definitely looking forward to seeing him diversify his role, because he'll probably be one of our biggest contributors. It was great to see him grow up, not only get better as an athlete, but also take that role of being a leader, which was new for him this year."

## Donovan D'Amore Detroit CC

The senior, headed to Grand Valley State, was 16th in Division 1 in the 110 hurdles (15.32) after capturing the regional (15.17). D'Amore also placed fourth in the 300 hurdles at regional (41.31).

"Though only starting track as a sophomore, Donovan made immediate impact as a leader and competitor," CC assistant coach Evan Gerish said. "He also anchored the No. 1 state-ranked 4 by 110 shuttle hurdle relay team to an undefeated season."

## Jamarqui Reid South Lyon

The senior long jumper had a monster jump of 21-4 to win the regional title. He couldn't pop off the same jump in damp conditions at states and finished 17th with a leap of 19-1. Reid also collected an Oakland County title earlier in the season.

"In Jamarqui's only season on the South Lyon High School track and field team, he made quite an impact," Smith said. "He was a strong sprint-

er in the 100 and 200 open and the (400) and (800) relays. His biggest impact was in the long jump."

## Second team Adam Ghabra Northville

The junior sprinter was a state qualifier (19th overall) as well as regional and Kensington champion in the 100. Ghabra was conference runner-up in the 200. His best times were 11.1 and 22.39, respectively. He was also a member of Northville's school record 1,600 relay team that won regional and conference titles.

## Joost Plaetinck Novi

The junior placed 19th in the 3,200 (9:32.06) in Division 1 after taking third at the regional (9:29.0) and first in the conference (9:32.14 meet record). Plaetinck was also a member of the Wildcats' state-qualifying 3,200 relay team that placed second in the regional.

## Ike Marchie Detroit CC

The senior was a state qualifier in the 110 hurdles, placing 20th overall (15.66) after a runner-up showing at the regional (15.21). Marchie also excelled in the high jump (6-1) and was the Catholic League A-B Division runner-up in the long jump (20-10¼).

## Tyler Carrier Milford

The senior sprinter finished second in the 100 at the conference meet and at the regional to earn a trip to the state finals, where he finished 22nd. Carrier led the Mavs in sprints and relays as well as going over 20 feet in the long jump.

## Sean Noone Milford

The senior capped off his career by qualifying for states in the 3,200, finishing 25th.

## Blake McComas Lakeland

The senior completed his career with three events at the state finals, including an all-state run as part of the 3,200 relay team that placed sixth. McComas also finished 26th in the 800 and placed 22nd in the 1,600 relay.

## Trevor Learmont Lakeland

The senior overcame illness this year to help the 3,200 relay team earn a sixth-place finish for all-state honors. The Eagles also were KLAA champs in the 3,200 relay.

## Drew Wenger Lakeland

The freshman made a big splash this year in helping the 3,200 relay squad earn all-state in sixth place. With three years remaining, Browne sees big things in his future.

## Scott Sawyer Novi

The sophomore met a Division 1 state qualifying standard in the pole vault after taking fifth (12-10) as well as qualifying with a tie for third in the high jump (6-3), both at the regional meet. Sawyer also placed in the

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Lakeland  
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John Hamilton,  
Northville

### HONORABLE MENTION

**South Lyon East** - Matt Meadows (jr.), J.D. Simon (jr.)

**Lakeland** - Chris Marchese (sr.), George Drallos (fr.), Hunter Lukes (soph.), Ian Fulton (sr.), Zack Confer (jr.), Patrick Govan (jr.), Jason Dernay (soph.), Travis Seka (jr.), Paul Johnnecheck (fr.), Zack Werth (soph.), Tyler Capra (fr.), Will John (fr.), Mason Zielaskowski (sr.)

**Milford** - Curtis Painter, Issac Phillips, Kevin Bradsher, Josh Deradoorian, David Bonhard

**South Lyon** - Kevin Schopa (jr.), Jerod Allen (jr.), Josh Travis (soph.), Trevor Tank (jr.), Travis Starr (jr.), Jaelon Neer (sr.), Kane Ruffin (sr.), Bryce VanAsselt (sr.), Braxton Blackwell (soph.), Steve Hartlep (jr.)

**Northville** - Jacob Kamm (sr.), Alec Przybocki (sr.), Max DeDonna (jr.), Matthew Priebe (sr.), Justin Days (sr.), Jeff Baxter (jr.), Sean Flanagan (sr.), Sean McCullough (sr.), Ben Ccraft (soph.)

**Novi** - Aaron Pringle (sr.), Nathan Hall (sr.), Adam Ditri (jr.), Scott MacPherson (soph.), Josh Holcomb (jr.), Collin Thomas (sr.)

**Catholic Central** - Michael Misiak (sr.), Shane Joyce (jr.), Connor Canavan (sr.), Scott Smith (jr.), Chris Bradbury (soph.), Brian Clark (sr.), Avery Felty (jr.), Brendan Smith (fr.)

pole vault (sixth) and high jump (eighth) at the Kensington meet.

### John Hamilton Northville

The junior cleared 6-3 to place third in the regional in the high jump and earn a spot in the Division 1 state finals. Hamilton also placed sixth in the Kensington Conference.

## CADDIES

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Golf Association located near Chicago, the Evans Scholarship is one of golf's favorite charities and among the nation's largest privately funded scholarship programs. More than 10,000 have graduated since the program was founded by famed Chicago amateur golfer Charles "Chick" Evans Jr. in 1930. There are currently 870 in the program.

"Two of my uncles got scholarships and they were kind of the ones that got me into caddying, kind of gave me the thought to pursue an Evans Scholarship," said Stott, who has been caddying at Meadowbrook since 2010. "They planted the seed, but never

pushed it."

When Stott learned he had received the Evans Scholarship, it hit close to home.

"It's definitely going to open doors for me," he said. "My mother (Terri) was ecstatic. She's a single parent and she was bawling for sure."

Waldo, meanwhile, knows how tough challenges can be, being one of eight siblings in his household.

Needless to say, his parents, Martin and Carol, were "super excited" when he received a package that arrived in the mail.

"It was a big envelope, so I had suspicions there was an information package in there and I thought, 'Oh, I probably got it,'" Waldo said. "If it was denied it would have been probably a small letter. So I was really

excited about that and it was really awesome."

In addition to playing golf at Northville High, Stott enjoys other recreational sports such as basketball, baseball and fishing.

But during the summer months, Stott can be found at Meadowbrook, where it's been a learning curve during his six years of carrying a bag.

"It can be very tedious," said Stott, who turned 18 in March. "At the beginning, it was pretty challenging because you don't know what to do and not necessarily know of the rules of caddying or how it is. But it's definitely given me a lot of life lessons and taught me a lot of things. Just being patient, being kind, never giving up. It can break you down at times, but it can also lift you up. I'll

probably do it through-out college."

He has also had the pleasure of carrying a bag for former Detroit Red Wings player Tomas Holmstrom.

"That's probably the biggest one," Stott said. Waldo also has had a Red Wings connection.

"I didn't caddy for Mickey Redmond (Wings TV analyst), but I was in the same room as him and I got his autograph," he said. "He's a really cool guy."

Waldo has been caddying since 2009 and it will be his seventh summer. He has also passed along tips and the secrets of the trade to two of his younger brothers, Everett and Owen, both Meadowbrook caddies.

"You have to have an attitude where you're willing to go that extra mile for your golfer,"

Waldo said. "It's almost like you're a servant to them. Your whole reason for being there is to make them better and make them have a better experience. For some people, that means talking to them, making jokes and being nice. For other people it means not talking to them and just walking in front of them, making sure you do everything right. Find their ball before they do and all the above. It depends on the person. You just have to be there to tell them you're there for them."

Waldo plays guitar and piano. He loves to run and sail, but only dabbles in golf.

"I'm more of a putt-putt being," he said. "Just being outside is fun."

Funds for the Evans Scholarship program are

provided primarily from the contributions by more than 27,000 golfers from across the country who are members of the WGA Evans Scholars Par Club. Evans alumni donate more than \$8 million annually, while proceeds from the BMW Championship, the third of the PGA Tour playoff events in the FedExCup, are donated to the Foundation.

"Thankfully, we've been blessed in a lot of ways," Waldo said. "Having so many kids, college costs are really huge for having eight kids. Paying for college would almost be impossible without any assistance of some sorts. The Evans Scholarship was a huge blessing for me to get through college."

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ALL-AREA GIRLS TRACK

# Milford's Mergens high jumps to top spot

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Milford's Whitney Mergens admittedly struggled at states in her two previous trips.

Her senior year was something altogether different.

Mergens set a new personal record at her last meet as a Maverick by clearing 5-7 in the high jump at the Division 1 state finals to win the state title. If that wasn't enough, she went on to place seventh in the long jump with a leap of 16-7 for another all-state performance. The long jump was a new school record.

"Whitney is a phenomenal athlete who did whatever the team needed for four years," Milford coach Brian Salyers said. "She set the tone in terms of attitude and performance in our recent championship run. She has given a great deal to her team throughout her career."

"To see her reach the pinnacle of her sport in winning an event at the state finals is well-deserved. It has been an honor to coach her in this event."

Mergens was key to Milford winning the KLAA Lakes Conference title after finishing runner-up in the division to Brighton. She finishes as the third all-time point scorer in Milford history.

Mergens went on to jump at the Midwest Meet of Champions and finished third.

**First team**

**Lexa Barrott Northville**

The junior all-stater placed third in both the 1,600 (4:55.23) and 3,200 (10:37.52), as well as being a member of the sixth-place 3,200 relay (9:19.45) at the Division 1 finals. She was also regional and Kensington Conference champ in all three events.

"Lexa is an all-around solid runner and even better person," Northville coach Tim Dalton said. "She works as hard as anyone I have ever coached and wants to be the best. She is also one of our captains."

**Lauren Rodriguez Northville**

The senior all-stater, bound for the University of Michigan, was Division 1 runner-up in the 100 hurdles (school record 14.38) and sixth in the 300 hurdles (45.2). She was also regional and conference champ in the 100 hurdles, as well as Kensington champ in the 300 hurdles.

"It was great to get Lauren back this year after missing last season to injury," Dalton said. "It's a true testament to her work ethic. She was huge part of our team. She will be greatly missed next year."

**Chloe Abbott**



Milford's Whitney Mergens is the All-Area Track and Field Athlete of the Year.

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**Northville**

The junior all-stater placed third in the 400 (56.53) and was seventh in the 200 (25.35), as well as the anchor on the Mustangs' third-place 1,600 relay (4:00.98) at the Division 1 finals. At the regional, Abbott figured in two individual and two relay firsts, while at the conference meet she brought home three firsts.

"Chloe has it all," Dalton said. "She ran the 100, 200, 400 and relays for us and if it weren't for the four-event limit, I know she could do more. She also has or is a part of five school records. I'm excited to see what she can do as a senior."

**Emma Bauer South Lyon**

South Lyon was known for its dominant pole vaulters this year with Bauer and boys state champ Nick Burkhalter in the mix. Bauer finished her career with a fourth-place finish at the Division 1 state finals by clearing 11-9. Bauer also collected regional and Kensington Conference titles along the way.

"She holds all of the South Lyon school, facility and class records, beating marks set by South Lyon's Kelly Kern, Michigan's first-ever state champion in the girls pole vault," South Lyon coach Scott Smith said. "Emma was incredibly dedicated to the pole vault. She worked hard in the off-season and made it look easy in the competitive season."

**Mallory Barrett Milford**

Despite being just a sophomore, Barrett owns the school record in the 800 after finishing fourth at states in 2:13.68. She was also part of the 1,600 relay crew that finished fifth at states (4:02.2). Barrett was regional champ in the 800 and

Lakes Conference champ in the 1,600 and as part of the 1,600 relay.

"Mallory is one of the most versatile athletes we have ever had at Milford," Salyers said. "She made the all-time list in the high jump, long jump, 400, 800 and 1,600, while also running some of our fastest relay splits ever."

**Cayla Eckenroth Northville**

The sophomore earned all-state honors in the 3,200 for the second straight year with a sixth-place finish (10:42.72) and was also a member of the sixth-place 3,200 relay team. She was regional and conference runner-up in the 3,200, while taking first in the 3,200 relay.

"Cayla continued to show why she is considered one of the best young distance runners in the state," Dalton said. "Even more impressive is what she did for us on the 3,200 relay. She showed her foot speed and was a huge piece to that team all season long."

**Dana Shove Milford**

The senior finished as a two-time all-stater after placing seventh in the discus with a heave of 118-4. She holds the school record with a monster throw of 141-8 and was Lakes Conference and regional champ. She also placed fourth in the conference in the shot put.

"Nobody has progressed more during their career than Dana," Salyers said. "Her success has been earned through a great day-to-day work ethic."

**Lindsay Walters Northville**

The junior was a Division 1 state qualifier in 400, placing 11th (57.75), and helped the Mustangs' 1,600 relay place third.

Walters was also regional and conference runner-up in the 400. She helped Northville to firsts at the regional in both the 800 and 1,600 relays.

"Lindsay has been a rock for us since the day she walked into Northville," Dalton said. "She gets better every year and also is one of our team captains."

**Calli Stemple Lakeland**

The senior finished a storied jumping career with a 12th-place finish in the high jump at states (5-3). Stemple won three KLAA Conference titles and holds the indoor school record at 5-5 with a win at the Indoor Huron Relays at EMU. Stemple went on to jump at the Midwest Meet of Champions, where she finished eighth at 5-2.

**Mackenzie Gross Lakeland**

The senior ran in three races at the Division 1 state finals. Gross helped the Eagles earn all-state honors in the 400 relay with a seventh-place finish. She also was 20th in the 100 and 17th as part of the 1,600 relay. She competed in sprints, relays, hurdles and the long jump.

"She is the best overall athlete in Lakeland track," coach John Kababik said.

**Second team**

**Hannah Lonergan Novi**

The senior placed 14th in Division 1 in the 1,600 run (5:07.94) after finishing runner-up at the regional. Lonergan was also runner-up in the 800 and fourth in the 1,600 at the conference.

**Madison Paquette Milford**

The senior finished her career with a 14th-place finish in the 3,200 at states. Paquette was second at the conference meet in the 3,200 and

third in the 1,600. She holds the second fastest 3,200 time in school history.

**Kate Prisby Novi**

The sophomore placed 14th in the long jump in Division 1 (15-11) after qualifying with fifth at the regional (16-9). Prisby also took sixth in the regional and seventh in the conference in the high jump.

**Emma Neumann Lakeland**

The junior capped a strong season with a 15th-place finish at the state finals. Neumann was first at the KLAA Lakes Conference meet, second at the regional and third at Oakland County.

**Sarah Asum Milford**

The junior earned all-state honors by finishing fifth at states as part of the 1,600 relay. Asum also placed 17th in the 800.

**Gracie Goble Northville**

The senior was 17th in Division 1 in long jump (15-7.25) after qualifying with fourth at the regional (16-10). She was also conference champ in the long jump and third in the 200, along with being a member of three state qualifying relay teams, including the third-place 1,600 quartet.

**Bryenne Gustafson Milford**

The junior was another key part of the throwing group with teammate Shove. She finished 20th in the shot put at states. Gustafson was second at the regional and the county meet in the shot put.

**Marisa Sailus Lakeland**

The sophomore finished strong by running in two events at states. Sailus placed 22nd in the 400 and 17th as part of the 1,600 relay squad. She was third at the regional in the 400 and also third at the conference meet.

**Danielle Waranaukas South Lyon East**

The junior qualified for the Division 2 state finals in both hurdle events. Waranaukas placed 23rd in the 300 hurdles and 25th in the 100 hurdles.

**Nicole Grindling Milford**

The freshman capped off a strong distance season by placing 28th in the 3,200. Grindling was the KLAA Lakes Conference champ in the 3,200 as well.

**Emma Herrmann Northville**

The junior was a state qualifier in the 3,200, placing 33rd after qualifying with fifth at the regional (11:17.19). She was also fifth in the conference in the 3,200 and a member of the Mustangs' Division 1 sixth-place team in the 3,200 relay.

**Breann Marsh Evelyn Zielinski Milford**

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Mackenzie Gross, Lakeland

**SECOND TEAM**

Hannah Lonergan, Novi  
Madison Paquette, Milford  
Kate Prisby, Novi  
Emma Neumann, Lakeland  
Sarah Asum, Milford  
Grace Goble, Northville  
Mackenzie Gross, Lakeland  
Bryenne Gustafson, Milford  
Marisa Sailus, Lakeland  
Danielle Waranaukas, South Lyon East  
Nicole Grindling, Milford  
Emma Herrmann, Northville  
Breann Marsh, Milford  
Evelyn Zielinski, Milford  
Lena Tiedeman, Lakeland  
Jessica Erickson, Lakeland  
Adriana Ball, Lakeland

**HONORABLE MENTION**

**Northville** – Ana Barrott (fr.), Rachel Zimmer (fr.), Yasmine Affes (fr.), Mary Catherine McLaughlin (jr.), Emma Smith (soph.), Erin McCallum (fr.), Emily Anderson (soph.)  
**Novi** – Karena Roest (fr.), Marissa Dunn (jr.), Emma Hammelef (soph.), Hannah Hood-Blaxill (fr.), Deanna Martynenko (jr.), Kristen Bailey (jr.)  
**Milford** – Brenna Lovera (sr.), Jillian McGinnis (sr.), Regan Lobodzinski (fr.), Eve Hemingway (fr.), Gabrielle Byndas (jr.), Emilie Kennedy (fr.)  
**South Lyon** – Madison Swiatlowski (sr.), Carlie Fernandez (sr.), Liberty Romanik (soph.), Christy Hogue (sr.), Hailey Green (sr.), Anna Henry (sr.), Sidney Kankhook (jr.)  
**Lakeland** – Haley Rathwell (soph.)

The sophomores helped the Mavs earn all-state honors in the 1,600 relay with a fifth-place finish at states.

**Lena Tiedeman Jessica Erickson Adriana Ball Lakeland**

The three were all part of Lakeland's 400 relay team that placed seventh at states to earn all-state honors. Tiedeman also was part of the 1,600 relay squad that placed 20th.

CLUB TRACK

## Northville Track Club runs at New Balance meet

By Brad Emons  
Staff Writer

There was plenty of fast company to run around with as the Northville Track Club participated last weekend in the New Balance Outdoor Nationals held at North Carolina A&T University in Greensboro, N.C.

Leading the six-member contingent of Northville High runners who helped the Mustangs to a third-place team finish last month in the MHSAA Division 1 state finals was junior sprinter Chloe Abbott, who placed 12th in the 400-meter dash (54.41) and fifth in the Emerging Elite division of the 200 (24.73).

Junior distance runner Lexa Barrott placed 20th in the two-mile (11:12.11), while adding a 13th in the Emerging



The Northville Track Club competed last weekend in the New Balance Outdoor Nationals in Greensboro, N.C. The contingent was made up of (from left) Lauren Rodriguez, Lexa Barrott, Emma Herrmann, Ana Barrott, Cayla Eckenroth and Chloe Abbott.

Elite's one-mile (5:05.96).

Hurdler Lauren Rodriguez, a graduated senior, took 24th in the 110 highs (14.68), while junior Cayla Eckenroth

placed 21st in the Emerging Elite two-mile (11:42.04).

Ana Barrott ran 5:17.08 to place 10th in the Girls Freshman one-mile event. She also

teamed with junior Emma Herrmann, Eckenroth and Lexa Barrott for a 31st in the 3,200 relay.

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SPORTS ROUNDUP

**Maybury Classic**

The 10th annual 2015 Road Runner Classic will be Saturday, July 25, at Maybury State Park (use the Eight Mile Road entrance, one mile west of Beck).

The event, presented by the Northville Road Runners, will benefit the Friends of Maybury. A recreation passport is required for entrance (passes also available at the gate for \$11).

The one-mile run-walk will start at 5 p.m., followed by the 8K run-walk (half-paved, half-trail) at 5:30 p.m. and the new 5K (paved course) at 5:45 p.m.

Entry fees are \$5 (one-mile) and \$20 (5K and 8K) (through July 23) are \$6 and \$25, respectively, while race day fees are \$7 and \$27.

The family fun event includes pizza, beer, raffle and homemade baked goods. Male and female overall race winners will receive \$75 Running Fit gift cards. Masters male and

female winners will receive \$50 gift cards. Age group awards will be broken down in five-year increments. Limited edition Classic logo tech socks are available for \$7.

For more information, go to www.northvilleroadrunners.org or call Gary Haf at 248-231-6114. You can also go to runmichigan.com or runsignup.com.

**Novi cheer clinic**

The Novi High varsity cheerleaders will stage a three-day summer cheer clinic (girls ages 5-12) from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Wednesday, July 13-15, at Village Oaks Elementary, 23333 Willowbrook Drive, Novi.

The \$100 fee includes all three days, including lunches and snacks (cost does not include T-shirt).

To register, go to www.novi.k12.mi.us (click on athletics tab and select sports camp).

For more information, email coach Ashley Karinen at AKarinen07@gmail.com.



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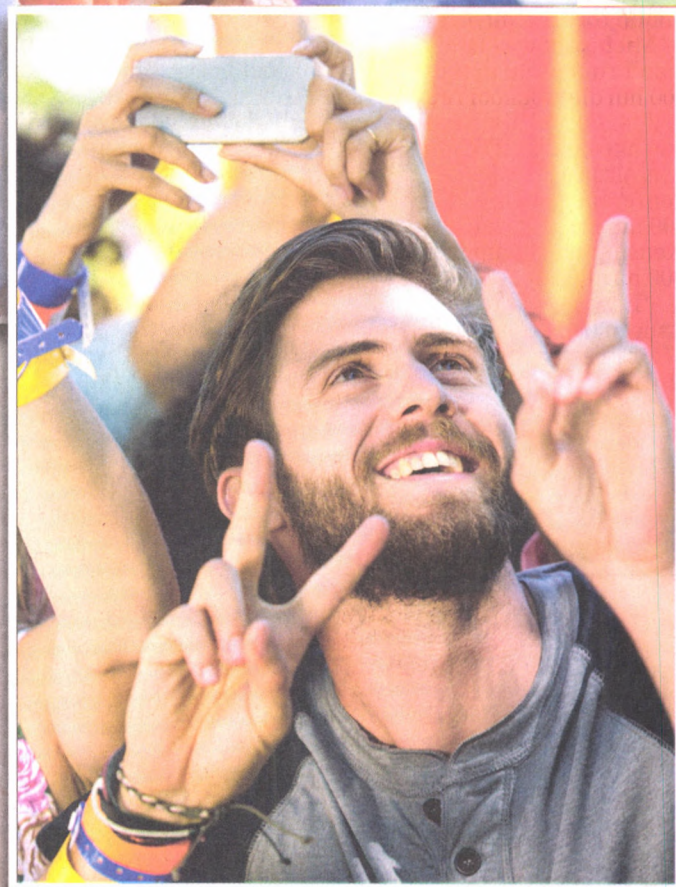
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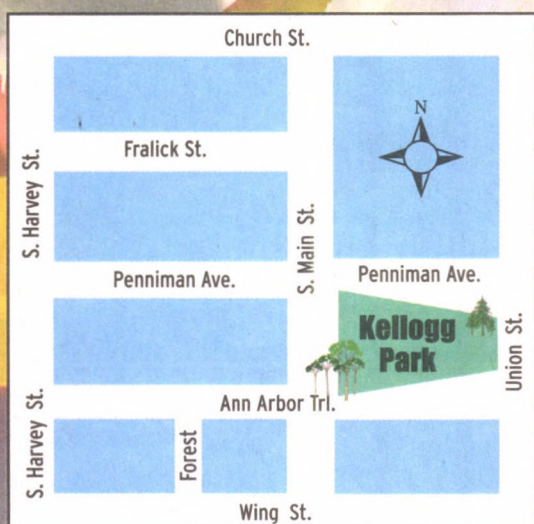
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The dealership has held the honor of highest volume sales dealer globally since 1997.\* Varsity offers a newly remodeled showroom, indoor delivery area and service reception aisle. Varsity Lincoln works to make their customers feel number one.

This year Varsity Lincoln celebrated their 20th anniversary and won six prestigious automotive awards. They encompass the Triple Crown Award, Lincoln Leaders of Excellence, President's Award, Ford One Hundred Club, CPO Sales Leadership and Premier Club.

Visit Varsity Lincoln for our 3-day event to catch the deals:

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» **Saturday, June 27:** 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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"To get a Certified Pre-Owned that comes with warranty, definitely get quality checked, that's important, especially with two girls in college," said five-time customer Julie Wilk.

"There are numerous benefits of purchasing a Certified Pre-Owned, including the outstanding warranty that comes with the vehicles," said Jere Law, Varsity Lincoln's General Sales Manager and Pre-Owned

Director. "The 100,000-mile free bumper warranty that comes alongside all Certified Pre-Owned purchases is better than a new car warranty! Additionally, any time the vehicle is in for a service visit, you can receive a loaner for no cost exclusively at Varsity Lincoln!"

"The warranty is key. With Certified Pre-Owned, you get the best from Varsity Lincoln," Law said. Certified Pre-Owned financing is available this April for as low as 0.9% APR\*\*.

"Leasing or buying from the number one dealer in the country gives you the best selection, price and service," Law said. "Our dealership is ready to assist customers with anything, whether it is special financing or a specific request. We can handle every unique situation."

"Loaded with features, a Lincoln will satisfy any customer," Law explained. "Certified Pre-Owned vehicles not only provide peace of mind on the road, but also provide a combination of sportiness and luxury. Benefits include FWD or AWD, EcoBoost, Navigation, Bluetooth, SYNC, an adaptive suspension, a panoramic roof, and heated and cooled seats for comfort, just to name a few," Law said. "Drivers will also enjoy peace of mind from knowing that Lincoln vehicles will hold their value," Law said. "Any depreciation has already been taken on by the previous owner. Plus, advanced styling and dependability add to a Lincoln vehicle's value."

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This dealership provides The Varsity Lincoln Advantage. Varsity Lincoln team members are selected based upon their unwavering focus on customer care and satisfaction.

"Our customers speak for themselves and how their experience is. When you read the reviews our customers write online, you can see how happy they are, before, during and after the sale," Law concluded.

"Based on 5/2015 Total Certified Pre-Owned Lincoln Sales Report. \*\*As low as 0.9% APR for up to 36 months on select vehicles for qualified customers with Tier 0-1 approval through preferred finance source. Offer subject to change at any time. See Varsity Lincoln for details."

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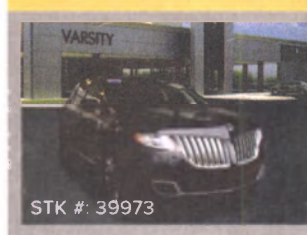
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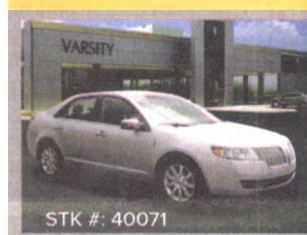
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NO PLACE LIKE HOME

## Plymouth Township home offers prime location

By Julie Brown  
Staff Writer

The Quail Ridge Estates subdivision in Plymouth Township offers desirable living, as seen through a new listing at 11141 Academy Ct. "It's close to downtown," said Realtor/listing agent Bob Merry of RichRealty of Plymouth. "It's an original owner. It's a stable neighborhood."

The home is listed at \$364,900 and went on the market June 15, said Plymouth Township resident Merry, who's worked in real estate 30 years. The Academy Court home is within walking/bicycling distance to Plymouth Township Park, and a resident could easily bicycle the two miles into downtown Plymouth, he said, noting the many sidewalks on the route.

"You could safely walk it or ride," said Merry. The Bona-deo home was built in 1979. "It was very good construction," he said.

The home has 2,482 square feet, four bedrooms and two and a half baths. Its two-car garage is attached.

The home has a covered deck, as well as hardwood floors and cathedral ceilings.

"They are scaling down and getting into a one-level condominium in Lyon Township," Merry said of the sellers. He finds the area desirable for buyers.

"I think one of the draws is downtown Plymouth," Merry



The Plymouth Township home has four bedrooms and two and a half baths.

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said. "It's really a family-oriented community. It's more homey and a relaxed kind of feeling."

Merry grew up in the community, graduating from Plymouth Salem High in 1974. He recalled I-275 going in and Ford Road going from dirt to busy business district.

Merry anticipates an offer on the Academy Court home

soon. "There's not a lot of quality inventory out there," he said. "There is a shortage."

This home is definitely not a fixer-upper, he agreed. "I think everybody comes in and puts their own taste and feel to it," Merry said of decor.

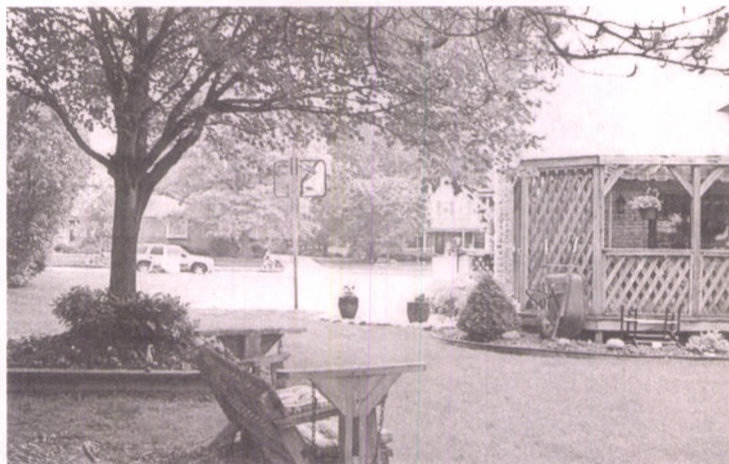
Canton resident Rich Eisiminger, a Realtor and RichRealty owner, said, "I would say Plymouth, Canton and

Northville are the main driving forces for that," noting rising home values locally.

"Our prices were driven down so low for the financial crisis in 2007," added Eisiminger, in the field for 23 years.

RichRealty is at 734-459-5100.

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The yard's landscaping enhances the home's appeal.

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The kitchen is a focal gathering point, especially for foodies.

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

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Feb. 23-27, 2015, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

CANTON	
6909 Bunkerhill Ln	\$125,000
43886 Cherry Grove Ct W	\$180,000
2483 Cranbrook Rd	\$185,000
44309 Hanford Rd	\$160,000
4162 Hawksbury Ct	\$289,000
1135 Longfellow Dr	\$187,000
6173 Meadowview Dr	\$370,000
46660 Michigan Ave	\$20,000
1311 Mistwood Ct	\$450,000
1653 N Beck Rd	\$115,000
8217 N Pointe Ct	\$365,000
43848 Palisades Dr	\$167,000
1934 Pebble Creek Dr	\$170,000
4717 Pond Run	\$272,000
49690 Potomac Rd	\$235,000
1891 Vine Way Dr	\$120,000
1981 Vine Way Dr	\$106,000
1708 Whittier Dr	\$98,000
1708 Whittier Dr	\$143,000
GARDEN CITY	

28499 James St	\$81,000
28741 Kathryn St	\$95,000
32941 Rosslyn Ave	\$82,000
27616 Sheridan St	\$104,000
29645 Windsor St	\$95,000
LIVONIA	
31456 Alabama St	\$160,000
29549 Bobrich St	\$40,000
32992 Brookside Ct	\$335,000
33590 Clarita St	\$125,000
9831 Doris St	\$100,000
16214 Edgewood Dr	\$260,000
32837 Fargo St	\$30,000
34748 Haldane Dr	\$322,000
12253 Inkster Rd	\$54,000
16701 Inkster Rd	\$35,000
11435 Mayfield St	\$163,000
15562 Nola Cir	\$186,000
27725 Norfolk St	\$50,000
29500 Norfolk St	\$171,000
15930 Oporto St	\$70,000
28605 Pickford St	\$205,000
36408 Rayburn St	\$184,000
38140 S Vista Dr	\$260,000
33645 Wood St	\$202,000
NORTHVILLE	
17032 Algonquin Dr	\$470,000
16771 Carriage Way	\$165,000

16477 Cypress Ct	\$380,000
19781 Scenic Harbour Dr	\$260,000
43050 Steepleview St	\$340,000
19325 Surrey Ln	\$108,000
44900 Thornapple Ln	\$450,000
15744 Troon Ct	\$722,000
41051 White Haven Ct	\$347,000
PLYMOUTH	
46363 Burning Tree Ln	\$375,000
49561 Donovan Blvd	\$128,000
13836 Eaton Dr	\$345,000
41020 Greenbriar Ln	\$175,000
13982 Pleasant View Ct	\$374,000
10579 Red Maple Dr	\$379,000
9263 Rocker Ave	\$231,000
546 Roe St	\$283,000
760 S Evergreen St	\$260,000
1199 S Sheldon Rd	\$30,000
101 S Union St	\$213,000
374 W Spring St	\$284,000
9311 Westbury Ave	\$160,000
REDFORD	
19923 Beech Daly Rd	\$53,000
17678 Fox	\$73,000
19628 Garfield	\$45,000
17170 Lennane	\$33,000
24970 N Sylbert Dr	\$76,000
17349 Norborne	\$27,000

18420 Wakenden	\$53,000
15502 Winston	\$35,000
15502 Winston	\$40,000
20428 Woodworth	\$25,000
20450 Woodworth	\$20,000
WAYNE	
35150 Ash St	\$105,000
WESTLAND	
1263 Alvin St	\$109,000
33634 Avondale St	\$99,000
35151 Bayview St	\$58,000
8606 Beatrice	\$125,000
6621 Deerhurst Dr	\$124,000
2521 Eardman Ct	\$118,000
341 Larchmont Dr	\$155,000
7909 N Henry Ruff Rd	\$135,000
128 N Hix Rd	\$129,000
32065 Parkwood St	\$75,000
8357 Randy Dr	\$139,000
2340 Stockmeyer Blvd	\$165,000
6307 Twin Oaks	\$135,000
39061 Willow Creek Pkwy	\$188,000
1018 Woodbourne St	\$87,000
7500 Woodview St	\$40,000
32957 Woodworth Ct	\$68,000

### REAL ESTATE BRIEFS

#### Short sales

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

It will be 6-7 p.m. each Thursday at 129 N. Lafayette, downtown South Lyon.

Please call the office at 248-782-7130 or email [june.quantum@gmail.com](mailto:june.quantum@gmail.com) for your reservation or additional information.

#### Investors

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

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

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

#### Seminar each Tuesday, Thursday

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

RSVP with Colonial Mortgage at 800-260-5484.

#### Free foreclosure tours

Free foreclosure tours are 1 p.m. every other Sunday. Meeting place is Panera Bread on the southeast corner of Middlebelt and I-96.

Email [Georgia@addedvalue-erealty.com](mailto:Georgia@addedvalue-erealty.com) or visit [FreeForeclosureTour.com](http://FreeForeclosureTour.com).

## Payment plan available for back property taxes

**Q: I am behind on my property taxes. I heard that there is a new statute regarding installment payments for delinquent property taxes. Can you help me?**

**A:** Michigan Public Act 499 of 2014 states that at the request of a property owner, a government unit may withhold a property from its foreclosure petition when the total household resources fall below a certain threshold, the owner has made the initial payment under the plan, and is not delinquent in satisfying the delinquent property tax installment



Robert Meisner

payment plan for any other property within the foreclosing government unit. At the successful completion of the payment plan, the local government unit must waive accrued interest. You are best advised to consult with your local government taxing authority to work out these arrangements.

**Q: I regularly contribute to local nonprofits, but I hear that changes to the Michigan Nonprofit Corporation Act make them accountable for what they do with my money. Is this true?**

**A:** It would take pages to tell you what egregious changes were made by the Legislature. Among other things, a nonprofit can now virtually eliminate any liability for a director of a nonprofit. So, you may want to consider whether you wish to give any money to a charitable organization or, for that matter, rely on the integrity of the directors who are free from liability even if they are grossly negligent. You should write your Legislator and demand a retraction of these egregious provisions.

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

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Feb. 2-6, 2015, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

BEVERLY HILLS	
32435 Madison St	\$235,000
21671 Meadow Ln	\$320,000
BINGHAM FARMS	
23775 Ravineview Ct	\$380,000
BIRMINGHAM	
620 Benvanille Ave	\$600,000
519 Bird Ave	\$598,000
2290 Carrollwood Ct	\$385,000
2822 Dorchester Rd	\$615,000
1694 Graefield Rd Unit 55	\$131,000
1551 Henrietta Ct	\$1,275,000
1291 Humphrey Ave	\$517,000
499 N Eton St # A1	\$133,000
373 N Old Woodward Ave	\$350,000
1003 N Old Woodward Ave	\$173,000
1132 Northlawn Blvd	\$385,000
BLOOMFIELD HILLS	
4001 Fairlane Dr	\$844,000

2033 Regent Dr	\$223,000
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NOVI	
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41863 Cherry Hill Rd	\$208,000
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23602 Stonehenge Blvd	\$125,000
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54302 Royal Troon Dr	\$350,000
58683 Winnowing Cir S	\$73,000
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25675 Farmbrook Rd	\$265,000
24401 Martha Washington Dr	\$110,000
20412 Melrose St	\$50,000
23240 Morningside St	\$233,000
26202 Oakcrest Rd	\$184,000
30310 Park Ln	\$143,000
26497 Primary Dr	\$50,000
28770 Ranchwood Dr	\$120,000
27261 Shagbark Dr	\$61,000
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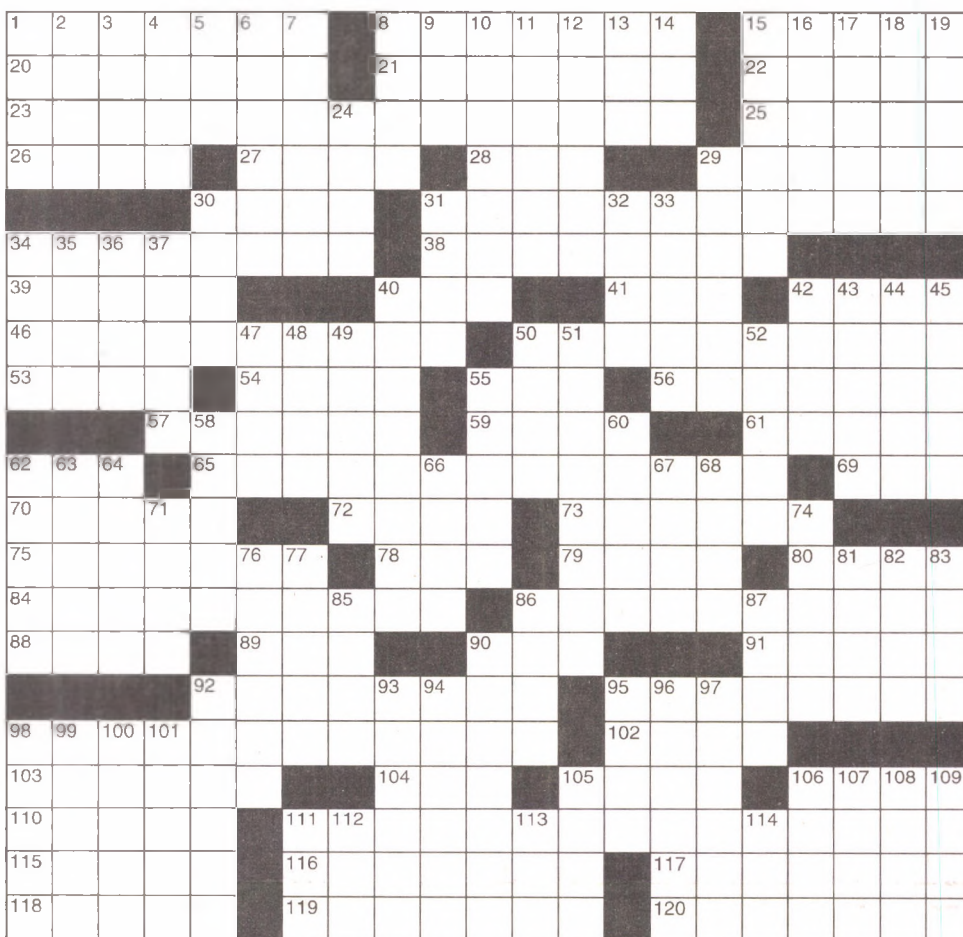
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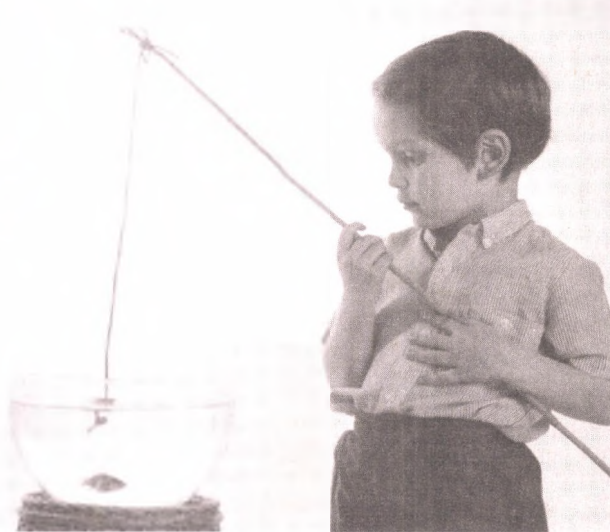
- ACROSS**
- 1 Boat docks
- 8 Mere penny
- 15 Stair face
- 20 Generally
- 21 Infused with carbon dioxide
- 22 Cosmetics queen
- 23 Holiday tree brighteners
- 25 Figure skating category
- 26 Baby blues, say
- 27 Detroit loc.
- 28 By way of
- 29 — Babies
- 30 Info on a library slip
- 31 Thing swung on a court
- 34 Undermined
- 38 Federal case, so to speak
- 39 Countrified
- 40 See 42-Across
- 41 German's "one"
- 42 With 40-Across, headwear for doing laps
- 46 William Tell wielded one
- 50 Nine-footer with 88 keys
- 53 Game with a cue stick
- 54 "Cat on — Tin Roof"
- 55 Bakery treat
- 56 Atypical pets
- 57 Taco sauce brand
- 59 Everyone, in German
- 61 Topic in question
- 62 Beddy-bye clothes
- 65 Gravity-defying party decoration
- 69 Have a go at
- 70 Reply to "You are not!"
- 72 Spoiled stars' problems
- 73 Running back Smith
- 75 Pro at PR
- 78 Crude abode
- 79 "Hud" actress
- 80 Morales of film and TV
- 84 Pinocchio, for one
- 86 Rosary's nonreligious relative
- 88 Like a spud-slicing GI
- 89 Aide to Santa
- 90 Some small batteries
- 91 Holiday tree topper
- 92 Really mad
- 95 Film director
- 98 Alternative to drapes
- 102 Merit
- 103 Spanish province
- 104 Cellular stuff
- 105 Rick's love in a 1942 film
- 106 Farmland unit
- 110 Cleaned up some leaves
- 111 What eight of this puzzle's answers have
- 115 Saw wood
- 116 Capital of New Jersey
- 117 Paying to stay at
- 118 Disburdened
- 119 Like mustard
- 120 Post-Trojan War tale
- 2 White-faced
- 3 Seldom seen
- 4 Pupil site
- 5 Greek letters
- 6 "Nashville" director
- 7 Arab, e.g.
- 8 Unduly quick
- 9 Slender fish
- 10 Force to rise
- 11 Shutting in
- 12 Fuel gas
- 13 Court divider
- 14 Grid stats
- 15 Annual
- 16 Sci-fi's Asimov
- 17 Smell awful
- 18 Uncanny
- 19 Turn to 000
- 24 Did perfectly
- 29 Secret taste-test label
- 30 Strike mark
- 31 Defreeze
- 32 Conception
- 33 Fisher's net
- 34 Tinfoil, e.g.
- 35 Irish money
- 36 BP gas brand
- 37 Painter Frida
- 40 Instructed jointly
- 42 Uses a divan
- 43 Bell's place
- 44 Acquire, as debt
- 45 Stroll
- 47 Be worthy of
- 48 Kids' writer
- 49 Bacall's first hubby
- 50 — monster
- 51 Chile — (Mexican dishes)
- 52 Gist
- 55 Blatz brewer
- 58 West Virginia's state flower, for short
- 60 Fudd of cartoonism
- 62 California's — Beach
- 63 Osaka's land
- 64 Smarmy smile
- 66 Pouty face
- 67 Epps of TV's "House"
- 68 Smarmy
- 71 Barber's cut
- 74 Some minors
- 76 Boxing combo
- 77 H'wood type
- 81 Wise soul
- 82 Some Snapple products
- 83 Cruise stop
- 85 Big brand of nonstick cookware
- 86 Joking types
- 87 Cowshed
- 90 It's faster than adagio
- 92 Laid down the lawn?
- 93 "The Queen" star Helen
- 94 Seventh — stretch
- 95 Ward of TV
- 96 Fidel of Cuba
- 97 Sounded off
- 98 Poorer
- 99 Donald's first wife
- 100 "Zorba the Greek" novelist
- 101 John — (tractor maker)
- 105 Lacks entity
- 106 Play units
- 107 Greek letters
- 108 Artist
- 109 Irritable
- 111 Fuel additive brand
- 112 Mr. Capote, to his pals
- 113 Weed B — (lawn care product)
- 114 In — case



## Answer to Last Week's Puzzle

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 E R I N O N E I O T A H A B A N E R O  
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 S P O T S P I T S P A T I C E D L E N  
 P I U S N A W E T R E N I R O  
 A N T A G S B E R N B A R N B O R N  
 N E E S O N E L E V A T E S S A N A  
 A T N O O R A T E H O Y T  
 R U L E L E A R N E R S I N V A I N  
 M E S S M O S S M A S S T A L C T S E  
 U V E A T O S S O A R M A L T  
 S E R R E N O C R O W C R A W C R E W  
 E R A S E R C O O R S O C U L I S T  
 D E C K D O C K D U C K T W E R E  
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- EPiX3 Channel 447
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**CANTON - Phase One of downsizing** June 25 & 26 10-5pm. Royal Pointe West Sub. 6956 POPPLETON RD.

**Canton: Riverpark Sub** annual garage sale. Thurs. June 25th thru Sat. June 27, 8am - 3pm. SW corner of Palmer and Sheldon Roads

**FARMINGTON HILLS - 6 FAMILY GARAGE SALE:** June 25-June 30, 10-4pm. 31129 Verona - enter off 14 Mile, Hummels, dolls & toys.

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**LIVONIA - 14600 Huff.** June 25-28, 9-5pm. Baby & kids items & clothes like new, toys large & small, plumbing tools + More!

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**Livonia - Huge indoor Sale -** Calvary Missionary Church 28850 W Six Mile. Furniture, Household, toys, holiday Thurs - Fri June 25th-26th 9a-6p. Sat June 27th 9a-5a

**Livonia: Huge Yard Sale** Polish National Alliance Scholarship Fundraiser. Sat. 6/27. 14680 Newburgh at Ladywood High School parking lot. A MUST SEE!

**LIVONIA - Large family garage** sale items to be sold: tools, Longaberger baskets, kitchen utensils tupperware, glassware, books misc. coins & comics. Custom Jewelry and Womens Clothing. June 25th-28th Thurs-Mon. 9a-4p. 14679 PARK ST. S/5 Mile, E. Levan corner of Park and Meadowbrook

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# Car Report

## Hyundai, Kia Take the U.S. Lead in Initial Quality, According to New J.D. Power Study



By Dale Buss

Despite strong overall sales, it's a topsy-turvy time in the US auto market. There's no better illustration of that fact than today's release of the 2015 version of the influential Initial Quality Study (IQS) by J.D. Power & Associates.

Korean brands have surged to the front of the entire industry in terms of perceived quality by US car buyers, according to Power, even though market share gains by Hyundai and Kia have slowed lately.

Meanwhile, Japanese brands—for decades, held as the gold standard in automotive quality—have actually sunk below the industry norm for the first time despite improving their quality performance.

The industry overall experienced 3 percent advance in initial quality, which Power measured by asking owners about problems experienced during their first 90 days of ownership (number of problems experienced

per 100 vehicles, or PP100).

Continuing their recent surge, Korean brands led the industry in initial quality by the widest margin ever.

Japanese car brands—considered the gold standard—were surpassed by European brands for the first time, and on par with US brands for only the second time

And for the first time in the IQS's 29-year history, Japanese makes overall fell below the industry average—only four of the 10 Japanese brands included in the study posted an improvement.

"This is a clear shift in the quality landscape," Renee Stephens, vice president of US automotive quality for J.D. Power, said in a press release.

Porsche ranked highest of all brands in initial quality for the third consecutive year. Kia followed Porsche, and for the first time led all non-premium makes. Jaguar, Hyundai and Infiniti rounded out the top five nameplates. Infiniti was one of the most improved brands in the study.

Beyond that, segment leaders and other indicators of top quality were spread across many brands, giving just about every automaker something to boast about. At the same time, the entire industry continued to suffer from what Power

called "the most problem-prone area for a third consecutive year": entertainment and connectivity systems.

Even Fiat Chrysler managed to find something to crow about, with its new version of the Chrysler 300 ranking highest in Power's Large Car category, and the Dodge Challenger ranking at the top of the Midsize Sporty Car segment. But overall, three of the company's brands—Jeep, Chrysler and Fiat—were among the five worst.

Model awards were spread among several corporations, with many receiving multiple awards.

General Motors (4): Chevrolet Equinox (tie); Chevrolet Malibu; Chevrolet Silverado LD; and Chevrolet Spark

Hyundai Motor Company (4): Hyundai Accent; Hyundai Tucson; Kia Sorento; and Kia Soul

Nissan Motor Company (4): Infiniti QX70; Infiniti QX80; Nissan Sentra; and Nissan Quest

Volkswagen AG (4): Audi Q3; Porsche 911; Porsche Boxster; and Porsche Macan

BMW (3): BMW 2 Series; BMW 4 Series; and BMW 5 Series

Toyota Motor Corporation (3): Lexus LS; Toyota Tacoma; and Toyota Sequoia

Fiat Chrysler Automobiles (2): Chrysler 300 and Dodge Challenger

Ford Motor Company (2): Ford Escape (tie) and Ford Super Duty



Kia Rio was ranked No. 2 in quality by Power among small cars.

Mazda (1): Mazda MX-5 Miata

However, as Power noted, technology continued to pose a problem for most makes despite their overall improving quality performance:

- Entertainment and connectivity systems remain the most problem-prone area for a third consecutive year, with voice recognition and Bluetooth pairing continuing to top the problem list.

- The majority of models included in the study that have voice recognition systems experience 10 or more PP100 related to this feature.

- The number of owners who indicate having voice recognition in their new vehicle has increased to 67 percent in 2015 from 57 percent in 2013. Based on results from the J.D. Power 2015 U.S. Tech Choice Study, SM this will continue to increase as simple wireless device and near field communication are the top two entertainment/connectivity technologies

consumers indicate wanting on their next vehicle.

"Smartphones have set high consumer expectations of how well technology should work, and automakers are struggling to match that success in their new vehicles," said Stephens. "However, we are seeing some OEMs make important improvements along the way. What's clear is that they can't afford to wait for the next generation of models to launch before making important updates to these systems."

The study is based on responses from more than 84,000 purchasers and lessees of new 2015 model-year vehicles surveyed after 90 days of ownership. The study, now in its 29th year, is based on a 233-question battery organized into eight problem categories designed to provide manufacturers with information to facilitate the identification of problems and drive product improvement. The study was fielded between February and May 2015.

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#### NEW HUDSON

Kensington Place Annual Community Yard Sale  
June 26th - 28th, 9-5pm.  
60501 Grand River Ave.

#### Northville: ESTATE SALE

20847 W. Glen Haven Antiques Furn., Collectibles, Baby Grand Piano, Petite woman's clothing more. June 19-22. June 26-29. (231) 876-1094

#### NORTHVILLE MOVING SALE

Thurs-Sun, 9-6pm.  
48905 S. Mile Rd. RV items, 2.5 inch hitch extension (48 inches long), leveling blocks, furniture (king sized bed & bunk beds), guitar/bass, tablet, theatre system, games, electronics & much more!

#### Northville: Sub Garage Sale

Northville Hills Golf Club  
Thurs June 25 & Fri June 26  
9:00am - 4:00pm

#### NOVI 5-Generation Sale

Thurs 6/25-Saturday 6/27, 9am-4pm  
Toys, tools, housewares, vintage & collectible items.  
41273 Coventry Rd. inside Carriage Hills Subdivision, N. of 8 Mile, E. of Meadowbrook.

#### NOVI Sub Sale-Whispering Meadows

Sub. 9 miles btwn Haggerty & Meadowbrook  
June 26-27th, 9am-4pm.

#### Novi: Yard Sale/Antiques

Liquidation of antique mail booth, Dishes/glassware. Lots and lots of books, vintage and modern, childrens, cookbooks. Many paper items: postcards, ads, sheet music and music books, travel brochures, art prints, misc ephemera. Records from 60s and 70s. Oil lamps, christmas plates, linens, table and bed. Royal Doulton figures, many other vintage collectibles, MCAT prep books, and much more. Thursday, June 25, 26, 27 and Sunday 28, 9 am - 6 pm.  
22477 Brookforest 48375

#### Garage/Moving Sales

**PLYMOUTH:** 8800/54/57 Corinne. June 24th-26th. 9a-5p. 200+ Perennials, attic fan, sewing mow, gym equip, insh bellock, clothes: B infant-3, G: B-12 sizes. New t-shirts \$3.  
**PLYMOUTH - FRI-SUN 9-5**  
Tools construction equip & scaffolding lighting, lawn ornaments, antique paintings & More. 358 MAPLE ST

#### Plymouth - MOVING SALE

Country Club Village Sub. Fri. 6/26 1pm-4pm No early birds. Sat. 6/27 9am-3pm 4000 sq ft. home full of items. 11474 MAPLE RIDGE

#### PLYMOUTH Sat. 6/27

8a-4p Tools, wheel barrow, sports equipment & much more. 47693 Edinburg Dr.

#### PLYMOUTH- Subdivision Sale

at Ridge & Powell-Thurs. -Sat. 6/25-6/27 9am-4pm. Toys, clothing, household items, glassware furn. & much more. 49484 Cook A

#### Redford: Estate Sale

Huge selection of tools! Lawn equipment, household, furniture, and more. Everything must go! 11338 Lenore. Sat. June 27, 10a-3p (734)288-8277

#### Redford - St Robert

Bellarmino Annual Garage Sale  
Pre Sale June 24th 5pm - 8pm  
\$2 admission Thurs-Sat. June 25th-27th 9a -5p. 27101 W Chicago. Corner of w. Chicago & Inkster Rd. Sat. selling hot dogs drinks & snacks.

#### SOUTH LYON - Gar Sale

11336 Lisa Lori Lane off 8 mi. btw Ruxton & Marshall  
Mechanic tools, mens tools & equip, furn, baby, car access, horse access. + more. Thurs-Sat. 9-3pm.

#### White Lake: Sat 9-4 p.m.

4564 Spring Ridge Drive  
Beautiful teak furniture, French Provincial furniture, J.E. Ekornes chair, Eames style chairs, Everett upright oak upright piano, Fligom treadmill XP 2000 X1. Tons of electronics, Lamin mink coat. General household & much more! For pictures & details please visit: www.suchafindstateliquidation.com

#### Comm Indust Machinery

Truck Crane - FOR SALE 80 FT 15 Ton Used on new house. \$8,000 248-884-4481

#### Baby & Children Items

After successfully running my licensed childcare business for 27 years, I'm retiring and selling all daycare equipment. Must buy all equipment. Please call for details 248-427-1245

#### Household Goods

3 pc oak wall unit & china cabinet. Excellent cond. - \$400 kitchen table w/ chair- \$50 metal office desk, credenza, & chair-\$20. Also Schwinn Treadmill-\$50. 248-505-8153

#### FREE REMOVAL - unwanted

Riding Lawn Mowers & Tillers, running or not! (517)294-9640

#### Misc. For Sale

Modular home axle, One axle & 2 wheels for \$45. Also 3 axles with brakes & 2 without brakes Good condition Call 248-624-3294 or 586-914-0202

#### Household Goods

Brown Jordan 48" round glass top patio set w/4 chairs; \$495. Roll top desk, DBL, ped., mahogany, beautiful; \$450. Desk chair, swivel, lthr, wood base, royal blue; \$95. 248-924-3050

#### DINING TABLE-RochesBobois

Tenere, 79"x39". Wood leg finish. Chene Gris Ardoise. Never been used-excellent condition. New. \$6700. Asking: \$3500. (312)965-9222 lilsjb@aol.com

#### Solid Cherry Bedroom Set

triple dresser, chest of drawers & double bed \$550. Upright, stored Chair \$250 734-459-6896

#### Appliances

Northville- Recently remodel home Selling previous Kitchen- on Ad Superba Stainless Steel appliances, Granite, Custom Cupboards, Hood & more. Motivated seller. Serious buyers only. Everything much go! 248-212-7216

#### Bargain Buys

If you're selling an item for \$100 or less RUN YOUR AD UNDER BARGAIN BUY CLASS 7200 AT A SPECIAL RATE Michigan.com Observer & Eccentric Call 800-579-7355! \*Some restrictions may apply

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Single grave site. Glen Eden Cemetery in beautiful Garden of Gethsemane. Asking \$1350 or best offer. Perpetual care included. Phone until 11 pm. (734)422-2576

#### Sporting Goods

Barnett Quad 400 Crossbow \$300  
Westin running boards \$100 Nikon Pro Staff Scope \$100 Accept best offer 810-623-1676

#### Canoes and Paddleboat

\$250 each/obo. Good condition. 734-878-8864 Please call after 5pm.

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#### Pet Supplies/Services

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## Is that job stress making you feel OVERWEIGHT?

**JOB STRESS CAN CERTAINLY TAKE A TOLL ON EMPLOYEES — FROM BURN-OUT TO HEALTH CONCERNS — BUT COULD IT CONTRIBUTE TO WEIGHT GAIN IN THE WORKPLACE?**



Nearly 6 in 10 U.S. workers (57 percent) feel they're overweight, up from the 55 percent who reported feeling overweight last year, according to a new CareerBuilder survey. And job-related stress may have a strong correlation to weight gain.

The research shows that workers who experience high levels of stress are 49 percent more likely to rate themselves as overweight when compared with workers with low stress.

### Leading culprits of workplace weight gain

We asked employees what they think contributed to their weight gain at their current job. As you might have guessed, sedentary behavior topped the list. Here's what they said:

- **Sitting at the desk most of the day (56 percent)**
- **Too tired from work to exercise (43 percent)**
- **Eating because of stress (37 percent)**

Wellness and overall health ought to be a priority not just to workers, but also to employers.

"The health of a company's workforce is a paramount issue for many employers, as neglecting it can significantly



dampen workplace morale and productivity," said Rosemary Haefner, chief human resources officer at CareerBuilder. "There's a clear incentive to make wellness and work-life balance a focus of organizational culture, and we're encouraged to see many companies making them a priority year after year."

### Tips to lose weight on the job

There's no need to go all J-Lo to lose a few pounds at work — just try some of these simple steps to encourage and maintain healthier habits.

- **Snack and eat out less**
- **Exercise more**
- **Take advantage of your employer's wellness benefits**
- **Leave your desk for lunch**

Tweet at @CareerBuilder and tell us: Have you tried simple changes to become a healthier version of yourself? Share your tips with us!

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• Develop over all purchasing strategy  
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• Research and qualify new vendors taking into account quality, pricing, minimum order quantities shipping, etc.  
• Identify opportunity for cost savings  
**Qualifications:**  
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• A minimum of 3 years recent and related experience.  
**Required Knowledge and Skills:**  
• Excellent planning and organizational skills is a must. Ability to multi task and to plan daily, weekly & monthly tasks.  
• Must be a positive team player and able to work in a fast and quick response environment.  
• Strong verbal and written communication skills.  
• Multi tasking  
• Excellent price negotiation skills  
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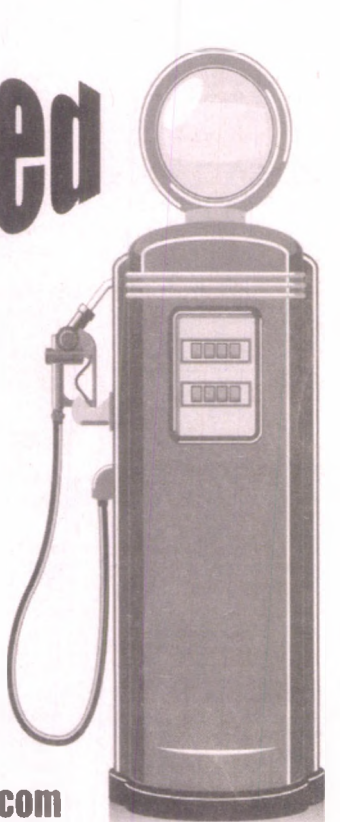
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